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Homecoming Week 2010

Homecoming week was a great success for the Greek life community. All of the Greek life fraternities and sororities participated through out the week. Homecoming week consisted of a side walk chalk contest, float competition, lip sync, and homecoming queen competition, where many Greek women were elected to be on homecoming court. This year for side walk chalk, CPC's newest sorority, Alpha Sigma Alpha placed 1st, with Kappa Delta and Alpha Delta Pi tying for 3rd place. Lip sync was a great success with Alpha Sigma Alpha winning 1st place, Chi Omega placing 2nd and Alpha Delta Pi placing 3rd. This years 2010

Homecoming Queen was Avraye Henry who was sponsored by Delta Sigma Theta. Thanks to all who participated and helped out with this fun eventful week!

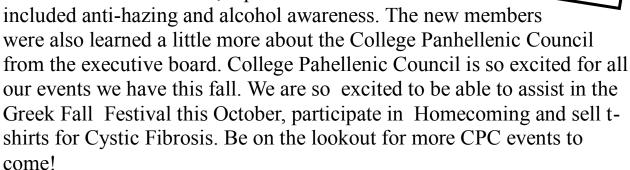


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Council News

College Panhellenic Council

College Panhellenic Council is so excited to welcome all the new members into our six CPC sororities here on campus. Recruitment was a great success this year and this past week we educated all of our new members at our New Member Forum, topics covered



National Pan-Hellenic Council

The Valdosta State University chapter of the ment, and other aspects National Pan-hellenic Council, Inc. (NPHC), chartered October 3, 2001 is composed of nine historically African American Greek lettered fraternities and sororities. NPHC's national body includes over one million men and women of various ages who serve as leaders in their

communities, places of employof American's society. These organizations share a common bond. which is total commitment and dedication to the improvement of conditions within African American communities. NPHC promotes interaction, encourages

cooperation, and

provides support for each member organization. Most recently added to the VSU NPHC is the Iota Phi Theta Fraternity who are taking the campus by storm. Each of the nine chapters are very well respected on campus as well as in the local community.

GREEK STOCK

Once a year, the Greek community gets together for some food and fun on the front lawn. This year, Greek stock took place on August 24, 2010, from

4pm-7pm. This event was mandatory for all Greeks. It allowed everyone to leave their differences behind, come together and have a good time. This

year we had a great turn out; every Greek organization was represented. Greeks enjoyed the food and companionship. Some people even brought their dogs to play on the front lawn. It was a very low key and relaxing event. Greek Stock was a successful and great way to kickoff the school year!



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Alpha Delta Pi

Alpha Delta Pi is off to an amazing start this year. Not only did they get 38 new members, but they got the cream of the crop. They are going to be participating in many exciting events planned for this year. For example, this homecoming they are paired with Sigma Nu. The last time this dynamic duo was together they place first overall. Every year for homecoming, VSU host a mixture of different competition which include, decorating a float, a karaoke style performance, and a sidewalk chalk design contest. ADPi has had high new member participation in all of these events. ADPi is going to be hosting a wonderful tea party with their alumni members. This is a great way for their new members to get to know local ADPi alumni. They are also volunteering in an assortment of different ways. They recently donated their time at the Community Soup Kitchen, in which they helped fight against hunger in their local community. ADPi is going to be participating in numerous local fall festivals as well as hosting two rest stops in the Honey Bee 5K bike race. Also, they have planned their annual visit to the Ronald McDonald House in Macon, Georgia. This trip gives all the girls a wonderful eye opener to how much the Ronald McDonald House really impacts families. Alpha Delta Pi's incredible year, so far, shows no signs of letting up. We cannot wait to see what this upcoming year has in store! Go Blazers!



Chi Omega

Chi Omega is very excited to welcome back all of our sisters who were Gamma Chis for Fall Recruitment 2010. We are also excited to welcome back our sisters who studied abroad in Germany and the Czech Republic. Everyone had a great summer and is glad to be back to school this fall.

Spring 2010 was a great semester for Chi Omega. We hosted our 5th annual Wings for Wishes philanthropy event in Drexel Park on March 31, 2010 and it was our most successful year for the event. Thank-you to all the people and sponsors who helped make this event successful. Our academics were also a good way to close the semester. Chi Omega is very proud of our 22 girls who made the Dean's List for Spring 2010.

