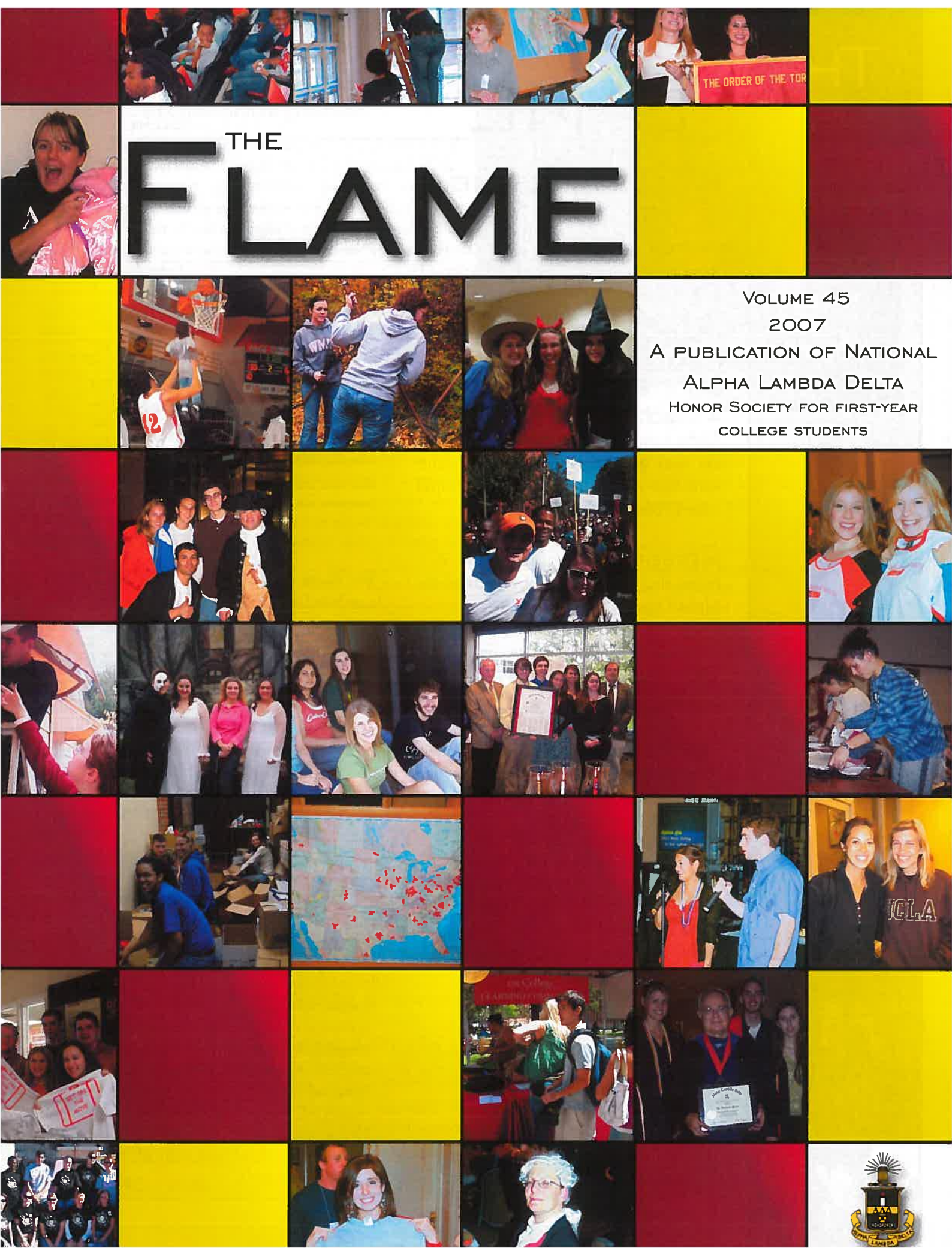
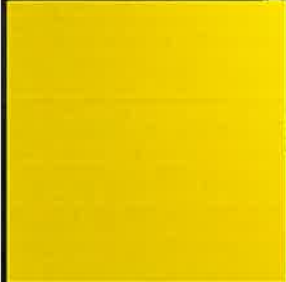


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In 1992, the National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta adopted a mission statement and an editorial policy for the Flame.

Mission Statement:
To communicate the activities, ideals, and accomplishments of Alpha Lambda Delta with the vision to create and project a positive image of the society as a progressive and relevant collegiate organization with a commitment towards excellence.

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thanks - n. an expression of gratitude.

During the February, 2006 meeting of the Association of College Honor Societies, I heard Dr. John Norwood of the University of Arkansas say something that struck me with both its simplicity and its profundity. Dr. Norwood, a faculty member - who also advises a campus honor society - stated that the one thing that motivated him the most to serve his students was "...to be thanked."

In the midst of a troubled world, I appreciate that all of our volunteer advisors give so freely of themselves to fulfill the mission of the Society: to promote intelligent living and a continued high standard of learning and to assist women and men in recognizing and developing meaningful goals for their roles in society.

