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**Alpha Phi Sigma**

**2015 Conference Information**

March 4-6, 2015
Caribe Royale, Orlando, Florida

Alpha Phi Sigma’s Headquarters is sponsored by the NSU Institute for the Study of Human Service, Health, and Justice.

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Alpha Phi Sigma 2015 National Conference

Make your reservations early and bring your bathing suits!

Caribe Royale All-Suite Hotel & Convention Center
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8101 World Center Drive
Orlando, FL 32821
407-238-8000

All attendees must register with ACJS
If you have not pre-registered by the December 31, 2014, you will have to register on site starting Tuesday, March 3, 2015. Student registration fee is $40. Students must have proof of student status when registering.

For advance purchase of Florida Resident Tickets and specially priced Disney Meeting/Convention Theme Park tickets, please call 407-566-5600 or visit http://www.mydisneymeetings.com/acjs2015

Please visit the ACJS website at http://www.acjs.org/pubs/167_668_2915.cfm for additional information regarding ACJS events.

Please note the cut-off date for advance purchase savings is March 2nd, 2015.
At the Conference

Alpha Phi Sigma will be awarding 15 scholarships of $150 each at the 2015 conference. The scholarships will be random and students have six (6) opportunities to win by attending the six (6) events listed below. A student may only win once.

Entry ticket will be issued at specific events. Winners will be drawn during each event.

Exemption of 2016 Chapter Dues

A chapter may be exempt from paying their 2016 chapter dues by having five or more student members attend five of the following Alpha Phi Sigma events during the Orlando conference.

Alpha Phi Sigma student members must register at each event for the chapter to receive credit.

- Opening Ceremony & Main Speakers
- Presentation and Judging of Theme Project, Chapter Goals & Yearbook
- Student paper Panel
- Speaker Panel I
- Speaker Panel II
- Business Meeting, Elections, and Awards Ceremony

For more information contact the National Headquarters.

Please sign up to help APS with MERCHANDISE BOOTH HOURS
Contact Headquarters for details

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Honor Regalia Order Form will be available at both merchandise booths. Forms must be filled out and payment accompany order. Romina Rodons will check membership and fill Honor Regalia orders. Orders will be available for pick up the following morning (Thursday and Friday).

Advisors

If you will be attending the conference in Orlando, you may order Honor Regalia up to February 23rd and we will deliver the Regalia at the conference. You can save the shipping charges.

Criminal Justice Specific Topic Knowledge Scholarship Test

Undergraduate Scholarship—first place $500, second place $250
Graduate Scholarship—first place $500, second place $250

Drugs and Society

The Criminal Justice Specific Topic Knowledge Scholarship Tests will be administered at the 2015 Annual Conference in Orlando, FL

Reference material is as follows:

**Drugs and Society**
- 12th Edition
- Author: Glen R. Hanson, et al
- ISBN: 9781284036374
- Jones and Bartlett Learning Publishing

**Drugs Across the Spectrum**
- 7th Edition
- Author: Raymond Goldberg
- Cengage Brain Publishing

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- Opening Ceremony/Key Note Speaker
- Presentation/Judging of Theme Project, Chapter Goals & Yearbook
- Student paper Panel
- Speaker Panel I
- Speaker Panel II
- College Bowl
- Elections/Awards Presentation

Entry ticket will be issued at specific events. Winners will be drawn during each event.
2015 CONFERENCE PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 4, 2015

8:00 am - 8:45 am  Continental Breakfast  
*Sponsored by Voice & Ink Enterprises, Inc. Forensic Consultants*

9:00 am - 11:00 am  Happy Hour & Its Consequences  
*Presented by Dr. Tamara Wilkins, Dr. John McLaughlin*  
*Sponsored by the Alpha Phi Sigma Council*

11:00 am - 12:30 pm  Presentation by American University. APS Members Brunch to Follow  
*Sponsored by the Department of Justice, Law & Criminology at American University*  
*Presenter: Richard Bennett, Ph.D.*

