



# The Diamond

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## President's Message

Thank you Denise, Chris, Justin, Arnulfo and all the members of *Omicron* chapter at Northern Illinois University. The Presidents' Conference weekend was flawless in every way! It was a great experience for the national board, and the presidents seemed to bond from the beginning. We hope that this experience will help make each group stronger. Please remember that your advisors are key to a strong chapter. Every chapter should have at least two advisors either from the faculty, administration or staff. They are the glue that holds the chapter together. All the groups that received Honor Chapter have strong advisors who regularly attend the chapter and executive board meetings. Lambda Sigma strives to recognize the sophomore leaders on campus and to help them continue as a driving force throughout their college careers.



**Jane Price Harmon**  
National President

Our next Presidents' Conference will be held at Ferrum in the fall of 2012. *Omicron* chapter has set the bar high! Thank you from the national board for the hard work and the enormous fun, which made the conference such a huge success. ♦

## Gift of Honor Presented at Presidents' Conference

The Gift of Honor is the highest recognition that can be given to an individual by the National Lambda Sigma Society. Kay McClain was bestowed this honor at the Presidents' Conference held at Northern Illinois University in October. McClain began her work with Lambda Sigma in 1972 when she was elected student representative to the national board of Cwens, the forerunner to Lambda Sigma Society. She later served as editor of Cwens, executive secretary and treasurer of Lambda Sigma, totaling 35 years of service.

McClain attended Auburn University where she earned a bachelor's and master's degree in mathematics. She taught math in high school for seventeen years before earning her doctorate from Vanderbilt University. While teaching at Vanderbilt for seventeen years, she was voted Most Inspirational Professor. She was also a Presidential Awardee for Excellence in Teaching Mathematics and received a CAREER Award grant of \$500,000 from the National Science Foundation for her early work in researching middle-grades classrooms.



Currently, she resides in Arizona where she is partially retired and enjoys her latest passion, scuba diving. She has dived the crater of a submerged volcano to a depth of 140 feet. ♦

# Chapter Presidents Convened at Northern Illinois University

This year the Lambda Sigma presidents traveled to DeKalb, Illinois. The Omicron chapter welcomed all delegates on October 7th for a weekend of learning, sharing, and fun at the 2011 national Lambda Sigma Presidents' Conference.

Some delegates were met at the airport in Chicago while others drove to DeKalb. Activities began Friday night with a welcome, roll call, announcements, pizza party, and an icebreaker. Presidents gathered afterwards for a movie, board games, cards, and time to socialize and get to know each other. By the end of the night, everyone left having met many new friends and eager to participate in the planned meetings and events that were to follow.

Saturday morning began with a light breakfast and an official welcome from NIU by Dr. John Jones, associate vice-president of student affairs. The opening session began with announcements from national board members. Board liaisons were announced and then the presidents and board liaisons divided into groups. This served as an opportunity for the presidents to learn and share their thoughts and questions concerning the ritual, service and fundraiser projects, attendance policies, reports, by-laws, leadership issues, and much more.

Justin Larsen, the student representative, followed with an explanation on the purpose of student representatives on the board and encouraged the delegates to consider running for this position. Nominations for this position then followed.

Lunch was then provided before coming back together to participate in the conference service project. The project allowed the presidents to work with children from Hope Haven, a homeless shelter for families. Together they decorated pumpkins and made tie blankets that could be used back at Hope Haven. Children's books and t-shirts were also donated to the shelter for the residents. A staff member from Hope Haven also talked with the presidents about the shelter and

thanked Lambda Sigma for our support of the program.

After completing the service projects delegates had an opportunity for campus tours and a visit to the campus bookstore.

The afternoon session then began with Mark Shotwell leading discussions on questions from presidents, which may have not been discussed in the earlier sessions with board liaisons. Election of the student representative then followed.

The closing banquet was held Saturday evening. Darion Page, assistant director in the Student Involvement & Leadership Development Office spoke on leadership before several awards and honors were announced. The Outstanding Chapter Award was presented to two chapters, *Omega* chapter at Pittsburg State University and *Alpha Eta* chapter from Penn State Erie – The Behrend College. Two chapters were recognized as the Most Improved Chapter – *Alpha Phi* chapter from Ferrum College and *Alpha Psi* chapter from University of Toledo. The Ruth Knights Outstanding Advisor Award recipient was Terri Mando from *Alpha Eta* chapter. Finally the Gift of Honor was presented to Kay McClain who had served on the national board for 35 years. During the ritual honor chapters were recognized. At the conclusion of the banquet it was announced that David Baboolall from *Eta* chapter at Carnegie Mellon University was elected the new student representative. He will serve a two-year term on the national board.



Making blankets.



Finished product.



Chapter presidents display certificates for Honor Chapter Awards.



Mr. Darion Page, banquet speaker.

After a quick change of clothes, the delegates walked over to the East Lagoon for a bonfire. The event was a great way for the delegates to relax at the end of a work filled weekend and say goodbye to the friends they had made.

Sunday morning came early for most delegates as the shuttle departed for the airport to take them back to their respective chapters with many new ideas in hand. ♦



Making new friends at the conference.



Student Representatives, David Baboolall and Taylor Arnold.

## Ruth Knights Outstanding Advisor Named

**T**erri Mando was named Advisor of the Year in October at the Lambda Sigma Society's Presidents' Conference at Northern Illinois University. Mando is a graduate of Edinboro University of Pennsylvania where she received a bachelor of arts in psychology and a master's degree in counseling with a focus on student personnel services and higher education. She has served as an academic advisor and assistant director of the Academic and Career Planning Center at Penn State Erie,



Terri Mando,  
Ruth Knights  
Outstanding Advisor

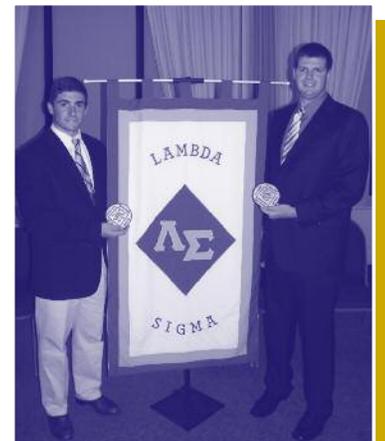
The Behrend College for five years and has served as the advisor to the *Alpha Eta* chapter during that time. Under her advisement, the chapter has consistently received Honor Chapter and this year *Alpha Eta* was recognized with the award, Most Outstanding Chapter. Bryan Cryder, the chapter president states, "Terri is the foundation of our chapter. She inspires us, challenges us, and helps us to make Lambda Sigma one of the best organizations on the Behrend campus. She brings new ideas to the table at every meeting, encourages us to find meaningful and exciting service projects, and is always reaching out with a helping hand. She not only attends every meeting, but also meets with me prior to every meeting to set the agenda. Terri is a great leader to us all because she truly cares about our organization and helping others. The key to her success is not authority, but influence. The entire *Alpha Eta* chapter would like to thank Terri for all that she does for us and for being such a kind and caring person." ♦

## Chapter Awards Announced

**C**hapter awards were presented at the Presidents' Conference during the closing banquet. This year's recipients of the Most Outstanding Chapter Award were presented to *Omega* and *Alpha Eta* chapters. *Alpha Phi* and *Alpha Psi* were the recipients of the Most Improved Chapter Award.