Saying thanks is an act of simplicity and doesn't cost anything! Choose to give everyone you come in contact with the gift of a sincere smile. Notice nametags, and thank the person who waits on you by name. Write a thank you note to someone who would not expect one - for example - the janitor for your residence hall, the person who serves you in the dining hall, an influential teacher, a person in the financial aid or housing or the Dean's office who helped you.

This is my tenth year as Executive Director of Alpha Lambda Delta. Daily I realize that this Society stands upon the shoulders of those leaders who have gone on before. During November, I had the privilege of visiting with two people that are a part of the rich Alpha Lambda Delta heritage - Dorothy Anderson of Susquehanna University who served as the 14th President from 1991 to 1997 and Mary Jane Stevenson who was the first Executive Director of Alpha Lambda Delta. There have only been three Executive Directors in the 83 years of the Society. Barbara Quilling of Muncie, IN served as Executive Director from 1981 to 1996.

Recently, I had a telephone conversation with Dr. Louise McBee of the University of Georgia who served as the 11th President of Alpha Lambda Delta from 1982 to 1985, and is still active and involved in her local and state communities.

Dr. Jo Anne Trow of Oregon served as the 12th President of Alpha Lambda Delta from 1985 to 1988. The Trow undergraduate scholarships are named for her. The National Council recognized the need to increase the value of the Trow scholarships so next year ten Trow scholarships will be awarded at \$3000 while the remaining 25 will be awarded at \$1000 each.

The current National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta is fortunate to stand on the shoulders of those volunteers who came before. Those who came before were wise to invest the financial resources of the Society; recently, the value of



(l-r) Dorothy Anderson, Glenda Earwood, and Mary Jane Stevenson

the Perpetual Fellowship Fund crossed the \$3 million mark! This fund has enabled the Society to help hundreds of Alpha Lambda Delta members pursue their goals of continuing higher education.

Dr. Patricia Graham, who served as President from 1997 to 2003, was willing to come back to active duty and led the icebreakers at the Boston workshop and co-led one of the interest sessions. Current National President, Dr. James G. Stemler, was re-elected for a second term as President and is the first male to serve as President. These and the other valuable members of the National Council - both today and yesterday - have contributed to making the Society what it is today. To each of them, I say "thanks."

My wish for you in the coming year, a part of the admonition of the Alpha Lambda Delta Initiation Ritual, are words I know each of the new members of Alpha Lambda Delta will be hearing during their induction ceremony:

May each of you find in the years ahead the rewards of the educated person - imagination, adventure, humor, compassion, and understanding. May you have tolerance in your dealings with all persons, generosity in giving to those in need, and insight into the feelings of others. In relating your education to the world in which you live, you can make a meaningful contribution to society. Each of you can make a difference.

Thank you so much for all that you do as members of Alpha Lambda Delta and please continue to make a difference.

Sincerely,

Glenda Earwood

Glenda Earwood
Executive Director

Boston!

Alpha Lambda Delta members travel to one of the nation's first cities to share ideas and learn more about being successful Alpha Lambda Deltans.

From Friday, October 27 to Sunday, October 29, 2006, 155 Alpha Lambda Delta students, 36 of their Advisors, and 12 National Council members gathered in Boston, Massachusetts at the Sheraton Braintree for three days of challenging discussions and insightful speakers, networking, practical workshops, and, of course, fun and fellowship in an amazing city.

ALD members from the University of Massachusetts and University of Massachusetts, Boston, as well as members of the National Council greeted students at the registration table. A map of the United

States showed how many Chapters were represented and how Alpha Lambda Delta spans the nation coast to coast.

Dr. Glenda Earwood, the Executive Director of National Alpha Lambda, presided over the Friday opening session with words of welcome, instructions, and goals for the Workshop. The opening speaker was Don Profit of the Institute for Global Ethics who challenged participants to come up with a definition of moral courage. Based on his presentation and small group activities, he helped the ALD members adopt a resolution on ethics as a major theme and task of the Workshop. That resolution reflected the

collective wisdom of the participants and is reprinted here:

Whereas the members of Alpha Lambda Delta consider ethics to be a vital character trait in today's society, and

Whereas our Society has gathered to engage in open and frank discourse as to the nature of ethics, and

Whereas we and our fellow members have identified five traits which we consider integral to ethical behavior, and

Whereas the first of these traits is respect for one another, and

Whereas the second trait is to keep integrity at the forefront in our dealings with others, and

Whereas the third trait is compassion for humankind, and

Whereas the fourth trait is altruism and the free giving of oneself, and

Whereas the fifth trait is responsibility and accountability for one's actions,

Therefore, be it now resolved by the students attending the National Leadership Workshop, gathered this day in 2006 in Boston, Massachusetts that we pledge to apply the above and all other traits of ethical behavior to our daily lives.

In addition, the evening featured Andrew Sokol of the Boston Urban Debate League, this year's Alpha Lambda Delta service project. Students brought office and study supplies as gifts to help this worthwhile organization help high school students develop the skills and courage for public speaking.