12:45 pm - 4:00 pm  Alpha Phi Sigma Opening Ceremony  
*Honor Guard: Orlando Police Department*  
*National Anthem: Cathy Barth, ACJS Manager*  
*Greeting by ACJS President: Brian Payne, Ph.D.*  
*Welcome to Orlando: Orlando Police Department*

Keynote Speakers: Chief Russell Fischer & Sgt. Tony Monheim  
*Police Officer Involved Deaths, Recent Investigations, and the Community They Serve.*

4:00 pm - 4:30 pm  2015-2017 National Student Officers Candidates Campaign Speeches

4:45 pm - 5:15 pm  Crime Scene Investigation: Registration, Briefing, & Investigation  
*Presented by John McLaughlin, Ph.D.*

4:45 pm - 5:15 pm  Chapters Set up Your Theme Project, Chapter Goals, & Yearbook at designated tables

5:15 pm  Crime Scene Competition Begins. Teams must wait in Martinique Room to be called to crime scene room.

5:15 pm - 6:15 pm  Presentation and Judging of Community Service Award, Chapter Goal Awards & Yearbook Award

THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2015

7:30 am - 9:00 am  Continental Breakfast  
*Sponsored by Voice & Ink Enterprises, Inc. Forensic Consultants*

8:15 am - 9:30 am  Criminal Justice General Knowledge Scholarship Test  
*Open only to Alpha Phi Sigma Undergraduate and Graduate Members*  
*Undergraduate Scholarship—First Place $500, Second Place $250*  
*Graduate Scholarship—First Place $500, Second Place $250*

8:30 am - 9:30 am  Chapter Advisor Meeting
THURSDAY, MARCH 5, 2015

9:45 am - 11:00 am  Student Panel  
Selected Students from across the country present their academic papers  
Martinique

11:00 am - 12:15 pm  Student Luncheon Sponsored by ACJS  
Students MUST be Registered with ACJS to Attend Luncheon  
Atrium East

12:30 pm - 1:45 pm  Speakers: Panel I Presenters  
Juveniles Convicted as Adults; Sentenced to Life  
Martinique

2:00 pm - 3:30 pm  Speakers: Panel II Presenters  
“I’m Out of Prison, Oh Sh*t, Now What?!”  
Martinique

3:45 pm - 5:15 pm  College Bowl  
Dr. Andrew Giacomazzi, Moderator  
Martinique

5:30 pm - 6:45 pm  Special Topic Scholarship Test “Drugs and Society”  
Open only to Alpha Phi Sigma Undergraduate and Graduate Members  
Undergraduate Scholarship—First Place $500, Second Place $250  
Barbados

FRIDAY, MARCH 6, 2015

8:00 am - 9:00 am  Continental Breakfast  
Sponsored by Voice & Ink Enterprises, Inc. Forensic Consultants  
APS Villa

9:30 am - 12:30 pm  Alpha Phi Sigma Business Meeting  
Roll Call  
Campaign Speeches for National Student Officers  
National Student Officer Elections  
Installation of 2015-2017 National Student Officers  
Martinique

Awards & Scholarships Presentation:  
VA Leonard Scholarship, Regina B. Shearn Scholarship, Paper Competition, Member of the Year Award, Advisor of the Year Award, Chapter Goal Awards, Star Chapter, Community Service Project Award, Outstanding Yearbook Competition, Web Page Contest, Chapter Grants, Advisor Grants, and Conference Random Scholarships

1:00 pm  The Alpha Phi Sigma Conference is adjourned.  
Enjoy Theme Parks in Orlando; Lounge by the Pool.

2:00-3:30 pm  ACJS Speaker and book signing: Piper Kerman, *Orange is the New Black*  
Attendees MUST be registered with ACJS  
Grand Sierra B
SPEAKERS & PRESENTERS

Russell Fischer

Chief Russell Fischer was employed by the Miami-Dade Police Department for 33 years. Appointed to Division Chief in 2004, Chief Fischer’s responsibilities included commanding employees assigned to Miami International Airport, Police Operations Bureau (Port of Miami and Transit), Community Affairs Bureau, Warrants Bureau, Court Services Bureau, and Special Patrol Bureau. Thereafter, Chief Fischer commanded Criminal Investigations, responsible for all departmental investigations that involve Homicide (Officer Involved Shootings and In Custody deaths), Robbery, Sex Crimes, and Domestic Crimes Bureaus. Chief Fischer, until recently, served as the Incident Commander for Super Bowl XLI and was the Department's Hurricane Coordinator.