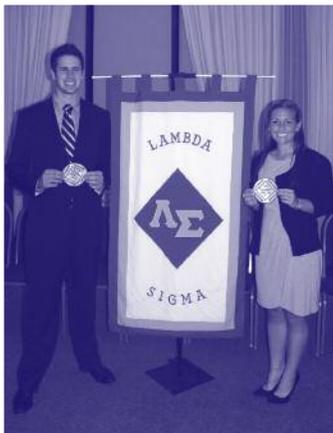
The *Omega* chapter at Pittsburg State University had another stellar year. The chapter, not only was recognized for several accomplishments at the Annual Leadership Banquet held at PSU, but it received the Outstanding Student Organization of the Year. Also the advisor received Outstanding Advisor of the Year, along with a member receiving the Outstanding Student Leader of the Year. As this indicates, the chapter is held in very high regard by the faculty, staff and students on campus. Numerous activities and fundraisers were sponsored by *Omega* but a new event, PSU's Got Talent, was extremely successful. Over 300 people from the community as well as students attended, resulting in a \$500 donation to the local Safehouse Crisis Center. This center is for women and children who need shelter from abusive households.

*Alpha Eta* chapter at Penn State Erie – the Behrend College has consistently been recognized as Honor Chapter and this year is also the recipient of the Most Outstanding Chapter Award. Service has been at the heart of this chapter and as a result has won several service awards on campus including the top service award, the Chancellor's Service Award, which they have received numerous times. *Alpha Eta's* honored the national focus and helped children in need by donating during the holidays for the Adopt-A-Star Program. They also collected winter apparel for students in the Erie School District. This chapter has been a very strong group with a great heart and passion for service. Most members exceeded the required number of service hours nearly doubling their service. Other projects they hosted included a Dodge Ball Tournament to raise cancer awareness, which netted \$1,000 donated to the Kanzius Cancer Research Foundation and working at the Emmaus Ministries Soup Kitchen. They also participated in Adopt-A-Highway Program, Volunteer U-Pick Day, GNCC Career Fair, and Campus Clean Up, to name a few.



Most Outstanding Chapter Awards, Bryan Cryder from *Alpha Eta* and Nick Popejoy from *Omega*.

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Most Improved Chapter Awards, Jangus Whitner from Alpha Psi and Stephanie Marshall from Alpha Phi.

## Chapter Awards Announced

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Alpha Phi chapter at Ferrum College is most deserving of the Most Improved Chapter Award for their efforts in re-building the chapter to a thriving organization on campus. Besides marketing Lambda Sigma to the freshman class, they also implemented many new service projects on campus and in the community. By doing so, they have more than doubled the size of the chapter. They also revised

their initiation ceremony to be a more formal event including the presentation of honor cords to the former, graduating Lambda Sigma members. Some of the new projects included the Sonny Tree project with the local advocacy center, participating in Relay For Life, assisting the Ferrum Lions Club at the Folk Life Festival, trick of treating for canned goods, and selling Krispy Kreme Doughnuts. This year members will be working on plans to host the Presidents' Conference next fall.

The University of Toledo's chapter, Alpha Psi, was also the recipient of the Most Improved Chapter Award. They faced and overcame a lot of adversity this past year. They completely restructured the membership recruitment and selection process. By increasing the marketing of Lambda Sigma to the freshman class they not only tripled the size of their membership in just one year but also made Lambda Sigma very visible on campus. The advisor, Dr. James Zubricky, was named the Faculty Advisor of the Year on campus while a member, Victoria Gilbride, was named Emerging Female Leader. Some of their service projects included participating in Campus Heat by making over 1,000 pizzas for the unfortunate families in Toledo; planting 5 donated trees in the campus Centennial Mall; participating in a clean up on the Ottawa River, which runs through the main campus; and reading to toddlers at a nursery located on the main campus. Of all the outreach events during the year the most successful was the work the members did to help restore the Mansion View Inn, a mansion of great historical significance for the Toledo area. The members contributed over 40 hours of service, which was recognized by Old West End Historical Society, as well as the city of Toledo. ♦

## National Scholarship Recipients

The 2011-2012 national scholarship recipients are: Brittany Mays, **John Yocca Scholarship**; Crystal McKee, **Pat Watt Scholarship**; Yagmur Esemem, **Emily Taylor Scholarship**; Megan Watson, **Thyrsa Amos Scholarship**; and Jennifer Camery and Lara Ismert, **National Board Scholarship**.

**Brittany Mays** from Alpharetta, Georgia, is a business administration/applied linguistics and intercultural studies-Spanish major at Georgia Tech University. A former president of Alpha Kappa chapter, Mays has maintained a 3.72 grade point average while participating in many organizations and activities both on and off campus. She served as president of her Hall Council; vice-president of One Voice Atlanta; public relations chair of Alpha Chi Omega Sorority; member of Junior Panhellenic and Panhellenic Councils, Student Government Association, Freshman Activities Board, Sophomore Leadership Council; and served as a Georgia Tech Ambassador. She was the recipient of many honors including Omicron Delta Kappa's Outstanding Freshman Leadership Award. Mays was instrumental in bringing awareness on campus to sex trafficking in Atlanta. She organized an Awareness Week that raised more than \$700 for victims and raised awareness to thousands throughout the week. Whether in Lambda Sigma, campus, or the community, Mays has truly made a difference. Her lofty career goals include owning her own business that hires victims of sex trafficking and poverty to work in the industry.



Brittany Mays



Crystal McKee

**Crystal McKee's** involvement at the University of Southern Mississippi exemplifies the four pillars of Lambda Sigma – leadership, scholarship, service, and fellowship. While pursuing a nursing degree she has maintained a 4.0 grade point average while a member of Southern Miss' Honors College and has been active on campus and in the community, holding major leadership positions. Active in the Wesley Foundation, she has served as an intern and president. She has also been involved in student government serving as a Freshman Associate and then on the



## LAMBDA SIGMA SOCIETY MISSION STATEMENT

Lambda Sigma Society, a national honor society for second year students, is dedicated to the purpose of fostering leadership, scholarship, fellowship and service among its members as they promote the interests of the colleges and universities they represent. ♦

executive cabinet. She served as secretary in Lambda Sigma and is currently serving as junior advisor. Community service has also been a major part of her life whether volunteering at nursing homes or working with Habitat for Humanity, Aldersgate Mission, Stop Hunger Now, or Service Over Self organization. McKee's career plans include pursuing her education with the goal of becoming a nurse practitioner.

