Greek Member Recognized

The men of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Incorporated; the Delta Mu Chapter would like to take time out to wish our soror Crystal Davis, a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Incorporated, congratulations on being awarded the first ever Student Phenomenal Woman of the year Award. Crystal has been highly active within the Greek community here at Wichita State University. She has been president, financial secretary, and vice-president of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated. Outside of Greek life she has headed several community service programs through the Multicultural Student Mentoring Program. Crystal is a hard working, motivated young lady who deserves the recognition of being a Phenomenal Woman! Congratulations Crystal, your brothers are proud of you!

Chapter Hosts Conference

The men of Sigma Phi Epsilon were selected to be the host chapter of their annual Carlson Leadership Academy

By: Colin Phillips

Sigma Phi Epsilon President

The Wichita State University Sigma Phi Epsilon Chapter recently attended their regional leadership event, the Carlson Leadership Academy (CLA), in Dallas, Texas. This 2 day event included officer training for each member of the executive board as well as that for alumni and chapter volunteers. This year, we had 11 members of our chapter in conjunction with two alumni attend. Colin Phillips, Garrett Taylor, Kenny Green, Jakob Gutierrez, Jaren Johnson, Paul Rehm, Dylan Clark, Wyatt Clark, Preston Maus, and Kyle Cullinan represented the undergraduate chapter. SigEp offered leadership training with the emphasis on building the strongest and most effective leadership structure within our chapters by utilizing each member’s different leadership technique. Facilitators from across the nation came together in downtown Dallas including some of SigEp’s most well recognized and respected alumnus.

This CLA was especially unique for WSU SigEp’s because we were asked to be the host Chapter of the event. Our region includes Kansas, Oklahoma, Texas, Nebraska, Arkansas, and Louisiana. SigEp’s largest and strongest chapters lie within the same district, including the University of Oklahoma which is a 245 man chapter and the University of Texas. WSU’s chapter was selected out of all the others because of strong history and national recognition as one of SigEp’s best.

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Multicultural Greek Council was excited to sponsor Bra’s for a Cause for the 2nd year in a row. This year, the women partnered with the Office of Multicultural Affairs and held the event on the Rhatigan Student Center patio. The two organizations worked to raise awareness as well as donations to support the Breast Cancer Foundation. Countless stories from students about how their families have been affected by breast cancer were told.

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The Interfraternity Council held their first All Greek Gala on March 29, 2014. With over 120 attendees and money raised for six different philanthropy events, the event was a wonderful success.

The Gala was held at the Scottish Rite Center and members of the Masonic Lodge were available to give tours of the historical building to those interested. The event drew in members from almost all of the Greek organizations and was a fantastic example of Greeks coming together to raise money for important causes. Each organization will receive a percentage of the profit based off of their attendance and voting, which was held throughout the evening. Along with the tours, attendees enjoyed dancing, a pasta bar and a chocolate fountain.

The Interfraternity Council would like to thank all who attended and look forward to planning future events for the community.

Women’s Panhellenic Association

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Do More. Be More. Go Greek!

Tickets are on sale now for the 5th Annual Midwest Step Show: Shock the Yard! The Multicultural Greek Council is excited to bring the show back to the Orpheum Theater and pack the house for a night of high energy performances from teams throughout the Midwest.

There will be many teams from WSU competing, as well as some local youth groups. Last years winner, LIPE Step Team is returning from Colorado to defend their title! Teams from Oklahoma and K-State have also registered to participate. Tickets are $10 in advance and $15 at the door and are available in the University Bookstore, at the Intrust Bank Arena Ticket Office and at www.selectaseat.com

MGC is looking forward to selling out the Orpheum and making this their best step show ever. Buy your tickets now to ensure you have a seat!
Q: What does Hippodrome mean?
A: Hippodrome is the Greek word for Carnival

An 86 year tradition at WSU, Hippodrome is near and dear to the hearts of many Greek students. Originally started as a stunt competition in 1928, Hippodrome has evolved to include talent and skit competitions among WSU students. This years theme, Huxley's Magic Kingdom, will have a variety of Disney themed events from flamingo croquet to a cash carriage ready to whisk you to your classes. Visit www.wichita.edu/hippodrome for a complete list of events you won’t want to miss!

Kallistei Retreat Promotes Wellness, Unity

Student Involvement hosted their first ever wellness retreat, Kallistei, for members of the sororities at WSU. Held February 28-March 2, the retreat drew in members from six different sororities, representing both Women’s Panhellenic Association and Multicultural Greek Council chapters.

Kallistei was designed to unite the sorority community while empowering women to feel stronger about their holistic self. Women participated in wellness sessions, small groups, journaling, yoga, meditation and an indoor ropes course. Throughout the experience, women grew closer together and learned more about self esteem in a relaxing environment.

Attendees were also able to connect with women on campus as facilitators included the Director of Student Health Services, the Director of Student Involvement, the Director of Counseling and Testing and members of the Counseling and Testing and Office of Multicultural Affairs staff.

Student Involvement hopes to be able to continue to offer an annual wellness retreat for women as well as start a wellness retreat for men in the Spring 2015 semester. Thanks to all who participated in the first ever retreat, it was a fantastic time!

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As the host Chapter, we had the amazing opportunity to perform an initiation in front of 300 brothers. The ritual is the core of our fraternity and being able to share that with brothers from across the region was incredibly special. The headquarters staff said it was one of the best performed rituals they've ever seen. Also, as the host chapter, we helped in the execution of the event including running registration, assisting with facilitation, and helping headquarters staff.