He holds a Master of Science Degree in Management and a Master of Public Administration Degree from the University of Miami. Chief Fischer is also a graduate of the FBI National Academy. He has authored articles for the FBI Law Enforcement Bulletin (LEB) and the Police Chief Magazine (IACP), and has provided instruction in a variety of topical areas for the International Association of Chiefs of Police. He also instructs at the Metropolitan Police Institute in Miami, Miami-Dade College, and for HomicideTraining.com.

Chief Fischer has served as a contractor/consultant for the U. S. Department of Justice as it relates to violent crimes in Columbia and as a peer reviewer for the DOJ's National Institute of Justice. He has also served as an expert witness as to internal affairs and homicide investigation procedures in recent cases involving Federal civil rights violations.

Tony Monheim

Sergeant Tony Monheim began teaching criminal investigation courses in 1990. He has instructed Homicide, Robbery, and Police Officer Involved Shooting seminars for the International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP), the Southeast Police Institute (SPI), the Miami-Dade Police Department’s training bureau, DEA, ATF, and the FBI. He has been featured on several training tapes produced by the Law Enforcement Training Network (LETN) and has served as a guest lecturer at the prestigious University of Miami Law School. Several of his cases have been presented on America’s Most Wanted, Inside Edition, Court TV, and the Discovery Channel.

He retired from the Miami-Dade Police Department in 2004 after a distinguished 30 year career. He was assigned to the Homicide Bureau as a squad supervisor during the final 12 years of his tenure. Prior to that, he spent 16 years in the Robbery Bureau as both an investigator and a supervisor. He has been personally responsible for scores of Police Officer Involved Shooting investigations and hundreds of Homicide/Death investigations.

Sergeant Monheim holds a Masters Degree in Public Administration from St. Thomas of Villanova University and a Bachelor’s Degree from Western Illinois University (where he was a standout Rugby player). He has been afforded expert witness status in both Federal and State (Florida) courts regarding homicide investigative procedures. In 2006, Tony returned to the Miami-Dade Homicide Bureau and was assigned to the Cold Case Squad as a consultant hired to evaluate the over two-thousand unsolved murders in the Bureau's archives.

Panel I: Juveniles Convicted as Adults; Sentenced to Life

*Moderated by Chris Wolfe, Toastmasters International*

The presenters are members of the Dr. Regina B. Shearn Corrections Transition Program (CTP). The Florida Commission on Offender Review granted them parole. They will share their stories about having been juveniles when they committed their crimes, their conviction as adults, and growing up in prison.

**Presenters**

**Johnathon Blair**
Sentenced at 16 for Murder
Served 25 years

**Bennie Boyd**
Sentenced at 16 for Robbery
Served 33 years

**Eddie Davis**
Sentenced at 15 for Murder
Served 33 years

**Johnny Johnson**
Sentenced at 15 for Murder/Robbery/Kidnapping
Served 26 years

**Juan Lusunariz**
Sentenced at 17 for Murder
Served 32 years

**Michael Powers**
Sentenced at 17 for Murder
Served 41 years
Panel II: “I’m Out of Prison, Oh Sh*t, Now What?!?”

*Moderated by Chris Wolfe, Toastmasters International*

The presenters are members of the Dr. Regina B. Shearn Corrections Transition Program (CTP). The Florida Commission on Offender Review granted them parole. They will share their stories about what it is like to be free after so many years of incarceration, institutionalization and family. They will also share some humorous events each underwent after release and their thoughts on, *My, how things have changed!!!*

