



The Greek Gazette

The Official Newsletter of the
University of Wisconsin's Greek System



Pictured above: Alpha Delta Phi's philanthropy, Softball On Ice, took place on February 26 on Lake Mendota.

Welcome to the first issue of the Greek Gazette! The purpose of this newsletter is to provide the University of Wisconsin community with information about what is going on within the Greek system. With so many successful and innovative events constantly occurring, it is only natural that people should be aware of the wonderful things going on within the Greek system. Whether it be an entire chapter's philanthropy or a single Greek's accomplishments, recognition is deserved on all sides. If you want to get involved with the newsletter or have any questions, comments, or feedback, contact Katie Mack (kemack@wisc.edu) or Joe Buttery (parakay85@hotmail.com).

Amazing Academic Achievement

Congratulations to the following fraternities and sororities for achieving great things in the Fall 2004 semester:

Highest Chapter GPA:
Kappa Kappa Gamma
Delta Tau Delta

Highest New Member GPA:
Pi Beta Phi
Delta Upsilon

Highest Active GPA:
Alpha Epsilon Phi
Delta Tau Delta

Calendar Of Events For April:

April 1: Bucky's Blood Drive
April 3: All-Greek Council Awards
April 7, 8, 9: Humorology
April 9: Alpha Phi's Kiss Off
April 11-15: NPHC Greek Week
April 11-15: Sigma Chi's Derby Days
April 17: TKE's Charity Poker
April 17: Scholarship Banquet
April 17-22: Greek Week
April 23: Tri Delta's Kakes for Kids
April 24: GPB and KKG's Hoops for Hope
April 28-30: SDT's EAT Late

Council Updates

Multicultural Greek Council Grows

by Gabriela Aparicio- President, Multicultural Greek Council

Last spring, a group of ladies from Lambda Theta Alpha Latin Sorority, Inc. realized the need for a new governing Greek council on campus. They approached Ed Mirecki and Barb Kautz with the idea and with their full support, they presented this idea to the Commission on Fraternities and Sororities. Once approved, the ladies worked to create a constitution as well as publicize this new council. There were several Greek lettered organizations and interest groups who had not yet been recognized because of the fact that there was no council to be recognized under. After contacting these groups, the ladies of Lambda Theta Alpha worked closely with Ed and Barb to ensure the council was successfully established.

This fall of 2004, the Multicultural Greek Council was officially established in order to recognize and serve Multicultural Greek lettered organizations. This would include established chapters, colonies, and interest groups. The council began with one group, Lambda Theta Alpha, Latin Sorority Inc. However, since the council's establishment, it has grown to include four more groups: ELLA, which is an interest group for Kappa Delta Chi Latin Sorority, the colony of Sigma Lambda Gamma Latin Sorority Inc., Alpha Pi Omega, a Native American sorority, and MIND, an interest group for Sigma Lambda Gamma Latino Fraternity.

It has been so great to see all these new groups join the council. This was the reason the council was created and it's wonderful to see that it is serving the diverse UW-Madison campus so well. It has been a very exciting year for the council as these new groups have joined. While this year has been primarily used to induct new groups, finalize the constitution, open a checking account, and get involved with the All Greek Council, there is much being planned for the following year. The council is planning on attending MCORE (Multicultural Orientation and Reception) where each organization will have a table and incoming freshman will have a chance to see what each group is about. MGC is also planning on having some type of an event such as Meet the Multicultural Greeks with a dance or social event in which freshman can meet the different groups and socially interact with each of them in a relaxed setting.

As you can see, it has been a busy and exciting year for the council, and we expect nothing less in the future. We look forward to working with the other governing councils for events in the future and hope to continue to grow and serve the diverse Greek lettered organizations at UW-Madison.



Morgridge Center Scholarship Recipient

Every year the Panhellenic Council chooses one recipient of the Morgridge Center for Public Service Scholarship. The Morgridge Center for Public Service "promotes citizenship and learning through service within local, national and global communities. The Center builds on the Wisconsin Idea, a strong tradition of service to the community by students, faculty and alumni." The Greek woman that was chosen this year is Jill Gottfred.

