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#### ALPHA PHI SIGMA 2015-16 Theme of the Year

Rehabilitation within the Criminal Justice System and/or Juvenile Justice System

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#### Alpha Phi Sigma National Board Meeting

Ft. Lauderdale, Florida October 3-4, 2015

Headquarters welcomed our esteemed board members to the annual National Board Meeting in Ft. Lauderdale, Florida. The Alpha Phi Sigma National Board meets every year at headquarters to discuss the previous conference, plan for the upcoming conference, discuss scholarships, awards, grants, as well as other national business.

This year's meeting yielded great results regarding scholarship judging, and new events at the conference that we are sure students will appreciate. The national student officers presented their report and budget and planned for a great "Movie Night" event that will be held at the 216 conference in Denver, Colorado.

Throughout the two full working days, all the board members shared great comradeship and enjoyed the warm South Florida sun.

But leaving Ft. Lauderdale is not the end of the work. Our board members will continue to work behind the scenes to assure that Alpha Phi Sigma continues to grow and prosper, and to assure that the upcoming conference will be better than the last.

Take a look at the composition of your National Board.



Back row from left: Council member Dr. Andrew Giacomazzi, council member Dr. Tamara Wilkins, council member Dr. John McLaughlin, headquarters secretary John Eddings, headquarters secretary Hugo Chung, and national advisor Dr. Emmanuel Onyeozili.

Center row left: National advisor Andrea Joseph, national advisor Dr. Lorna Grant, national advisor Dr. Jonathon Cooper, executive director Dr. Regina Shearn, executive secretary Romina Rodons, and executive assistant director Adriana Jansen.

Front row left: National student vice president from Fairmont State University, Ashley Webb, national student secretary from University of Maryland Eastern Shore, Tatum Simpson, national student treasurer from University of Maryland Eastern Shore, Sarah Dacosta, past national vice president from Fairmont State University, Kaitlyn Antolock, and national student president from University of Maryland Eastern Shore, Saadia Feliciano. Bingo being Bingo in the front.



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- Recommendations from professionals familiar with your academic work.

#### The Faculty:

- The Faculty:

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# Welcome

# **New Chapters**

Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University Pi Alpha Mu Chapter

> Brevard College Pi Alpha Lambda Chapter

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Strayer University-Doral Pi Alpha Iota Chapter

South University-Virginia Beach Pi Alpha Theta Chapter

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## Alpha Phi Sigma Fine Jewelry Collection

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Alpha Phi Sigma has a very unique and fashionable jewelry line designed by Honorary Member Ken Jernigan. Most rings and the Greek letter charm are available in yellow gold, white gold, and silver. These are pieces you can wear proudly for a lifetime. Check out the pricing and order online. Pricing starts as low as \$35.

You may preview the jewelry online at http://www.kenjernigan.com/Alpha-Phi-Sigma





























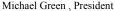
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#### **American Public University**

#### Kappa Kappa Chapter

#### Alpha Phi Sigma – Kappa-Kappa Chapter 2014-15 Board Members



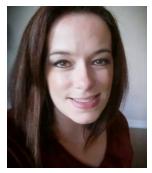




Rachel Vis, Vice President



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Jen Rowe, Finance

#### Advisors Corner By Drs. Michael & Michelle Beshears

We wish to publicly recognize and personally thank the outgoing Alpha Phi Sigma, Kappa Kappa chapter board members Robert Toy and Wilhelm von Mayer. Serving for two terms, Rob and Bill worked with fellow board members Michael Green,

Rachel Vis and the membership at large, achieving for the first time to date the University's highest recognition for an honor society; the coveted Gold Standard for Kappa-Kappa. Rob and Bill, you will be sincerely missed as board members, but not forgotten. We look forward to your continued support of Alpha Phi Sigma.

Additionally, we also wish to recognize the newly elected board members: President elect Michal Green, Vice-President elect Rachel Vis, Chief of Staff elect Tonya Schoenbeck, and Treasure elect Jennifer Rowe. It was our honor and privilege to officially induct you as the newly elected board on September 1, 2015, during the chapter's monthly board meeting. We are looking forward to working with you.

Secretary's Corner By Tonya Schoenbeck

Hello Alpha Phi Sigma! I am honored to be serving as the secretary of the Kappa Kappa Chapter. I have been a member for a few years and have seen the hard work and dedication that the previous boards and the chapter advisors have put into our chapter. I

look forward to working with the dedicated and talented group of individuals to continue to grow Kappa Kappa!

