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Dr. Regina Shearn and Adriana Jansen traveled to Orlando to participate in ScholarCon. We had a great opportunity to view first hand how 1800 students from across the country and Puerto Rico can come together and learn from great speakers, panels, and programs designed just for students. We completed the LEAD program (Leadership Excellence and Advisor Development Program), attended the National Society of Collegiate Scholars (NSCS) awards luncheon, white party, and almost every speaker session or panel available. It has inspired us, as representatives of Alpha Phi Sigma, to see first hand the importance of having Alpha Phi Sigma represented at ScholarCon; next summer we hope to have our members attending.

Kayla Maning, Vice President of Operations and Ve-relyn Gibbs Watson, President and COO of NSCS.

Adriana Jansen and Dr. Shearn with Steve Loflin, Founder and CEO of the National Society of Col-legeate Scholars.

Dr. Regina Shearn and Adriana Jansen with Stephanie Matro, Manager of Office of Student Affairs at American Public University System.
Our sincere thanks to American University in Washington D.C., for their presentation and the wonderful brunch provided. Pictured from left: Kris Lugo, Ph.D. Candidate; Professor Robert Johnson; Amy Bartley-Vigil, Recruitment Manager; Madeline McPherson, MS, JLC ’15; and Professor Richard Bennett.

National Student president Saadia Feliciano with Keynote Speaker, Chief Russell Fischer.

Former National Student Vice President, Kaitlyn Antolock with ACJS President Dr. Brian Payne.

Orlando Police Department Deputy Chief Robert Pigman.

Orlando Police Department Honor Guard.

Dr. Tamara Wilkins and Dr. John McLaughlin.

Panels Moderator Chris Wolfe.

The Registration Crew. Thanks Boise!!!!!
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Congratulations to all the Candidates for their Unity and Great Campaigns!

Dr. Emmanuel Onyeozili, National Advisor.

Dr. Deanna Shields, National Advisor.

Outgoing Vice-President Kaitlyn Antolock lights the candle for newly elected Vice-President Ashley Webb.

The New Mexico State University Chapter ran a great campaign.

From left: President, Saadia Feliciano, from University of Maryland Eastern Shore; Vice-President, Kaitlyn Antolock, from Fairmont State University; Secretary, Kadijah Munu, from University of Maryland Eastern Shore; and Treasurer, Ericka Gregory, from University of Maryland Eastern Shore.
2015 Scholarships, Awards, and Grants Recipients

**V.A. Leonard Scholarship**

Undergraduate

Lisa Miller  
Minnesota State University, Mankato  
Alpha Delta Alpha

Graduate

Tyler Kelly  
Boise State University  
Alpha Kappa

**Regina B. Shearn Scholarship**

Undergraduate

Kathleen Godwin  
Liberty University  
Theta Sigma

Graduate

Marshal Sherry  
Fairmont State University  
Epsilon Iota

**Criminal Justice General Knowledge Scholarship Test**

Graduate First Place

Daniella Swerin  
Boise State University

Graduate Second Place

Lori Wiester  
Indiana University of Pennsylvania

**Criminal Justice Specific Topic General Knowledge Scholarship Test**

*Drugs and Society*

Graduate First Place  
Howard Moore  
University of Mississippi

Graduate Second Place  
Tate Fegley  
Boise State University

**Criminal Justice General Knowledge Scholarship Test**

Undergraduate First Place

Rachel Kail  
University of Texas, Dallas

Undergraduate Second Place

Brian Miller  
Fairmont State University

**Criminal Justice Specific Topic General Knowledge Scholarship Test**

*Drugs and Society*

Undergraduate First Place  
Ramona Tullis  
Boise State University

Undergraduate Second Place  
Melanie Donsawath  
San Jose State University
Best Paper Competition
Undergraduate

1st Place
Jose Flores, San Jose State University
"An Overview of Juvenile Delinquency Prevention Programs"

2nd Place
Abby Raynes, Endicott College
"Law Enforcement Human Trafficking Intervention"

3rd Place
Laura Diaz, San Jose State University
"The War on Drugs"

Best Paper Competition
Graduate

1st Place
Tate Fegley, Boise State University
"Incorporating Public Choice Theory Into the Study of Policing: How Looking Outward at Private Policing Can Improve Community Policing"

2nd Place
Saadia Feliciano, University of Maryland Eastern Shore
"The Impact of Cesare Beccaria on the United States Constitution"

3rd Place
Eliud Marquez, California State University, Sacramento
"Does Drug Abuse, When Paired With Mental Illness, Lead to Criminal Behavior? How Can We, As a Society, Look Outward to Correct this Problem?"