**Presenters**

- **Grover Alexander**  
  Served 27 years  
  Out 8 years

- **Larry Daniel**  
  Served 29 years  
  Out 1 month

- **Vernon Myers**  
  Served 26 years  
  Out 6 years

- **Joe Cammarano**  
  Served 30 years  
  Out 6 months

- **Robert Honey**  
  Served 33 years  
  Out 1 month

- **Raul Palacios**  
  Served 31 years  
  Out 3.5 years

- **Ken Cofield**  
  Served 29 years  
  Out 5 years

- **Allan Shepard**  
  Served 18 years  
  Out 5 years

- **Patrick Stewart**  
  Served 17 years  
  Out 15 years  
  Parole Terminated

- **Jesus Cosio**  
  Served 26 years  
  Out 9 years  
  Parole Terminated

- **Tony Pedone**  
  Served 39 years  
  Out 10 months

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- David Rivers  
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  Distinguished Golden Alumni Award Recipient

- William “Bill” Nay  
  Golden Alumni  
  Distinguished Golden Alumni Award Recipient
The 2015 Annual Chapter Dues must be received prior to the March Conference. 
Chapter must be in GOOD STANDING (Chapter By-laws and Chapter Financial and Activity Report must be current).
Each qualifying chapter will have one vote.
Voting will take place on Friday morning during the Business Meeting.
Chapter representative must be present at Roll Call to receive ballot.

ELECTIONS WILL BE HELD AT THE 2015 CONFERENCE IN ORLANDO

Guidelines for Voting

ATTENTION NOMINEES

Campaigning may be conducted from Tuesday March 2, until Thursday March 4 in the evening. There will be NO handing out of materials on Friday morning prior to the Business meeting and voting. DO NOT place anything on the walls or doors at the hotel. APS will be fined for anything that is taped, pinned, or stuck to the walls or doors of the meeting room or the hotel common grounds. Thank you for your cooperation.
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Program:
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- Miller Analogies Test Requirement: 387
  - An essay detailing applicant’s interest in enrolling in the program, goals for advancing his/her intellectual abilities in the program, and how study in the program will advance his/her professional skills.
  - Recommendations from professionals familiar with your academic work.

The Faculty:
Dr. Darrell Ross (Department Head; Ph.D. Michigan State University)
Dr. Shani Wilfred (Faculty, Criminal Justice; Ph.D. Indiana University)
Dr. Wilson Huang (Faculty, Criminal Justice Ph.D. University of Maryland)
Dr. Fred Knowles (Faculty, Criminal Justice; Ph.D. University of Missouri)
Dr. Rudy Prine (Internship Coordinator, Faculty, Criminal Justice; Ph.D. Florida State University)
Dr. Deborah Robinson (Faculty, Criminal Justice; Ph.D. Florida State University)
Dr. Lorna Alvarez-Rivera (Graduate Coordinator, Faculty, Criminal Justice; Ph.D University of Florida)
Dr. R. Neal McIntyre, Jr. (Faculty, Criminal Justice; Ph.D. Valdosta State University)
Dr. Michael Capece (Faculty, Criminal Justice; Ph.D. University of Florida)
Mr. Douglas Robinson (Full time Instructor, Criminal Justice; MS Valdosta State University)
Dr. Todd Bricker (Faculty, Criminal Justice; Ph.D. Michigan State University)
Dr. Bobbie Ticknor (Faculty, Criminal Justice; Ph.D. University of Cincinnati)

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The order form must include the Member’s full name and year initiated (full name and year listed on the certificate).

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For rush orders, please contact Headquarters. Shipping fee for rush orders will be the responsibility of the chapter. Orders received less than 10 (ten) business days weeks prior to graduation constitute a rush delivery.

Shipping & Handling Costs

- Up to $30 = $5.95
- $30.01 to $50 = $6.95
- $50.01 to $70 = $7.95
- $70.01 to $100 = $8.95
- $100.01 to $200 = $12.95
- $200.01 to $300 = $17.95
- Over $300 = $19.95
Alpha Phi Sigma has a very unique and fashionable jewelry line. Ken Jernigan, the designer of the APS jewelry line, will be joining us in Orlando to display the items available. 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 or experience the actual merchandise at the conference and order then. Pricing starts as low as $35.