**Yagmur Esemen** has maintained a 3.75 grade point average while pursuing a degree in neuroscience science and biology. A former president of Lambda Sigma Esemen has been involved in other leadership positions and extra-curricular activities. She is an officer in her sorority, Kappa Alpha Theta; co-president of the American Medical Students Association; the recipient of the Most Improved Swimmer on the Swim Team; a tour guide for the admissions office; and has worked as a tutor for both biology and chemistry. This past summer she had the opportunity to intern in the Mayo Clinic doing hands-on research. Esemen came to the United States at the age of seventeen to get the highest quality of education, as the resources in her home country, Cyprus, were not enough to support her dream of becoming a surgeon. After reaching this goal Esemen hopes to improve health care in underprivileged countries. She is especially interested in going back home to Cyprus and giving back to her community



Yagmur Esemen



Megan Watson

**Megan Watson**, a pre-medical student majoring in chemistry and English, has maintained a 3.93 grade point average at the University of Kansas. Watson's passion for service is evident as she served as community service chair in Lambda Sigma. This allowed her to expose the members to various sectors of the community including local Fair Trade Holiday Mart, Harvester's Food Bank, and the audio Reader Foundation for the visually

impaired. Additionally, she currently serves as the executive director for the KU Dance Marathon, a non-profit student organization that supports Children's Miracle Network and KU Pediatrics. Last year Watson was co-coordinator for the Center for Community Outreach's Into the Streets Week, which involved over 1200 students in events on campus and in the community. Watson currently is one of two students involved in the strategic planning process for the Student Health Services on campus. Upon completion of her undergraduate degree Watson plans to pursue a medical degree and career as a surgeon. She is particularly interested in the areas of cardiothoracic and transplant surgery. Hopefully her goal to work in the public health sector will allow her to carry out medical missions to underdeveloped nations.

As an elementary education major with minors in Spanish and dance at Northern Illinois University, **Jennifer Camery** has maintained a 3.6 grade point average. As stated in a letter of

recommendation, "Megan is not only academically talented, but also a strong leader and mature student, with a demonstrated, remarkable commitment to community service and campus involvement." In Lambda Sigma, she served as social chair creating a spirit of camaraderie among the members. This was evident at the end of the year when she led an activity where members shared what they had gained and valued during their Lambda Sigma year. Watson's also served as an officer in Alpha Sigma Alpha Sorority, a senator in student government, a tutor for children in the DeKalb community through the University Honors Program, and a founding member and first president of NIU Educators' Club. She has also played in a local symphony orchestra, and teaches and coaches dance teams. Watson's passions include dance and helping children. Her career goals include pursuing a teaching position in an inner city elementary school to work with less privileged students in the Chicago area and one day to open her own dance studio.



Jennifer Camery



Lara Ismert

While pursuing a degree in English and mathematics, **Lara Ismert** has maintained a 3.92 grade point average at Pittsburg State University. As president of her Lambda Sigma chapter she was responsible for planning, organizing, and implementing the service projects for her chapter. As a result of her leadership in guiding her chapter, *Omega* was one of the recipients of the Most Outstanding Chapter Award presented to two chapters this past fall.

Ismert's other involvements have included the Presidential Emerging Leaders Program, Student Government Association, University Student Ambassadors, and Advancement Ambassadors. She has also had the leading roles in three PSU theatre productions. Currently she serves as the academic affairs director for student government. After graduating Ismert plans to apply for the Peace Corps to teach English as a second language in a Francophone country before teaching English literature at a university. Her plans also include writing novels based on her experience in the Peace Corps and eventually becoming a foreign diplomat. ♦

## Professor of the Month Mugs Available

Blue Ceramic mugs with the greek letters Lambda Sigma and "Excellence in Teaching" all in gold letters are available for \$7.50 each. Contact John Hauser, national vice president, to place your order. His contact information is listed on the last page of this newsletter. ♦

## Rho Chapter Recognized for Their Support of the Scholarship Program

At the recently concluded Presidents' Conference, *Rho* chapter at Thiel College was recognized for their extraordinary support of the scholarship program. Making the presentation was Mark Shotwell, advisor for scholarships on the national board. Shotwell stated, "The Lambda Sigma scholarship depends on the generosity of many people, including donors such as Kay McClain as well as individual chapters. Sadly, some chapters give only the minimum amount to be eligible for honor chapter status. Happily, many chapters give as much as they can. And amazingly, there is *Rho* chapter. In the last ten years, *Rho* chapter has contributed two and a half times as much as the next highest chapter. They do this not because they have a scholarship applicant every year. They do not. They do this not because they think it will guarantee that every one of their applicants will get a scholarship. They do not. No, they do this to support the scholarship program for all the chapters across the country." To express the gratitude of the national board, Shotwell presented an engraved paperweight in the shape of a star to Morgan Carson, *Rho* chapter president, and a framed certificate of appreciation to John Hauser, long-time advisor of *Rho* chapter. ♦

## Scholarship Donation Challenge

Listed below are chapters who donated to the scholarship fund last year at the level indicated. These chapters challenge all other chapters to make contributions during the 2011-2012 school year. Minimum scholarship donations of \$50 are required to be considered for honor chapter status. Congratulations to these chapters! ♦

**\$250 ♦ Diamond Level**  
*Rho*

**\$150 - \$249 ♦ Gold Level**  
*Alpha Delta*

**\$100 - \$149 ♦ Blue Level**  
*Omicron*  
*Pi*  
*Alpha Lambda*  
*Alpha Mu*  
*Alpha Pi*  
*Beta Eta*



## Congratulations – Lambda Sigma Honor Chapters

Honor chapters are selected by the national executive board for excellence and achievement. Requirements these chapters must fulfill to be considered include: completion of all reports (mid-year status report, ritual report and annual reports by the president, treasurer, and advisor); completion of all rituals in accordance with chapter and national guidelines; submission of the Initiate List along with payment of all required fees; submission of an article to at least one issue of *The Diamond*; evidence of campus and community service, minimum contribution of \$50.00 to the national scholarship fund; electronic submission of current by-laws by November 1st; implementation of a chapter project consistent with the national service project, underprivileged and at-risk-youth and attendance at the presidents' conference. ♦



**Congratulations to the following chapters on receiving this high honor!**

**Epsilon** – Allegheny College  
**Lambda** – Westminster College  
**Omicron** – Northern Illinois University  
**Pi** – Auburn University  
**Rho** – Thiel College  
**Tau** – University of Kansas  
**Omega** – Pittsburg State University  
**Alpha Gamma** – Duquesne University  
**Alpha Delta** – University of Southern Mississippi  
**Alpha Eta** – Penn State Erie – The Behrend College  
**Alpha Theta** – Slippery Rock University  
**Alpha Iota** – Mississippi State University  
**Alpha Lambda** – D'Youville College  
**Alpha Pi** – Lawrence University  
**Alpha Sigma** – Gannon University  
**Alpha Phi** – Ferrum College  
**Beta Delta** – Middle Tennessee University  
**Beta Zeta** – Pace University – NYC Campus

# Vira Heinz Scholarships Awarded to Three Lambda Sigma Members at Thiel College

Funded by the Heinz Endowments, the Vira I. Heinz Program for Women in Global Leadership prepares women for tomorrow's global challenges by offering a unique opportunity for international experiences, leadership development and community service. Each year, three women of sophomore status are selected from each of 16 regional colleges and universities admitted to the two-year program and receive an award of at least \$5,000 for summer study abroad. In addition, they participate in a series of retreats designed to cultivate leadership and intercultural skills and perform a community engagement experience.

