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Chapter Advisor Meeting

The Spring Quarter Greek Advisors' Meeting was held on March 16, 2008 in Conference Room 7 of McIntosh Center. Advisors were present from 9 of the 10 chapters on campus as well as University administrators for an afternoon full of discussion and updates. Agenda items covered during the meeting included the following: update on Affinity Housing and Phase II for the University; housing inspection reports from the summer of 2007 with the architect; Standards of Excellence; Greek Week; Mid-American Greek Council Association; website updates; plans for fall recruitment efforts; scholarship initiatives; Greek Report for community service hours and philanthropy dollars; Formals Policy for Advisors; and chapter roundtable. As with all previous meetings, minutes were sent electronically to advisors. Items distributed at this meeting included the architect reports for the facilities as well as the Greek Reports and advisor contact information. If you did not receive a copy of the minutes from the meeting, please contact the Office of Greek Life. Information will be sent to advisors during the summer regarding the fall quarter advisors meeting. The Office of Greek Life greatly appreciates the time and energy each advisor provides to not only improving their chapter, but also to the improvement of the Greek community as a whole. We look forward to seeing you all in the fall at the next meeting!

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Recruitment Update

This spring, Interfraternity Council held an information night at the McIntosh bowling alley to give interested men an opportunity to interact with fraternity men in a social environment. The chapters then hosted their smokers at the houses to provide an opportunity for the unaffiliated men to see a deeper look into each group. All in all, the efforts of the council and the chapters were a success with a total of 15 men joining the Greek community.

For the Panhellenic Council, the spring consisted of planning and making arrangements for the fall. Recruitment rules were passed by the Council with minimal changes from previous years. The greatest change consists of the new name for the Recruitment Counselors—Rho Gammas—which will be used this fall!

Plans for the upcoming fall recruitment have been underway for many months! Below is a brief listing of the activities currently planned.

- **Summer Orientation Sessions**—As with last year, a Greek Information Session will be held during each of the summer orientation programs. Each session will include a Greek man and woman, as well as Office staff, to talk about Greek life at Northern. The video, which was created in 2006, also will be played during these sessions.
- **Freshmen Move-In**—The Greek community will be helping with move-in for the new students. Each chapter will have 20 volunteers working during the day as well as council officers and Recruitment Counselors, to help the new students and families while promoting the positive aspects of Greek life.
- **Play Fair**—Again this year, the Greek community will have the opportunity to facilitate the main activity on the first evening of Fall Orientation for New Students. 48 Greek students will represent the community in this fun and interactive activity.
- **Greekapalooza**—Students from the councils and Residence Life have already been working on the planning for this event; it will be held on the Sunday evening of opening weekend. The event will include inflatables, food, prizes, games, and a dunk tank. The evening will provide opportunities for the Greek community to get to know the new students.
- **Welcome Fest**—Both councils will have a table at this event during opening weekend. New students will have an opportunity to interact with Greek representatives while learning more about the Greek community.
- **Information Nights**—Each of the councils also will host an informational night during September to introduce their recruitment events and provide additional information about Greek life at Northern.
- **Additional Events**—The schedule for all of the recruitment events is included at the end of this newsletter. This year, each council is working to incorporate additional events into the fall in order to have a greater presence in the ONU community prior to recruitment. Be on the lookout for these exciting new programs!

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Scholarship—Spring 2008

| | Term | Cumulative |
|--------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Delta Zeta | 3.35 | 3.34 |
| INDEPENDENT WOMEN | 3.34 | 3.22 |
| ALL WOMEN | 3.32 | 3.23 |
| Phi Delta Chi | 3.25 | 3.16 |
| GREEK WOMEN | 3.22 | 3.25 |
| ALL INDEPENDENTS | 3.21 | 3.16 |
| Zeta Tau Alpha | 3.21 | 3.25 |
| ALL CAMPUS | 3.19 | 3.15 |
| Kappa Alpha Theta | 3.19 | 3.27 |
| ALL GREEKS | 3.09 | 3.12 |
| INDEPENDENT MEN | 3.08 | 3.08 |
| Alpha Xi Delta | 3.08 | 3.11 |
| ALL MEN | 3.05 | 3.07 |
| GREEK MEN | 2.94 | 2.99 |
| Sigma Phi Epsilon | 2.94 | 3.05 |
| Delta Sigma Phi | 2.83 | 2.87 |
| Sigma Pi | 2.81 | 2.90 |
| Phi Mu Delta | 2.77 | 2.78 |
| Theta Chi | 2.63 | 2.80 |

Spring quarter grades for individual members, who have signed a grade release form, will be available to their chapters during the week of June 2. Grades can be picked up by the Chapter President, Scholarship Chair, or Advisor via hard copy from the Office of Greek Life. Grades cannot be mailed or sent electronically.