You may preview the jewelry online at http://www.kenjernigan.com/Alpha-Phi-Sigma/
The Eta Lambda Chapter of Alpha Phi Sigma, North Carolina Central University, presented a Panel Discussion on Human Trafficking. This was the first in a series of activities planned to highlight the theme on Human Trafficking for the 2014-2015 Alpha Phi Sigma year. We had three speakers: Judge Doretta Walker, North Carolina 14th Judicial District Court; Mrs. Johnson-Holster, Executive Director of the North Carolina Coalition Against Sexual Assault; and Sheriff Andre Hilton from the Durham Sheriff Office. Miss Draughn, a graduate student in our Criminal Justice Department, gave an overview on human trafficking, and the panelists spoke about the reality of human trafficking, expounding on what human trafficking actually involves: the victims and/or targets, the outcomes of this traumatizing situation, and its impact on society. Statistics were used to support their presentation. This was a campus-wide event; hence, the audience came from across the university. At the end of the presentation, the presenters took questions from the audience, which helped broaden their knowledge base on human trafficking.
Dear APS members,
My name is Marshal Sherry and I am the president of Fairmont State's Epsilon Iota chapter. The attached pictures and descriptions are from some of the many activities we participated in around the holidays. We are proud to be a part of such a fine organization!

These Halloween pictures show some of our chapter members serving the community at an event held by Try Again Homes. Try-Again Homes, Inc., is a private, non-profit corporation committed to providing safe, nurturing places for children in need: they are dedicated to the growth, development, and empowerment of individuals and families for healthier communities. We helped set up and run the event, and helped the kids move from station to station. A staggering number of children attended the event; it was a blast helping these kids who have endured so much!

This "State Conference" picture includes most of our chapter members after a team from our school won first place in the state crime scene competition. The state competition is in conjunction with the WVCJEA (West Virginia Criminal Justice Educators Association) where students and faculty travel from all over the state to compete, present, and meet other criminal justice students. The traveling trophy pictured has sat in the halls of Fairmont State for many years.

These "Strike Out" pictures are from one of the Human Trafficking events we hosted. Entitled "Strike Out Human Trafficking," we utilized the local media and bowling alley to inform the public about the crime of human trafficking and how they can help. The local news channel interviewed the chapter president on the issue, and we provided prizes and food for all those in attendance while also teaching them about human trafficking. Several local businesses helped us by donating items to be raffled off, with partial proceeds going to the Anti-Slavery Coalition.
A New Chapter Is Being Formed at Utah Valley University

The Chapter is being organized by Errol Flynn, a Senior, as part of the Utah Valley University (UVU) Leadership Mentoring Program. His Mentor is Alpha Phi Sigma’s Distinguished Alumni Bill Nay. When Bill found out that UVU did not have an APS Chapter, he challenged Errol to organize one.

Dr. Marcy Hehnly, Faculty Chapter Advisor, assisted by Alumni Bill Nay, conducted a “Tapping” ceremony on January 14, 2015, at Utah Valley University in Orem, Utah, for the students who were submitting their applications to become members of the new Alpha Phi Sigma chapter being formed. Dr. Hehnly has over 20 applications to submit for final approval. The goal is to have the Induction Ceremony by April 2015. Errol Flynn has been selected to be the first chapter president.

Dr. Marcy Hehnly is excited about all the students who have submitted applications. This was Dr. Hehnly’s first “Tapping”.

Golden Alumni, Bill Nay, is Tapping Brei Van De Graaf who has been selected to be the chapter vice-president.
Alpha Phi Sigma National Council Member, Dr. Andrew Giacomazzi, and his 12 year-old son Drew recently had a day to remember when President Barack Obama paid a visit to Boise, Idaho, in late January. Pictured are Giacomazzi and his son anxiously awaiting the arrival of the President at Gowen Field in Boise. Drew Giacomazzi (pictured in the black jacket) asked the President for a selfie. The President's response: "Sure! Let's do it!" Ask nicely, and you shall receive!
Over the winter intersession the Alpha Phi Sigma chapter of Western Connecticut State University worked with Habitat for Humanity at the Danbury Fair Mall. A group of our members dedicated their Saturday to helping wrap gifts outside of Macys! This is the beginning of a great relationship we will have with Habitat for Humanity! We love to help our community in whatever way we can. This upcoming semester we plan on participating in community service events and continuously helping in our community! We thank Alpha Phi Sigma for all it has done for us and our community!
Secretary’s Sentiments
By Rachel Vis

