

Hello everyone,

First of all, thank you for helping out with the **Walk to End Alzheimer's!!!** We raised **\$800** and contributed to the events total **\$25,000!!**

Today, September 18, our President started off the meeting asking for the club to decide on a color scheme for our T-shirts. No one present objected to the blazer colors, **Black T-shirt with red writing**. The deadline for t-shirt payment was postponed another week.

Volunteer opportunities are opening up on campus with the REC center. They need volunteers to help set up the Haunted Trail by the Ropes Course. In November, they will need volunteers for their Turkey Chop. Both of these events will count towards your community hours. Please e-mail your president, **Taylor Butenschon** to sign-up tbutenschon@valdosta.edu.

A student, Danielle Fawaz, is hosting a Get Well Basket for Dr. Whatley based on *low budget* of activities and treats to send him while he is in the hospital. She is looking for any contributions **as low as 50¢** and as high as you see fit. She will be in the Psyc Building on Thursday, room 1302 at 12:30pm to collect your donations.

Our guest speaker, **Dr. Heather Kelly** revealed a powerpoint to the club today. She discussed her journey from teaching K-12 to becoming an Educational Psychologist. Leaving the puzzling classrooms behind, she pursued a Master's and later a Doctorate in Educational Psychology.

With the valuable information she learned, she could better make sense of the different age groups, their behavior, their mental development, and their motivation. She stressed that an Education Psychologist, who works with and trains teachers, is NOT the same as a School Psychologist, who works with students in the school settings. The former is more suited towards research whereas the latter is more suited towards the implementation of that research.

She encouraged the club with a statistic from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics in 2009 that psychologist and psychologists-related employment should rise to 15% from 2006 to 2016, which is faster than average growth rate for all occupations.

Finally, she reminded us all how rewarding her field is because it deals with people across their lifespan, seeking to help them gain the most out of education. Her powerpoint is attached as well as the printable sheet.

Upcoming events also posted on the bulletin boards:

This Thursday, Sept 20th - **Psi Chi's** Meet, Eat, & Greet with Dr. Reiner,

Psych Building 1302 @ 12:30 Sign-in on the bulletin board outside 1302 so that the event can be catered correctly.

Sept 28th Mock GRE with Dr. Browne @ 2pm, Psyc Building 1302. **Sign-Up on Bulletin Board in the back of 1302.** *This event will take 2-3 hours to do.*

- Oct 4th Grad Prep Day- Professors from Master's program accept grad school questions
- Oct 9th Early registration for conference visit during Wed. March 13-16th, \$70
- Oct 11th APA workshops: Psi Chi and Dr. Browne @ 12:30, Psyc building 1302
- Nov 8th APA workshops: Psi Chi and Dr. Tost @ 12:30, Psyc building 1302