

# The Greek Column

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## Delta Zeta Establishes Pi Delta Chapter

On April 19<sup>th</sup> at 4 p.m., the Delta Zetas are hosting the second annual Brian Piccolo Cancer Research Foundation. In addition to having a tug-of-war over the pool of green jell-o as last year, there are plans of having an auction to increase the chapter's donations. Turtle Tug will offer prizes from area restaurants and shops, and possibly a stand-out surprise for the winning teams.

The last weekend in February, Delta Zeta attended their region weekend and received various awards for their past accomplishments. The Pi Delta Colony received

awards for Financial Excellence, meeting quota in their new member class, 2<sup>nd</sup> place in the amount of philanthropy money donated to nationals, and the Rose Level of the Delta Zeta Foundation. Individual awards were also given; Erika Harris received the Promise of the Region Award and Tess Fath was awarded the Outstanding Collegian Award. Several girls were also given awards for achieving GPAs above a 3.5.

Last, but not certainly not least, is the ending of Pi Delta as a colony at Wake Forest. On March 18<sup>th</sup> the founding sisters will be initiated as offi-

cial members of Delta Zeta, and on March 19<sup>th</sup> the colony will become an established chapter at Wake Forest, as well as according to Delta Zeta nationals. Congrats girls on all your hard work!

- Lindsay Kalota



## Sigma Nu Hosts "Poker for Piccolo"

On February 13<sup>th</sup>, the Lambda Alpha Chapter of Sigma Nu Fraternity hosted the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Poker for Piccolo, a No Limit Texas Hold 'em tournament, with proceeds benefiting the Brian Piccolo Cancer Fund. Over 70 students paid the 20 dollar entry fee with a chance to win great prizes like an iPod or a basketball signed by the Wake Forest men's team.

After over 5 grueling hours of fast paced, high energy no limit Texas Hold 'em, freshman

Turner Ashby knocked out Paul Silivos to claim the title. Ashby chose the signed basketball as his prize, and Silivos was more than happy to walk away with a brand new iPod. The most important part of the event, was that over \$2000 was raised for the Brain Piccolo Cancer fund.

The event was co sponsored by Chi Psi and SAE fraternities. Event Chairman Ryan Decker said, "The event went really well, we are

happy with the turnout, and hope that this event becomes a permanent fixture as the main Sigma Nu Piccolo fundraising event of the year." Hopefully Mr. Decker is correct and next year's tournament will be bigger and better, and will, most importantly, raise more money for the Piccolo Cancer Fund.

- Nicholas L. Simon

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## Kappa Delta Prepares for Annual Philanthropy Event

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While the words “male beauty pageant” and “philanthropy” don’t usually go together, Kappa Delta’s Mr. Wake Forest is one notable exception. This event, which takes place on March 19<sup>th</sup> this year, raises money for Prevent Child Abuse America and Brenner’s Children’s Hospital. PCAA is one of Kappa Delta’s national philanthropies, while Brenner’s is a local organization.

Various campus organizations nominate contestants for the event, including Greek organizations, freshmen halls, and club sports teams. There are three different components: formal wear, swim wear and a talent portion. The event will be held Saturday, March 19<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm on the Magnolia Quad.

- Ashley Francis

## Phi Mu Reflects on Successful Year; Upcoming Events

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The Lambda Eta Chapter of Phi Mu has had an amazing and fun-filled past year. From refreshing outdoor picnics to awesome date functions, rewarding philanthropy events, and a wonderful new pledge class, the Phi Mu girls have been active all over campus. Receiving Wake Forest’s Most Outstanding Community Service Award for 2004, Phi Mu raised money for the Children’s Miracle Network and the Brian Piccolo Cancer Fund. They began the year with a Krispy Kreme fundraiser, Hit the Bricks for Piccolo, and the annual Peanut Butter for Piccolo in the fall. Right now, Phi Mu is planning the annual basketball tournament with Sigma Pi—the 3-on-3 Shootout—for the spring. At last year’s tournament, a Wake Forest student won \$10,000 by making a shot from half-court, and many students are getting ready for their chance this year! The Phi Mu girls also remain active in the Winston-Salem community by tutoring at Julian Gibson Elementary School’s after-school program throughout the year.

Along with these remarkable philanthropy events, the Phi Mu ladies know how to have a good time. Some of their socials last fall included a Hawaiian Mystery Date, a Tacky Prom Crush Party, and their annual Semi-Formal. Last month they celebrated the Phis and Guys date function with their incoming new members with a James Bond, “Phis and Spies” theme. In March, they will be hosting the Phi Mu Fiesta at La Carretas. Throughout the year, the Phi Mus enjoy having mixers with the fraternities on campus, picnics and potluck dinners with all the sisters, and playing intramural sports on their “Simply Vicious” basketball team, with numerous other Phi Mu cheerleaders in the stands.