We had a successful recruitment for Fall 2010 which was led by senior, Christy Lewis. Chi Omega added 43 amazing new girls to the Psi Lambda chapter at Valdosta State. Our new members recently went on their New Members retreat.

Fall 2010 has started fast in what we hope will be another successful year for Chi Omega. Sisters and new members have been participating in a variety of intramural sports as well as many community service activities and campus activities. Chi Omega would like to congratulate the 11 girls who were selected to the Greek Ambassadors organization.

In October, we prepared for our 3rd annual Kickin' It With Chi O tournament which will was held on October 9, 2010. Last year this event raised over \$10,000 for the Make-A-Wish Foundation. In order to involve more organizations and the community, this year our event was a soccer tournament instead of a kickball tournament. Thank you to all participating teams!



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Kappa Delta

Kappa Delta has started the fall semester off by welcoming 39 new and amazing women into their chapter. Kappa Delta has stayed busy participating in intramurals and different Valdosta community service projects.

This September, Kappa Delta celebrated National Women's Friendship Month to appreciate the wonderful friendships shared between women. They collected and donated handbags to go towards the Go Confidently Collection and donated them to the Valdosta Haven. KD is looking forward to the rest of the semester striving for that which is honorable, beautiful, and highest! Go Blazers!



Phi Mu

The Kappa Beta chapter of Phi Mu is excited to welcome 37 new Phis to our sisterhood and to be having another successful semester at VSU. The ladies of Phi Mu pride themselves on academics and boast the highest overall women's Greek GPA on campus for the past 5 semesters in a row. Phi Mu is proud to hold the title of VSU's Most Outstanding Organization on Campus for the past 2 years. We are also busy volunteering both at VSU and in our community. In September, Phi Mu co-sponsored the first annual "Flag Football for HOPE," in which every year the proceeds will go to a different child in Lowndes County with cancer.

We are eager to begin our fundraisers for our National Philanthropy, Children's Miracle Network, to participate in VSU's Dance Marathon, and to continue to support our Valdosta community. Phi Mu wishes everyone a wonderful rest of the semester!

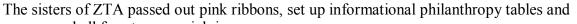
GO BLAZERS!

Zeta Tau Alpha

Zeta Tau Alpha has had a great start to this semester by welcoming 39 new Violets to the chapter! October is a very important month for the sisters of ZTA, because it is Breast Cancer

Education and Awareness month. ZTA hosted multiple events and fundraisers to help the cause including their annual Big Man on Campus, Think Pink 5k, and Blazer's Pink Out Game. ZTA's Big Man on Campus event raised over \$10,000 dollars last year for the cause. ZTA's Think Pink 5k helps support the cause by rallying breast cancer survivors, VSU students, VSU organizations, and citizens from all over the state of Georgia for a morning of running or walking, awards, and raising awareness on VSU's Front Lawn. ZTA teamed up with the VSU Blazers Football team to host their 3rd annual Pink Out game on October 23rd.







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Kappa Sigma

The Kappa Sigma Fraternity has once again picked up where they left off and started off yet again another successful school year for the Fall 2010 Semester. After a busy and successful Spring Semester full of events such as Parent's Weekend, Philanthropy Week, Hayden Jacque's Memorial Golf Tournament, as well as My Brother's Keeper, Kappa Sigma is anxiously waiting to get into the full swing of the Fall Semester. To start things off, Kappa Sigma had an excellent fall rush, recruiting twenty-three potential new members. Aside from rush, Kappa Sigma also raised over two hundred canned goods during a recent Karaoke Date Night which were all donated to the Lowndes County Food Bank, supported the American Red Cross, donated money to several non-profit organizations, and awarded scholarships to reward academic success among other Greek organizations. Kappa Sigma was excited to be able to host its annual Homecoming Events and Big Pig Jig. We look forward to our Founder's Day which will be held in November.

With the beginning of the year just getting kicked off, Kappa Sigma is looking forward to one of the best Fall Semesters ever. Kappa Sigma continues to be the pride of Valdosta State University, and remains number one, second to none!

Kappa Alpha Order

The brothers of Kappa Alpha Order finished off last semester on a very positive note. After hosting a philanthropic golf tournament and skeet shoot, KA donated over \$12,000 to charity during the spring semester of 2010. KA is extremely excited about expanding their brotherhood by adding their newest pledge class to The Order. KA is gearing up to finish out the fall semester with a bang with their Old South formal. 2010 has been a good year for KA at Valdosta State University and the future is looking even brighter. As



Phi Sigma Kappa

always, Go Blazers!



