



University of Louisiana at Lafayette Greek Life

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*Congratulations to The University of Louisiana at Lafayette  
Greek Judicial Board 2011-2012!*

*John Hyde  
Justin Soniat  
Iesha Smith  
Alton James  
Virginia Hines  
Hannah Theriot*

Congrats to the new IFC Executive Council!

*Tyler Habetz - President  
Seth Stansbury - VP Recruitment  
Will Precht - VP Communication  
Kyle Rudolph - Treasurer  
Stephen Bernard - Secretary*

Congrats to the new ULPC Officers!

*Phi Pham - President  
Emily Kern - VP Membership Recruitment  
LeaAnne Mooney - VP Judiciary  
Lauren Monroe - Treasurer  
Emily Macaluso - Secretary*

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**Sigma Chi  
Fraternity**  
will be colonizing  
in the Spring 2012  
semester!

**UL Greek Council**  
has agreed to another  
Spring Partnership  
with  
**Habitat for Humanity!**  
Dustin Chastant will be  
serving as  
Project Manager and  
Iesha Smith will be  
Volunteer Coordinator.

## Delta Delta Delta



Delta thanks everyone for always supporting our philanthropy that is “near and dear” to their heart.

Along with their philanthropy, Tri Delta also focuses on academics. To keep Tri Delta excited about studying there is a system called “Scholar Dollars.” Each week Tri Delta gives so many points if certain tasks are complete. At the end of the year they are awarded with prizes. This is a great way that Tri Delta’s are motivated to finish the semester strong.

The Phi Nu Chapter of the Delta Delta Delta had a very successful summer and recruitment week. Tri Delta participated in Freshman Orientation; where the ladies of Tri Delta promoted Greek Life. The ladies also welcomed in 46 new members into Tri Delta and the Greek Life community. The fall semester is a very busy but rewarding time. Tri Delta had their annual Philanthropy event, Delta Desserts. Tri Delta raised around \$8,000 for St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. This success would have not been done without the help of parents, Greeks, and the UL community. Tri

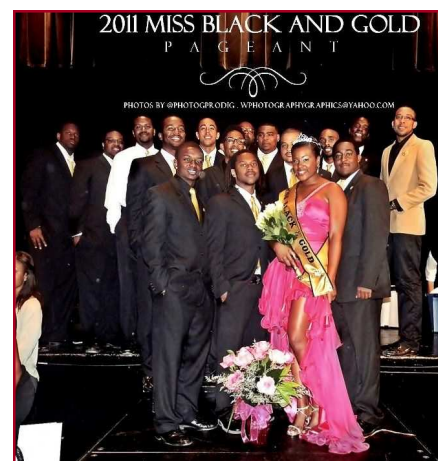


## Alpha Phi Alpha

On October 23<sup>rd</sup>- 29<sup>th</sup>, the brothers of Zeta Xi Chapter hosted their annual Alpha week. This year’s theme was entitled “Return of the Dynasty”. Successfully, the chapter was able to promote others to move onward and upward. They would like to offer thanks to all that participated in and supported the events. During the semester, the brothers have contributed in community service such as the Susan G. Komen Cancer walk, Martin Luther King Road Clean Up, Gab Day, Project hope, Up til Dawn, and the March of Dimes.

As a steward of true servant leadership, the chapter has continued its efforts in providing the F.E.M.A. Tutoring Program. Tutoring is offered every Wednesday night at 7pm in the River Room of the Student Union. The chapter is now in the process of planning their annual Angel Tree project, in which the chapter makes Christmas wishes come true for up to three children.

The chapter would like to congratulate Brother Alton James on his recent accomplishment of acquiring his position on the Greek Judicial Board, as well as brothers Jamar Riley, John Coleman, and Sterling Hawes on their graduation!



## Kappa Delta

The Gamma Kappa Chapter of Kappa Delta has had a semester full of memories. On July 3<sup>rd</sup>, Gamma Kappa was honored to be presented the Council Award. The



Council Award is given to the one chapter in the nation that best exemplifies the standards of Kappa Delta. The Gamma Kappa chapter also received the Academic Excellence Award, Philanthropy Award, and received honorable mention titles for top membership in Division 2 and financial responsibility. The new member program was also nationally recognized. On Bid day, forty-nine new Kappa Deltas walked through the doors of their new home to become part of the best KD chapter in the nation. The chapter hit the ground running with events such as Family Day, Ragin' Roar, and other numerous socials. On September 11<sup>th</sup>,

National President, Beth Martin Langford, visited Gamma Kappa for a "Council Award Reception." President Langford gave the award winning announcement so that the chapter, alumnae, and University officials could hear it. During Homecoming week, Kappa Delta took home the Spirit Stick during the Kick-Off party and also took a top five spot in Cajun Karaoke! KD recently hosted International Girls Day! The chapter as well as girl scouts in the area took a trip to the Acadiana Zoo! Gamma Kappa Kappa Delta is looking forward to the exciting events of the spring semester!