In October, Kathy Williams, the national president of Phi Mu visited, while celebrating our Wake Forest chapter’s birthday. Phi Mu also proudly welcomed an incredible new pledge class in January, who recently traveled to Duke University Children’s Hospital to deliver the boo boo bunnies that were made during recruitment, to the children there. The new members will be initiated this month, and they look forward to making long lasting memories and life long bonds with these girls

- Meaghan Lynch

## SAE to Become a Chapter

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This semester is a very important one for Sigma Alpha Epsilon, as they become an official chapter the weekend of March 18-20. On that weekend SAE will welcome many distinguished National Officers, including the President, Tom Bowers and his family, as well as many local alumni, parents, and friends. Also in attendance will be leaders from other Greek organizations and members of the Wake Forest administration.

SAE continues to grow as an organization as they welcomed fifteen new members into the brotherhood this spring. They recently co-sponsored Sigma Nu’s Poker for Piccolo philanthropy event, which was a huge success and a lot of fun for everyone. Their chapter continues to discuss different possibilities for their own Piccolo event to be held later this spring or next fall. SAE would like to thank the Greek community and administration for helping them during this very important time in establishing their chapter.

- Will Partin



*Phi Mu sisters bond with new members*

# Chi Omega Red Hot in 2005

The new 2005 spring semester has Chi Omega excited and ready for some red hot fun. In January Chi O welcomed 47 new pledges who are currently meeting once a week to learn about the traditions of Chi Omega. To show them how much fun they have here in Chi Omega, they celebrated on bid day with dinner at the McNally's house then roller skated and danced the night away. On January 29 the pledges had their retreat where they got to spend quality bonding time. Chi O is also excited to have 43 juniors back from abroad. So with the pledges and the juniors, Chi Omega has doubled in size since last semester—the more the merrier!!

Their philanthropy projects continue to reach the community in 2005. Homerun, an organization which provides food for the families of the Ronald McDonald House, is in full effect this semester. Three times a month a group of Chi O ladies cooks and delivers meals. This spring Chi O will hold their annual chili cook-off benefiting the Make-A-Wish Foundation, their national philanthropy. Also this month, Sophomore Chi O Anna Edgerton will run in the Myrtle Beach Marathon raising money for three organizations from her home town. Last semester their chapter completed over 2,300 hours of community service.

- Bailey Reue

## A Semester of Service and Brotherhood

After a very busy but enjoyable month of rush, the brothers of Alpha Sigma Phi are ready to take on a number of philanthropy projects this semester in addition to the fraternity's busy social calendar. Their faculty advisor, Dr. Luis Gonzalez, informed the brotherhood of a need for tutors to help Hispanic children at a nearby school improve their English reading skills. A number of brothers have answered this need and will be volunteering once a week to work with the children one-on-one.

Additionally, Alpha Sigma Phi has sponsored alumni brother Brett Brohl in a bowling fundraiser for the Big Brothers of Forsyth County. Later this semester they will also do their annual road cleaning through the Winston-Salem Clean Streets program. Last semester, Alpha Sigma Phi was successful in raising over \$5000 in their annual Run with the Deacs 5k race. The fraternity was awarded the Brian Piccolo Achievement Award for the contribution to the Piccolo fund, their largest contribution yet.

- Eddie Allan

## Another Busy Semester for Alpha Phi Omega!

Looks like its going to be another busy semester for the "brothers" of Alpha Phi Omega. The men and women of this co-ed fraternity will be tutoring kids at Easton Elementary, working at the food bank, visiting residents at Brookridge Retirement Home, and helping out with Holly Haven Aids Care. Later in the semester they will host a day of activities for the children of the Big Brothers/Big Sisters program. While service is the main focus for this organization, APO is also looking forward to the traditional Spring Semester social events planned, such as their formal and Beach Week. Leadership, Friendship, and Service are the three principles that they hold as important to all their members and that they demonstrate in all their activities. If you are looking to form amazing friendships, have lots of fun, and serve others in the community, then think about pledging Alpha Phi Omega next semester!