Dr. Patricia A. Graham, of the University



New Council member Alice Lanning assists at the registration desk as students check in. Attendees to the Workshop were asked to place pins in a US map for a visual representation of the geographical diversity of ALD chapters.



- Moral Courage
- Service to Others: Sharing Your Ideas
- Chapter Finances, Funding Local Scholarships and Setting Local Dues
- How to be a Successful Chapter
- Public Relations for Your Chapter
- An Advisors Workshop
- Preparing for the Future: National Scholarships and Fellowships Competitions

After lunch and roundtable discussions, participants set out on tours of Boston to explore this incredible town. Even the rain didn't spoil a great afternoon.

Saturday evening featured a banquet, An Evening with American Patriots, where students and faculty alike dressed in patriot colors and some in period costumes. National President, Dr. James Stemler of the University of Portland, presented awards and greetings from the National Council. Music was provided by the Alpha Lambda Delta

National Council Band that featured Dr. Earwood on sax, Jonathan Rotzein on drums, Dr. Alice Lanning on piano, Lee Greenway on guitar, and Dan Burke as vocalist. We all agreed they had a 'great sound.' The evening concluded with local DJ David Long leading us in dancing and karaoke. ALD members are not only smart—they are talented as well.

At Sunday morning breakfast, "goodbyes" were said, evaluations filled out, and promises to write, e-mail and stay in touch were exchanged. Over 150 "strangers" came together and left as friends with new insights and practical strategies to build their chapters. As one student wrote in his evaluation:

"The workshop was great! I'm overwhelmed with ideas to take back to my chapter."

The 2007 National Leadership will be held October 19-21 in Louisville, Kentucky. Registration will open on the National Website in mid-August, 2007 - see you there!

of Texas at San Antonio and former National Council President, lead the group in get acquainted mixers which really got students up and moving, followed by the traditional campus t-shirt exchange. Small group activities on ethics and resolution development finished a fun, but exhausting first day.

Saturday began with breakfast in the Grand Ballroom with a presentation from Dr. Earwood, Lee Greenway, the ALD Director of Communication, and Council Members Dan Burk and Jonathan Rotzein on the services available to each ALD Chapter from the National Headquarters in Macon, Georgia. Dr. Mike Nichols, Editor and Historian, gave tips on getting stories and pictures into *The Flame*.

For the rest of the morning, ALD members, Advisors, and Council members led small group workshops that included topics such as:

- Communications Strategies: E-Mail, Technology, and Effectiveness
- Winning the Order of the Torch



Top: A pair of volunteers shows off the new ALD logo merchandise during Saturday morning's breakfast.

Above: A brave (and talented) duo serenades Saturday night's mixer with their rendition of Billy Joel's "Uptown Girl."

A LIVELY DEBATE

Alpha
Lambda
Delta's
2006
National
Service
Project:
Boston
Urban
Debate
League

As part of the 2006 National Leadership Workshop in Boston, MA, Alpha Lambda Delta members from around the nation helped collect supplies in support of a relatively new, yet highly successful organization working in education today - the Urban Debate League.

The Urban Debate League (UDL) is a national organization with local groups in seventeen major cities around the United States. The most recent city to start working with UDL is Boston, and Alpha Lambda Delta took the opportunity to help out by encouraging attendees to the Workshop to collect and bring pens, notepads, highlighters, and any other supplies that young debaters might use.

UDL's mission is education reform - taking high school students in less-than-optimal educational situations, and enhancing their educational experience through the art of forensic debate.

According to the UDL, "Policy debate is the most academically rigorous of all interscholastic forensic and speech activities. Policy debate develops core academic skills that all language arts instruments attempt to measure: reading comprehension, critical thinking, argument organization and support, and communications skills."

By supplementing the classroom experience with the rigorous type of research and preparation involved in creating a winning argument, UDL helps students of all backgrounds translate success at the debate podium into success in other academic endeavors.

Since its 1997 inception, the National Association of Urban Debate Leagues has touched the lives of more than 12,000 students and over 700 faculty members in 221 public high



Jack Trier and Jason Lam, students at Boston's Josiah Quincy Upper School, members of UDL, and Varsity-division winners at a local debate tournament.

schools. The organization has been featured in the national media and spent some time in the public spotlight following a piece on CBS's *60 Minutes*.

The programs are open to all students, and - like Alpha Lambda Delta - relies heavily upon the volunteer time and energy donated by devoted faculty and staff members in the high schools. As UDL is a group promoting superior academic achievement, it was a natural fit for Alpha Lambda Delta to lend a hand.

The National Council asked members to help - and help you did! Together, Alpha Lambda Delta members at the National Leadership Workshop collected hundreds of items for use by the Boston UDL - and received the grateful thanks of Andrew Sokol, a member of the Boston UDL.

When outstanding students come together to help future collegians become better students, it's truly an instance of the mission of Alpha Lambda Delta being accomplished - thank you for passing on your torches to a new generation of college students!

IN OTHER NEWS...