If you haven't joined our Facebook group, now is the time! We post documents such as our By-laws, our Chapter History, minutes from our meetings and other related documents. We are always looking for new ideas to post for our chapter members. So, look us up at <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/apuskappakappa/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/apuskappakappa/</a>.

Chapter Member Not on Facebook? Don't worry – we will continue to provide information via the newsletter and The Quad to ensure you have the chance to view these important documents.

Our chapter continues to grow and we need our member's support. Here are some ways you can help:

- ⇒ Volunteer to write an article for our newsletter.
- ⇒ Let us profile you as a CJ professional.
- ⇒ Assist with planning an event at graduation.
- ⇒ Participate in a focus group for planning.
- ⇒ Lead the Hot Topic and Job Corner on Facebook.
- ⇒ Take the lead in welcoming new members.

#### **American Public University**

### Kappa Kappa Chapter

#### National Day of Service September 11, 2015



Rock and Roll Half Marathan Virigina Beach, VA. Photos courtesy of Rachel Vis





Alpha Phi Sigma Kappa Kappa Chapter held a chapter service event in conjunction with American Public University System (APUS) National Day of Service. Our chapter service event was the cleaning of neglected veteran gravestones/gravesites located in cemeteries. Members were encouraged to find cemeteries in their local community where a gravesite, or two, of a veteran could use some care (pulling weeds, cleaning head stones, etc.) to complete the project.



The first weekend of September, President Green visited the Collins Cemetery in Alice, Texas. This was the cemetery he had in mind when coming up with our service project. He visited the graves of his father-in-law (US Army Viet Nam veteran and police officer) and his wife's great uncle (US Army WWII veteran) whom he had never met. He also visited a third grave of an Air Force Veteran from the Korea War. During this visit, he cleaned fallen leaves and placed the grave stone of the Air Force Veteran to its proper mounting place. Thank you for leading by example President Green!



#### KAPPA KAPPAS in the Community

**Collen Sherren** is a Sports Booster Volunteer at the local high school and for the PTSA. She is also a Special Olympics volunteer! Thank you Colleen for supporting your local community!

Congratulations to Renee Adkins for being chosen to be a AMU/APUS liaison for the National Day of Service Event in Dallas on September 11th, 2015. Way to go Renee!

#### **American Public University**

#### Kappa Kappa Chapter

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#### About Kappa Kappa

Alpha Phi Sigma which was founded in January 1942, has grown to over 400 chapters, and is the only accredited national criminal justice honor society for those studying criminal justice or a related field. The society recognizes the academic excellence of bachelor's and master's degree students of criminal justice programs.

We officially chartered the chapter, Kappa Kappa on October 22, 2008 to promote the highest standards of criminal justice practice and to recognize and promote the four goals of Alpha Phi Sigma: academic excellence, unity, leadership, and service. The Kappa Kappa chapter was welcomed as the 366th chapter of Alpha Phi Sigma. Kappa Kappa earned the Gold Chapter Standard Award for 2014.



# Membership Benefits:

- APS provides national recognition for academic excellence in criminal justice (CJ) and related fields, an honor which can be noted on employment applications, vitae, and resumes.
- On the local level, chapter membership facilitates leadership development and interaction with other students who have similar interests and service to the department and college/university.
- Members receive a membership certificate, pin, and card, and through chapter mailings, copies of The Docket, the society's official publication.

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4. The society provides awards, grants, and scholarships to its student members, faculty advisors, and chapters on an annual basis. Also provided are educational opportunities, graduate school preparation,

#### Kappa Kappa Chapter Meeting and Presentation

Kappa Appa and Epsilon Pi Phi will be hosting APUS Faculty Member Dr. Robert Ditch (EDM Professor) as he presents on Emergency Disaster Management and Criminal Justice/Law Enforcement how they all work together under the National Response Framework (NRF), Incident Command System (ICS), and the National Incident Management System (NIMS) during a major incident.

Dr. Ditch is a retired Air Force Colonel and a 40 year volunteer firefighter/chief fire officer, EMT/paramedic (since 1974), and veteran and homeland security/emergency management instructor. Dr. Ditch has extensive field experience to include over a dozen Federally declared disasters; eleven major hurricanes responses including (Katrina/Rita, Isaac and Sandy), a New England-wide Ice Storm, the 2002 Winter Olympics, two Presidential Inaugurations, and five State of the Union Addresses. He also was the first arriving DOD officer on the scene on 9/11 in New York City, providing direct liaison from "Ground Zero." In 2010, he served as the U.S. Federal Health & Medical Planner in Haiti following the devastating earthquake.