Standards of Excellence

- The Standards of Excellence Program began in the Spring of 2008. The main focus of the program is to create a system of positive reinforcement for members, chapters, and the Greek community. The program will evaluate chapters in four main areas including the following: membership development, internal relations, external relations, and risk management.
- Two meetings were held this quarter with chapter representatives. The first was held on March 17, and the second, at the request of the chapters, was held on April 29. These meetings have provided an opportunity for individuals to ask questions and receive clarification on any questions.
- The Program as well as all forms and the Frequently Asked Questions section are all available on the Greek Life website.
- Overall, the chapters are putting a great deal of time into reviewing the requirements and working to fulfill them! The Office is excited to see the progress thus far! We look forward to even more progress this fall!

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House Inspections

- Chapter house inspections were completed the week of May 5, 2008.
- For the Spring Quarter inspections, 10 of 10 chapters passed the overall inspection. Results were sent electronically to chapter leadership, advisors, and housing corporations on May 9, 2008.
- Summer inspections will be held the week of August 18, 2008. More specific information will be sent to presidents and advisors soon.
- As a reminder, the results of the summer inspections with the architect were given to chapters in March. All chapters should be working to identify a plan to be given to the Office of Greek Life by August 1, 2008. The plan must include all of the “deficient” items within the facility as noted by the architect as well as a plan to fix these items over the next five years. Individuals with specific questions and concerns should contact the Office of Greek Life.

Greek Funding Opportunities

Greek Programming Fund

- As the Greek Programming Fund has not been fully utilized at this point, the information regarding the fund is presented below for chapters to begin planning for next year. Congratulations to the chapters who did take advantage of this fund—Phi Mu Delta & Zeta Tau Alpha! The fund was created as a way of helping chapters provide programming to benefit the campus community. Each chapter is eligible for two funding opportunities of up to \$50 per event throughout the academic year. The money from the fund must be used for events open to the entire campus community and the event must be alcohol-free. Chapters interested in this opportunity must submit a completed form at least 2 weeks prior to the event for approval. The form can be found on the Greek Life website under the Forms section.

Greek Housing Improvement Fund

- At the end of each quarter, a breakdown of term grade point averages for each chapter is reviewed. The sororities and fraternities which are at or above the all women’s average and all men’s average, respectively, will be eligible for funding. The Office will provide \$300 per quarter for this fund to be divided equally among all eligible chapters for their exceptional scholarship efforts! Eligible purchases must be approved by the Office of Greek Life prior to purchasing in order to ensure the amount will be paid for/reimbursed.
- For the Spring of 2008, congratulations to the following chapters who will receive \$150 for their outstanding scholastic efforts!

**DELTA ZETA
&
PHI DELTA CHI**

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Retention

Below is a continuation of the retention review from the year.

Interfraternity Council

- Overall male retention for new members from the Spring of 2008 is 71% (15 of 21).
- Chapter Retention
 - Delta Sigma Phi - 3/3 (100%)
 - Phi Delta Chi - 4/5 (80%)
 - Phi Mu Delta - 2/2 (100%)
 - Sigma Phi Epsilon - 1/5 (20%)
 - Sigma Pi - 2/2 (100%)
 - Theta Chi - 3/4 (75%)
- Current Chapter Totals
 - DSP—32 PDC—64 PMD—33
 - SPE—39 SP—46 TC—25
- Total Membership for All Fraternities - 239
- Campus-Wide Male Greeks to Male Undergraduates - 15%

Panhellenic Council

- Overall female retention for new members from the Fall of 2007 is 83% (91 of 109).
- Chapter Retention
 - Alpha Xi Delta - 18/25 (72%)
 - Winter COB - 3/3 (100%)
 - Delta Zeta - 24/29 (83%)
 - Kappa Alpha Theta - 25/29 (86%)
 - Winter COB - 2/2 (100%)
 - Zeta Tau Alpha - 27/29 (93%)
- Current Chapter Totals
 - AXD—59 DZ—80
 - KAT—71 ZTA—80
- Total Membership for All Sororities - 290
- Campus-Wide Female Greeks to Female Undergraduates - 19%

Total Undergraduate Population—17% Greek

Greek Week/Greek Awards Banquet

The 2008 Greek Week was a great success all around this year! Headed again this year by Co-Chairs, interested candidates were interviewed for the co-chair positions of the committee. Amy Vasinko and Abe Jacob were selected from among the many applicants. The other committee members consisted of a chapter representative and a member of Order of Omega. Below is a list of the day's events as well as the winners for each event.