Jill is a member of Delta Gamma sorority, and embodies the mission of the Morgridge Center. She is an active member of the community, which can be seen within her many volunteering efforts, including the initiatives she took in creating a Saferide program for high school students in Madison, and also in the Home-town Hero award she received last year. Jill is also a leader in her chapter. This fall, she organized a new philanthropic event for Delta Gamma in conjunction with the National Federation of the Blind, the 5K Run/Walk for Blind Independence. The event won the Outstanding Philanthropic Event award at the All-Greek Awards. Congratulations Jill!

Council Updates

The New Panhellenic Council Off to a Great Start

by Katie Woodward- President, Panhellenic Association

The Panhellenic Association (PHA) has been extremely busy this semester. We have both accomplished many things and have much to look forward to in the coming weeks. Overall, we set high standards for ourselves, and given the great group of motivated women on our council and in the Greek community we hope to see these goals realized.

In February, our council, as well as the Interfraternity Council, two representatives from the Greek Judicial Board, and the Greek Advisors, went to Chicago for the Mid-America Greek Conference (MGCA). This conference offered various pathways and hot topics that covered a range of leadership topics, as well as issues that impact the leadership and future of our Greek community. The 2005 conference drew participants from 25 states to enhance their skills and knowledge while becoming effective leaders. Also in attendance were national and province officers, as well as professional staff from many of the fraternities and sororities. In addition to the Pathway Sessions, we were inspired by several keynote speakers, such as David Stoleman's "Buy In or Get Out" and Professor Joe Martin's "Success Secrets of the Motivationally Supercharged." We left the conference with new and unique ideas on strengthening our Greek community and have made it our main mission to both improve our image on campus and make Greek life a more rewarding experience for chapter members.

A sisterhood program was also initiated this semester to improve relations between chapters on campus. Through this program, chapters will be paired up each month with a different sorority, and hold an event together. The objectives of this program are to unite the Panhellenic Community on a different level, form personal contacts with women of different chapters, and to plan events that are worthwhile and beneficial in a way that they can be combined with the chapter's existing programming, and personalized for the needs of all chapters. Examples of events that chapters are holding together include a "Dinner by Major," community service activities, and a P.A.V.E. program. We are very excited to see this program take off and hope it will be beneficial for the chapters.

We are looking forward to several upcoming events, such as Greek Week, the Scholarship Banquet, and planning Fall Recruitment. Greek Week is kicked off with the Leadership and Social Justice Committee's (LSJC) "Journey to a Hate-Free Millennium" program. We believe in the importance of tackling contemporary problems, and with the recent rise in hate crimes, even in our own community, we are emphasizing the importance of educating our members on this issue.

Overall, the Panhellenic Association is extremely excited about our new programs and feel that we have gotten this semester off to a great start. We really value the opinions of our members and much of our programming is a response to their requests. The PHA is well on its way to achieving our major goals, and will continue to strive for this in the coming semester.

The Panhellenic Association and Interfraternity Council executive boards at MGCA.



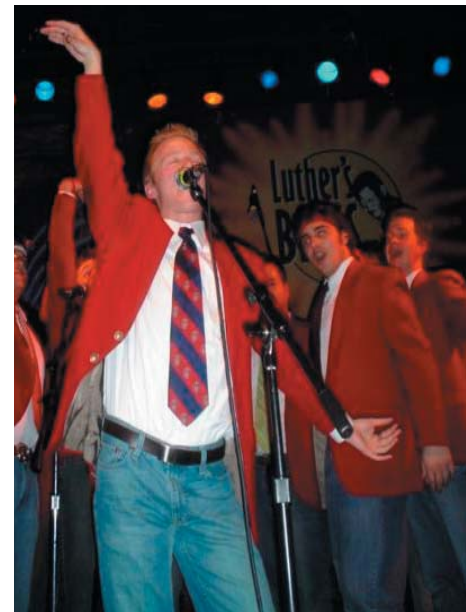
Humorology 2005: Make It Happen

It's almost showtime. As the second weekend in April fastly approaches, houses participating in Humorology are having their last practices before the anticipated shows on April 7, 8, and 9. The show's theme this year is "Make It Happen" and will be comprised of six original musical-comedies created by pairings of fraternities and sororities. Having had practices since the beginning of October, Humorology casts will have put in over 150 hours of practice by the time of the final show.