#### University of Guelph-Humber, Toronto, Canada Phi Epsilon Chapter

The Phi Epsilon chapter at University of Guelph-Humber in Toronto, Ontario, Canada, supported Wrongful Conviction Day at the University of Guelph-Humber. The chapter promoted and spread awareness for this great and needed initiative to proclaim October 2nd, 2015 as Wrongful Conviction Day.

Wrongful Conviction Day is an initiative of the Association in Defense of the Wrongly Convicted (AIDWYC), which is a national, non-profit organization based in Toronto and dedicated to identifying, advocating for, and assisting individuals convicted of a crime they did not commit. It seeks to prevent such injustices in the future through legal education and reforms to the justice system. Various countries, cities, and organizations across the world have supported this cause by proclaiming the date. We were honoured to garner support, as wrongful convictions are tragedies that not only negatively destroy the lives of innocent individuals that are incarcerated but also their families and society as a whole.

#### **Bethune Cookman University**

#### **Eta Sigma Chapter**

The Eta Sigma Chapter at Bethune Cookman University held their Fall 2015 induction ceremony.



#### North Carolina Central University

#### Eta Lambda Chapter

#### Eta Lambda Chapter Fall 2015 Members Social

Each year the Eta Lambda Chapter at North Carolina Central University host a Welcoming Reception for new and returning members. This year's fall reception was held on Sunday October 25, 2015, and it took the form of a cookout. Along with the cookout, members participated in games and socialized with each other. This is one of the activities members used to get to know more about each other.





#### **North Carolina Central University**

#### Eta Lambda Chapter

#### **Fall Panel Discuss**

Under the leadership of Laura Acosta President of the Eta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Sigma North Carolina Central University, the chapter hosted its fall Panel Discussion on the 2015 Alpha Phi Sigma theme. The discussion focused on the North Carolina Reinvestment Act and its impact on rehabilitation in the justice system in North Carolina. Panelist included Miss Jennifer Wesoloski Research and Policy Associate for the North Carolina Sentencing and Policy Advisory Commission, Mr. William R. "Randy" Tucker Criminal Justice Resource Center in Attorney Rhonda Raney, Former Deputy Secretary of the North Carolina Department of Public Safety, Ms. Christie Noel Long Pretrial Services Case Manager with the Durham County Criminal Justice Resource Center, and the Pretrial Program Supervisor and Dr. Harvey L. McMurray is former Chair, Department of Criminal Justice moderated the program.





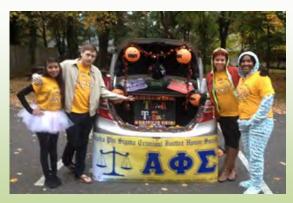


In recognition of the Alpha Phi Sigma 2015 theme Rehabilitation in the Criminal Justice/
Juvenile Justice System the Eta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Sigma cohosted a Celebrate to
Recovery Event on Saturday September 19, 2015 between the hours of 3:00 to 8:00 pm. This event
was coordinated by Vice President of the Chapter Ericka Williams and was attended by approximately
400 people. This event was done in partnership with the following agencies: Alliance Behavioral
Health Care, Adult Children Of Alcoholics, Al-Anon, Alcohol and Drug Council of North Carolina
(ADCNC), Alcoholics Anonymous, CAARE Inc., Carolina Outreach LLC, Center for Health Policy
& Inequalities Research at Duke U., Clinical Addiction Professional Services (CAPS), Durham
County Department of Public Health, Durham TRY, Fernandez Community Center LLC., Freedom
House, Insight Human Services, Just A Clean House, LaVare's House, Love & Respect Group Home,
NAMI-Durham, Nar-Anon, Narcotics Anonymous, Oxford House, Partnership for a Healthy Durham,

Recovery Community of Durham, Recovery Communities of the Carolinas, Recovery Innovations, Wellness City, Sunrise Recovery Resource Center, Telecare, TROSA, Urban Ministries of Durham and VOICE Therapeutic Solutions.



#### Trick or Treat?



Trick or Treating at one of the children project the chapter works with.