- Lauren Davis

## Men's Fall 2004 GPA Reports

Group Name	GPA
Sigma Nu	3.229
Lambda Chi Alpha	3.181
Chi Psi	3.178
Theta Chi	3.149
Pi Kappa Alpha	3.087
Delta Kappa Epsilon	3.041
All Fraternity Average	3.033
Kappa Sigma	2.998
All Men's Average	2.997
Sigma Pi	2.983
Alpha Sigma Phi	2.982
Kappa Alpha	2.976
Sigma Chi	2.970
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	2.806
Kappa Alpha Psi	2.009

## Women's Fall 2004 GPA Reports

Group Name	GPA
Kappa Delta	3.375
Kappa Kappa Gamma	3.374
Chi Omega	3.361
Delta Delta Delta	3.357
All Sorority Average	3.316
Pi Beta Phi	3.293
Phi Mu	3.260
All Women's Average	3.220
Alpha Kappa Alpha	3.107
Delta Zeta	3.033
Delta Sigma Theta	2.599

## Kappa Delta Has Strong Start in Spring 2005

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Kappa Delta has continued its tradition of strong social success by hosting several campus events this semester. In January, our annual Stoplight Party was attended by over 500 members of the Wake Forest Community and was a great way to start a semester with our new members. Girls have enjoyed *Desperate Housewives* parties and Wild Hearts Run free, an annual Valentine's Day sisterhood in the lounge. Italian Wedding,

another annual tradition usually held in the fall, has been relocated to spring when fewer sisters are abroad, and will take place March 18th.

Our new members have greatly enjoyed getting to meet and bond with older sisters, be it during weekly sisterhood lunches in Benson or simply studying together in the lounge. Congratulations to the 46 newly initiated sisters!

- McLean Robbins

## Kappa Alpha Psi - One Year and Going Strong

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Kappa Alpha Psi is very excited to have celebrated its first anniversary January 25, 2005. In honor of this anniversary they held the inaugural "Kappa Week" from Monday, January 24 through Saturday, January 29. Kappa Alpha Psi celebrated with a fraternity dinner, cookie cake in the Pit, a formal informational as well as a forum on racial identity. Kappa Alpha Psi would like to thank everyone who supported the first "Kappa Week". They

would also like to thank each and every person that has supported them this past year. Without that support, Kappa Alpha Psi, would not have been as successful as they have been. They invite you to join Kappa Alpha Psi in future events as the NUPES look to give back to the Wake Forest campus community and the Winston-Salem community at large.

- Julius Cave

## A Strong Start for Sigma Chi

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The Delta Nu chapter has just recently completed another great spring rush. The recruitment chairmen, Scott Weston, Phil Somich, and Brad Yates, along with the entire brotherhood, did a miraculous job meeting new people, leading to a very solid pledge class of 16 quality men. They look forward to the future with these men as forthcoming leaders while preserving the high standards this fraternity prides itself upon.

This past semester saw Sigma Chi win another Overall Fraternity Intramural Championship. The seniors have never lost this, as this latest victory makes four years in a row. We look forward to this spring semester, in upholding this level of athletic greatness, but more importantly, the successes that come from teamwork.

The brotherhood has increasingly done more and more community service work. Last semester, James Bacon co-chaired both Project Pumpkin as well as the Red Cross Blood Drives that take place on campus. In the coming months, the brotherhood will again host their annual Derby Days which will raise money not only for the Brian Piccolo Fund, but also the Children's Miracle Network. This spring break, Kevin Berardinelli and Stephen Reintjes are leading a Wake Alternative Break service project to Virginia Beach. The brotherhood also plans to take part in a fraternity wide Habitat for Humanity project.

With Consul, Andrew Sullivan, and Pro Consul, Charles Beck III, leading the way, the future for our chapter looks great.

## Theta Chi's Successful Semester

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After a solid fall semester, Theta Chi Fraternity welcomed back nine brothers from abroad and started an exciting rush with events like a cookout with Kappa Delta and poker night. We are now proud to be working with our thirteen new members and are enthusiastic about their future contribution to our fraternity. Theta Chi Fraternity is proud to have won the IFC Community Service Award this past year and looks forward to its Habitat for Humanity projects and charity carwash this spring. Theta Chi also had an awesome Valentine's date function on the ice rink, and we are excited for our St. Patty's Day party and other parties this spring.

## Re-chartered and Ready to go

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The Kappa Alpha Order, Tau Chapter, since 1881, is the oldest fraternity at Wake Forest. KA recently completed the re-chartering process and are now once again an official chapter recognized nationally and by the University. They have added 8 new members this past fall and are very excited about the 16 new members they gained this spring. KA is looking forward to planning "Dodge for Dystrophy" this spring, a dodgeball tournament benefiting Muscular Dystrophy. They continue to sell custom KA ties, specific to their chapter to alumni as part of our fundraising efforts. As well, KA is eager to support the Brian Piccolo Cancer Fund this semester.