So far this semester, Phi Sigma Kappa has continued to demonstrate their strong commitment to brotherhood, the surrounding community, and our campus all while maintaining the highest grade point average throughout the IFC. At this years Phi Sigma Kappa Leadership School, the Psi Septaton chapter received six awards including excellence in philanthropy participation, community service and campus involvement. In spite of this semesters significant decrease in men participating in rush, Phi Sig managed to associate fourteen amazing new members and they are looking forward to sharing yet another successful semester with them.

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Sigma Nu

Sigma Nu has had a great year so far. We are currently in the process of attaining a new house, and are sure that our efforts will be rewarded soon. Our intramural teams are as strong as ever, and we are excited about our squad for Greek week next semester. We have been keeping up with our community service. We raised just under \$4000 from April 1st 2009 to March 31st 2010. We are 37 strong and have a very excited pledge class this semester. They did a great job during homecoming.



Sigma Alpha Epsilon



The brothers of Sigma Alpha Epsilon have had another great semester at Valdosta State full of good times and great memories. This past summer the brothers undertook the exhausting task of renovating their house, which included retiling and refinishing all of the fraternity house's floors. SAE welcomed another great fall pledge class and have high expectations for this great new group of guys. This past semester, the men of the Georgia Sigma chapter of SAE have volunteered all across the Valdosta area. They continued their tradition of volunteering at the Garden Center Club's annual Antique Show and have already volunteered more than 100 hours this semester. SAE celebrated their 37th year on Valdosta State's campus at this year's homecoming with festivities including a date night in Downtown Valdosta and their annual tailgate before the Blazer homecoming game. It's shaping up to be another great year for Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Tau Kappa Epsilon

TKE has had a great year so far. We have been involved in multiple community service situations where we have been supporting Tiger Stripes and St. Jude's Children Hospital. We currently have four members on SGA (including a Sergeant-At-Arms) and other members on various executive boards throughout the campus. A couple of our brothers are heavily involved in the creation of a new Honors College on campus. Our chapter has also grown in strength to 38 members. One of our members was accepted to the All TKE National Academic Team. We took on a 12 man pledge class this Fall and they look very promising. We are continuing to promote love, charity and esteem.

National Pan-Hellenic Council

Delta Sigma Theta







The thunderous and triumphant Theta Tau chapter of Delta Sigma Theta is constantly active participating in uplifting their campus and community. To educate and create awareness for the women in the campus community the deltas host bi-weekly forum on topics themed around their five point thrust: educational development, political awareness and involvement, international awareness and involvement, physical and mental health, and economic development. All of these programs are designated and designed to steer our young educated girls to become the total woman. Not only does Delta Sigma Theta (DST) help build their campus community, they also strive to uplift their living community. Together the members of DST are in over 19 community service organizations. They commit to several community service projects weekly, such as Smart Girls, a program designed to mentor young school girls through helping to assist with their advancement through their academics and personal life. As well as Habitat for Humanity which has received DST's consistent dedication for decades. As the Theta members surpass in their academic endeavors, they also make an outstanding achievement in their personal lives. Soror Avaraye Henry, secretary for the student government association, recently won VSU's homecoming queen. Soror Mahja Zeon has won the title of Miss Liberia Georgia and Miss Liberia USA, Soror Talmeshia Parker is teaching students in Korea. Sorors Monique Byrd, Alondra Anderson, Ellesia Thurmond, and Dominique Hardman are currently pursuing the master's degrees.

Phi Beta Sigma

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity is a fraternal organization dedicated to building strong bonds of brotherhood, living with integrity, serving humanity, promoting quality education and developing leaders. The Kappa Delta Chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. was established March 31st, 1979. We uphold the principles of Brotherhood, Scholarship, and Service along with being a Culture for Service and Service for Humanity.



