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### Greek Week 2010

Greek Week 2010 was a great success for the Greek life Community. Seven women's teams including CPC's newest chapter, Alpha Sigma Alpha and ten men's teams participated. All teams participated in a variety of events including volleyball, dodge ball, basketball, Tug, softball and flag football. This year, Greek Ambassadors held a "No Beef Cookout" to promote good sportsmanship and Greek Unity. Throughout the week the race for who would win the title of Greek Week Champion was very close! This year for the women's teams, there was a two way tie for Greek Week champion between Phi Mu and Kappa Delta. Alpha Delta Pi came in third place. For the men's teams, Sigma Nu took Greek Week champion, while Kappa Sigma came in second and Pi Kappa Phi took third. Along with the athletic events of Greek Week, Greek Ambassadors also held a Greek Week King and Queen Competition. At each event, chapters were encouraged to give money to support their representative. This year's Greek Week King was Michael June from Phi Sigma Kappa and the Greek Week Queen was Hannah Roders from Alpha Delta Pi.



### 2010 CPC Step Show

This year, College Panhellenic Council fundraiser on April 8th in the Valdosta State P.E. Complex. The Step Show was very successful this year with Alpha Delta Pi, Chi Omega, Kappa Delta, Phi Mu, and Zeta Tau Alpha competing. Each team did a great job, and the scores were very close. This year's winner was Kappa Delta. Phi Mu and Alpha Delta Pi finished second and third place respectively. The event raised \$4750 for the Partnership Cancer Fund. This money stays in the Valdosta Community to help pay for cancer treatment for those who cannot afford it. Thanks to all who participated and come out to show their support while helping a great cause!

#### Step Show Winners

1st Place: Kappa Delta

2nd Place: Phi Mu

3rd Place: Alpha Delta Pi



## Greek Assembly 2010

The Greek Excellence Packet is an end-of-the-year report turned in by each chapter president that highlights academic and scholarship, community service and philanthropic activities, chapter development and reporting, and campus involvement and leadership. From each of these, an IFC chapter, CPC chapter and NPHC chapter are chosen. Congratulations to all chapter winners!

Each chapter is awarded and given a rank of chapter development, meets standards, Merit or Excellence. A chapter of merit is one who has scored at least 80% overall and reached merit in four out of five sections. A chapter of Excellence is one who has scored at least 90% overall and reached excellence in all sections as well as having a GPA above the all student and all chapter average.

Individual awards were given out as well for the following areas: New Member of the Year, Woman, Man and Member of the Year, Outstanding Greek President, Outstanding Male and Female Achiever, and Advisor of the Year.

President's Cup Honor is given to the chapters who showed creativity, individualism, and inspiration through a visual presentation. Judges from within the Valdosta Community were chosen to evaluate and choose which IFC, CPC and NPHC chapters excelled in the criteria and encompassed the characteristics of an outstanding chapter.

### Greek Assembly Winners

#### Excellence in Academic and Scholarship-

Sigma Chi, Alpha Delta Pi, Alpha Kappa Alpha

#### Overall Highest GPA-

Sigma Chi, Phi Mu, Alpha Kappa Alpha

#### Most Improved GPA-

Pi Kappa Phi, Alpha Delta Pi, Zeta Phi Beta

#### Highest New Member GPA-

Sigma Chi, Alpha Delta Pi, Omega Psi Phi

#### Community Service and Philanthropic Activities-

Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Kappa Delta, Delta Sigma Theta

#### Campus Involvement and Leadership-

Phi Sigma Kappa, Zeta Tau Alpha, Alpha Phi Alpha

#### Chapter Development and Reporting-

Kappa Sigma, Phi Mu, Zeta Phi Beta

#### Chapters of Excellence-

Phi Mu, Kappa Delta

#### Chapters of Merit-

Kappa Sigma, Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Sigma Chi, Zeta Tau Alpha, Chi Omega, Delta Sigma Theta, Zeta Phi Beta, Alpha Phi Alpha

#### New Member of the Year-

Landrick Dixon, Kathryn Holloway, Avarye Henry

**CPC Woman of the Year-** Marena Ricketson

**IFC Man of the Year-** Cory Harrell

**NPHC Member of the Year-** Monique Byrd

**Outstanding President-** Lawrence Rice, Ragan Morgan

**Outstanding Achiever-** Chris Nish, Kate Parker

**Advisor of the Year-** Rebecca Taylor, Dr. Shirley Hardin

**Hayden Jacques Award-** Cory Harrell

#### Presidents Cup-

Kappa Sigma, Phi Mu, Zeta Phi Beta

**Council News**

**College Panhellenic Council**



The College Panhellenic Council at VSU would first like to congratulate our newest Chapter on campus, Alpha Sigma Alpha. They are continuing to recruit great girls and were installed at the beginning of April. We are very excited for them to go through Formal Recruitment with us in August. CPC held their annual Step Show, which raised over \$4000 last year. All the proceeds from this event go to the local Valdosta Cancer Fund. CPC would also like to thank all the 2010 Gamma Chi's. They are all working very hard to prepare for Formal Recruitment in August. All the CPC chapters have had a great semester and have been working really hard to make sure that Greek Life has a positive image on campus. They are very excited for all the events to come!