Alpha Lambda Delta announces changes to Trow Scholarship Program *10 of 35 scholarships increased in value; Deadline changed to April 1...*

During their 2006 meeting, the National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta voted to offer more assistance to outstanding undergraduate members by increasing the value of the Jo Anne J. Trow Undergraduate Scholarships. This year, for the first time, ten of the awards will be valued at \$3,000, while the other 25 remain at the \$1,000 level.

The scholarships, which were first awarded in 1988, began as a \$150 stipend offered through the Alpha Lambda Delta chapters to superior sophomore members.

During the 75th Anniversary of the Society in 1999, the National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta decided to increase the value of the awards to \$1,000 each.

Responding to nation-wide increases in tuition, the Council approved the increase for the 2007 scholarships, hoping that the more valuable scholarships will encourage more students to apply.

Alpha Lambda Delta chapter officers and chapter advisors should encourage promising student members to apply for the scholarship competition. The short application is available on the national website (www.nationalald.org) as a Microsoft Word document, and is easily completed electronically.

Chapters should appoint a scholarship selection committee to review the applications at the local level and to select the application(s) that will be forwarded to the National Office. Each application submitted to the National Office must be accompanied by a letter of support from the chapter and a transmittal form (part of the application file itself) signed by the chapter advisor.

Please note that the deadline for submitting your chapter's applicants to the National Office has changed - for 2007, all applications must be postmarked by **April 1, 2007**. Chapters should make sure that their local deadlines are early enough to allow for review and submission of the applications before that date.

NEW TROW SCHOLARSHIP DEADLINE:

APRIL 1, 2007

National Editor Honored

ALD National Editor Dr. Mike Nichols honored by National Omicron Delta Kappa

Alpha Lambda Delta Editor/Historian Dr. Mike Nichols has been awarded the Eldridge W. Roark, Jr. Meritorious Service Award by Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society. The award was presented to Nichols in response to his work with the ODK newsmagazine, *The Circle*.

Omicron Delta Kappa is a national honor society that honors leadership in college students. Founded in 1914, ODK now has circles (chapters) at over 300 college campuses in the United States.

Nichols' efforts focused on the appearance and quality of the Society's publications, and Nichols has, since receiving the award, accepted a position as Director of Communication for National ODK's headquarters in Kentucky.

Congratulations!

ALD Students also active in, receive awards from fellow honor society

Alpha Lambda Delta members continue their academic success throughout their college careers, and many go on to become successful members of other disciplinary or upperclassman honor societies. National Tau Beta Pi, a national honor society recognizing excellence among engineering students, announced that the following thirteen ALD members have received scholarships for their undergraduate studies:

- Kellen D. Sick - Univ. of Southern California
- Megan R. Baldrige - Auburn Univ.
- Blake M. Andrews - Ohio Univ.
- Jasmine R. Galjour - Univ. of Louisiana at Lafayette
- Justin L. Grover - Univ. of Florida
- Jason J. Hallman - Valparaiso Univ.
- Stephanie A. Koch - Ohio Northern Univ.
- Janelle A. Konchar - Univ. of South Florida
- Thomas D. Moehring - Ohio Univ.
- Anna L. Sanford - Clemson Univ.
- Mark C. Walker - Univ. of Missouri at Rolla
- E. Hubble Werre - Montana State Univ.
- David I. Wheeler - Valparaiso Univ.

Additionally, Tau Beta Pi announced that ALD member C. Leigh Pipkin of Auburn University has been awarded a graduate fellowship from that Society.

THE ORDER OF THE TORCH



ALPHA LAMBDA DELTA
CHAPTER AWARD
PRESENTED TO
FIVE OUTSTANDING
CHAPTERS
2005-2006

EACH YEAR, THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF ALPHA LAMBDA DELTA AWARDS UP TO FIVE CHAPTERS WITH THE PRESTIGIOUS "ORDER OF THE TORCH" AWARD. THIS AWARD RECOGNIZES CHAPTERS THAT HAVE EXCELLED IN PROGRAMMING, CHAPTER VISIBILITY, OUTREACH, AND GENERAL CHAPTER ACTIVITY.

THE UNIVERSITY OF
OKLAHOMA

August 17, 2006

Presented by Dr. Glenda Earwood

Dr. Glenda Earwood, Executive Director, presented the Order of the Torch Award to the University of Oklahoma chapter at the New Sooner convocation on Thursday, August 17th, 2006 in the Lloyd Noble Center. Attended by over 2000 entering first year students, parents and family, faculty members, current and former Alpha Lambda Delta officers and members, and faculty advisors, the ceremony celebrated the opening of the academic year at the University of Oklahoma.

The convocation began with music by the Oklahoma Pep Band. The faculty processed into the arena to the music provided by the OU Faculty Brass Quintet. Dr. Nancy Mergler greeted the new students and parents after the national anthem was sung by Claire Connelly, a Vocal Performance major. OU President David L. Boren, former state governor and U.S. Senator, gave the convocation address.