#### San Jose State University

#### **Iota Chapter**

#### Rehabilitation in the Criminal Justice and Juvenile Justice Systems.



Alpha Phi Sigma Iota Chapter has delved into this year's theme by partnering with organizations in the community that focus on rehabilitation. Our APS Theme Subcommittee met in September to brainstorm ideas on how we could approach this theme with a focus on taking an active role in our community. We decided the best way to do this was to collaborate with the Santa Clara County Resource Reentry Center and the Southwest Key Program. The Santa Clara County Resource Reentry Center is a centralized location for custodial and non-custodial individuals to receive referral and wrap around services. Their vision is to build safer communities and strengthen families through successful reintegration and reentry of formerly incarcerated individuals back into Santa Clara County. They reduce recidivism by using evidence based practices in implementing a seamless system of services, supports, and supervision. A team of Iota Chapter members and alumni are volunteering at the Center with the Prison Education Program (PEP), teaching the seven

week Academic Orientation Course. We meet every Friday from 4-5 pm with a group of formerly incarcerated individuals currently on parole. We create presentations about college (e.g., majors, classes, college life, and careers) as well as give mini-lectures based on content in our majors. A big component of this program is engaging the program participants in discussions about the topics presented as well as their interests and needs. The course started on October 16<sup>th</sup> and will run through Dec 4<sup>th</sup>.

In addition, Iota Chapter held a yard sale on October 17<sup>th</sup> to raise funds for donations to the Santa Clara County Resource Reentry Center. All proceeds of the yard sale is going to colleting items for gift bags that will be given to the Center's clients. In the gift bags we will include travel size toiletries as well as other necessities. Our goal is to create at least 100 gift bags to donate.

The Center indicated that they were also in need of clothing donations, particularly men's business attire, for men exiting the system that are searching for jobs. Iota Chapter held a clothing drive and collected enough clothing to fill the Center's closet.

Since many of Iota Chapter members are also interested in working with youth involved in the Juvenile Justice System, we decided to also partner with the Southwest Key Program as part of this year's theme. This is a loc

with the Southwest Key Program as part of this year's theme. This is a local non-profit that works with adolescents, mostly youth of color, involved with the Juvenile Justice System. They are a community based alternative to incarceration. The goal of the program



in They are a community based anternative to incarceration. The goal of the program is to establish and support mentoring relationships that have a long-lasting, positive impact on both the youth and the adult. Ultimately, this program aspires to reduce juvenile delinquency and criminal activity, improve academic performance, and reduce dropout rates for program participants. On Saturday October 24 2015, Iota Chapter held a campus tour of San Jose State University with members of the Southwest Key Program. Six members of Iota Chapter talked about the history of the University as well as the different majors available. The event involved a Q&A session where members of Iota Chapter elaborated on their experiences at San Jose State University and answered questions regarding career path and majors. Students were also given 'goodie bags' filled with different programs offered as SJSU to help them think about their future college careers.

Lastly, Iota Chapter collaborated with the Justice Studies

Task Force to put on the first annual "Beyond the Books" panel with guest speakers from the Santa Cruz County Probation Department on October 27<sup>th</sup>. The purpose of the Career Panel is to provide students the opportunity to hear from professionals in the field about what their job entails and what it is really like to work in their given professions. The guest speakers this year included Chief Probation Officer Fernando Giraldo, Adult Division Director Sarah Flecher, and Deputy Probation Officer Gina Castandea. This Beyond the Books panel gave an overview of the Santa Cruz department, how they have successfully reduced recidivism rates in their county, and how students

can work towards becoming a probation officer themselves. Students had the chance to ask questions and make valuable connections.

### San Jose State University Continued

#### **Iota Chapter**





Iota Chapter Prison Education Volunteers

#### **Eastern Kentucky University**

#### **Epsilon Chapter**

The Epsilon Chapter of Alpha Phi Sigma, the National Criminal Justice Honor Society at Eastern Kentucky University has been actively making progress on a variety of service objectives related to the Society's "Rehabilitation in Criminal Justice" theme. To illustrate, as of August, 2015, 80% of the chapter's members have become certified in mentoring ex-offenders (henceforth referred to as returning citizens) in being part of a Nurture, Support ,and Accountability Group (NSAG) that will meet weekly with the returning citizens. The chapter received specialized mentoring training in May and August by Mark Johnson, Chairman of the Board of Mission Behind Bars and Beyond. This organization, that was founded in Louisville, Kentucky, is made up almost completely of volunteers who help returning citizens rejoin society. The Epsilon NSAG will assist the returning citizen set goals, establish priorities, find necessary resources, and develop action plans particularly in areas related to housing, employment, treatment, transportation, and education. The NSAG will also serve as a safe place for the returning citizen to share concerns, ask questions, and develop needed life skills. Similar models have demonstrated a radical reduction in recidivism for those ex-offenders who work with such NSAGs for six months to a year.

























