

## HQ Update - January 25, 2010

### *January 22, 2010 - Georgia HOSA Surpasses 8,000 HOSA Members!*

We have completed our second year of region competitions with great success. Last year we had roughly 1100 competitors participate at the region level. This year we had 1595 registered to compete. We are really happy with the turnout and cannot wait to grow the vision of the region competitive events program for Georgia HOSA members. We were also very happy to post the results extremely early! We planned to have the results posted on Wednesday following the competition but were able to get them up Sunday, 3 days early!

We hope to have a record breaking SLC attendance this year. We are excited about the courtesy corps program we have restarted and cannot wait to see the wonderful impact they will have in the success of the conference. In addition, the Competitive Events Management Team has been hard at work to prepare for a successful CE program. To give you an idea, we started drafts on the agenda back in April of 2009. We also hope that our new chaperone policy will help advisors relieve some stress over where their students are while serving as an event manager or other staff in the CE program.

I will be at the HSTEAT/IEGA conference and will be presenting a workshop on Saturday morning, January 30, on preparing for the SLC. Gina Wilkes, Competitive Events (CE) Director, will also be there to share a few pointers and updates to prepare for the SLC.

Remember we have the SLC registration deadline quickly approaching - **February 4th**. At the SLC your voting delegates will elect the 2010-2011 state officers and region representatives. The packets have been online for quite sometime now and explain the entire process of candidacy. We hope to see an increase in candidates this year!

### **X-FACTOR (something personal non related to HOSA)**

Sean is completing the process to work at the Augusta National Golf Course, home of the Masters Golf Tournament, during the first full week of April. Sean will be in the administrative offices doing exactly what he does here at Georgia HOSA Headquarters. This will be a fun and exciting experience for him!

Last week, I was invited by Centennial High School HOSA to attend the Bodies Exhibit and the Dialogue in the Dark. Both were absolutely amazing and the Dialogue in the Dark was absolutely phenomenal. It was such an eye-opener and completely changed my perspective of our senses. Thank you Centennial HS HOSA!

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