Before presenting the Torch Award to the chapter, Dr. Earwood recognized three Oklahoma students who were among the 35 members selected to receive the \$1000 Trow Scholarship. All three of this year's OU Trow winners were initiated into Alpha Lambda Delta during the spring of 2005.

Cassie Chesnutt, a musical theater junior from Raymore, Missouri, served as the Alpha Lambda Delta chapter historian last year and was the sophomore representative to the Weitzenhoffer Family College of Fine Arts Dean's Council. Cassie has been a performer and crew member for several OU musical theater productions. Her volunteer service includes the Alpha Lambda Delta book drive for Katrina-damaged elementary schools in Mississippi, OU's Big Event, Second Chance Animal Adoption, and the annual Alpha Lambda Delta "Caught Ya Studyin'" days.

Jenna Hicks, a physical therapy junior from Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, served as treasurer of the Pre-Physical Therapy/

Occupational Therapy Club. Through her memberships in Alpha Lambda Delta and other campus organizations, Jenna volunteered for Race for the Cure, the local YMCA, Norman Animal Shelter, Feed the Children, and the OU Big Event, among numerous other service events.

Nicole Robinson, an international business junior from Richardson, Texas, served as president of the award-winning OU Alpha Lambda Delta chapter last year. Nicole was on the Big Event Executive Committee in 2006 and Operations Staff in 2005. She also participates in Sooner Scouts as well as all Alpha Lambda Delta volunteer service events. Nicole will be a junior advisor for Alpha Lambda Delta this academic year and represent OU at the Alpha Lambda Delta National Leadership Workshop in Boston.

Alpha Lambda Delta emphasizes that educated people have a responsibility to have tolerance in dealings with all persons, generosity in giving to those in need, and insight into the feelings of others. Members are challenged to make meaningful

contributions to society and, through their chapters, engage in community service and campus service projects.

OU's Alpha Lambda Delta chapter has been recognized for several consecutive years as being among the top in the country in terms of chapter improvement and the number of new initiates.

Torch Award recipients are selected on the basis of outstanding chapter work in programming, internal communications, campus visibility and overall presentation of their application

Dr. Earwood said, "As the National Executive Director of Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society for First Year College students, it is my distinct honor to present the Order of the Torch Award to the University of Oklahoma Alpha Lambda Delta chapter. The University of Oklahoma chapter is achieving the society's purposes in an exemplary manner. I am honored to recognize your Alpha Lambda Delta chapter as one of the five most outstanding chapters in the nation for the 2005-2006 school



Executive Director Glenda Earwood presents University of Oklahoma officers Nicole Robinson and Derrel Marie Schreiner with their chapter's newest Torch banner.

year.”

Dr. Earwood presented the Torch Banner to former chapter president Nicole Robinson and current chapter president Derrel Marie Schreiner.

No chapter can accomplish this much without the help of wonderful advisors! Dr. Alice Lanning serves as advisor to the ALD chapter as well as directs the First Year Experience Program. Dr. Barbara Tophoj, serves as the chapter administrative assistant.

CLEMSON UNIVERSITY

September 22, 2006

Presented by Dan Burk and Lee Greenway

Lee Greenway, Director of Communication, and Dan Burk, Student Member-at-Large, presented Clemson University with their Order of the Torch Award during a Parents' Weekend Ceremony on a rainy September 22, 2006. The presentation was held outside of the Fike Athletic Center on the Clemson University campus with Doug Kingsmore Stadium providing a wonderful backdrop for the ceremony. The officers from the previous year and the officers and advisors of the current year were the focal point of the entire Parents' Weekend ceremony aimed at honoring academic excellence. The presentation started with a few short speeches from other academic groups being highlighted during the ceremony. Lee Greenway and Dan Burk were then introduced by Jeanine Ward-

Roof. Greenway and Burk made the formal presentation and the award was accepted by Christine Melen, 2005-2006 Clemson chapter president. Melen then recapped the very successful year that the chapter had.

Melen and new ALD advisor Jason Clayton made a few final remarks and thanked many people integral to the chapter's success in 2005-2006 year as well as the University of South Carolina chapter for their mentoring and support, and the amazing officer team of the Torch winning year. Finally, Clayton challenged the new officer team to keep the success going with another great year and hopefully a Maintaining the Flame award. The evening ended with a few light refreshments as the rainy afternoon gave way to a pleasant late summer afternoon. There were many congratulations for the award winners being voiced as the presenters said their goodbyes.

THE UNIVERSITY OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

September 29, 2006

Presented by Lee Greenway

If there were any question as to the efficacy of the chapter at the University of South Carolina, those questions were answered by the well-organized event during which the chapter was presented with their record-setting *fourth* Order of the Torch award banner.

National Office Director of Communica-

tion Lee Greenway was in attendance to present the award to the chapter during a brief but memorable ceremony hosted in the campus' Russell House by current chapter president Eric Brei and former chapter historian, Ramsey Hamer.

As noted, the September ceremony was the fourth time that a national officer has traveled to Columbia to present the signature red banner to students at Carolina - and all four banners were the focal point of a presentation amid the stately decor of the Student Government's assembly hall.