2005 marks the 58th year that Humorology has been in existence. Aside from its longevity, the success of the show can be seen in the fact that Humorology is the largest non-profit student service organization in Wisconsin. Aside from the show itself, students who participate in Humorology also partake in various volunteer and fundraising events throughout the year. All money raised goes to Camp Heartland, a non-profit organization that creates supportive opportunities for children infected with or affected by HIV and AIDS, and the Chris Farley Foundation, a foundation dedicated to the prevention of substance abuse.

This year, the Humorology executive board created 2 new fundraising events. In the fall, members of all Humorology casts participated in a brat cookout during a home football game, an event that raised a good deal of money. More recently, Humopalooza, a concert and comedy show, was held at Luther's Blues. The Madhatters, Secondhand, and The Debut Rocks all performed sets in addition to a comedy troop, "The Elevated Comedy Showcase." Humopalooza turned out to be a huge success, raising \$3,500 and having an attendance of about 400 people.

"It's great to see such strong support and participation in all aspects of Humorology," said Lisa Knox, Philanthropy Chair on the Humorology executive board. "The shows are all outrageously funny this year, and I know the support will be just as strong at the performances as it has been all year long. The casts have all worked incredibly hard and it is really going to be apparent in the final show."



Good luck to all of this year's participants!

**Alpha Chi Omega - Sigma Pi - Sigma Phi
Delta Gamma - Pi Kappa Alpha
Gamma Phi Beta - Delta Upsilon
Pi Beta Phi - Sigma Phi Epsilon
Kappa Kappa Gamma - Kappa Sigma
Kappa Alpha Theta - Zeta Psi - Alpha Gamma Rho**

Show Times:

**Thursday, April 7:
7:30 p.m.**

**Friday, April 8:
7:30 p.m.**

**Saturday, April 9:
7:30 p.m.**

All shows will be held at the Wisconsin Union Theater. Tickets are now available at the Memorial Union Box Office.

Philanthropy Focus

Delta Gamma's Anchor Splash

by Jess Hochman- Delta Gamma

Members of the Greek community made waves at Delta Gamma's annual Anchor Splash philanthropy on Saturday, March 5. Each fraternity teamed with members of DG or another sorority and dove into the Natatorium pool, raising money for Delta Gamma's Service for Sight programs to help the blind. Rewarded for both athletic ability and creativity, UW Greeks competed in a series of relay races before performing impressive synchronized swimming routines for points.

Out of the water, singing and dancing contestants returned to the Delta Gamma house to vie for the title in the celebrated "Mr. Anchor Splash" pageant. Despite spirited performances from Delta Tau Delta, Delta Upsilon, the UW Evans Scholars, Pi Beta Phi, Pi Kappa Alpha, Sigma Chi, The Lodge, and returning champions Sigma Pi, the discerning DG judges honored this year's winners Alphi Chi Omega and Sigma Epsilon Phi for their exemplary participation in both the contests and fundraising events including donations and t-shirt sales.

"The event raised about \$3,500," said Delta Gamma Robyn Spiess, Anchor Splash co-chair along with Jennifer Thomas. With raffle prizes donated from American Express, Best Buy, Chipotle, and local sponsors Espresso Royale Cafe, The Overture Center, and the Underground Exchange, raffle ticket sales drummed up \$500. "The vast majority of the money raised came from donations," said Spiess. "The support this event garners from Delta Gamma alumni and parents is so encouraging. It's so rewarding to see the Greek community and donors come together for a cause that's so important to us."



Gamma Phi Beta's Hugs, Slaps, and Kisses

by Jenna Sachs- Gamma Phi Beta

Gamma Phi Beta's spring philanthropy for the cystic fibrosis foundation, "Hugs, Slaps, and Kisses," raised the largest amount of money in the event's history.