- **Greek Sing**—Kappa Alpha Theta & Sigma Phi Epsilon
- **Greek God/Goddess**—Kappa Alpha Theta & Sigma Phi Epsilon
- **Greek Banner Competition**—Kappa Alpha Theta & Delta Sigma Phi
- **Bowling**—Zeta Tau Alpha & Delta Sigma Phi
- **Game Show**—Zeta Tau Alpha & Delta Sigma Phi
- **Tug of War**—Zeta Tau Alpha & Sigma Phi Epsilon
- **Greek Olympics**—Zeta Tau Alpha & Sigma Phi Epsilon

On Wednesday of Greek Week, the community came together for a fun social event, Watermelon Bash, which in turn helped to raise money for a troop in Afghanistan. The community gathered at the pavilion on campus for food and fellowship along with a fun evening of events! There was a watermelon

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eating contest, a live band, and an opportunity for individuals to pie the Greek presidents in the face for \$1. The event raised money for the troop as well as brought the Greek community together for a fun and noncompetitive evening during Greek Week. This year's Greek God/Goddess were decided again through penny wars. Throughout Greek Week, tables were set up in McIntosh for each chapter. The Greek community raised over \$1,025 for the troop in Afghanistan. Overall, the week was a great opportunity to come together to support one another!

On Sunday, April 20, Greek Week came to a close with the Greek Awards Banquet hosted by Order of Omega. The event served as the culmination and celebration to recognize the accomplishments of the past year. Included below is a list of the awards and recipients:

Outstanding Alumnae/Alumni Relations Program

- Alpha Xi Delta & Sigma Phi Epsilon

Outstanding Community Service/Philanthropy Award

- Zeta Tau Alpha & Sigma Phi Epsilon

Outstanding New member Education Award

- Delta Zeta & Sigma Phi Epsilon

Outstanding Public Relations Award

- Alpha Xi Delta & Sigma Phi Epsilon

Outstanding Recruitment/Retention Award

- Delta Zeta & Sigma Phi Epsilon

Outstanding Risk Management Award

- Zeta Tau Alpha & Sigma Phi Epsilon

Most Improved GPA

- Zeta Tau Alpha & Delta Sigma Phi

Outstanding Scholarship Program

- Alpha Xi Delta & Sigma Phi Epsilon

Outstanding New Member Scholar of the Year

- Bethany Schreck—Delta Zeta & Chad Rounds—Phi Delta Chi

Outstanding Greek Athlete of the Year

- Karen Thatcher—Kappa Alpha Theta & Brandon Bracher—Sigma Phi Epsilon

Outstanding Staff Member of the Year

- Ms. Kathy Spencer—Nominated by Alpha Xi Delta & Ms. Rose Webb—Nominated by Sigma Phi Epsilon

Outstanding Faculty Member of the Year

- Dr. Natalie DiPietro—Nominated by Alpha Xi Delta & Dr. Sami Khorbotly—Nominated by Delta Sigma Phi

Outstanding Advisor of the Year

- Ms. Jackie Lapp-Lee—Delta Zeta & Mr. Brit Rowe—Theta Chi

President's Award (In Recognition of the Highest GPA for the past year)

- Delta Zeta & Phi Delta Chi

Outstanding Greek Woman/Man of the Year

- Catherine Taylor—Zeta Tau Alpha & Todd Segal—Phi Delta Chi

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Chapter Corner

Alpha Xi Delta

The sisters of the Ohio Northern University chapter of Alpha Xi Delta had an eventful spring quarter and end to the school year. Picking up where they left off at the end of winter quarter, the sisters finished the new member orientation period for their three new members. At the end of March, the three new members were initiated into the chapter and became full sisters.