Refreshments were available to all preceding the ceremony, as classical and baroque airs made their way from the single violinist at the front of the room to the delighted ears of Carolina students, staff, and faculty. As the appointed minute arrived, officers Brei and Hamer took the podium to introduce the current chapter leadership team, the presenting officer, and some of the other campus personalities present.

After underlining a few of the memorable projects undertaken by the chapter in the past year, the officers thanked their long-time advisor Harrison Greenlaw and new advisor Lucille Mould. Hamer then introduced Greenway to make the formal presentation.

Greenway's short remarks thanked the chapter for its success and for setting an example for the Carolina community, and for outstanding students around the nation. Greenway also thanked the chapter for the



Four scores! The officers from the past two years at the University of South Carolina gather around their four Order of the Torch banners during their September award ceremony. Carolina is the first chapter to ever take the Torch award four times.

assistance tendered to their fellow Alpha Lambda Deltans at Clemson University, and noted that - thanks largely to the help of the students at Carolina - the chapter at Clemson was also celebrating induction into the Order of the Torch.

Vice President for Student Affairs Dennis Pruitt then added his congratulations to the chapter, noting especially how important the chapter had become to the campus community at large. After a little light-hearted ribbing between the presenting officer (a graduate of the University of Georgia) and the chapter as a whole (Carolina fans to a one), it was time for a few quick photographs and more refreshments and conversation between fellow Alpha Lambda Deltans.

Now holding four Torch banners, the University of South Carolina chapter is truly one of the most successful in the nation.

OTTERBEIN COLLEGE

October 15, 2006

Presented by Dr. Herman "Butch" Hill

National ALD Vice President Herman "Butch" Hill, from Ohio University, presented the Order of the Torch Award to the Alpha Lambda Delta chapter at Otterbein College on Sunday, October 15. A very excited group of officers, advisors, and members gathered in Towers Hall on Otterbein's College campus to celebrate the presentation of the Award.

Prior to the ceremony, one of the chapter's advisors, Lois Szudy, presented a slide show of pictures from the previous year. The current officers and two of our junior advisors reminisced about the events that had helped Otterbein receive this honor. The members present also enjoyed reviewing last year's winning scrapbook. The members worked hard over the course of the previous year and were eager to receive such a high honor for their efforts.

Lois Szudy welcomed everyone and congratulated the members on an excellent job. She then introduced Butch Hill, who spoke about the award, his experiences as an advisor, and how impressed he was with the Otterbein chapter. Dr. Hill formally presented the Order of the Torch banner to the chapter. After the short ceremony, attendees enjoyed a delicious cake donated by Schneider's Bakery.

THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

October 19, 2006

Presented by Brian Carlisle

Representing the National Council, Brian Carlisle, UCLA chapter advisor, thanked the USC chapter for including him in their Torch ceremony. Carlisle reminded the chapter, "Just a few short years ago Kris Guzman was in Bruin territory presenting

the UCLA chapter with the Order of the Torch. Today, I am honored to be in Trojan territory presenting the same honor to the USC chapter. Although we may have a slight rivalry between our two institutions, we share many things in common -- of most importance is our dedication to academic excellence."

Carlisle offered a brief history of the award: "The Order of the Torch Award was established by the Alpha Lambda Delta National Council in 1989 to recognize and encourage excellence among the nation's outstanding chapters. Winners are selected on the basis of outstanding chapter work in programming, internal communication, campus visibility, and overall presentation. The USC chapter was selected as one of the five outstanding chapters in the nation to receive this award.

"The USC chapter certainly fulfilled the mission of Alpha Lambda Delta as witnessed by the multitude of programming held during the 2005 - 2006 academic year. During an ice cream social, you passed out hundreds of bluebooks and scantrons. You held the 2nd Annual Professor Appreciation Luncheon to recognize outstanding USC faculty. You awarded 20 local scholarships to outstanding ALD members. You hosted a Freshman Welcome Breakfast, ate more ice cream at a social with a major/minor session with e-board members, sponsored the Alpha Lambda Delta El Cholo Dinner on Cesar Chavez Day, hosted tailgating events at USC football games, and participated in the Leadership Conference in Nashville, just to name a few.

"Of course, no chapter can accomplish this much without the help, support and encouragement of wonderful advisors! I would like to take just a moment if we could to recognize Kris Guzman for the many years of service she has devoted to the USC chapter and the National Council for Alpha Lambda Delta.

The USC chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta has a long, rich and rewarding history with the national organization. You heard me outline the activities that the chapter participated in last year which earned the Order of the Torch Award. I would like to suggest to you that the chapter members gained something more than the Torch Award alone - they gained valuable lessons in life. They set goals for themselves, they learned how to work together and care for others, they learned



Dr. Butch Hill presents the Order of the Torch award banner to the chapter at Otterbein College in Westerville, Ohio.