## Pi Kappa Alpha

The Zeta Omega chapter of Pi Kappa Alpha recently initiated 35 new members, bringing the total number of actives to 120. Pike also recently tied for second in Homecoming Week. Zeta Omega has also held events for their philanthropy, the Faith House of Acadiana. One of the events, the Women's Self Defense Seminar and Candlelight Vigil, was a success. At the seminar, volunteers from Gladiators Academy taught the participants ways to stay safe

in hostile situations. Another event was a Canned Food Drive for the Faith House. This was also very successful, with four truck beds of goods donated.



## Sigma Alpha Epsilon



Sigma Alpha Epsilon strives to make an impact within the university and the community. SAE had two philanthropies this past semester. They hosted *Strikes for Tikes* which was a bowling tournament in collaboration with Phi Kappa Theta. They managed to raise \$260 for Children's Miracle Network. The second event was their 4<sup>th</sup> Annual *Jim Marks Jambalaya Cook-Off*. In this year's competition, Tri Delta took first place, Phi Mu came in second place, and Kappa Delta was in third place. Just under \$900 was raised towards their cancer scholarship initiative. With the

help of alumni, the chapter has been doing renovations to their fraternity house. They have remodeled the bathrooms, television room, chapter room and the foyer. The chapter plans to continue the renovations in order to make their house better. For fall rush, the chapter was pleased to find ten fine gentlemen to pledge SAE from all over the state of Louisiana including Alexandria, Monroe, Lafayette, and Natchitoches. An alumni newsletter has been created by the chapter that will be sent out at the beginning and end of fall semester and the end of the spring semester.



## Sigma Gamma Rho

The Prestigious Pi Epsilon Chapter of Sigma Gamma Rho attended their local area meeting earlier this semester. This meeting was geared to provide the Sigma women with the proper business and leadership skills to maintain success in both the present and future. On November 12<sup>th</sup>, Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Incorporated as a whole celebrated their National Founders' Day. Sigma Gamma Rho has been serving in the community for 89 years. Though the chapter did not share this great achievement with the



campus, it was a very rewarding experience for all members. The fact that the fall semester is winding down won't stop Pi Epsilon, for the Sigma women have made plans to help out with the Thanksgiving Basket giveaway hosted by the university's National Pan-Hellenic Council, as well as many more community service activities. Pi Epsilon is busy planning for next semester. Their plans include doubling their service hours and implementing new ideas, in an attempt to make a difference in the community through Greater Service, Greater Progress.



## Alpha Kappa Alpha

On November 2, 2011, the Epsilon Beta chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. hosted a domestic abuse forum in Sidelines in the university's student union. All students were invited to come out and join in on the discussion. Mrs. Claudia Williams, who works at The Extra Mile, gave an exceptional informational about domestic abuse and what signs to look for in a partner who may be an abuser. Mrs. Williams has worked with many abuse



victims and abusers. She also gave statistics and places to seek help for anyone who needs it. Many young ladies joined in on the discussion with her and some even shared their own abuse stories.

The chapter provided pamphlets for everyone to be able to have hands-on information. Everyone walked away with more knowledge about domestic abuse, how to help others who may experience it, and where to seek help.

## Kappa Sigma

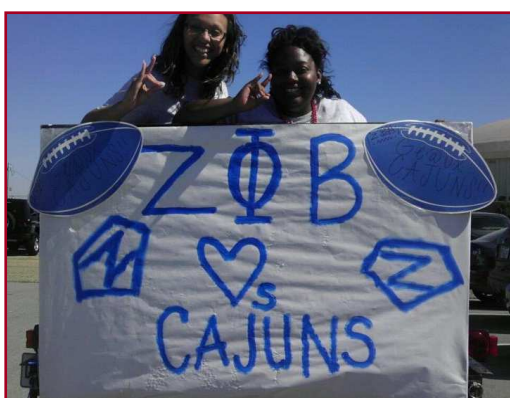


The Epsilon-Chi chapter of Kappa Sigma is finishing a busy fall semester. Initiating 36 new members, brings its total to over 100, the largest enrollment in the chapter's history. With the new initiates, Kappa Sigma becomes one of the largest student organizations at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. Many fun socials were held with the Tri Sigma, Kappa Delta, Phi Mu, and Tri Delta sororities. On November 10<sup>th</sup>, the chapter, along with Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority, hosted Kappa Sigma Give Back Night at Agave in downtown Lafayette. This event benefited juvenile arthritis and arthritis research. The chapter recently held its annual