Three Thiel Lambda Sigma members studied abroad this past summer thanks to the Vira I. Heinz Scholarships for Women in Global Leadership. The three scholarship winners all from *Rho* chapter were **Kayla Ohlin** of New Middletown, OH, **Audrey Lynn Rattay** of Apollo, PA, and **Emily Whipple** of Rochester, PA.



**Ohlin**, an accounting and business administration major with a minor in English, participated in the International Studies Abroad's program at the University of Deusto in San Sebastian, Spain. This program allowed Ohlin to study the language and culture of Spain as well as participate in international business courses. The following is a summary of her experiences.

Thanks to the Vira I Heinz Women in Global Leadership Scholarship, I spent five weeks this past summer in San Sebastian, Spain attending classes studying the Economics of the European Union and the Society, Politics, and Society of Spain. In classes taught by native professors I was exposed to the global economic crisis, and worked with others to contemplate solutions. The need for global unity became very apparent to me.



Kayla Ohlin

I was exposed to a new culture: living in a city for the first time in my life, in a country with a different language and way of life. Enticed by new food and flavors, I loved the cuisine. My experiences ranged from my first opera, to meeting with the city's director of volunteer services. While San Sebastian is a prosperous city, it is not without its needy. I also spent countless hours learning about the Basque Country in Spain. Did you know that the sport of rowing stems from the whaling days in the North Atlantic? This, and so much more was exposed to me.

While I saw many tourist attractions such as Madrid, Pamplona and Bilbao, I also went to lesser known gems within Spain such as the World Peace Museum in Guernica, the site of an atrocious bombing in World War II. I was also able to meet my friend and fellow Thiel College student, Emily Whipple, in Barcelona where we spent the weekend touring the city. I even had my first interaction with a wild boar in a national park just outside Barcelona.

Whether on the public bus, on the way to school, or on a hike in mountains, I interacted with the people of San Sebastian. This exchange of ideas, both simplistic and complex was my favorite part of the trip. Overall, Spain provided me with an educational experience far beyond what the classroom could ever offer, and I am eager to share my knowledge with everyone I meet. It has deepened my desire to travel abroad. Hopefully, Korea is next.



**Rattay**, a business administration major, attended the International Studies Abroad's program at Moulay Ismail University in Meknes, Morocco. While in Morocco, Rattay studied Arabic and gender issues in Moroccan culture. An event planner in her spare time, Rattay also studied Moroccan weddings. She shares her experiences below.

During the summer of 2011, I resided in Meknes, Morocco while attending classes in Making Sense of the Middle East and Beginning Standard Arabic. During the week, I gained knowledge in Middle East history and issues, and in addition learned how to read, write and speak the Arabic language. On a daily basis, I had the opportunity to interact with locals while drinking mint tea at the corner café and having in depth conversations about Moroccan traditions and how they differ from American traditions. Two of the more densely cultural experiences I underwent was bathing at the Hamam, which is a public steam bath, and



Rattay in the Sahara Desert with her camel, Petertosh, outside of the Berber Oasis.

practicing Ramadan the last week before departing for the United States. A group of my fellow American classmates and I bathed in the Hamam with local women for four hours. A fire burned under the tile floor to produce the high heat, opening pores and sweating out toxins. Ramadan began on the Tuesday before I left and the once crowded streets were bare during the day and busy at night.

Not only did I experience a spiritual and religious movement but I was also able to experience Moroccan folklore stretching from music festivals to crafts to yearly rituals such as the Running of the Women, a race in Meknes where participants compete while wearing their customary dresses. During my free time I took the necessary steps towards reaching my personal goal of meeting a Moroccan wedding planner, which resulted in my attendance at a Moroccan wedding. On the weekends, I traveled to various cities that enabled me to experience desert, mountain, and coastal living. I was also able to spend one weekend in Merzouga, a desert town in the Sahara Desert. I took advantage of this opportunity by riding camels, sleeping in the sand dunes and dining with Berber families in the desert Oasis by the large sand dune of the Erg Chebi.

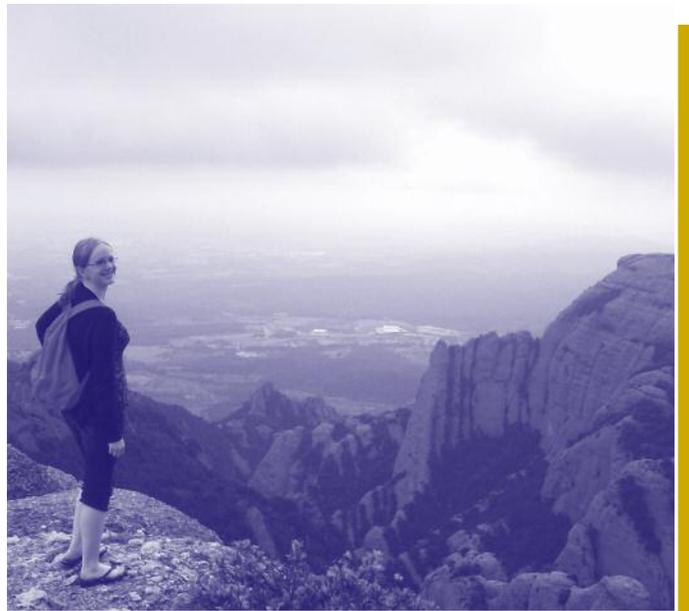


**Whipple**, an English major with secondary education certification, used her scholarship to study at Menendez Pelayo International University in Barcelona, Spain, through the International Studies Abroad program. She studied Spanish culture and language.

After years of hearing about the Vira I. Heinz Program for Women in Global Leadership, hours completing an application and preparing for an interview, and months

of making travel arrangements, I finally had an opportunity to study abroad this past summer in Barcelona, Spain. The program lasted for one month and during time I had the experience of a lifetime. The total immersion in a culture and language very different from my own taught me lessons in patience, independence, and the importance of stepping outside of my comfort zone that I will never forget.