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CHAPTER ACTIVITY REPORTS



OVER 250 CHAPTERS. OVER 26,000 NEW MEMBERS. ALL WORKING TOWARDS A COMMON MISSION: TO CELEBRATE ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE.



EACH YEAR, WE INVITE ALD CHAPTERS AROUND THE NATION TO SHARE THEIR ACCOMPLISHMENTS FOR THE YEAR WITH THE REST OF THE ALD WORLD. READ ABOUT THE SERVICE, ACADEMIC, AND SOCIAL ACTIVITIES THAT OTHER CHAPTERS HAVE PLANNED.

UCLA

UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA
AT LOS ANGELES

Last year, our Alpha Lambda Delta chapter (which, at UCLA, is combined with Phi Eta Sigma) decided to embark on an exciting new project, a program through which current ALD members would be paired with aspiring freshman within the bonds of a mentor-mentee relationship. Over summer, we sent out detailed e-mails about the program, which we named "Peer Connect Program", to all general members, and recruited prospective mentees during College Orientation Week. After sending out surveys and receiving a remarkable assortment of responses from every end of campus and many different walks of life, we set about the difficult but

rewarding task of matching up each applicant according to future profession, major, interests, and clubs. We made a concentrated effort to match up as many of the categories as possible, in order to ensure the best possible match for each participant.

Based on the rather underestimated but welcome enthusiasm generated by our members, the program was expanded to encompass several cycles of applicants. After about a month of sorting through myriad doctors, actresses, teachers, Ph.D. candidates-to-be, and lawyers, we decided to cease accepting applications after remembering that the program is, after all, only a test run this year, albeit a fairly successful one so far. We formulated a document with helpful tips and icebreakers, which was sent to our mentors. Possible conversation

topics include GE requirements for a shared major, advice about activities and involvement, and good restaurants to try. Our hope is that the pairs will form a bond which is both educational and enjoyable to both parties. After sending out the final e-mail congratulating the freshman and the current member, we were pleased to announce that our program encompasses one hundred and five mentor-mentee pairs!

Our next task is to finalize plans for an ice cream social to cement the relationship between mentor and mentee, if the pair has not already made contact. We are combining this social to include all general members as well, as there were several who, due to overwhelming response by potential mentors, were not selected to receive a mentee. We feel, however, that it is important to celebrate their desire to be involved as well, and the ice cream social seems to best fit our several purposes. Of course, in addition to our desire to facilitate an easy adjustment to college life for our freshman participants, one of the overarching goals of all of our programs is to generate awareness about Alpha Lambda Delta: who we are, what we're about, and why students should get involved and stay involved in our honor society.

GEORGIA STATE UNIVERSITY

The ALD Chapter at Georgia State University has had an exciting year so far. In October we participated in AIDS Walk Atlanta, which raised funding and increased awareness about the disease. Some of our members walked in the 5K while others helped count monetary donations. It was a great experience



UCLA Alpha Lambda Delta member Jackie Laird mentors Bianca Gruebel.

Opposite page, top: Students from the University of South Carolina ALD chapter help paint the campus financial aid office, a 2006 service project. **Middle:** ALD members from Valdosta State University sponsor underprivileged children as part of their "Blazer Buddie" program. **Bottom:** Costumes were the Order of the Day for this Otterbein College chapter social.



Students from Georgia State University, along with chapter advisor Matthew Robison, participate in the 2006 Atlanta AIDS Walk, an annual fundraiser and awareness event.

because thousands of people from all over Atlanta participated. In addition to the AIDS Walk, we have also collected cans and nonperishable items for the Atlanta Community Food Bank. With the holidays coming up, the food bank is in need of extra donations, so we joined with the Lofts Council to help donate items. Upcoming December service projects include the FACE Program where we will tutor freshman for their finals and we are also adopting a family for Christmas, which means we will provide Christmas dinner and presents for a needy family in the local community.

In addition to community service projects, we have also had two social meetings. The first social meeting of the year was a BBQ at our Recreation Center. It allowed this year's ALD members to meet last year's members and just fellowship while enjoying a great lunch. In November we had ALD Bowling Night at Midtown Bowl, which was a lot of fun. We split up into two groups and played a game each. It was a fun way to socialize and take a break from studying. Our scores ranged from the 20s to the highest at 174!

IUPUI

INDIANA UNIVERSITY - PURDUE UNIVERSITY
AT INDIANAPOLIS

The IUPUI Alpha Lambda Delta chapter kicked off the year with an officers' dinner and meeting at T.G.I. Friday's on September 10 with all 16

officers, including student advisors, in attendance. We began making plans for meetings, service projects, activities, and this year's initiation ceremony. With our first project just around the corner, we didn't have time to waste!