Formal dance in New Orleans aboard the *Creol Queen* River Boat where all in attendance enjoyed a live band and a beautiful cruise on the Mississippi River. Epsilon-Chi is looking forward to an eventful spring semester, including volunteering in a charity poker tournament to benefit the United Way and other social events such as its annual Founders' Day Green Party.

## Zeta Phi Beta

The *Dovely Ladies* of the Omega Eta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated have been working hard throughout the semester. They always endeavor to make school their first priority because one of their first founding principles is Scholarship. They have continued to assist with and participate in different community service projects and events. They were involved in a presentation with Ragin' Communication, which focused on motivation, personal responsibilities, and time management. During LGBT Awareness Month, they attended several events, including a forum on minority sexualities.



Also, they attended an Area Workshop, in which they learned more about their sorority and took on a new challenge called *Z Phi B Fit*. *Z Phi B Fit* is a program that challenges women of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority to strive to live a healthier lifestyle. The members of the Omega Eta Chapter attended and served at various events including the Heart walk in River Ranch, NAMI Walk in River Ranch, BACH Lunch, Big Brothers Big Sisters, and Food Net.

A recruitment counselor for Enrollment Services requested the chapter's help to facilitate college tours for high school students. The ladies reported that the experience was a lot of fun, and that it was great getting to know the high school students and interacting with them. The ladies of the Omega Eta Chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Incorporated will continue to

## Lambda Chi Alpha



The brothers of Lambda Chi Alpha have been busy with a number of philanthropy events throughout this fall semester. Watermelon Bust was a huge success this year. Events this year included Miss Watermelon Bust pageant, bag drop off in neighborhoods for can good donations, donations on Rex Street, and finally the Watermelon Bust field events. Congrats to the ladies of Sigma Sigma Sigma who placed 1st and to Delta Delta Delta for coming in 2nd! Altogether, over 33,000 pounds of food were collected and over \$7,000 was raised, making this year's Watermelon Bust even more

successful than last year's. The chapter also helped out with Spooktacular on October 30th by setting up a kid-friendly haunted house. The children had a great time, and Spooktacular was a great success this year.

The Greek Judicial Board has been reestablished at the University of Louisiana at Lafayette. The purpose of the Greek Judicial Board is to hold organizations accountable for their actions. This responsibility is given to the representatives of this board on the basis that self-governance is the highest form of accountability. The representatives were selected based on their personal characteristics of sound judgment and integrity as well as ability to maintain confidentiality in a pressured environment, balance individual rights and circumstances with University standards, and maintain the respect of peers, faculty, and staff.

### **Congratulations to the Fall 2011 Initiates of the Gamma Omega Chapter of Rho Lambda**

Kendall Antee	ΦΜ	Amber Kaiser	ΦΜ
Nelda B. Bailey	ΣΓΡ	Amber Laurent	ΑΟΠ
Chelsea Begnaud	ΦΜ	Sarah LeBlanc	ΚΔ
Rachel Bonnette	ΣΣΣ	Emily Macaluso	ΣΣΣ
Emily Broussard	ΚΔ	Sarah McKay	ΣΣΣ
Noelle Comeaux	ΦΜ	Kristen Melancon	ΦΜ
Elizabeth DeBaillon	ΑΟΠ	Megan Parenti	ΦΜ
Mary Claire Guidry	ΚΔ	Phi Pham	ΦΜ
Grace Gunther	ΦΜ	Caitlyn Taron	ΦΜ
Emily Heumann	ΑΟΠ	Aimee Yount	ΚΔ
Kailey Hubbard	ΦΜ		

#### **Rho Lambda Officers:**

Nelda Bailey - President

Aimee Yount - Vice President

Caitlyn Taron - Secretary

Emily Macaluso - Treasurer

Congratulations to all of our Greek Grads!  
We are so proud!



Geaux Cajuns!

*The University of Louisiana at Lafayette Ragin' Cajun Football team will be up against the San Diego State Aztecs in the 2011 R+L New Orleans Bowl!*

*When? December 17, 2011 at 8:00 cst*

*Where? Mercedes-Benz Superdome, New Orleans, LA*