The chapter had a very busy weekend at the beginning of April. The first half of the weekend consisted of formals, held at Waldo Pepper's Restaurant in Findlay, Ohio. The Alpha Axis enjoyed getting dressed up and had a blast at the dance. The day after formals, several of the chapter officers made the trek down to Columbus, Ohio for Area Wide Training. At AWT, Gamma Tau got the opportunity to interact with the chapters from Ohio State University and Wright State University, and each officer had the chance to talk one-on-one with the corresponding officer of each chapter. The trip culminated in a visit to OSU's Alpha Xi Delta chapter house, to gather ideas for Gamma Tau's move into affinity next year. It was an all-around informative trip, and all the officers that attended had a great time. The chapters that were in attendance, as well as Miami of Ohio, which was unable to attend, are planning on doing a more in-depth AWT early next school year.

The next weekend marked Sibs Weekend at ONU. As is tradition, the chapter had representatives at the carnival and offered face painting for the children. Later in the quarter, also following along the philanthropy of Choose Children, sisters went to read to the children at the Ada Public Library and helped them make crafts.

As always, the Alpha Axis were incredibly excited for Greek Week. Although the chapter did not win, each sister had lots of fun and tried her best. The Alpha Xi Delta Founder's Day also fell during Greek Week. The chapter took a break from the week's festivities to celebrate this important day and reflect on the sorority's history. At the Greek Awards Banquet, Alpha Xi Delta was honored to receive the Scholarship Program, Public Relations, and Alumnae Relations awards.

The annual Alpha Xi Delta Academic Banquet was held at the end of April. At the banquet, sisters with exceptional GPAs, or exceptional GPA improvement, were recognized. Also recognized was out-going chapter advisor, Dr. Scott, as well as a formal introduction of new chapter advisor, Pat Smith. The Alpha Xi junior class honored the graduating senior class with individual recognitions and a senior slideshow. The chapter used this opportunity to say one last farewell to the graduating sisters.

Just as Dead Week began looming over the ONU campus, the sisters of Alpha Xi had one last get-together for the year. During this final event, the sisters held their Recruitment Retreat and planned for the formal recruitment rounds. It was not all work, however, and the sisters got to spend some

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quality time hanging out at the house one final time before this summer's move into affinity.

Also during the course of this quarter, Alpha Xi Delta held two informative programs, each led by a respected alumna. Dr. Natalie DiPietro hosted a program on nutrition. Later in the quarter, Dr. Karen Kier held a program regarding academics, and ONU's academic policies. Sisters in attendance found both of these programs to be very informative and helpful.

As always, even with all the excitement of this quarter, academics are a large focus of chapter life. Sisters are strongly encouraged to attend weekly study tables in the library, and very special incentives are offered to those sisters who attend all their classes each week.

As this school year comes to a close, the sisters of Alpha Xi Delta begin to look forward to the excitement of next fall—especially formal recruitment and the prospect of decorating the new house in affinity. After a relaxing summer, Alpha Xi Delta will be incredibly excited to begin a new quarter and school year filled with academic excellence, philanthropy, sisterhood, and fun.

Delta Sigma Phi

The Alpha Eta Chapter of Delta Sigma Phi placed a focus on community service this past quarter. The chapter sponsored a blood drive in collaboration with the Red Cross. The chapter also sponsored a highway clean up and continued our support for the March of Dimes/March for Babies by raising over \$1000. The focus that was placed on community service resulted in the chapter more than doubling its hours from the previous quarters. The chapter also improved relations with the Greek community by having a St. Patrick's Day social with the Alpha Xi's, a Spring Fling social with the Zeta's, and by attending the Watermelon bash during Greek week.

Delta Zeta

Delta Zeta was extremely busy this past quarter with sisterhood events, philanthropy projects, and end of the year festivities. At the start of the quarter, the Zeta Kappa chapter held an Easter-themed sisterhood event where sisters decorated eggs. Also at this time, Delta Zeta hosted their national Educational Leadership Consultant for over a week and learned many valuable tools to improve their chapter over the coming academic year. On Saturday March 29th, sisters made cards and cookies to send to their troop for Adopt-A-Troop stationed in Iraq. Around 40 sisters traveled to Baldwin-Wallace College on April 5th for DZ's annual State Day. This is where all chapters in Region V (Ohio), come together at one campus to participate in workshops, sisterhood bonding, and a keynote speaker. Greek Week was successful for the Zeta Kappa chapter in that Delta Zeta won Greek Olympics as well as many high honors at the Greek Awards banquet. These include The President's Award, Outstanding Recruitment and Retention Award, Outstanding New Member