Chapter Goal Awards
Unity, Educational Leadership, & Community Service

Unity
Eastern Kentucky University
Fairmont State University

Community Service
New Mexico State University, Las Cruces

Educational Leadership
San Jose State University

Student Achievement Award

Arika Morgan Bow
Eastern Kentucky University
Epsilon

Paper Presenters

Amy Bess
Fairmont State University, Epsilon Iota Chapter
“Labeling Theory: Edwin M. Lemert”

Tate Fegley
Boise State University, Alpha Kappa Chapter

Saadia Feliciano
University of Maryland Eastern Shore, Gamma Omicron Chapter
“The Impact of Cesare Beccaria on the United States Constitution”

Jose Flores
San Jose State University, Iota Chapter
“An Overview of Juvenile Delinquency Prevention Programs”

Alumni Achievement Award

Nathan Jimerson
New Mexico State University
Alpha Chi Alpha
Annual ΑΦΣ Community Service Project Awards

Human Trafficking

1st Place

San Jose State University

Eastern Kentucky University

Fairmont State University

New Mexico University

2nd Place

North Carolina Central

Conference Random Scholarship Recipients

Dejah Chamblee, Elizabeth City State
Andrea Henry, Mississippi Valley State University
Eduardo Sanabria, Boise State University
Amy Trausch, University of Nebraska, Kearney
Caitlyn O’Very, Boise State University
Tate Fegley, Boise State University
Brittney Thorndyke, Boise State University
Michael Dozier, University of Mississippi
Johnny Smith, Governors State University
Melanie Donsawath, San Jose State University
Julie Majerak, University of Central Missouri
Paul Amell, Minnesota State University, Mankato
Saadia Feliciano, University of Maryland Eastern Shore

Thank You Judges

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2015-16 Theme of the Year

Rehabilitation Within the Criminal Justice or Juvenile System
Crime Scene Investigation

New Mexico University, Las Cruces
Alpha Chi Alpha Chapter

Chapter Grants

Minnesota State University, Makato
Alpha Delta Alpha Chapter

Eastern Kentucky University
Epsilon Chapter

New Mexico State University, Las Cruces
Alpha Chi Alpha Chapter

University of Cincinnati
Gamma Theta Pi Chapter

Shippensburg University
Pi Chapter

Norwich University
Alpha Nu Omega Chapter

Advisor Grants

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University of Maryland Eastern Shore, Gamma Omicron Chapter

William C. Hale, Ph.D.
Louisiana State University, Lambda Sigma Upsilon Chapter

James Wells, Ph.D.
Eastern Kentucky University, Epsilon Chapter

Maria Gerase, Ph.D.
Mercyhurst University, Upsilon Chapter

Linda Keena, Ph.D.
University of Mississippi, Mu Ro Chapter

Tamara Wilkins, Ph.D.
Minnesota State University, Mankato, Alpha Delta Alpha Chapter

Outstanding Yearbook Competition

Fairmont State University
New Mexico State University
San Jose State University

Website Competition

Fairmont State University
Eastern Kentucky University
New Mexico State University
San Jose State University
Florida International University

Member of the Year Award

Marco Ortizoga
New Mexico State University, Las Cruces
Alpha Chi Alpha

Advisors of the Year Award

Lorna Grant, Ph.D.
North Carolina Central University
Eta Lambda Chapter

Veronica Herrera, Ph.D.
San Jose State University
Iota Chapter
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- Recommendations from professionals familiar with your academic work.

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NSU’s Online Criminal Justice Program Named one of the Nation’s Best for Veterans

Once again, Nova Southeastern University (NSU) has been recognized for providing students with one of the nation’s top online academic programs. U.S. News & World Report has released its rankings of top online graduate programs for veterans, and NSU’s Criminal Justice program was ranked in a tie for 21st.