CLA not only provides invaluable leadership training, but also is one the top notch networking events in the nation. In each of the executive board track trainings, we were able to identify problems that every chapter was having and work together to solve them. Also, brainstorming new ideas and events and sharing them to the group is encouraged as every chapter can learn from others. Including networking with other chapters, professional networking is abundant. Having the Board of Directors from SigEp present epitomized how highly valued these trainings are. In addition to the Board of Directors, we had the pleasure to meet some of our most successful alumni including some venture capitalists and CEOs who believe attending these events is the greatest way to give back to our Fraternity.

Not only is CLA meant to aid in the Building of Balanced Men, but also recognizes chapters for their achievements. The WSU SigEp chapter was recognized many times for their chapter achievements in addition with individual awards. As a Chapter we won the Chapter Home of the Year, Manpower Excellence Award, and Scholarship Cup. Chapter Home of the Year recognizes the top facility in the region, the Manpower Excellence Award means we were one of the top chapters in membership on our campus, and the Scholarship Cup is awarded to chapters who were ranked #1 in GPA during the Fall or Spring Semesters. In addition to the chapter awards, Preston Maus was awarded the Zolliger Senior Award for our district. This award recognizes a member who is involved within the chapter in leadership roles, involved outside the chapter, excels academically, and who has embodied being a Balanced Man. This award is unique because SigEp will award a sophomore within our chapter a $1000 scholarship in honor of Preston and he will sit on the committee who selects the winner.

At the end of the event we set many goals with the new ideas we just learned and we are excited to bring them back to our Greek community, campus, and Chapter.

ask the experts >>>
April 1: Chapter rosters for scholarship reports must be completed on OrgSync by 11:59 pm on April 1st.

April 3: Sigma Lambda Beta Burrito Sales, Wallace Hall 8:00 am—12:00 pm Pre-order or buy day of, homemade breakfast burritos. Contact Fidel Serrano, fxserrano@wichita.edu, for more information

April 9: Multicultural Greek Council Bake Sale, Hubbard Hall Lobby 10:00 am – 2:00 pm. A large variety of baked goods will be available for sale in support of the MGC and the programming they provide their membership

April 10: Alpha Phi Alpha Fried Chicken Dinner. Pre-order an $8.00 dinner of homemade chicken and sides in support of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. To pre-order contact Joseph Shepard, jwshepard@wichita.edu

April 11: Open House Event! All Greeks are encouraged to wear their letters on campus and come by the Greek Life tent during the Office of Undergraduate Admissions Open House. The tent will be on the north side of the RSC and will feature a Greeks Give event with Delta Upsilon’s teeter-totters. 8:30 am—3:00 pm, bring your yard games and have some fun!

April 8-12: Hippodrome! Visit wichita.edu/hippodrome to enjoy all of the events Huxley’s Magic Kingdom has to offer!

April 14: Women’s Panhellenic Association Rules Reading. All WPA sororities are required to attend this 1 hour review of the Formal Recruitment policies at 7:00 pm in Hubbard Hall 208

April 18: Sigma Alpha Epsilon Trike Races. Contact James Krstolich, james_krstolich@hotmail.com, for more information

April 24-26: Alpha Phiesta. Please see “Additional Information" sidebar

April 26: Delta Delta Delta Putt for a Cure. Contact Megan Mengelkoch, meganmmm93@hotmail.com, for more information

April 26: Multicultural Greek Council 5th Annual Midwest Step Show: Shock the Yard. Orpheum Theater, doors open at 6:00 pm, show starts at 7:00 pm. Please see page 2 for additional information

April 27-May 3: Sigma Psi Zeta Week. Contact May Phan, syzcognac@gmail.com, for more information

Full Council Meetings:
Multicultural Greek Council: 3:30 pm April 7 in RSC 265, April 21 in Clinton 213
Interfraternity Council: 5:00 pm April 8 and 22 in RSC 256
Women’s Panhellenic Association: 3:30 pm April 11 in RSC 265 and April 25 in RSC 266

New Member Greek Council Meetings:
April 8 and 22: 6:00 pm, Student Involvement

Don’t forget to visit wichita.edu/involvement for a list of Recognized Student Organization Trainings!

**Upcoming Events for March 2014. To have an event listed or submit information for an article, please complete the form located at wichita.edu/omegagazette by the 15th of the month of publication.**

**Additional Information >>>**

**Alpha Phiesta**

Alpha Phis have started preparing for their annual Alpha Phiesta! Phiesta is a $5 all-you-can-eat taco feed. This year, Alpha Phiesta will be held from Friday, April 25 - Saturday, April 26. Friday will feature a lunch shift from 11 am. - 2 pm., dinner from 5 - 8 pm., and a late-night nacho bar from 11 pm. - 1 am. Saturday will have one lunch shift from 11 am. - 2 pm. All proceeds benefit the Alpha Phi Foundation to promote cardiac care and research primarily in women.

**Gamma Phi Beta**

Our ladies have been filled with excitement with the potential new members and Arch Madness. This past month we were gladly able to offer eight women bids into Gamma Phi. As well as celebrating the new we were able to reminisce in our accomplishments this past year at Wichita State’s Greek Awards. Our Chapter as a whole has won the Rhatigan Outstanding Sorority Award. We also had great strides on an individual basis with one of our members, Clare Stewart, who won the outstanding sophomore award. In addition to that several girls in our chapter ventured to Saint Louis to support Shocker Basketball and watch Wichita State win the Missouri Valley Tournament.