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Education Award, Advisor of the Year (Jackie Lapp Lee), and Outstanding New Member Scholar (Bethany Schreck). On April 29th, sisters put on their annual Buy-A-Woo event where sisters were auctioned off to the highest bidder to either cook a meal, wash their car, or some other similar task. Delta Zeta was ecstatic to raise \$758 through this philanthropy event where all proceeds went to the Painted Turtle Camp. Formals were held at the Holiday Inn in Lima on May 3rd, where sisters enjoyed good food, awards, a senior slideshow and a lot of dancing! To end the year, Delta Zeta held their annual academics banquet at the house where awards were given for the highest GPA within their class as well as overall. There was also a raffle that all sisters could participate in. After a rewarding Spring Quarter, sisters are looking forward to next fall and a successful recruitment period!

Kappa Alpha Theta

Spring has proved to be busy time for the ladies of Kappa Alpha Theta! At the end of March, we hosted our Mother Daughter Tea and Wedding Dress Fashion Show! Daughters could be seen on the runway fashionably displaying their mother's wedding gowns! A wonderful time was had by all, and we truly enjoyed the time we were able to spend with our mothers.

Additionally, Theta Twister was March 11th, and proved to be another wonderful fundraiser for CASA. This event proved again to be a fun filled evening for groups all across campus and the sisters would like to extend a sincere thank you to all those who were in attendance! Also in the realm of service Kappa Alpha Theta hosted the annual Easter Egg Hunt for the children of Ada at the Ada Memorial Park, where the Easter Bunny made a guest appearance! Sisters continued to make our biweekly visits to the Villa, an assisted living facility in Lima, as well as took an active role in raising money for Relay for Life.

Formals were then right around the corner, as well as Greek Week, to finish out spring with flair of fun and excitement! Senior Recognition Week concluded this quarter as Theta said good bye to its outgoing seniors. This spring surely kept us busy, but provided a positive outlook for the fall!

Phi Delta Chi

The Brothers of Phi Delta Chi were very busy this quarter. In the beginning of the quarter, Phi Delta Chi was honored with having the highest GPA out of all the fraternities. In March, our annual retreat was held in Springfield, OH. While there, the Brotherhood enjoyed a nice weekend together and spoke about the future of the Fraternity and the direction we plan on going. Dr. Allison gave a speech to over thirty Brothers in Lima Complex about the dangers of prescription medications and alcohol. In April, many P4 and P5 Brothers attended the annual Ohio Pharmacists Association meeting. Our Regional Conference Meeting was held in Wisconsin this year, ten Brothers attended and

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made chapter-chapter relations stronger and learned new ways to improve our chapter. Michalena Grosshans, a very good friend of the fraternity, was lava-liered on April 4th. On April 9th, we held the Buy-A-Phi-Delt auction which raised over \$800, with one-hundred dollars of the proceeds going to our national philanthropy, St. Jude's, and \$700 going to a family in Bluffton whose son was recently diagnosed with leukemia and are having problems making ends meet. Many Brothers also helped with our annual Health Screening, which allowed members of the Ohio Northern and Ada community to come in and have their health assessed. On April 19th, over eighty people attended our formals in Cleveland, OH. The P3's professional project for the month of April raised awareness about patients asking for antibiotics if they have the common cold, as they can develop resistant to that antibiotic. In addition, many Brothers took part in a letter writing campaign to the Senators of Ohio, which brought attention to issues pharmacies are having with Medicaid. Our annual road clean-up occurred April 26th on Route 235 on the Ada/Alger border where we filled many bags with trash. In late April/early May, Brothers began volunteering their time to the community of Ada by working at the Restore and Ada Food Pantry. The P5's enjoyed a nice send-off ceremony to wish them luck on their rotations, and a ceremony was also held for the P6's who will be graduating and beginning their careers as pharmacists this summer. We initiated four new members, Chad Meyers, Pat Gesing, Ben Huntley, and Paul Lamiell, all of whom we are proud to call Brothers. We also attended a Cinco de Mayo celebration with the Sisters of Kappa Alpha Theta where a speaker informed us on diversity at ONU. Brother Brandon Haas was recently named the sweetheart of Delta Zeta at their formals. While this quarter was a busy one, we go into the summer with plans on making the fall quarter even better!

