

Greek Assembly: A Time to Celebrate

It's that time of year again! A time to celebrate the year's success! And this year was a great year to celebrate the accomplishments of the VSU fraternities and sororities.

On April 24th at the Hugh Bailey Science Building auditorium, leaders from each Greek organization attended the Greek Assembly Awards Banquet.

Walter Peacock, Director of Admissions at VSU gave the keynote speech. He talked about leadership and success and reflected on his time of being a member of the Greek Community.

A committee made up of 15 members planned Greek Assembly, including the invitations, dessert reception, slideshow, and awards.

The individual awards were based on an application proc-

ess. Congratulations to those who received individual awards: CPH Scholar of the Year-Elizabeth Jones; IFC Scholar of the Year-Bo Harper; NPHC Female Scholar of the Year-Jacinta Harvey; CPH Delegate of the Year- Amanda Haman; IFC Delegate of the Year-Doug Johnson; NPHC Delegate of the Year-Michael Robinson

CPH New Member of the Year-Ashlan Durrance; IFC New Member of the Year-William Walker; NPHC New Member Male of the Year-Steve Latham; NPHC New Member Female of the Year-La'Bonnae La-Rochelle; IFC Advisor of the Year-Jay Hodgkin; CPH Advisor of the Year-Crystal Hayes; NPHC Advisor of the Year-Felicia Sims Williams and Rebecca Taylor; CPH Recruitment Counselor of

the Year- Sabrina Vasquez; CPH Woman of the Year-Christine Cormack; IFC Man of the Year-Jeff Beals; NPHC Woman of the Year-Chimera Brew; NPHC Man of the Year-Jeremy Baker; Outstanding Greek President-Jonathan Stroble; Outstanding Greek Achiever-Sirocus Barnes.

The Chapter Awards were based on the Greek Excellence Program, a combination of semester reports and presentations that each organization creates. This year chapter awards went to: Most Improved Chapter Overall Award- Sigma Alpha Epsilon, Kappa Delta; Phi Beta Sigma.

The President's Chapter of the Year Award: Iota Phi Theta; Kappa Sigma, Chi Omega, Delta Sigma Theta.

Congratulations to all Greek Assembly Winners!

Greek Week 2006: The Ultimate Greek Experience

Greek Week is a week set aside for fraternity and sorority members to come together to compete in real athletic competition, serve the Valdosta community, and most importantly, have fun while doing it. Through a strong sense of community, Greek Week strives to pro-

mote academic excellence, athletics, and service. The winners for this year's 2006 Greek Week are as followed.
Overall Champions: Sigma Nu and Kappa Delta; **Greek Week King & Queen:** Travis Smith & Jackie Fitzpatrick and **Greek Week MVP:** Courtney Ruttinger

and Josh Duane.



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What is The Parthenon?

It is the chief temple of Athena in Athens, Greece. It was made into a Christian church in the 5th century. In 1204, that church changed from Orthodox to Roman Catholic and added an incongruous bell tower. In 1458, it became a mosque and that bell tower a minaret.

IFC attends the Southeastern Interfraternity Conference

The Interfraternity Council (IFC) is the programming and governing body of the 7 National Interfraternity Conference (NIC) fraternities at Valdosta State University. Every man who joins one of these groups is a member of IFC. Every group has one representative or chapter delegate that attends the IFC meetings. These individuals are the communication link between IFC and their chapters. The Interfraternity Council meets once a week. The IFC leadership is composed of a president and five executive officers. The VSU Interfraternity Council has received recognition at the regional level for interfraternal standards, recruitment, leadership,

and programming. The IFC provides opportunities for interaction among fraternities with events such as Greek Week, various social programs, educational speakers and workshops.

The executive council of the Interfraternity Council attended the Southeastern Interfraternity Conference February 17–20 at the Crowne Plaza Ravinia in Atlanta, Ga. The conference educated attendees from schools all over the southeast in the areas of recruitment, public relations, and relationships. The conference gave us the chance to meet other members from our fraternities.



