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Arizona HOSA Members and Advisors!

The 2016 Fall Leadership Extravaganza (FLEX) is less than two weeks away! Get excited, as we have a day of fun planned for you!

For those of you who are unfamiliar with FLEX, it is a conference held in Phoenix at the Talking Stick Resort Arena and the Phoenix Convention Center. It begins with an opening session, which is followed by a plethora of workshops that allow you to learn about different health careers, about competitions, and they'd provide you with tools you need to become a great leader. A few popular ones from the years before have been the workshop with the surgeons, HOSA Bowl mock competition, and a simulation activity using mannequins.

Some benefits of attending FLEX include:

1. You get to interact with HOSA members from all over the state
2. It establishes professionalism, not just through what you wear, but how you act and behave.
3. You learn more about specific health careers from individuals who work in those fields
4. You can participate in the fun workshop activities
5. You get a sneak peek of some of the competitive events and you learn about the different competitions
6. You gain some soft skills that will help you become a better leader, not just in HOSA, but in your community, as well.

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But wait! FLEX doesn't end after the workshops. We have a social event that is optional to attend afterwards. In the years prior, the social planned was the Phoenix Suns basketball game. This year, we decided to change it up and the social will be at Castles and Coasters!

We look forward to seeing all of you soon at FLEX on November 10th!

Mission Report: Past State Officer



This month, Operation Recognition is recognizing one of Arizona HOSA's Past State Officers, Amber Ross. She graduated from the University of Arizona and is now working as an EMT in Texas. We asked her a few questions about her time in HOSA.

1. When did you first join HOSA?

I first joined HOSA in 2010. I was a junior in high school at Tucson high school. I was interested in healthcare but not sure what direction I wanted to take and HOSA seemed like a good fit for career exploration.

2. During your time in HOSA, what was your favorite event to attend? What made it your favorite?

My favorite event I attended in HOSA was the Washington leadership Academy for state officers. This was my favorite event because I got to speak with leaders in the white house and really make an impact within CTE.

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3. How has your time in HOSA helped you get to where you are today?

My time in HOSA helped me grow in my interpersonal skills. I became a better speaker and I learned how to interview and speak with other healthcare professionals in a way that they could take me seriously as a fellow healthcare provider. Having HOSA in my background has given me nothing but positive recognition from many of my past and present employers.

4. What has been your greatest HOSA achievement?

My greatest HOSA achievement was getting up on stage in front of 2000 plus students and delivering my speech like a boss. Especially being known as the timid, shy girl and having Mrs. Shovlin comment on how much my speaking skills have improved.

5. What are your current career goals?

I am currently out working as a medic, getting familiar with EMS on the ground. In the future I hope to work as a traveling paramedic and help build EMS in underdeveloped countries where EMS does not exist.



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Mission Report: Parli Pro Tips

By Gregory Carnesi, AzHOSA Parliamentarian

Hello Arizona HOSA Members! This is your Parliamentarian Gregory Carnesi here for another edition of Parli Pro Tips! In the last edition, we covered Debate and the Rules of Debate. During Debate, there's a lot more you can do besides commenting on the merits of a motion. Let's say you debate on a motion and determine that it needs to be changed in some way, such as phrasing or specifications. Should you just drop the motion and make a new one? No, that's not necessary. Instead, you can move to amend the motion, and that's what we'll be covering this month.

Through the process of amending a motion, you can change the wording, and oftentimes, meaning of a main motion. There are three ways to amend a main motion, inserting words, striking out words, and striking out and inserting words. The three means of amending a motion are very self-explanatory. When you move to amend a motion by inserting words, you are adding words to the main motion. When you move to amend by striking out words, you are removing words from the motion. A motion to amend by striking out and inserting words does both of those actions at the same time. For example, let's say the main motion you're debating is "That the chapter have a carwash fundraiser and a bake sale fundraiser on Saturday." You want to specify that the fundraisers will take place from 8 am to 4 pm on that Saturday. You could move to amend the motion by inserting the words "from 8am to 4pm" after "Saturday". During debate, it's determined that having both a car wash fundraiser and a bake sale fundraiser at the same time isn't efficient. At that point, you move to amend the motion by striking out "and a bake sale fundraiser" from the main motion.

By using amendments, you can change a main motion to fit whatever specifications you want. Additionally, you can also amend amendments if it's determined that an amendment needs to be changed. When amending an amendment, you follow the exact same procedures as amending a normal main motion. Note that you cannot amend an amendment to an amendment, and so forth. At that point, it only gets confusing. Remember – you debate only the amendment change and then vote on it. If it passes, then you reread the amended main motion and continue debate. If the amendment fails, then you go back and reread the original main motion and continue debate.

In the next edition of Parli Pro Tips, we'll be covering more subsidiary motions, specifically pertaining to Committees. Until then!