Phi Mu Delta

The spring quarter has been a very good quarter for the brothers of Phi Mu Delta fraternity. Since the end of winter quarter, we have been active in the community and on campus. On April 24 and 25, the brothers held a poker and a game night in the McIntosh that was open to everyone. During those two nights, students could come and enjoy two nights of poker, video games, and other fun and exciting games and all we asked was that they donated three dollars to come and that money went to our national philanthropy, St. Jude Research Hospital. With the help of a great turnout and generation from other Greek life chapters and other organizations, we were able to raise \$236.00 for St. Jude. We have also collected food for the Ada food pantry. Earlier this quarter, brothers went around the dormitories asking students to spare any extra food they might have and we were able to collect over three duffle bags full of non-perishable foods. Our National Executive Director made a visit on May 1-2 and provided us with an outstanding risk management program event for our chapter. This quarter, we also welcomed two new men as

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our brothers; on April 29, we inducted Jeremy Falk (Freshman Management) and Tyler Mendoza (Freshman Mechanical Engineering) into our brotherhood. With the addition, we have received eight new brothers this year that we believe are quality men. The 2008 spring quarter has been a great quarter for the Mu Beta Chapter of Phi Mu Delta, and we are currently planning on having a great fall quarter next year.

Sigma Phi Epsilon

Throughout this spring quarter, Sigma Phi Epsilon has made tremendous strides as a brotherhood as a whole. In the beginning of the quarter, we participated in various community service activities working with the Chapel, highway clean-up, and relay for life. This helps the brothers meet the quarterly requirement that we set for ourselves. In addition to community service, we have also worked to strengthen our alumni relations. The major event this quarter was the alumni banquet. We invited many alumni from all over the state, including some from Ohio Northern's campus. At this event, we awarded the first annual alumni of the year award to a man who has dedicated over 50 years of his life for the betterment of Ohio Alpha. This was a successful event that is expected to become an annual expectation.

With all of the accomplishments over the past quarter, as well as the entire year, Sigma Phi Epsilon was recognized at the Greek Awards Banquet. At this banquet, our chapter received Outstanding Alumni Program, Outstanding Scholarship Program, Outstanding Risk management Program, among others. In total, ten awards were received to recognize our chapter for its hard work. In addition, at the President's Leadership Dessert, Sigma Phi Epsilon received the third best student organization on campus. This is a great honor because this is the first time in ten years that a strictly social fraternity has placed in such an award. This not only provides satisfaction for the chapter, but also motivation for the upcoming year.

Over the summer, Sigma Phi Epsilon plans to work on alumni relationships and planning for events in the fall. Such events include a Balanced Man Scholarship dinner, Homecoming events including a balloon glow, as well as philanthropy and recruitment events. The chapter has made outstanding improvements and looks forward to continue to improve and become the best student organization on campus.

Sigma Pi

Overall, this has been a pretty big quarter for Sigma Pi Zeta chapter. Since the weather has been nice, cornhole and volleyball have been part of the brothers' daily activities. However, they have been doing things to improve the house as well. This quarter they initiated two new members who share in their desire to improve. Last week they had another broke it fix day and thoroughly cleaned the house, as well as, replaced the toilet in their basement.

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Currently they are in the process of getting estimates and raising money for different major projects for the house.

The brothers have also been involved in a couple of community service and volunteer events. Near the beginning of the quarter a group of brothers helped work at the NCAA Indoor Track and Field. They enjoyed helping set up and supporting ONU's athletes while watching them compete against other division III players. Also this quarter a good group of the brothers trained and worked hard to participate in the Zeta's 5k walk/run. Another project for the Sig Pi's was to head out to their two mile strip of highway and give it a good cleaning. The brothers will finish the quarter by going to the Special Olympics Track and Field events in Bluffton. For our philanthropy the brothers raised money with our annual Buy-a-Pi to once again support our national philanthropy, The Sam Spady Foundation. Out of the three quarters this school year, this quarter proved to be the most active in community service for the brothers.

This quarter the brothers of Sigma Pi also said goodbye to one of their brothers as he left for Kuwait with the Navy Reserves. The brothers wish him good luck as he spends almost a year overseas, and they plan on sending a large care package for his platoon in the fall.

The future of Sigma Pi always includes working to improve their house. They also have started the University's Standard of Excellence, as well as, the Gold Standard for their nationals. They hope to send out our Zeta Owl newsletter to their alumni by the end of this academic year.