On one memorable occasion, my roommate invited me to take a train with her about two hours out of the city, to the monastery on Montserrat. Anticipating a tour of famous buildings and religious artwork, I agreed. The train took us to a funicular to carry us up to the monastery. In my opinion it was just a metro car converted to a rickety and unreliable train. As we watched the landscape below us growing smaller and smaller, my roommate mentioned how excited she was to hike the trails on this famous mountain. I stared back at her. "What do you mean, trails?" This was not a museum tour but a hiking trip! The trails she was telling me about were long, difficult, and included a fair amount of climbing. I was dressed in a blouse, shorts, and flip-flops. Not wanting to ruin the trip, I resigned to tough it out in my less-than-acceptable hiking gear. Two hours later, with sore and extremely muddy feet, I stood at an altitude of 1200 meters, the highest peak of Montserrat reachable by trail, breathless and watching a rainstorm roll by beneath us. I was exhausted, thirsty, in pain, and more exhilarated than I had ever been in my entire life. This unexpected hike up a mountain in my sandals represents my entire trip to Spain. Despite the best of intentions, I was unprepared, unsure of what to expect, and exhausted by the end of it all, but the experience, and the difficult journey to get there, was a life-changing experience. ♦



Whipple at the peak of Montserrat.



# Chapter News

## **Zeta Muskingum University**

The Muskingum University *Zeta* chapter of Lambda Sigma began its efforts in community service early this year by assisting with freshman move-in. The members organized and participated in a campus-wide effort with other clubs to welcome the new class of students to college. We extended a helping hand and friendship to the new students. The event showed strong club participation and many new Muskingum students benefited from the effort.

To honor the 10th anniversary of the devastating attacks on the United States on 9/11, the *Zeta* chapter assisted with a community improvement project in the nearby city of Zanesville, Ohio. The members assisted in various projects downtown and made the area a cleaner and safer place.

The *Zeta* chapter's major community outreach program of this semester was the Lambda Sigma Fall Festival. The event was a large carnival for local community children 12 and featured exciting games including ring toss, prize fishing, bobbing for apples, three-legged races, and more. The idea for having the fall festival came from our desire to give back to the community that is home to Muskingum University. We also wanted to have an on-campus event allowing the children of faculty and staff to come and enjoy a day on campus where their parents work. Over 1500 children were invited to the event and it was a great success. We hope that the next class of the *Zeta* chapter continues to give back to the community in this way.

Two other on-campus community service events that *Zeta* participated in

were co-sponsored by the Muskingum University Residence Halls Association. The first of these was Dial-A-Dog, an event in which RHA and Lambda Sigma members had a hot dog delivery service on campus at the minimum cost to the students so that no profit was made by the sponsoring groups. The second event was a tailgate party for the last football game of the year that was open to all students and offered food and music to fans in the pregame hours.

*Zeta* chapter's final event of the semester is a themed dance party open to the entire campus that includes free food and drink, a DJ, and theme related gift items. This year's theme is the Winter Rave. It will feature backlights, glow sticks, and fog machines that will allow many of the students on campus to meet the members of Lambda Sigma and enjoy a fun night together. This event is in the final planning stages and interest has been even better than expected.

The *Zeta* chapter was and will continue to be very busy this semester and hopes to set a great example for both Muskingum University students and other Lambda Sigma chapters as we continue to live the traditions of Lambda Sigma: leadership, scholarship, fellowship, and service.

## **Carter Eberwine Vice-President**



## **Lambda Honor Chapter Westminster College**

Every year at Westminster College, in the late spring, one of our campus organizations, Dance Theater, has a three-day recital to showcase student, choreographed dances. These recitals are open to the campus and community and are always well attended. The *Lambda* chapter was approached by the president of Dance Theater and asked us to be ushers for the event. We agreed, and that is when the brainstorming began. Our fundraising committee under the supervision of our former treasurer, Daniel Matt, came up with the idea called the People's Choice Award. The fundraiser is extremely simple and consists of minimal supplies. Twelve brown paper bags, each having a picture on it from one of the dances and a sign advertising it, were all that was needed to carry out this project. Throughout the three recitals people would drop money into the bags of which dances they enjoyed the most. The donations ranged anywhere from pennies to checks for seventy-five dollars. At the last recital the choreographer whose bag raised the most money over the three recitals was presented a bouquet of roses on stage. The money raised, \$675, will go to future fellowship and service events.

This year ideas have been flowing. As a chapter we want to focus on fundraising so that we are able to have wonderful fellowship events for not only our current members, but potential members. We are planning on doing the People's Choice Award again, but right now we are in the midst of planning a game show, Are you Smarter than a Titan. We are inviting alumni, faculty and staff to be the Titans.

Several contestants will then be selected and tickets will be sold for admittance. We believe it will be a great way to learn about Westminster, but also a fun and easy way to raise money for our chapter.

In the service area, we are off and running! The *Lambda* chapter is volunteering at the New Wilmington Area School District, reading books to children on a weekly basis. We basically have a member going into the school, reading and spending time with the children almost every day. Our second service project is at a local home for the elderly. We call it Adopt-A-Grandparent. We spend time with a specific person once a week. At the end of the semester we will have a holiday party with the residents. They will be given a biography book that will be made by our members from learning about them at our visits. Although it is a simple project we thought it would make a huge difference in their lives especially around the holidays.

Lastly, to promote Lambda Sigma and its significance, we decided to make Lambda Sigma postcards and place them in all the first year students' mailboxes on campus. They will be simple but colorful so they won't be overlooked! We want to make the first year students aware of Lambda Sigma and eager to participate in our membership selection process in the spring. We are fully immersing ourselves in our four Lambda Sigma pillars: fellowship, scholarship, leadership, and service.

**Tate Slaven**  
President

### **Omicron** **Honor Chapter** **Northern Illinois University**

The 2011-2012 NIU Lambda Sigma chapter has been going strong this semester. Setting high standards for social engagement, as well as reaching the community through its volunteer work, has motivated this year's NIU Lambda Sigma chapter to leave lasting impressions. And through its many activities, the NIU chapter is well on its way to achieving that goal.

The *Omicron* chapter was very proud to host the annual Lambda Sigma President's Conference, and thereby extend a warm welcome to all Lambda Sigma chapter presidents throughout the nation. The attendees had the chance to network with other presidents, share advice and experiences, and even have a little fun.

University Welcoming Days was also a big event for our chapter. Members were involved in all types of activities throughout this event, ranging from helping new students on move-in day to working with Team NIU. One Lambda Sigma member even gave a speech to the university's 4,000 incoming freshman about the endless possibilities at NIU.