CPH and SEPC: What a Match!

National Panhellenic Conference is an organization established to foster Interfraternity relationships, to assist collegiate chapters (College Panhellenic Councils) of the NPC member groups, and to cooperate with colleges and universities in maintaining the highest scholastic and social standards.

On March 31-April 3 the CPH Executive Board attended the Southeastern Panhellenic Conference in Atlanta, Ga. The Conference was held at The Sheraton at Colony Square in Midtown. After attending the vast number of informational

sessions our Exec. Board is excited to start new ideas and programs on campus!



NPHC Celebrates Weeks of Tradition

Every spring semester, each NPHC fraternity and sorority put together week of events to celebrate their traditions and founders. Commonly referred to as “weeks,” each NPHC organization plans for this celebration all year long. This year 7 out of the 9 NPHC groups programmed both on and off campus events for their designated week.

Events such as cook-outs, step-

shows, forums, football tournaments, an ice cream truck and a beauty pageant are just some of the events the organizations planned for their week.

And it’s not just for your own organization members to celebrate, members from all of the Greek chapters come out each week to support that organization and help celebrate with them. “It is a great way to get all of the Greeks to

come out and have fun and meet other VSU students,” Shea Taylor, President of Alpha Phi Alpha stated, “the reason we have our week is for the community, not for us. We want to show everyone what we are all about and we support the other Greeks during their weeks, too. We even had a formal ball with Chi Omega It’s great Greek unity!”

NPHC Chapters Highlighted

The Ladies of the Kappa Upsilon Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated have been eagerly participating in community service and lifting the National Targets. The five targets of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated are Health, Education, The Black Family, Arts, and Economical Empowerment. On January 14, we participated in "A Day on, Not a Day Off." We encouraged students on campus to join us while we helped with Habitat for humanity; it was a great success. On February 26, we held our 2nd Annual AKA Bowl, where all the Greek organizations on VSU's campus were able to participate in a flag football tournament. At this tournament we passed out brochures on how to live a healthy lifestyle through exercising and this implemented on of our five Targets, Health. On February 27, we had the Presentation of the Greeks and half of our proceeds went to the Boys and Girls Club. On March 1, we had a table set up in the Union focusing on economic em-

powerment, which is also one of the targets of the Sorority. Bulletins and brochures with valuable information were passed out to students. Later that night we held an event called "The Best of Both Worlds" with the ladies of Alpha Delta Pi; this was a social gathering that was open to the entire campus. It was held to show Greek unity among the Greeks on VSU's campus. This was a very successful event. On March 2, we held our 2nd Annual Black History Program, which was a great success and met our Arts target was met through this event. On March 3, 2006 we held a Family Night at CiCi's Pizza and we paid for kids around town to eat for free and through this our Black Family target was implemented. We also participated in the "100th Day Read-A-Thon." For this event we went to Lomax Pineville School and read to the students to celebrate the 100th Day of their new school being open. The ladies of the Kappa Upsilon Chapter strive to uphold the ideas and goals of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. by working

hard in community through service activities. Every Tuesday and Wednesday we participate in one of our National Programs "The Ivy Reading" in which we tutor students at Southeast Elementary school to help prepare them to do well on their CRCT Test. We also tutor at J.L. Newborn Middle School. We have had a very successful semester and we look forward to having many more programs implemented in order to make the community we live in a better one and most of all to be supreme in service to all of mankind.



IFC Chapters Highlighted

This semester, **Sigma Nu** raised over \$3000 for the Susan G. Comen Foundation during the Bowling for Breast Cancer event. Sigma Nu continues to work hard on and off campus and our members strive to keep our highly respected name just that. We want the best for VSU and the Greek community and will continue to work hard to improve both.

Pi Kappa Phi brothers held the 2nd annual Dodgeball tournament on April 28th to raise money for our philanthropy: PUSH America (People Understanding the Severely Handicapped).