“For more than 50 years, NSU has worked hard to create programs that provide academic opportunities for students that meet their varied needs,” said Dr. George Hanbury, Ph.D., President and CEO of NSU. “One segment of our student population that’s growing is our veterans, and we want to ensure we provide them with educational opportunities that best suit their needs as they transition back to civilian life.”

Dr. Hanbury said that this latest honor is in keeping with NSU’s Vision 2020, where the university will be recognized by accrediting agencies, the academic community and the general public as a “premier, private, not-for-profit university of quality and distinction.” This is the second time NSU’s criminal justice program has been recognized by U.S. News & World Report – earlier this year the online program for all students was ranked 22nd in the country.

This is the third year that U.S. News & World Report has issued these rankings, which identify programs that provide veterans with high-quality, flexible online educational options. According to the report, to be eligible, programs had to be part of an institution of higher learning that is certified for the GI Bill, be participating in the Yellow Ribbon Program or be a public institution that charges in-state tuition for out-of-state veterans. In addition, to be ranked, a school had to be part of the top 75% of schools in the overall 2015 Best Online Programs rankings by the publication (NSU was in the top 22 programs overall.)

“We’ve worked hard to position our criminal justice program as one of the premiere programs online and I’m very proud of this recognition,” said Kimberly Durham, Psy.D., dean of NSU’s Institute for the Study of Human Service, Health and Justice. “It’s a reflection of the program’s faculty – they are truly at the heart of what distinguishes our program from others.”

NSU’s criminal justice graduate program is unique as it’s offered entirely online. This format allows students to participate in courses from anywhere in the world and provides flexibility in completing a master’s degree while providing time for students to continue their current career if need be. NSU's master's program in criminal justice is designed for those interested in careers in several areas, including, but not limited to: police officer; detective; FBI special agent; DEA agent; Secret Service special agent; Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE) special agent; and Federal Air Marshall.

For more information about NSU's criminal justice program, please visit us online at http://www.nova.edu/humanservices/index.html

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On April 17, Utah Valley University (UVU) held the first induction ceremony for the new Alpha Phi Sigma chapter, Pi Nu. To create the new APS chapter at UVU, several steps had to be followed.

They were required to charter a chapter to manage funds and maintain campus policies and procedures, according to UVU rules. The society requires signatures from the Dean, Department Chair, and Faculty Advisor, along with ten students ready to pay their membership fees and who meet the academic standards. In order to submit an application to become a member, a student must have a GPA of at least 3.2 and be willing to uphold the four pillars of Alpha Phi Sigma: Academic Excellence, Unity, Leadership, and Service.

“I love watching my students grow and getting to know them on a personal level,” said Dr. Marcy Hehnly, the new chapter’s faculty advisor. Errol Flynn was one of Dr. Hehnly’s students and the mastermind behind creating a new APS chapter at UVU. The process to bring the Alpha Phi Sigma National Criminal Justice Honor Society to campus began in the fall of 2014. Once the idea was in place, Flynn did the legwork necessary to make it a reality, including recruiting new members.

The induction ceremony began with all the chapter officers being pinned and welcomed in. The rest of the members were welcomed in by the officers, Dr. Hehnly and Department Chair Matt Duffin. Students who do not meet academic requirements to join the Honor Society can still participate in various events through club membership and engage with other students and criminal justice professionals. As a member of Alpha Phi Sigma, members promise to uphold the ideals, traditions, and maintain a high moral character in accordance with the National Criminal Justice Honor Society’s bylaws as well as with the local and national officers.

This is the direct link to the article on UVU Review:  
Recently, members of the Epsilon Iota Chapter of Fairmont State University were donated a high quality camera from the FOP (Fraternal Order of Police) for their outstanding performance in local, state, and national crime scene competitions.

The camera included many high-dollar attachments, and the FOP Lodge 69 donated the camera for the continued success of the students.

Pictured is Chapter President Marshal Allen Sherry and Sergeants Staley and Wolford.
News from Alpha Chi Alpha, N.M.S.U.