**Intrafraternity Council**

To start of the semester, IFC hosted an educational program on "Making Greek Great", which was presented by Lori Heart Ebert. During the Spring 2010 semester, IFC participated in many different events around campus to help raise money for charitable organizations such as a softball tournament, several Breast Cancer Awareness philanthropies, buddy game night with special education kids and multiple charity walks. In February, the IFC executive board attended the SEIFC conference in Atlanta where they learned valuable tools that will benefit not only the executive board but all IFC chapters on campus. IFC will also be co-hosting multiple GAMMA events, where professionals will be discussing the dangers misusing alcohol. Last semester was a success thanks to the hard work and dedication put forth by the IFC Executive Council and chapters. With the changes being made, this semester is going to be even more successful.



**National Panhellenic Council**



The executive board of the National Panhellenic Council at Valdosta State University consists of the following:

- President– Michael Gibson
- Vice President– Brandie Allen
- Treasurer– Desmond Holmes
- Secretary– Jamie Dekle

## COLLEGE PANHELLENIC COUNCIL

College Panhellenic Council at Valdosta State University Consists of 6 sororities:

**Alpha Delta Pi**

**Chi Omega**

**Phi Mu**

**Alpha Sigma Alpha**

**Kappa Delta**

**Zeta Tau Alpha**

### Chi Omega



The sisters of Chi Omega had a great spring semester here at Valdosta State. We were able to open our chapter for Spring Recruitment and welcomed 10 great new girls! Chi Omega held our annual Spring Wings for Wishes chicken wing event to raise money for our national philanthropy, the Make-A-Wish Foundation. With the help of the Greek community here at VSU and the students and faculty, this event was a complete success. The Psi Lambda Chapter of Chi Omega is looking forward to our Formal Recruitment this fall and to be able to welcome a new pledge class into our chapter!

### Kappa Delta



Kappa Delta is excited to be having yet another successful semester! We recently welcomed 3 new and amazing women to our chapter. This semester, Kappa Delta has participated in many events in the community as well as within Greek Life. We have worked closely with the Girl Scouts of Valdosta and have planned other community service events such as Bingo at the local nursing home. We are very proud of our new role as VSU Bat Girls for the Baseball Team! Kappa Delta just finished its Shamrock flag-football weekend, and are very proud to have raised over \$21,500 towards Prevent Child Abuse America. We are so thankful for the support of the campus, community, and Greeks. The ladies of KD look forward to finishing the semester striving for which is honorable, beautiful, and highest!

## Phi Mu

The sisters of Phi Mu are having a wonderful spring 2010 semester. Phi Mu is proud to boast having the highest GPA out of all the Greek Community for 4 semesters in a row. In February, they held their annual charity volleyball tournament for their philanthropy, Children's Miracle Network, where they raised over \$17,000! Serving and giving back to the community is very important to Phi Mu, and as a chapter, they have already donated 1,791 hours to help others. In March, they sponsored a speaker to give an inspirational talk titled "Phenomenal Women" to all of the CPC chapters. Phi Mu was proud to win and support Kappa Sigma's Philanthropy Week, Alpha Delta Pi's Hoops n' Hogs Tournament, and Kappa Delta's Shamrock Tournament. Phi Mu wishes everyone a great rest of the semester. GO BLAZERS!



## Zeta Tau Alpha

This Spring, Zeta Tau Alpha welcomed 11 new members into their sisterhood. The Eta Iota chapter received multiple awards for their involvement at Zeta Day, their state-wide convention including Most improved GPA, Outstanding Service, Outstanding Fundraising and Quota awards. The women of ZTA have volunteered with multiple service programs including Babies Can't Wait, My Friend's House, The Haven, and Valdosta Parks and Recreation. The Eta Iota Chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha ever strives to keep in mind the higher ideals as they continue to positively sculpt the community. GO BLAZERS!



## IINTRAFRATERNITY COUNCIL

Intrafraternity Council at Valdosta State University  
Consists of 9 Fraternities:

**Delta Chi**

**Kappa Sigma**

**Pi Kappa Phi**

**Sigma Chi**

**Tau Kappa Epsilon**

**Kappa Alpha Order**

**Phi Sigma Kappa**

**Sigma Alpha Epsilon**

**Sigma Nu**

### Kappa Sigma

The Kappa Sigma Fraternity started off a great New year and yet again another successful school year for spring semester 2010. Kappa Sigma started this year with a very successful Parent's Weekend. Kappa Sigma also held its annual Philanthropy

Week, raising nearly \$5,000 dollars for the American Cancer Society as well as the Haven. In addition, Kappa Sigma hosted the annual Hayden Jacque's Memorial Golf Tournament, My Brother's Keeper and the first annual Kappa Sigma Basketball Tournament Fundraiser which helped raise money to give back to the community. Aside from annual events, Kappa Sigma has also volunteered much of their time and efforts to help those in need. They have donated blood to the American Red Cross, and has helped support other Greek Philanthropic events. Finally, Kappa Sigma has been a major supporter of Greek Awakening. With the end of the year approaching, Kappa Sigma is looking to end one of the best years at Valdosta State University.