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Zeta Phi Beta

The Alpha Theta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. has been off to a busy start! With 6 new members in tow and 2 President's Cups under their belt, these ladies have presented both new and old programs to the campus in the Fall 2010 semester. During the weekend before classes, students were welcomed by the chapter with their annual Back to School Bash, which offered free music and carnival treats! The following week, the Alpha Theta Chapter also hosted a Mini Zeta Week, where they held service and social events, including their first Monthly Movie Night of the year! The Zetas also presented their annual Sweet Treatz social that included both CPC and NPHC sororities and launched a new program called the Sweet Booth in which they offer free candy, baked goods, and themed information cards on the first Wednesday of each month! With more





CPC Gamma Chis

The 2010 Gamma Chi's were a hardworking and excellent group of girls. Each of them helped make CPC Recruitment 2010 a success!



2010 Gamma Chis

Amanda Andersen Amanda Cooper Anna Demott Ashley Moses **Baylee Whitley Beth Starling Brittney Coury Brittany Hamilton** Candace Everton Cassie Taylor Catherine Unkles Courtney Buchanan Courtney McCanless Heather Gilman Hope Erikson Ivy Inman Jessica Irwin Jessica Willis Kaitlin Keppler

Kasey Land Kayla Brown Kaylane Fowler Kelsea Shultz Keri Biggers Kristina Cooper Lacey Keller Libby Reach Marcy Evans Natalie Whitehurst Nikki Perloff Rachel Fretti Sydney Jackson Teresa Hill Sara Jo Grooms Kelly Houlihan Christie Siciliano **Annsley Matthews**

Recruitment team

Brittany Wallace- CPC president

Bekah Tuten- VP Recruitment

Brooke Storey- Head Gamma Chi

ORDER OF OMEGA HONORING GREEK LEADERS SINCE 1959



Order of Omega

The Order of Omega was founded at the University of Miami in the fall of 1959 by a group of outstanding fraternity men who felt that individuals in the Greek community should be recognized for their service to the fraternity system and the university. The Miami chapter had long desired to expand to other colleges and universities. The chapter gave its sanction to Dean Patrick W. Halloran to make initial inquiries and to further grant charters to universities that were accredited and interested in the purpose of The Order of Omega. The organization became co-ed in 1977 and now has over four hundred chapters in the United States.

The Zeta Omega chapter of The National Order of Omega was chartered at Valdosta State University in spring 1986. Membership is open to qualified top 30% of junior and senior undergraduate Greek-affiliated students by application each year. This Fall, we are proud to announce that 15 new members were initiated into the chapter.



Rho Lambda

The Panhellenic Association of Valdosta State University reestablished the Alpha Pi chapter of Rho Lambda in Fall of 2001. It is now one of the 104 active chapters in the nation.

Rho Lambda was founded at the University of Miami (Fl) in 1962. It served as the Panhellenic counterpart of The Order of Omega, which at that time was open only to fraternity members. In 1974, Rho Lambda received permission from the National Panhellenic Conference to become a national organization.

Candidates for membership must submit an application to the Office of Greek Life. Rho Lambda will then extend an invitation to those who qualify.

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Greek Ambassadors

Greek Ambassadors is made up of new members and active members of the Greek Community at Valdosta State University that are committed to seeing that the Greek system flourishes. At the beginning of the Fall 2010 semester, 49 members were selected to serve as Greek Ambassadors for the 2010-2011 school year. The 49 members make up the Greek Week, Greek Assembly, Newsletter, Recruitment Booklet, No Beef Cookout, and New Member Education Committees along with the newest committee, Greek Promotions. Along with planning for upcoming Greek events, Ambassadors are currently working to: promote and increase enrollment of Greek Life, change negative perspectives of the Greek community, further connect the Greek organizations, change the outlook of the faculty, staff, and students in regards to Greek Life, and show the benefits of Greek Life.

Closing Remarks From Jennifer Stroble

Valdosta State University,

For over 50 years, Greek Life at Valdosta State University has been setting the bar for campus leadership, VSU pride and University involvement. As the current Greek Advisor, I'm very proud of each of our 24 social Greek Organizations at VSU. Our chapters have done so much for our community and continue to pour out their time and heart to Valdosta. I am also proud to announce that we have a new graduate assistant staff to our team! Ms. Allie Sanders, Ms. Kate Parker and Mr. Kari White are wonderful additions to our Student Life Staff. We have a great deal of wonderful events coming up this fall and even more planned for the spring semester. I hope you were able to get a glimpse of the wonderful things our chapters do through this newsletter published by the Greek Ambassadors. Please contact the Student Life Office for more ways to get involved with our Greek Community at VSU. Go Blazers and Go Greek!

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