APS gets Recognition from LCPD

Members of Alpha Chi Alpha were recognized by the Las Cruces Police Department Victims Assistance Unit “for their valued partnership and in appreciation and gratitude for the years of continued support and commitment to our Unit.”

Graduation May 2012

After 6 years in A.P.S. we said farewell to our President, Marco Ortigoza. Also graduating members from left to right: Juan Castillo, Sam Lauer, Marco (Honorary Member, Bill Corbett and Faculty Advisor, Andrea Joseph who attended graduation) Kat Wurshum, Katherine Berreka, Sam Soto, Natasha Rousseau and Deborah Blalock. Bingo! We are pleased to have Sam Soto and Deborah back as officers next year as they enter the MCJ program.

Induction Ceremony and Spring Fling Picnic

Members, guests and alum.

Alumni attending picnic and ceremony

New Officers

New Members

Graduating members

Congratulations to all APS graduating members from the US and Canadian Chapters.
We wish you all the best in your futures.
The week of May 11-17, 2015, is National Police Week. This is where the nation comes together as one family and honors those law enforcement officers from all state and government agencies who have been lost in the line of duty. Concerns of Police Survivors (C.O.P.S.), a non-profit organization, oversees National Police Week in Washington, D.C. This organization provides resources to the surviving family members of those officers who have died in the line of duty. They also provide training to law enforcement agencies and help educate the public on issues regarding survivor victimization and the need to support the law enforcement profession.

One of the ways C.O.P.S. has included citizens in this support and awareness is by implementing the Blue Ribbon Campaign. This campaign was started several years ago to encourage citizens to tie a blue ribbon to their vehicle antenna during National Police Week to show their support for fallen officers and for those who are still protecting our streets. Whether you use ribbons supplied by C.O.P.S. or blue ribbon you buy at a store, the important factor is having those ribbons visible.

The Executive Board of Theta Epsilon, Kaplan University’s Alpha Phi Sigma National Criminal Justice Honor Society Chapter, decided this was a cause necessary for our members and other fellow students and staff of Kaplan University to participate in because law enforcement officers are one of the most prominent positions in our field. Especially during this time, as our nation’s officers are under attack, we need to show them the communities they serve not only need them, but support them. We want these officers to know that Alpha Phi Sigma’s Theta Epsilon Chapter stands behind them, supports them, and appreciates all they do for our communities and our nation as a whole. Without them, our communities would be in peril.
Looking for a way out: Human Trafficking Crime.

Everybody wants to lead a life of significance. Some people do this through their careers, volunteer work, or daily acts of kindness. Professor Jay Albanese from Virginia Commonwealth University challenged Shippensburg University (SU) students to live a life of significance by putting an end to human trafficking.

Professor Albanese came to SU as the keynote speaker for “The Effort Against Human Trafficking” event that Alpha Phi Sigma’s (the National Criminal Justice Honor Society) Pi Chapter put on for criminal justice month.

The Tuscarora Room of Reisner Hall was packed with students, faculty and other supporters on March 31. Criminal justice professor and honor society adviser Michele Bratina explained how more and more people are affected by human trafficking. It is not just a problem in other countries or big cities. This past March, five men from Chambersburg and one man from Harrisburg were charged with alleged sex trafficking of minors, according to the Public Opinion and Fox 43. Human trafficking includes forced labor and selling people for sexual acts. It can affect anyone of any age or gender. Albanese argued that the major problems people face in the world, like human trafficking, are the result of human action. The difference between human trafficking and provision of other illicit services is that people can be used again and again for profit, while other resources eventually run out.

Albanese said that although there are people advocating for an end to human trafficking, it is hard to see if any progress is being made because the numbers are inaccurate. While in Ukraine, Albanese saw advertisements in newspapers offering the chance to meet a western gentleman or become a nanny in another country. Those advertisements were scams for desperate people. “They’re in a bad place, they want to get out and you exploit their vulnerability,” Albanese said. In most cases, women are tricked into becoming victims. As one slide from Albanese’s PowerPoint slid to the next with the sound of chimes, the audience learned more about the growing problem that more than 700,000 people face per year.