Can you believe it is already 2015? As I reflect on the past year I realize our chapter, Kappa Kappa, has done quite a bit. In looking at our Chapter Standards, I see only a small fraction of the many accomplishments members of this organization have done. I’m sure there are many of you that have taken part in other activities that we don’t know about and that’s okay. I find myself not wanting the attention that comes with doing great things for organizations but I’ve changed my way of thinking to an extent. I don’t do this for myself rather I like to represent great organizations that I’m a member of. As Alpha Phi Sigma members it shows that the work you do is not just an individual effort, but rather a collective effort of many people who care. Recently, many of us participated in Wreaths Across America. I took my reluctant college student/daughter with me as did many other parents who participated that day. Our facilitator said something that struck my daughter: As we placed the wreaths on the graves, take a moment to reflect on the name, the person who you remember that day, their sacrifice. The first two graves were unknown soldiers. We will never know who they are, why they chose the path they did and they will never know the effects of their selfless acts and their impacts to this great nation.

What did these and many other unknown soldiers buried here tell my daughter and others? Your selfless actions can have a great impact. You may not think it’s a big deal or at times may seem like a waste of time, but as the old saying goes “no good deed goes unnoticed.” So don’t be afraid to “toot your own horn” from time to time. You never know who you can impact today by your actions.
Meet the 2015 Kappa Kappa Board Members

Robert Toy, President
Michael Green, Vice President
Rachel Vis, Secretary

Not Pictured: Wilhelm Von Mayer, Finance/Treasurer

Florida International University Sigma Phi Alpha Chapter

Sigma Phi Alpha Chapter from Florida International University in Miami, FL recently hosted their Hot Dog Cook Out fundraiser on campus. Members came together and raised money by selling hot dogs, chips, and a drink combo, while spending quality time with each other, playing some football, and enjoying the beautiful outdoors! The chapter contacted the university's newspaper, The Beacon, and photos of Sigma Phi Alpha members from the fundraiser, ended up on the front page! This is a great way to promote the chapter and to recruit new members in the near future. All together, the chapter raised $140.00 at this fundraiser! Great job!
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Florida International University, Sigma Phi Alpha Chapter

REUNION

The Sigma Phi Alpha Chapter is calling all alumni. The Alpha Phi Sigma 2015 National Conference will be held in Orlando, Florida, practically in our back yard. We would like to reunite our members for the conference and have a special get-together.

If you are a Sigma Phi Alpha member, please contact us and help spread the word so that we may all reunite in Orlando.

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Alpha Phi Sigma Member and FIU Alumni
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MELANIE OVAKIT
Alpha Phi Sigma Member, former National Vice-President and FIU Alumni
movakit@aol.com

Welcome

New Chapters

Lindenwood University-Belleville, Pi Epsilon
Belleville, IL

Oakland University, Pi Zeta
Rochester, MI

Merrimack College, Pi Beta
North Andover, MA

Texas Wesleyan University, Pi Eta
Ft. Worth, TX

California State University-Chico, Pi Theta
Chico, CA

New Faculty

Elizabeth Quinn, Eta Epsilon
Fayetteville State University, Fayetteville, NC

Melody Coretta Schroer, Mu Chi
Culver-Stockton College, LaGrange, MO

Monte Dale Staton, Beta Sigma Upsilon
Ball State University, Muncie, IN

David Frederick Nicholson, Lambda Xi
Ferrum College, Rocky Mountain, VA

Cary Dale Adkinson, Pi Eta
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Since the 2013 Conference in Dallas, Texas, Alpha Phi Sigma has been donating $250 to a Children’s Advocacy Center when a chapter visits the center, meets with staff, takes photos, and writes an article for the Docket. Originally, this was supposed to be an event that would last a full year. Gladly, the chapters have done such extraordinary work and made this theme such a success that we are extending the donations through 2015.