Lastly, *Omicron* chapter has been working hard to get involved within the local community. The members have supported events such as DeKalb's Annual Kite Fest, where amateurs and professionals alike exhibited their aerial skills. Another group of Lambda Sigma members also took the time to serve dinner to children and their families at a local daycare center's picnic. Of course, the NIU chapter is still avidly involved in assisting the university's theatre program by ushering at their productions. The Lambda Sigma members are looking forward to the many other upcoming service events including canned-food drives and working at Tails, the local humane society.

NIU's Lambda Sigma members are excited to have the opportunity to support the university, community, and the world through this great organization. With all of the chapter's involvement in leadership, scholarship, fellowship, and service, there is no question as to whether or not this year's group will make a difference. The only question is how big of a difference this group can make.

**Sarah Stuebing**

### **Pi** **Honor Chapter** **Auburn University**

Students of the *Pi* chapter of Lambda Sigma were eager to start the semester, and excited about continuing to serve the campus and community alongside fellow members. Along with being the top scholastic second year students on campus, these students are also involved in the leadership of countless organizations across campus including student government, greek life, student recruiters, marching band, cheerleaders, track and field, and swimming teams.

Over the summer, President Gant Weeks worked hard to assign every member to a committee that best fit their personality and strengths. Our biweekly meetings began as soon as classes did, and with these meetings came the flow of ideas of how we were going to promote scholarship, leadership, fellowship, and service on Auburn's campus.

Future plans for the *Pi* chapter this semester include becoming involved in our community through service. Our chapter has a goal of 1,000 volunteer hours for this year. Each member pledged 20+ hours of their own time to service learning organizations such as IMPACT, Auburn's central resource for volunteer opportunities, and Lifesavers Ministries, which reaches out to underprivileged children in the Auburn area. Through their involvement in these projects, the *Pi* chapter will promote fellowship among members while enriching the community through service.

**Lane Scott Jones**  
Editor

## **Brochures Available**

Brochures are available for chapter use in marketing Lambda Sigma Society to eligible first year students and the campus community. Contact Barbara Ross, national editor, to place your order. Her contact information is listed on the last page of this newsletter. ♦

## **Rho Honor Chapter Thiel College**

The *Rho* chapter of Lambda Sigma at Thiel College recently participated in the semiannual road clean up for the community of Greenville, Pennsylvania. The road cleanup was just the beginning of our impact on the Thiel College campus with much more in store.

The *Rho* chapter has planned numerous events for community service. In October, we held an informational meeting for the freshman class. The freshman learned about the history of Lambda Sigma, our four pillars, the activities we participate in, the opportunity Lambda Sigma provides for members, and the credentials that needed to be a member of Lambda Sigma.

Also in October the *Rho* chapter members volunteered for the Thiel College blood drives sponsored through the Red Cross. Although road clean ups, meetings, and blood drives are important in the success of our chapter at Thiel College, the *Rho* chapter is making a strong effort to focus on underprivileged children through supporting U.N.I.C.E.F. and after-school programs. We have collected money on campus for U.N.I.C.E.F. This money will be used to support children's rights, survival, development, and protection. During the holiday season we will be working with the Salvation Army to raise money for Toys for Tots. A dorm storm in our residence halls will be hosted to collect donations. All of the proceeds from this event will fund gifts for underprivileged children.

These are a few of *Rho's* events already held or planned for this semester. We are very excited to find activities to better the Thiel College campus and the rest of the Greenville community.

**Morgan Carson  
President**

**Leanna Yeager  
Community Service Chair**

## **Tau Honor Chapter University of Kansas**

This years chapter is motivated to make a lasting difference for its members and also for the community. We celebrated our initiation last May with treats and punch at our Kansas Memorial Union. This year began with all members excited and eager to serve and inspire the community.

Our first service project in September was volunteering at an event, For Your Ears Only, held to benefit KU Audio Reader. This group records many volunteers reading magazines, books, newspapers, and various other publications for the visually impaired. At this sale, an assortment of used records, CDs, stereos, musical instruments, and other items were sold to raise money for visually impaired individuals all across the state of Kansas. The Lambda Sigma members aided KU Audio Reader by sorting records, moving tables, and helping customers. This is now the third year the *Tau* chapter has volunteered at this fundraiser!

In October, we volunteered at the Lawrence High School for the Lawrence Hunger Project. This project was a joint effort between the University of Kansas and the Lawrence community to help fight against local and global hunger. At this event, we gave our support by packaging meals to be sent to refugee camps in Dadaab, Africa. Our members were greatly moved by all the work the Lawrence Hunger Project has done to make this event a reality.

We have many other community projects and ideas for later in this semester and in the spring. The members of the *Tau* chapter at the University of Kansas are anticipating another outstanding year!

**Sarah Franklin  
Historian**



## **Alpha Kappa Georgia Tech University**

The *Alpha Kappa* chapter is excited about fall semester at Georgia Tech! We began working as a group last May by selling flowers as a fundraiser for the Georgia Tech graduation ceremony. We also had a new member retreat to brainstorm ideas for key service projects and to bond with the new Lambda Sigma members while enjoying a beautiful day in the park.

To mark the tenth anniversary of the September 11 attacks, our first project of the semester was a 9/11 Day of Service with a local organization, Hands on Atlanta. Several of the *Alpha Kappa* members visited a local elementary school and created thank you bags that were delivered to area police officers and fire fighters.

Another project in September involved supporting our troops by writing letters to soldiers and creating bracelets to give to female soldiers. We have also participated in a campus-wide community service day, Team Buzz, in which we helped clean up a popular park in Atlanta. During some of our meetings we made peanut butter and jelly sandwiches with bagels that were donated to Lambda Sigma from an on-campus bakery. These sandwiches were then donated to a local shelter to feed the homeless.

Upcoming activities that our chapter is looking forward to include having an off-campus Lambda Sigma meeting at a women and children's shelter to serve a warm meal and providing meals to several Atlanta families as a Thanksgiving outreach project.

We are looking forward to the rest of the semester and a great year with Lambda Sigma!

**Parrish Brown  
President**

## **Alpha Pi Honor Chapter Lawrence University**

The *Alpha Pi* chapter strives to uphold scholastic and moral integrity while inspiring members of our campus community to do the same. Through our service efforts, we aim to enrich the lives of underprivileged children and foster academic fellowship.

The Lambda Sigma chapter at Lawrence University opened our year by writing the above mission statement. Since its creation, these two sentences have become a reference point and an inspiration for our chapter.

As a service based honor society, we feel it is essential that we include our dedication to academics and also to community service. But, we want to reach beyond these inherent goals to make our chapter exceptional; we want to get the rest of the school involved. In addition to extending volunteer opportunities to the entire student body, we are always looking for ways to collaborate with other student groups in which chapter members are involved. Although we may be a small campus, 1,500 people can unite to create a tidal wave. We want to make Lambda Sigma an influential group in which next year's second year students will be excited to get involved.