In an interview study based on 371 women and girls, 35 percent were tricked by a promise of marriage, 35 percent were willing victims (took the chance to be smuggled out of their country), 25 percent were given false job offers and 5 percent were sold/abducted. You would be surprised who you would agree to marry in order to get out, Albanese said. After the lecture, dinner, and silent auction, the event transitioned into a candlelight vigil held in honor of victims. Many students left after the dinner to head to class or other activities, but the people who stayed had the chance to hear the stories of those who suffered from human trafficking. Soft piano music filled the room as the candles were lit and conversation died to a murmur.

Student Emma Hergenroeder read a poem called “Finish Line” about a girl raped by her mother’s boyfriend. “None of this would have happened if I had help from the start,” Hergenroeder read. United Campus Minister, the Rev. Jan Bye, stepped up to share snippets of victims’ stories. She spoke about a 16-year-old who contracted AIDS, a child soldier and forced laborers. Between pauses of speech, audience members would respond, “Is it nothing to you, all you who pass by? Look and see if there is any sorrow like my sorrow.” Natalie Daratony, Coalition for Christian Outreach, cushioned these harsh words of reality between two guitar and vocal performances.

Erin Regan, a representative from Compassionate Humans Against Trafficking, spoke about her experience in New York City when one of her students was almost taken. Regan is a youth minister, and in her ministry she likes to take trips with students. While in New York City with a group of girls, Regan felt secure enough to look away from the group for just a second. When she turned around, a strange man was holding the arms of one of the girls — she was frozen. “I can give you a better life,” he said to the girl. Regan stepped forward and pushed the man away. Through this experience, Regan learned a valuable lesson about human trafficking: We can fight it.
Mental Illness Awareness Panel – October 6, 2014

The mental illness awareness event that took place on October 6, 2014, was a panel which replicated the PBS special titled “Minds on the Edge.” Panelists, comprised of faculty and a diverse group of professionals from the surrounding communities (law enforcement, corrections, mental health programming), were read case vignettes by a faculty moderator and were asked to provide commentary that reflected responses to cases of serious mental illness (involving college-age youth and veterans). Alpha Phi Sigma’s Pi Chapter was able to raise money that evening for the local chapter of the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) by selling silicone bracelets and green ribbons which reflected the message of stomping out stigma for Mental Illness Awareness Week. Green is the official color of mental illness awareness. The chapter was able to raise $250.00, and presented a check to the president of the organization, Mr. Taylor Andrews, Esquire.

Human Trafficking Campaign: Lecture and Charity Dinner for National Criminal Justice Month – March 31, 2015

The human trafficking charity dinner brought the campus and surrounding communities together to shed light on human trafficking. Alpha Phi Sigma’s Pi Chapter was proud to introduce Dr. Jay Albanese as the keynote speaker. Dr. Albanese educated the audience about the types of trafficking, its prevalence in the U.S. and abroad, and how society could improve upon prevention and response. We also had a silent auction. Overall, we were able to raise close to $1,000.00 for C.H.A.T. (Compassionate Humans against Trafficking)—an organization which serves victims of human trafficking here in Central Pennsylvania.
The members of the Phi Eta Chapter of Alpha Phi Sigma and the Alpha Alpha Alpha Chapter of the American Criminal Justice Association assisted as greeters and ushers for a very successful community forum on the subject of "Respect: Surviving a Police Encounter," co-sponsored by Saint Leo University and the YWCA of South Hampton Roads on October 21, 2014. A total of 96 people attended the forum. That figure includes the panelists, moderators, audience members, YWCA Advocacy Committee Members, Saint Leo University Criminal Justice Honor Society, Alpha Phi Sigma (Lambda Alpha Epsilon chapter), and Saint Leo University staff (Charlene, Larry, and Linda). The panelists, Virginia Beach Police Chief Jim Cervera; Chesapeake Police Chief Kelvin Wright; Newport News Police Chief Richard Myers; Delegate Daun Sessoms Hester; and Rev. Dr. Kirk T. Houston, Sr., each spoke for approximately fifteen minutes addressing the issues involved in citizen-police encounters and their solutions for addressing the recent spate in violent citizen-police encounters.