According to Gamma Phi Beta's philanthropy chair, Magdalen Kmiec, the sorority sold the Valentine's Day messages for two dollars each, and the messages were later delivered by the highest contributors in the form of a hug, slap, or kiss. Overall, Gamma Phi Beta raised \$1,174. The messages were sold to sororities and fraternities on campus, as well as outside popular campus hangouts during the weekends. The most successful sales were made outside State Street Brats between 12:00 a.m. and 2:30 a.m., said Kmiec.

Each message was handwritten by the sender and later read aloud to the recipient. If the message was sent to a fraternity or sorority member, it was read aloud to the chapter and afterward the hug, slap, or kiss was given. If the recipient was not a member of the Greek system, the message was delivered to their apartment or dorm room. Usually a hug was administered despite what was indicated on the slip. Most often the messages consisted of inside jokes, and all were written in good spirit.

The messages were delivered the Monday following Valentine's Day by Gamma Phi Beta and Delta Upsilon, the highest contributors to the philanthropy. Other high contributors included Alpha Chi Omega, Alpha Epsilon Phi and Sigma Phi Epsilon.

Greek Week 2005

This year's theme for Greek Week, which runs from April 18-22, will be "Turn Back Time." Greeks will relive parts of their childhood while competing in various competitions to see who will be this year's Greek Week champion! The pairings for this year are:

Delta Delta Delta - Pi Kappa Alpha - Delta Theta Sigma
 Kappa Kappa Gamma - Delta Upsilon
 Gamma Phi Beta - Kappa Sigma
 Alpha Chi Omega - Sigma Phi Epsilon
 Pi Beta Phi - Alpha Gamma Rho - Beta Theta Pi - Zeta Psi
 Delta Gamma - Alpha Epsilon Pi - Sigma Pi
 Kappa Alpha Theta - Zeta Beta Tau - Sigma Phi - Phi Kappa Tau
 Sigma Delta Tau - Sigma Chi - Acacia - Triangle
 Alpha Epsilon Phi - Sigma Alpha Epsilon
 Chi Omega - Tau Kappa Epsilon - Delta Tau Delta
 Alpha Phi - Chi Phi - Pi Lambda Phi - Theta Delta Chi

The week will be full of fun activities including a canned food sculpture contest, a photo scavenger hunt, kickball tournament and various backyard games. Also included are community service projects such as donating blood for Bucky's Blood Drive, collecting canned foods for a food shelter, collecting pop tabs for Ronald McDonald House, and working with the Madison Police department to paint over graffiti on campus buildings. Overall, Greeks are looking forward to a fun week of getting to know each other while competing against one another in a friendly competition. Any questions can be directed to Bri Kay (bckay@wisc.edu) or John Kastner (jfkaster@wisc.edu).

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS:

Friday April 1: Bucky's Blood Drive

Monday April 18: Canned Food Sculpture Contest

Banner Contest

Journey to a Hate Free

Millennium Speaker

Tuesday April 19: Spirit Day

Backyard Games

Wednesday April 20: Kickball Tournament

Thursday April 21: Photo Scavenger Hunt

Friday April 22: Campus Clean Up

Awards Ceremony



NPHC Greek Week

This year, National Pan-Hellenic Council's Greek Week will be held from April 11-15. There will be a variety of events going on through the week showcasing many different aspects of Greek life. Come check it out!

Monday, April 11:

The Future Benefits of Being Greek

A1 Gordon Commons, 6-8 p.m.

Tuesday, April 12:

Project Bootstrap Volunteering

4-7 p.m.

Wednesday, April 13:

Greeks on the Mall

State Street Mall, 5-8 p.m.

Thursday, April 14:

Recreation Night

MSC Satellite, 8 p.m. - 12 a.m.

Friday, April 15:

Yard Show

State Street Mall, 7-9 p.m.

After Party

The Buff (lower level of Gordon Commons)

10 p.m.- 2 a.m.- \$5 entrance fee for Greeks

Council Officers

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