We decided to adopt the national service project theme and focus our service and philanthropy work on improving the lives of under privileged children locally and around the world. From volunteering as tutors at local schools to leading counseling groups for children at a sexual assault crisis center, we have become active in the Appleton area. Our philanthropy, Kids Give, provides scholarships to put children in Sierra Leone through basic schooling and grants to build schools throughout the country. Although Kids Give is helping children an ocean away, the program lies close to home. It was founded by one of Lawrence's government professors, is run by Lawrentians, and is providing a chance for one of our members to visit Sierra Leone for research this winter. It is

incredibly encouraging to be able to see the effects of our work, and is sure to keep us motivated for the rest of the school year and beyond.

In addition to helping improve the lives of children around the world we also wanted to create a support group for ourselves. Whether it is helping one another when we are struggling with a class, spreading the word about campus events, or providing an emotional support group, we strive to create interpersonal bonds within our chapter. Standing together we hope that this year will be productive and fun.

**Maggie Brickner  
Reporting Secretary**

## **Alpha Sigma Honor Chapter Gannon University**

Greetings from Erie, Pennsylvania! Since we have been back at school, *Alpha Sigma* chapter has been busy at work. We have some great ideas that we are implementing this semester. We have given our members numerous chances to do social, service, and fundraising events throughout the year.

Our first service event of the year was Gannon's annual GIVE Day. This year we had a number of Lambda Sigma members who walked numerous blocks picking up trash. It was just a small task, but every small task is a large step to success. The streets we were assigned looked great after we were done!

*Alpha Sigma* has partnered with our Center for Social Concerns and adopted a service project for the entire year. This service project will take place at the Erie Art House. Every Friday we will have members of our chapter going to the Art House for three hours. Here, we will help the kids of Erie participate in various art projects.

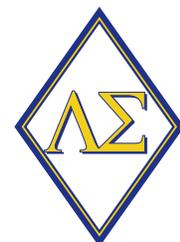


In spring 2011, Lambda Sigma adopted the refugee children who attend McKinley School. Members obtained toothbrushes and toothpaste from local dentists and purchased school supplies to fill shoe boxes. They decorated and filled the shoe boxes and then took them to McKinley School to distribute them and meet the children. The children were so appreciative. It was an amazing and a very rewarding experience. This project fulfilled the mission of Lambda Sigma as well as the service mission of Gannon University.

Future projects include a box top collection that will involve other organizations on campus. With the collected box tops, we will choose a local Erie school to donate them to. With these box tops, the school will be able to purchase new supplies for the children.

We are very excited to have such a great start this year and hope to have more projects throughout the year as well. With such a strong start, I can already tell we will have great success this year in Lambda Sigma. On behalf of our chapter, I would like to wish everyone good luck and much success throughout the school year!

**Carly Gerba  
Secretary**



## **Alpha Tau** **The University of Alabama**

With a growing population at the University of Alabama, Lambda Sigma offers students a way to come together and gain positive experiences. Participation and self-garnered community service is expected from our members. Our service in the community ranges from helping with the local Girl Scouts to tutoring high school football players. In Lambda Sigma we are like-minded students who are interested in giving back to the loving community we are a part of.

The Tuscaloosa community was greatly affected by the tornado that ravaged the city this past April. The Lambda Sigma members teamed with Tuscaloosa's One Place for their Fall Festival this past October. Their mission is to provide quality service to the Tuscaloosa community through commitment to making a difference in the lives of its families, one we echo strongly.

At one of our biweekly planning meetings we recalled our favorite costumes from growing up; a veggie pizza costume and a milkshake costume complete with a cherry were by far the most creative of the group. This helped prepare us for the Fall Festival's costume contest where we judged the children's costume contest. We also assisted in gathering candy for the event and setting up the premises the day of the event.

We are looking forward to next semester and are already brainstorming on ideas for projects.

**Christine Covell**  
**Editor**

## **Alpha Psi** **University of Toledo**

The *Alpha Psi* chapter at the University of Toledo is off to a great start this year. A big thanks goes out to the 2010-2011 chapter president, Scott Uram, who put his whole self into improvement of the *Alpha Psi* chapter. Without his

commitment and loyalty to the chapter, it is likely Lambda Sigma would not be present on the University of Toledo's campus today. We are also extremely appreciative of everyone from the national board who has shown consistent support for our chapter. As a result of this support combined with Scott's effort, we were honored to receive the award for Most Improved Chapter.

We are incredibly appreciative of all the support our chapter received this past year and we are committed to giving back to the community as well. The *Alpha Psi* chapter has participated in many service events around the city of Toledo, not just on campus. We believe that embracing the community aspect of service is an integral part of fostering fellowship not only within our chapter, but throughout the Toledo area. Our chapter participated in a Take Steps walk to support research for Crohn's Disease and Colitis. We have also participated in number of events related to the I Matters organization. This organization was founded on the idea that even one person living without a home is one too many and focuses on not simply giving food to those who need it, but also making connections and forming real human relationships with them. We were spiritedly involved in a walk to increase awareness for the organization, as seen in the photo below. Lambda Sigma was even recognized in the local newspaper, the Toledo Blade. Our group is also working on formulating a long-term fundraiser for an organization called Food for Thought which provides bagged lunches and other resources weekly to those members of the Toledo community



*The Alpha Psi chapter of Lambda Sigma at the University of Toledo shows their support and enthusiasm by wearing footie pajamas on the I Matters Walk, benefitting the unhoused in Toledo.*

that are in need. Our fundraiser, known as March Madness to Gladness, consists of a penny-war between all the clubs and organizations on campus, as well as businesses throughout the city. The penny-war continues in bracket-style elimination and the organization or business raising the most money receives a trophy with a peanut butter and jelly sandwich on it. Of course all the proceeds from the penny-war will go directly to Food for Thought. We hope that this activity is one that can be continued well into the future, long after our term as active members. A number of members of the chapter have also taken on prominent leadership roles for these large scale service events.

Other community service events in which our chapter has participated include Campus HEAT (Hunger Eliminated among Toledo), PB&J for the Poor, and parking cars for university events. We are also continuing in our work at the Mansionview Inn, cleaning and decorating the bed and breakfast for Christmas.

Our chapter has had a great time fundraising this semester. We had the opportunity to fundraise by working drink stands downtown at the Huntington Center for events such as ECHL Walleye games and even the Trans-Siberian Orchestra. We hope to continue this relationship with the Huntington Center throughout the year, as we have been able to enjoy prominent events in Toledo while raising money for our organization.

Planning and participating in events on campus has been an important part of establishing Lambda Sigma as a legitimate and respected organization. These events not only promote the group as a significant organization, but also draw awareness to current freshmen who may be potential members for next year's class. We have already been working on revising the new member application and doing all we can to make sure the selection process will allow us to clearly select the most qualified candidates.