Their solutions included accountability via professional standards/internal affairs divisions; hiring additional minority police officers; sensitivity training; camps and internships; and door-to-door surveys of members of minority communities to assess their concerns with law enforcement. The panelists were joined in the question and answer session by Norfork Police Chief Michael Goldsmith. The audience was joined by Portsmouth Police Chief Ed Hargis, Virginia Beach Deputy Chief John Bell, Jr., and Norfolk Police Lieutenant Daryl Howard. Deputy Chief Bell provided additional information during questions addressed by Chief Cervera.

The Alpha Phi Sigma Phi Eta Chapter of Saint Leo University, South Hampton Roads and the Alpha Alpha Alpha Chapter of the American Criminal Justice Association participated in the March of Dimes Walk on Saturday, May 2, 2015. The team reached their fundraiser goal of $250!
On May 10, 2014, fifteen of the seventeen founding members of the Saint Leo University, South Hampton Roads Campus Chapter of the Criminal Justice Honor Society, Alpha Phi Sigma, were inducted by Associate Professor Ramona D. Taylor at a candlelight ceremony held at the Chesapeake Center. The induction of members of the new Phi Eta Chapter of Alpha Phi Sigma was attended by guest speakers Norfolk Sheriff Robert McCabe; Virginia Beach Deputy Police Chief, John Bell, Jr.; and the Saint Leo University South Hampton Roads Center Director, Margaret Park.

On September 6, 2014, the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention (AFSP), in partnership with the Hampton Roads Survivors of Suicide Support Group, sponsored their ninth Out of the Darkness Community Walk at Mount Trashmore in Virginia Beach, Virginia. The September 6th walk was one of over 300 AFSP Walks across the country to bring the disease of depression and the tragedy of suicide into the light; to remember loved ones; and to raise money for AFSP for suicide prevention through research, education, and treatment programs.

Approximately 6,500-7,000 people registered for the walk. It is estimated that this was the largest Out of the Darkness Community Walk for the sixth year in a row. The members of the newly chartered Phi Eta Chapter of Alpha Phi Sigma (the National Criminal Justice Honor Society), and the Alpha Alpha Alpha Chapter of the American Criminal Justice Association-Lambda Alpha Epsilon, were among this vast number of civilian and military community members walking and donating money for this worthy cause.
On October 4, 2014, members of the Phi Eta Chapter of Alpha Phi Sigma (the National Criminal Justice Honor Society) and the Alpha Alpha Alpha Chapter of the American Criminal Justice Association participated in the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer Walk in Virginia Beach, Virginia, sponsored by the American Cancer Society. We were among 2,400 walkers who teamed up to raise $170,000 for the fight against breast cancer.

On March 10, 2015, seven members of the Saint Leo University Criminal Justice Association, comprised of faculty, staff, students, and alumni, participated in a volunteer telethon at the local public television station WHRO. The Saint Leo University Criminal Justice Association is comprised of chapters of the Alpha Phi Sigma’s (National Criminal Justice Honor Society) Phi Eta Chapter, and the American Criminal Justice Association-Lambda Alpha Epsilon’s Alpha Alpha Alpha Chapter.

Those participating were: Ramona D. Taylor (Associate Professor/Faculty Advisor), Angelica Martelle, Sierra Jones, Randy D’Arcey, Donna Oney, Robby Colbert, and Sharrell Bowser.
The Iota Chapter received the Committee to Enhance Equity and Diversity (CEED) Award from San Jose State University.

Congratulations!!

Chapter Advisor, Dr. Veronica Herrera, and Assistant Advisor and Lifetime Distinguished Golden Alumni member, Bill Nay.

The Iota Chapter enjoyed a great tour of Armstrong Redwoods and the Sonoma Coast.
First chapter project tackles renovation of Jackson FOP Hall

JACKSON, Mich. – The newest chapter of Alpha Phi Sigma (the National Criminal Justice Honor Society) has been established at Baker College of Jackson; executive board members have been named, and efforts to fund the chapter’s first community service project have begun.