Theta Chi

This was a very productive quarter for Theta Chi. We held our annual 24 hour run benefiting the American Lung Association. The chapter put in 295 miles this year and raised about \$300. We initiated three new members this quarter: Antar Vasi, Lucas Witt, and Derek Durham. Striving to be a great chapter, we also submitted nominations and applications for our National Alter Awards which is based on areas such as finance, recruitment, social, alumni, risk, and chapter operations. We also held and attended two risk management events to teach people personal safety and the dangers of alcohol. This quarter we implemented a study tables program to improve upon our grades and to stress the importance of academics. Now, as the quarter comes to a close, we are looking into the future and developing a new plan for housing that will go above and beyond state and university regulations and expectations.

Zeta Tau Alpha

Zeta Tau Alpha's Delta Theta chapter had an extremely successful spring quarter. The chapter participated in a variety of events, including their annual formal, their First Annual Race for the Ribbon 5K Walk/Run, Relay for Life, multiple Blood Mobiles, and their annual Spring Tea Scholarship Luncheon.

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The formal was done in a “Hollywood” theme, complete with a red carpet, as the Zetas are “always in the spotlight.” It was held at Camden Falls, in Tiffin, OH, and was a great event for all. Attendees enjoyed delicious food, cheesecake for dessert, and awesome music from Eaglerock Entertainment.

The First Annual Race for the Ribbon 5K Walk/Run was an amazing accomplishment for the chapter this quarter. Since it was the first time the chapter had planned a 5K, rather than their usual Crown Classic Golf Outing, it took tremendous effort and teamwork to get everything together and pull off such a big event. The final count of participants was around 170 people, and the chapter raised \$66,500 to donate to the Zeta Tau Alpha Foundation, which is a significant sponsor of the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Race day consisted of free t-shirts, registration tables, music, a silent auction, a 50/50 raffle, trophies, and pizza and snacks after the race.

The chapter’s annual Spring Tea Scholarship Luncheon was a wonderful event for sisters, parents, professors, and advisors to attend in the McIntosh Ballroom. Scholarship Chair Stacey Hardman did a beautiful job setting up and hosting the luncheon. Sisters were able to participate in a “Berry Bucks” raffle, and many were recognized for their achievements both within and outside of the chapter. Pearl dangles were awarded for scholastic achievement, and a variety of other awards were given, such as the outstanding member of each pledge class and highest GPA. There was a buffet lunch provided for all to enjoy, seniors were given special gifts, and everyone had a great time at the banquet.

The Zetas also won multiple awards this quarter. In addition to being Greek Week champions this year, they won Most Improved GPA, Outstanding Service and Philanthropy, and Outstanding Risk Management. Catherine Taylor, a P4 ZTA, was named the Greek Woman of the Year as well, a very high honor of which the Zetas are all very proud. Furthermore, the Zetas traveled to Akron, Ohio for Zeta Day, where they were awarded best New Member Programming and the Quota Award. They were also the third runner up for the Scholarship Award joined the \$5,000 Club for their philanthropic efforts.

Some of our other service projects included participating in Relay for Life, volunteering at Blood Mobiles on campus, making Easter baskets for children at St. Rita’s Hospital in Lima, and Adopt-A-Highway.

Panhellenic Council Update

The Panhellenic Council has done a great deal this quarter for the betterment of the Greek and Ohio Northern communities. The Council matched each chapter’s donation to co-sponsor the Unite for Awareness sexism speaker, Mr. Rus Funk. Panhellenic also joined with Interfraternity Council for our annual Greek Week. This year we also added a Watermelon Bash celebration that included a watermelon eating contest, a live band, and a Pie Your President booth. This Bash was also a philanthropy event to raise money for the Marines in

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Afghanistan. We have also planned a "Soles 4Souls" shoe drive for Africa for homecoming weekend with more details to come. We had an exciting and eventful quarter and hope everyone has a wonderful summer!

Interfraternity Council Update

Interfraternity Council was very active during spring quarter with spring recruitment, new member education, and revising our constitution and risk management policy. Spring recruitment and new member education were very successful and brought quality new members into the Greek community. A great deal of our time was spent revising our constitution and risk management policy, and both were accepted in council during the quarter.

We were very involved in Greek community and participated in events with Panhellenic Council. Interfraternity Council was very active during Greek Week and cosponsored with Panhellenic Council a very productive philanthropy event with the first annual Watermelon Bash. The event raised a great deal of money for American troops thanks to help from both councils. Interfraternity Council also cosponsored a scholarship banquet with Panhellenic Council to honor outstanding Greek students for their work in Winter Quarter.