These centers need help and funding in order to serve children in need. Alpha Phi Sigma’s donation is extra help for the center and allows our members to become more involved with the community. Most cities have a Children’s Advocacy Center: some smaller, some larger, and some a little further away. Distance nor size should deter members from reaching out to these centers and becoming involved. A tour of the facility allows us to reach out to these centers, learn from all they do, and get the word out to the community.

Each chapter that visits a Children’s Advocacy Center, writes headquarters about that center, and sends us at least one photograph, will receive an Alpha Phi Sigma check for $250 payable to the Children’s Advocacy Center they visited. APS members must return to the center and present the donation to the Children’s Advocacy Center in person and send headquarters a photograph. Alpha Phi Sigma will feature the chapter and story about the Children’s Advocacy Center in the Docket.

Guidelines:

♥ Chapter must visit/tour a Children’s Advocacy Center. Send headquarters a brief write-up about the center, full name and address of the center, name of a contact person, and a photograph of chapter members at the center.
♥ Alpha Phi Sigma will mail the chapter Advisor a $250 check made out to the Children’s Advocacy Center visited.
♥ The chapter must present the donation to the Children’s Advocacy Center in person and send headquarters a photograph.
♥ Alpha Phi Sigma will feature the chapter and story about the Children’s Advocacy Center in the Docket.
♥ Only one check per chapter will be issued.
♥ Email headquarters, “Attention of Docket Editor,” and place CHILDREN FIRST in the subject line.
♥ Please send story and photo electronically only.

Thank You Chapters for Participating!!!

Stay tuned to the next Docket for all the reports we have been receiving from chapters around the nation and the thank you letters from some of the Children Advocacy Centers.

Keep them coming and make a difference. . . .
While attending the advisor’s meeting in Dallas, Texas, in March, I learned that our local Children’s Advocacy Center (CAC) could earn a donation from headquarters if our members toured the facility. Below is information about our tour of the local CAC.

On Friday, April 19th, 2013, four members of Eta Tau, one student from UCO, and the Eta Tau Advisor, Elizabeth Maier, all went to the CARE Center in Oklahoma City (OKC Child Advocacy Center) and took a tour.

The students and Dr. Maier learned what a Child Advocacy Center is and what specifically the CARE Center does for children. The students saw the playroom where children wait to be interviewed and assisted by CARE Center staff. Students also got to see an interview room where children are asked about their experiences. Several members of the CARE Center staff spoke with the students about their roles at the center. Jessica Smith, a forensic interviewer, gave us the tour.

The students had many questions and became involved in a discussion after the visit.
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The Alumni Achievement Award

Awarded to alumni who contribute to their local, national, and/or international communities, excel in their careers, and help Alpha Phi Sigma to grow each year by serving as an exceptional role model.

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In present day, the Coin has evolved into a Challenge Coin. If an Alpha Phi Sigma member does not produce the Coin when challenged by another member who is carrying a Coin, that person is challenged to recite the four ideals of Alpha Phi Sigma, state which chapter he or she belonged to, name the College or University and year graduated, and explain why he or she is not carrying the Challenge Coin.

The Challenge Coin is available for purchase at our web site.

Alpha Phi Sigma Welcomes our newest member at Headquarters

Meet Hugo Chung

Hugo joined the Headquarters family just before the holidays as a part-timer. In January, Hugo became a full-time employee at Headquarters. He is working in the membership department and doing an outstanding job.

Hugo was born in Ecuador. He is married and has three children, two sons and a daughter. His eldest son is a student of Geology at Sonoma State University. His second son is studying Computer Science in college, and his daughter is 10 years old.

Hugo is quiet and very service oriented. He really likes to work with Romina and John and strives to learn all he can.

We are pleased to have him join our family and know that you’ll soon be hearing his gentle voice on the phone.
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