“This honor society offers the framework for students to pursue volunteer and internship activities that assist our brothers and sisters in law enforcement,” said Kevin Lindsey, director of the criminal justice programs for Baker College of Jackson and the new chapter advisor. “The students initiated the process to establish a chapter here, which included identifying and beginning work on a project that provides support to local public safety personnel. They’re well on their way to funding that first project.” Members plan to complete various renovations to the Jackson Fraternal Order of Police (FOP) Hall, Lodge 70, in early May and hold an open house for those who serve any division of public safety on Friday, May 15, during National Police Week. Attendees will see the renovations and enjoy free chair massages provided by students in the Baker College therapeutic massage program. The founding executive board of the Baker College of Jackson Alpha Phi Sigma chapter are: Elizabeth Juracka, of Jackson, President; Bobbie Jo Whipple, of Dansville, Vice-President; Jeremy Bush, of Jackson, Treasurer; and Haley Huff, of Marshall, Secretary.

“Elizabeth is to be commended for taking the lead in bringing the honor society to campus and in meeting the requirements set out by Alpha Phi Sigma,” Lindsey said. “All of the executive board and chapter members are learning about the field through their volunteer efforts and are also setting high standards for others in our criminal justice program.”

To raise the needed funds, the Baker College students are holding fundraisers and applying for a grant. Donations for the renovation can be sent to the Jackson FOP Hall, 1000 E. South St., Jackson, MI 49203. Checks should be made payable to Jackson FOP Lodge 70. To donate paint and other construction materials or labor, contact Lindsey at 517.745.9352 or kevin.lindsey@baker.edu.

“The establishment of an Alpha Phi Sigma chapter authenticates the high standards of academic excellence, service, leadership and unity that students in our criminal justice program already uphold,” said Patricia A. Kaufman, Ed.D., Baker College of Jackson President. “This is an exciting opportunity for them to pledge a professional society that helps them prepare for rewarding careers.”

The Baker College of Jackson chapter is the 478th chapter of Alpha Phi Sigma, which is accredited by the Association of College Honor Societies and affiliated with the Academy of Criminal Justice Sciences, the international association for the field of criminal justice. To become a member of the honor society, students in the criminal justice program must have a minimum GPA of 3.2. Alpha Phi Sigma has promoted the highest standards of practice of undergraduate and graduate students in criminal justice since 1942. Its mission is to promote critical thinking, rigorous scholarship, advances in scientific research, ethical standards, the necessity of education, and lifelong professional training.

The criminal justice programs at Baker College of Jackson include associate and bachelor’s degrees in criminal justice, public safety, and fire sciences. For more information about these programs, contact Kevin Pnacek at kevin.pnacek@baker.edu or the admissions office at 517.788.7800. The largest private college in Michigan, Baker College is a not-for-profit higher education institution accredited by the Higher Learning Commission. It serves more than 28,000 students on multiple campuses and online. Baker grants certificates and associate, bachelor’s, master’s, and doctoral degrees in more than 150 programs across diverse academic fields, including business, health sciences, engineering, information technology, education, and human services. An impressive 97 percent of available graduates are employed. Every Baker graduate receives Lifetime Employment Assistance—free and forever. Baker is a pioneer in online education and offers students the option of completing a degree 100 percent online without ever visiting a campus. For information, visit www.baker.edu or follow Baker College on Twitter, @bakercollege, or on Facebook, www.facebook.com/bakercollege.
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Across the globe, members hold Alpha Phi Sigma’s ideals and principles in high regard and accomplish outstanding feats. We are faced with the challenge of selecting the best of the best from our alumni. You may know many alumni who represent Alpha Phi Sigma in an exemplary manner in any of the two categories. Nominate by describing the candidate in a supporting letter that includes “why” either of the awards is deserved. You may nominate more than one candidate for each of the awards.

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Created to recognize remarkable Golden Alumni who have devoted a lifetime of commitment to Alpha Phi Sigma (a minimum of ten years). These members have retained connections with Alpha Phi Sigma in either collegiate, alumni, or grand chapter areas and have demonstrated outstanding community and/or campus service.

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The Alpha Phi Sigma Alumni Challenge Coin is used for both recognition and for esprit-de-corps. The traditional purposes were to present the Coin to an Alpha Phi Sigma member for outstanding service rendered to the Honor Society, improve morale, foster esprit-de-corps, and honor outstanding community service by an Alpha Phi Sigma Alumni member. The traditional purposes surrounding the Coin encouraged the recipients to carry the coin with them at all times.

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 on our web site.
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