Interfraternity Council has its sights set on many projects during Fall Quarter 2008. We have set dates for fall recruitment and new member education and also plan to host a house walkthrough and bonfire recruitment event to add onto other events such as Greekapalooza. Our Council by-laws are currently being revised and should be brought to council during fall quarter. We also plan to partake in multiple philanthropic events during Fall 2008, including "Walk a Mile in Her Shoes" to raise awareness for violence against women.

Order of Omega Recap

Order of Omega, Theta Eta Chapter, would like to take a moment to thank everyone who made this year's Greek Awards Banquet a success. A special thanks to Jennifer Lambdin, Chad Shepherd, and Sharon Crozier for all of their hard work helping us prepare for the banquet and initiation. On Honors Day, we initiated 15 new members into our chapter. This is one of the largest groups we have had in the past several years, and we were also very pleased to have one of the largest returns of applications. Finally, we would like to congratulate our new executive council who will be serving ONU next year. They are Doug Hoersten, President; Bryan Mulvany, Vice President; Ryan McMillan, Treasurer; and Theresa Szczygiel, Secretary.

Fun Facts

The 2007-08 amazing accomplishments from the Greek community...

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Looking Ahead...

June

- 6, 9, 20, & 23—Bear Tracks 101

August

- 18-22—Greek Housing Inspections

September

- 5—Early Arrival for Greek Students Assisting with New Student Move-In
- 6—New Student Move-In; Greeks to Assist with Play Fair
- 7—Greekapalooza; PhC Reading of the Rules
- 8—Welcome Fest; Residence Halls Open for Returning Students
- 11—Sorority Recruitment Event—Ice Cream Social
- 18—Sorority Information Night
- 23—Campus Event Sponsored by the Greek Community
- 24—Greek Scholarship Banquet—5pm—Wishing Well
- TBD—IFC Information Night
- 26—PhC Recruitment—Open House; IFC Recruitment—Open House
- 27—ONU Family Day
- 28—PhC Recruitment—Philanthropy Round
- 29—IFC Smokers
- 30—IFC Smokers

October

- 1—IFC Smokers
- 3—IFC Bid Acceptance; PhC Recruitment—Sisterhood Round
- 4—PhC Recruitment—Preference
- 5—PhC Recruitment—Bid Day
- 18—ONU Homecoming
- 21—"The Thin Red Line"—Co-sponsored by PhC & the Freed Center

November

- 10-14—Greek Housing Inspections

Remember to check out the Greek Life website for updates on activities and events throughout the year!

http://www-new.onu.edu/student_life/greek_life

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Greek Report—Spring 2008

| | Chapter Term GPA | Chapter Cumulative GPA | Chapter Size | New Member Retention | Community Service Hours | Philanthropic Dollars Raised |
|---------------------------------|------------------|------------------------|--------------|----------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|
| Delta Zeta | 3.35 | 3.34 | 80 | 83%* | 22 | \$2801.11 |
| All Women - 3.32 | | | | | | |
| Phi Delta Chi | 3.25 | 3.16 | 64 | 80% | 150 | \$800.00 |
| Greek Women - 3.22 | | | | | | |
| Zeta Tau Alpha | 3.21 | 3.25 | 80 | 93%* | 93 | \$6,500.00 |
| All Undergraduate - 3.19 | | | | | | |
| Kappa Alpha Theta | 3.19 | 3.27 | 71 | 93%* | 190.5 | \$311.79 |
| All Greek - 3.09 | | | | | | |
| Alpha Xi Delta | 3.08 | 3.11 | 59 | 72%* | 11.5 | \$160.41 |
| All Men - 3.05 | | | | | | |
| Greek Men - 2.94 | | | | | | |
| Sigma Phi Epsilon | 2.94 | 3.05 | 39 | 20% | 130 | \$482.00 |
| Delta Sigma Phi | 2.83 | 2.87 | 32 | 100% | 150 | \$1,195.00 |
| Sigma Pi | 2.81 | 2.90 | 46 | 100% | 130 | \$542.00 |
| Phi Mu Delta | 2.77 | 2.78 | 33 | 100% | 30 | \$235.00 |
| Theta Chi | 2.63 | 2.80 | 25 | 75% | 20 | NR |

NR = Not Reported by the Chapter

* = Retention Rates from the entire academic year.

529 Greek Students at Northern
Average Chapter Size—73(PhC); 40(IFC)
927 Community Service Hours
\$13,027.31 Dollars Raised for Philanthropy