### Sigma Alpha Epsilon

The brothers of Sigma Alpha Epsilon have had another great year at Valdosta State. This past year, the men of the Georgia Sigma Chapter have volunteered all across the Valdosta area. SAE was the only IFC fraternity to actively participate in the campus organization "Hearts for Haiti".

They continue their tradition by volunteering to preserve Valdosta's historical landmark, The Crescent. SAE participates in almost every intramural sport offered at VSU and hosted the 17th Annual Paul Burnette Memorial Soccer Tournament which raises money for the VSU foundation. SAE has representatives in multiple organizations including: Order of Omega, Ducks Unlimited, IFC, SIFE, SGA and VSU's Student Life Committee. The brothers attended several annual social events including the 111th Annual SAE Alumni Ball and their spring formal, the Magnolia Ball.

Whether its working hard or relaxing with close friends, the brothers of SAE live by their creed "The True Gentleman" and continue to be a well respected organization at Valdosta State.



## NATIONAL PANHELLENIC COUNCIL

National Panhellenic Council at Valdosta State University Consists of 9 Fraternities and Sororities:

**Alpha Kappa Alpha**

**Alpha Phi Alpha**

**Delta Sigma Theta**

**Iota Phi Theta**

**Kappa Alpha Psi**

**Omega Psi Phi**

**Phi Beta Sigma**

**Sigma Gamma Rho**

**Zeta Phi Beta**

### Zeta Phi Beta

The Alpha Theta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. won Most Community Service in the State of Georgia and Most Z-Hope hours in the State of Georgia. Spring 2010 Zeta Week "Bad GirlZ Club" went very well. Many students came out to enjoy all the events during the week. Some of their key events included an inspirational service, money forum, Mocktail social, Greek Fashion Show, and Be a College Kid for a Day. The Power of Love Inspirational Service held in the Union Ballroom was truly an inspiration. This was the first year that they decided to host this event and had a very good turnout. Their annual social event that is hosted along with Zeta Tau Alpha was a great change to meet many of the lovely ladies of ZTA. Everyone had a great time together. The annual Greek Fashion Show was a big hit. VSU students enjoyed the Greek version of top modeling. Big thanks to all the Greek Organizations and FuZion Models who participated in making the show a success.



### Sigma Gamma Rho

.VSU welcomes back the ladies of the Lambda Beta Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. The eight new members gave their Neo Show presentation on October 29, 2009. They participated with Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. as presenters in a Financial Planning Forum for students. They sponsored their first program which was Sigma Gamma Rho Founder's Day Program on November 12, 2009. They recited biographies of the Founders, a poem and sang at this event. These ladies are ambitious and ready to bring a new energy to VSU and the Valdosta community. They have participated in numerous community service events since their return including Adopt-a-Family. They had a wonderful Greek Week entitled "RHOyal Comeback" during February, which had events ranging from a Bone Marrow Forum to an NPHC BRHOther-Sister StRHOLL off. They have truly RHOturned back to this campus strong and will continue to repRHOSent.



## Alpha Kappa Alpha



The captivating Kappa Upsilon Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. has been working diligently to be supreme in service to all mankind by continuing to contribute to the Valdosta State University Campus and the Lowndes County Community. Programs like Ivy Reading allow them to go out into the community and teach the importance of reading to elementary children. They have recently read to children at S.L. Mason Elementary School. The Economic Advancement through Technology Program promotes computer skills. Campus forums like Enriching your Spiritual Purpose, The Game of Life, and AKAdemics bring awareness to important topics such as domestic violence, women's health and economic empowerment. The women of Kappa Upsilon also host the annual Think Pink Week to raise money and awareness for the fight against breast cancer. In addition to their many programs and philanthropic service, AKA has volunteered hundreds of hours. The Ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. are passionate about their work in the community. Truly, the women of the Kappa Upsilon Chapter continue to demonstrate what it means to be a group of women who continue their strong legacy of sisterhood and service.

## Greek Life at VSU



### **Closing remarks from Jennifer Jones**

Spring 2010 was a very exciting semester for Valdosta State University's Greek community. We added two new chapters to our family: Alpha Sigma Alpha and Phi Sigma Kappa. Our Greek Community makes up over 13 percent of the undergraduate population, and we hope to grow more next semester with fall recruitment.

Each of the 23 chapters worked hard this semester to prepare for the end of the year Excellence reports. The reports display their hard work throughout the year. Community service, Academics as well as chapter development are all accounted for in these reports. Greek Organizations raised over \$200,000 and performed more than 22,000 hours of community service. The Greek Life semester grade point average has been above the all student average for the last 6 semesters! The Greek Life Office is excited to see what is in store for Greek Life in the Fall!

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Greek Life at Valdosta State University

Congratulations on a successful 2009-2010 school  
Year!