Once again, the leadership from the previous year really put us in a great position to get down to business right

away and work on events and programs that really demonstrate what Lambda Sigma is all about on campus and throughout the community. There is tangible enthusiasm within the group this year and with our members' talents and commitment, we are confident we can make the year a success for the *Alpha Psi* chapter at the University of Toledo!

**Chelsea Rosfeld**  
Secretary

### **Beta Theta** **Urbana University**

Last spring, seventeen new members were inducted into the *Beta Theta* chapter at Urbana University. The 2010-2011 members led the new members in their first ever Lambda Sigma service project, which included collecting crayons, coloring books, and reading books for the patients at Children's Medical Center in Dayton.

The new members voted on the officers to lead the group for the 2011-2012 year. These four students include: President Amber Watkins, Vice President Kathleen Ollhoff, Secretary Bethany Kramer, and Treasurer James Tucker.

The members began an exciting year with a group-bonding cookout. After the Blue Knights played their Saturday football game, the members enjoyed a great meal and made lasting memories. Then t-shirts were ordered and we all came together for our care package project which kept us busy. *Beta Theta* has many events planned, including participating in an organization called Empty Bowls, mentoring at a nearby elementary school, and working at the Ronald McDonald House in Dayton.

As you can see, this group has many projects planned! This year, Urbana University's Lambda Sigma Honor Society will be busy, but will enjoy every minute of service to the community!

**Bethany Kramer**  
Secretary



*Beta Eta* members making homework kits.

### **Beta Eta** **Pace University –** **Pleasantville**

In September, Pace University Pleasantville's chapter of Lambda Sigma cohosted its annual Sophomore Kickoff event. The Sophomore Kickoff is an event designed to engage sophomores and help kick off the academic year. Different offices and organizations on campus had tables set up to share information with those in attendance. There were also games, food, and giveaways for all who attended. A large part of the Sophomore Kickoff event was the community service project. Everyone who attended helped make 100 homework kits for needy children in the community. Overall the event was extremely successful. Over 100 students attended and it gave a great opportunity for sophomores to spend time with each other and to help the community.

**Dana Weingartner**  
Editor



### **Beta Lambda** **University of** **North** **Carolina at** **Pembroke**

We, the *Beta Lambda* chapter of Lambda Sigma, have definitely had an exciting semester at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke. Being a fairly new chapter, we have worked diligently this

semester to advertise our name to the upcoming freshmen class as well as the remainder of the campus. Not only have we successfully established our name, but we have made the fundamentals of our society clear to our peers through many creative manners. At the beginning of fall semester we sent out a mass email to the entire freshmen class not only welcoming them to the college, but congratulating them on their accomplishments. We also informed them of our prestigious society, its goals, and our hopes that they keep up their academic success in order to become members in the near future. Our executive board also worked together in October to design a festive homecoming banner to represent Lambda Sigma in a fun and supportive way. Lambda Sigma loves the Braves was painted and hung in the middle of campus where it could be seen by the thousands of students, athletes, and professors walking across campus to their respective classes. In addition to all these promotional events, our chapter worked vigorously to raise breast cancer awareness for a full week in October. We set up and decorated a table in the University Center, the social-center of UNCP, where we kept members posted to hand out brochures about the tragic effects and preventative measures of the disease. Also, members of the chapter made pink ribbons that we sold for a minimal price to commemorate the fight that many women have waged, won, and lost. It was a huge hit with students, which made it an even bigger success. Ultimately, it is our goal as a chapter to

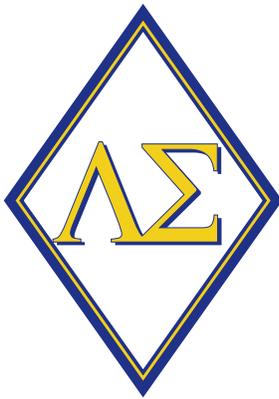
continue this effort each month of the spring semester with awareness about other forms of cancer that are less known to the public. Later in October we also made Halloween candy bags for the children at a local elementary school. Not only was this project a bonding experience during the bag preparation process, but a truly rewarding experience to see the smiling faces of the children receiving the bags and the goodies inside! Of course, *Beta Lambda* did not forget about fellowship among members. A Lambda Sigma retreat was held in November to allow the new members to get to know and inspire each other in multiple ways. At the retreat, we began with a campus-wide scavenger hunt that ended in a pizza dinner. Afterwards, we played several icebreakers and leadership games that we feel made a big difference

in the overall state of the chapter. Everyone became acquainted with each other through fun games. These newly found friendships will certainly benefit us in the long run as we tackle various service and fundraiser projects in the future as members of Lambda Sigma. Our chapter remains very busy and looks forward to big plans in a promising new semester full of fun activities and events that promote the values of our society. We as a chapter hope to conquer many tasks, including such events as sponsoring a family, raising money for underprivileged children and celebrating their birthdays at



parties in the local children's home. We hope that our endeavors will inspire the future generations of Lambda Sigma for years to come as we embark and continue this journey.

**Brittany Williams**  
Vice President



## Honor Cords Available

Many chapters are now providing honor cords for their graduating seniors to be worn at graduation. If you are interested in ordering these blue and gold cords, you may do so by contacting the following company:

Schoen Trimming and Cord Co., Inc.  
151 West 25th St.  
New York, NY 10001

or calling them at  
212-255-3949. ♦

## Diversity Statement

Inherent in the purposes and ideals of Lambda Sigma Society is the understanding of the importance of diversity within the organization in achieving its goals. To this end, the National Executive Board of Lambda Sigma Society encourages its member chapters to actively pursue candidates for membership who would broaden and strengthen the local chapters by providing diverse backgrounds. This diversity within the organization should serve to enhance the potential for leadership and service by acknowledging the wide range of students within the college or university and their potential to contribute to the goals of the society. ♦

## Presidents' Conference Scheduled

The National Lambda Sigma Presidents' Conference has been scheduled and will be held at Ferrum College in Ferrum, VA next fall. Attendance at the conference is a requirement for honor chapter status. As new officers are elected this spring, remind them that each chapter is expected to send the president at national's expense. *Alpha Phi* chapter proudly extends an invitation for a memorable and fun weekend! ♦

# Upcoming Deadlines

## JANUARY 31, 2012

**Report on Rituals**.....Neal Edman  
**Diamond Article**.....Barbara Ross  
**Mid-Year Status Report**.....Ron Wolfe

## MAY 1, 2012

**Scholarship Application**.....Mark Shotwell

## JUNE 1, 2012

**President's Report**.....Ron Wolfe

**Treasurer's Report**

**Advisor's Report**

**Initiate List**

**National Dues (\$40/member)**

**Convention Assessment (\$300)**

**Scholarship Donation (Minimum Donation \$50 for Honor Chapter Status)**

All reports and *The Diamond* article are to be submitted electronically. Reports are located on the website. ♦

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<i>Beta Eta</i>	Pace University – Pleasantville	Pleasantville, NY
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