The brothers of **Delta Chi** hosted their annual Winter Softball Tournament in February. This year we gave the earnings directly to the Victoria Newsome Foundation. Victoria was a little girl suffering from medulloblastoma who sadly passed away on November 6, 2005. Delta Chi takes pride in our philanthropy, as well as helping others in our own community.

CPH Chapters Highlighted

As another great semester comes to an end, **Zeta Tau Alpha** shines proudly as we reflect on the past months. With another successful strawberry sale under our belts, we will be sending over \$4,700 to the ZTA Foundation to aid in breast cancer awareness and Education. Firefighters, police officer and the elderly reaped the benefits of our Random Acts of Kindness week during which we delivered cookies to local servicemen and bingo was played with the elderly. Congratulations to

Christine Cormack – CPH Woman of the Year. ZTA wishes all of its seniors and transferring members good luck to you, you will be missed. Gamma Chi's we will also miss you during your disaffiliation. To draw the semester to an end we celebrated senior and formal week, with activities such as paint wars, spa night, a cook out and a fun filled game night. Thanks to everyone at VSU for making this a great semester! Have a great summer!

Spring semester has ended on a high note for **Alpha Delta Pi**. Our second annual Hoops and Hogs Philanthropy event went exceedingly well raising about \$5200. We are ending this year with an Alumnae tea and have invited over 100 Alumnae to come have desserts and tea and mingle with the chapter. Also, our last social of the semester is a semi formal with the theme Derby Down South which will be held at the Crescent. We hope to make this an annual vent with a low country boil, mint juleps, and big hats.

Greek Life

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VSU Greeks 101:

22 National Organizations, 3 Councils,
820 Greeks, 9.5 % of VSU students!

GO VSU! GO GREEK!

We're on the Web!

www.valdosta.edu/greek

Praise the Greeks!

Congrats to the newly elected 2006 National Pan-Hellenic Council

Executive Board

President: Steve Latham-Alpha Phi Alpha

Vice President: Shanna James-Delta Sigma Theta

Secretary: Niki Foreman-Alpha Kappa Alpha

Treasurer: Raaj Bhasker-Phi Beta Sigma

Parliamentarian: Monica Jacobs-Alpha Kappa Alpha

Congrats to the newly elected

All-Greek 2006 Student Government

Executive Board

President Jeremy Baker-Phi Beta Sigma

Vice President Jonathan Stroble- Kappa Sigma

Secretary Diana Hansard-Chi Omega

Comptroller Tammy Bezona-Phi Mu

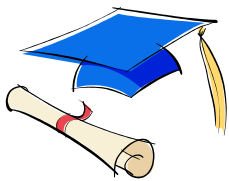
GREAT JOB!!!

Rho Lambda and Order of Omega Play Trebek-style!

Greek Honor Societies, Rho Lambda and Order of Omega hosted the 1st Greek Trivia Bowl this spring. Fifteen Greek organizations put in teams of 3-4 to win a trophy and bragging rights. The 5th Nationally ranked VSU College Bowl Team created all of the Jeopardy style questions that included mostly pop-culture themes. This will be an annual event for the Greeks. Alpha Gamma Delta sorority took home the 1st place prize! Congratulations, ladies!

Upcoming Events

The Office of Greek Life congratulates **Emily Pilcher of Alpha Delta Pi and Nicole Carter of Alpha Kappa Alpha** on joining the Greek Life Team. They will serve as 2006-2007 Greek Life Graduate Assistants!



The Office of Greek Life offers con-



gratulations to the Spring 2006 Greek graduates. Thank you for all of your commitment through the years!

Have a fun summer!!

August

9-Freshmen Move-In Day

12-Fall Explosion Begins/Volunteer Valdosta

14-First Day of Class/Snowcones at the Bookstore

18-Centennial Celebration!!!

24-The Happening

25-Greek Lawn-A-Palooza

26-Fall Explosion Ends

27-Sept 1st- IFC Recruitment

30-Sept 4th-CPH Recruitment

September

12-Presidents Roundtable

21-New Member Forum

October

7-HOMECOMING