



# NHTSA Official Newsletter

## President's Corner

Hello New Hampshire TSA!

We just had another great Spring Conference, following a fantastic year for TSA. We saw a huge boost in membership, and I saw that members both new and old brought their excitement and commitment to every meeting. You guys did great this year in all your events, and I hope you had a great time as well. I can't wait for next year's Spring Conference already!

However, for some of you, the TSA 'season' is not over yet. If you are going to the TSA National Conference this year, I want to wish you good luck. It is coming up pretty soon, so have fun and good luck in your competitions. I am sure you will do a great job and represent yourselves, and New Hampshire TSA well.

Right now, the state officers are getting ready to kick off next year to a good start. At the end of the summer, we will be attending a CTSO leadership training conference, so that we can improve for next year. And right after that, we will be working towards the Fall Rally and another amazing year for TSA. I would like to thank all of you guys for making this past year so fantastic, and I look forward to seeing you next year!

~ Sean Russell, President

## Nationals

Hello New Hampshire TSA!

For those ready to take on the challenge, there will be an annual event taking place on June 28 through July 2nd: the 2015 TSA National Conference. We are so excited to meet everyone who is attending! For those that have been to nationals, I definitely hope that you guys are going again! Also, for those first-timers, we wish you guys the best of luck! Just like us, you guys are probably extremely nervous about conference, but do not worry! It was our first time last year, and it was a life-changing experience.

Last year, we attended this conference for the first time. Although we had high expectations, they were exceeded nonetheless. There were vendors, people milling around, buzzing conversation, enormous rooms... and it was all for TSA. There aren't many experiences that are quite like this one.

After nights of finalizing projects, an overwhelming plane ride, and an extensive bonding session with your chapter, arriving to the hotel of the national conference assuages the stress that you may have built up over the journey. Arriving the hotel is a feeling of accomplishment on its own!

When you walk into the hotel, you really begin to realize how special this

## A Recap of Spring Conference

Hello New Hampshire TSA!

This year's spring conference was a blast! As a newcomer to TSA, the actual grandiose of the whole event, from the hotel, to the food, to the events, exceeded my expectations! Making my own TSA project and submitting it amongst the vast amount of competitors was not only exciting but it gave me artistic liberty. I had to make my projects individually creative and they had to represent me.

That was something I never expected, nor did I expect the huge amount of competitors. The whole competitive scheme was very exciting not just for me as a competitor, but as a person who was a part of TSA. From my perspective throughout the event, I found that TSA was not only a fun and artistic club, but a technological competitive event hosted by friends among friends. Spring conference itself painted TSA in a new light for me and it will always be an experience which I hold dear to my heart.

-Brian Russell, Treasurer

conference is. After you've endured the plane ride, you know that whatever you're going to had *better be* special, but when you enter the hotel, you really understand what you've encountered.

However, this is only the beginning of the exhilarating adventure at the conference. At the end of the first night, you will be able to trade pins and socialize with TSA members from different states, and sometimes, different countries! Not to mention, the food, fun, and ceremonies are amazing!

We're looking forward to this incredible opportunity to network, make friends, and celebrate a great TSA season, and we hope you are too! In case you haven't noticed, TSA is pretty great, and this conference really encompasses that. So, although this experience is wholly ineffable, we hope that you enjoy it.

We don't want to spoil the whole conference for all of you, but it is going to be a blast! Again, we hope to see some of you guys there!

-Flannery Sheahan, Reporter and Justin Yeung, Secretary

## A Recap of The Year

Hello NH TSA,

This is your State Vice President and Sergeant at Arms speaking. Here we will talk about the Recap of the Year. Before State Conference we have had many meeting throughout the year to prepare us for the great conference. Even before that, we have been practicing for Fall Rally. So, to start things off, we will share with you guys a timeline of the happenings throughout the year of TSA for the State Officers. First we have Fall Rally, which consisted of multiple chapters coinciding within Camp Carpenter to experience a little bit of what will be happening at States and what to expect. Next we have taken a break for the continuation of prepping State Conference for NH TSA. Within these short months we have had plenty of meetings to prepare, get caught up with each other with a lovely dinner at the Common Man in Concord, and participate in community service in the NHDOE in Concord.

With all of this in between State Conference and Fall Rally, during our meeting we have had plenty of time to prepare for States. State Conference was a huge success. NH TSA literally doubled if not more our numbers attending States this year. Not only did we grow in numbers, but our canned good drive was another success this year and hopefully years to come. New state officer elections were quite the show to put on during States. Not only were they appealing, but there were plenty of candidates that ran for office this year, compared to the others that I have witnessed.

Enough about States, we hope you've had a great TSA year, and we look forward to seeing all of you next year bright and early for Fall Rally. Have a great rest of the year, good luck on finals, and have a nice day.

-Charlie Woo, Vice President and Alex Schwartz, Sergeant-at-Arms