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# IN MEMORIAM



#### Dr. Bernadette Marie Jones-Palombo Chapter Advisor 1997-2015 Lambda Sigma Upsilon Chapter , Louisiana State University, Shreveport

SHREVEPORT, LA- Bernadette Marie Jones-Palombo, professor of Criminal Justice, Alpha Phi Sigma Chapter Advisor, and, recently, Director of General Studies at LSU in Shreveport, entered eternal rest and peace on April 11, 2015, at her home in Shreveport, La., following a lengthy battle with multiple forms of cancer.

Dr. Jones-Palombo graduated from Domenec High School in Pittsburgh and earned a bachelor's degree in Political Studies from Pitzer College in Claremont, California. She received her master's degree in Criminal Justice from the Center for Politics and Economics at Claremont University and received a Ph.D. in Political Sciences from the same center at Claremont.

She arrived at Louisiana State University, Shreveport (LSUS) in 1995 to lead a prestigious grant on Community Oriented Policing, and received her 20-year pin shortly before her death. Although she was noted for community policing, her research was eclectic, including (to name only a few), teaching eval-

uations, gang theory, and white collar crime.

Throughout her career she was dedicated not only to her academic field, but to two professional organizations: the Academy of Community Justice Sciences and the American Society of Criminology. She was a member and chapter advisor of Alpha Phi Sigma, the National Criminal Justice Honor Society. Her commitment to professional organizations was reflected in the number of students she encouraged to participate in them, particularly the Lambda Sigma Upsilon Chapter of Alpha Phi Sigma at LSUS.

Interested and involved in her community, Dr. Jones-Palombo was proud of her membership in League of Women Voters, an organization she served as Louisiana vice president from 2003 to 2007.

For seven years, Dr. Jones-Palombo served as the chairman of the Department of History and Social Science (2008-2014), working during difficult economic times to assure quality educational resources for the students in the department.

An accomplished and devoted educator, she penned numerous articles and was author, editor, or co-editor of "Academic Professionalism in Law Enforcement," (which was one of the initial studies of gender in law enforcement), "Provision of the Right to Counsel in Caddo Parish," and "Wicked Shreveport."

In 2004, Dr, Jones-Palombo was named to Who's Who Among American Teachers. This is a testament to her unswerving dedication to students and to her profession. Her life as an educator assures that, although she is no longer here, her legacy remains in all whom she influenced.

A nurturer by nature with a kind a loving heart, she leaves a host of friends and students who join her family in mourning her passing. The Bernadette Jones-Palombo Scholarship has been established at LSUS in her memory. Mustafa Kemal Atatürk said, "A good teacher is like a candle — it consumes itself to light the way for others." The light and legacy of Dr. Jones-Palombo will continue to shine for years to come.



Commissioner Dorothy "Dotty" Ross Alpha Phi Sigma Member 1989 Mayor, Vice Mayor, and City Commissioner, City of Hallandale Beach





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# She was the face of a City



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From the first time
Peter Bluesten met
Dorothy "Dotty" Ross in
1973, he knew that this
was a "keeper". Someone who could take the

Over the next 40 plus years, Ross left her stamp on this community like nobody has ever done - and Bluesten, the founder and owner of the city's hometown newspaper.

City of Hallandale to the next level. He was right.

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 For over 40 years, Dorothy 'Dotty' Ross made a huge impact on Hallandale Beach For over 37 years, Commissioner Ross was a dedicated member of the Hallandale Beach community that included two terms as Mayor, Vice Mayor, and City Commissioner. Dotty retired from city government in 2012.

The former Mayor was always at the forefront of women's rights, children's issues, education, health care, civility, transparency in government, and most importantly, law and order. Her passion was law enforcement. She joined the Hallandale Police Department in 1973, and as a civilian became the first female graduate of the Broward County Police Academy. She later earned her degree in Criminal Justice from Nova Southeastern University and her Master's degree in Public Administration from Florida International University. She became an Alpha Phi Sigma member in June 1989, and as a member was dedicated to the organization and attended every annual conference and chapter events for over 25 years.

In recognition of her long dedication to service and the community, Commissioner Ross was enshrined in the Broward County Women's Hall of Fame in 2012.

While close friends and family watched as her health declined, this "first lady" of Hallandale Beach never complained and always handled herself in a first class manner. She was simply loved, admired, and respected by everyone she came across.

Dr. Regina Shearn, Adriana Jansen, and Joan Burton were at her side when she passed. It is an unmeasurable loss of a friend, mentor, and honorable Alpha phi Sigma member.

We will miss you very much Dotty.

# Warm Holiday Wishes from Alpha Phi Sigma







Happy New Year 2016

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