We held our first meetings with all of our members on September 20 and 21. Since IUPUI adopted a new class schedule this year that includes classes during the noon hour for the first time ever, we've decided to hold 2 meetings each month at different days and times so that more members can attend and participate. We signed up to help out at the annual IUPUI United Way Day of Caring on September 22, and about 20 of us carpooled up to the north side of Indianapolis for the day to work at Thrifty Threads, a donation center similar to Goodwill for the Julian Center. The Julian Center is a unique, nonprofit agency in Indianapolis providing counseling, safe shelter, and education for women and children who are survivors of domestic violence and abuse. Alpha Lambda Delta volunteers cleaned the store, moved and loaded furniture, and sorted through massive piles of donations that the center



IUPUI students Marvin Smith, Cat Wood, and Una Dragic display a few of the donations collected by the chapter for a local television station's "Coats for Kids" project.

had received.

Following A Day of Caring, we immediately began to collect coats for the Coats for Kids project sponsored by WTHR Channel 13, Tuchman Cleaners, and the Salvation Army. This is an annual event to collect new or gently-used coats for local children in need. We publicized the event and placed collection boxes around campus for two weeks and then delivered all the coats to Tuchman Cleaners on October 6. Then the children gathered at the Indiana State Fairgrounds on October 14 to select their new coats. Our chapter collected several boxes of coats and also used some of our funds to purchase new coats for donation to this worthwhile project.

We are currently making Thanksgiving cards for local war veterans to thank them for their service to our country, and we have numerous additional plans for the near future. Very soon, we have three Alpha Lambda Delta teams participating in the annual IUPUI College Bowl. We have high hopes of repeating last year's victory and advancing to regional competition at Purdue University! We are also planning our annual holiday project where we adopt a large needy family through Community Centers of Indianapolis so that we can provide them with gifts and food for the holidays. Members will spend a Saturday afternoon shopping for the family and wrapping the gifts that evening. Then they'll be delivered to the nearest community center for pick-up by the family just in time for the holidays. In addition, we are planning to participate in the Riley Children's Hospital Dance-A-Thon in March.

Finally, our president, Cat Wood, and vice president, Jennifer Behzadi just returned from the Alpha Lambda Delta National Leadership Workshop in Braintree, Massachusetts, where they had a wonderful and productive time in spite of a day of very bad weather! Thanks to lots of hard work and great planning by

the national office, we have many, many new ideas for social activities, service projects, and academic endeavors, and we made some great new friends as well!

UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS - BOSTON

The University of Massachusetts Boston initiated sixty-three energetic and talented students into our Alpha Lambda Delta chapter in September 2006. Keeping with the tradition of past initiates, the students combine demanding academic schedules with active involvement in their communities.

This year the members of Alpha Lambda Delta at UMass Boston are engaged in a variety of impressive activities. The new members are focusing upon child wellness, cultural awareness, and health awareness. They are involved in activities such as contributing to Horizons for Homeless Children, mentoring for Defining Freedom, helping street children, and running a non-profit organization that operates an after school community center. In addition they also assist in teaching English to non-natives, participate in conferences addressing culture issues, work with a non-profit organization in the Asian community, and promote the importance of a healthy heart to communities. They are also involved in initiatives focused on reducing poverty in different communities.

The UMass Boston Alpha Lambda Delta chapter has a diverse student body with varying interests and goals in life. With the addition of the new student members, the chapter has grown stronger and better. This year the new initiatives plan to upgrade the Alpha Lambda Delta website to better inform and market Alpha Lambda Delta to potential candidates. Many students are still unaware of the national standing of this important honor society and the

benefits that come with it.

Students are always exploring opportunities to promote interest in the chapter. Their final goal at the end of this academic year is to bring together the membership to celebrate their academic achievements and their connections and contributions to the communities they serve as committed UMass Boston Alpha Lambda Delta chapter members.

MCNEESE STATE UNIVERSITY

McNeese State University was founded in 1939 and over the last 37 years the campus has grown in all directions. The city of Lake Charles, LA has also grown around the campus and many felt that the university needed an official entry point. Monies were raised and work began on an entrance plaza which features a beautiful curved wall containing six large limestone panels, depicting the six academic colleges at the university. A large bronze statue designed by artist Fred Fellows will soon grace the center pedestal base. Leading from the plaza is the "Pathway to Excellence" which is paved with engraved bricks donated by alumni, friends, and organizations leading into the university. The 2006 officers of Alpha Lambda Delta (Alex Villamil – President, Kathleen Riley – Vice President, and Andrew Steiner – Secretary) wanted to be sure Alpha Lambda Delta had a place in this piece of McNeese history. The chapter donated one of the large bricks to the plaza (see pic) which was dedicated on November 15, 2006.



MONTCLAIR STATE UNIVERSITY

This year Alpha Lambda Delta at Montclair State University in New Jersey decided to partake in the Homecoming activities on campus. The theme this year for Homecoming was "Hooray for Rockywood," celebrating a Hollywood theme with Montclair style. (Montclair's mascot is Rocky the Red Hawk). Student organizations were told to pick a theme, build a fully functioning parade float, and create a performance in keeping with their specific float idea. Everything, including the flatbed and truck to pull the float, had to be student-organized. Pieces of the float could be made in advance, but the students had less than four hours to finalize the float and perfect their performance. The parade then began by circling the campus and ended with a performance at the outdoor amphitheater.

Homecoming took place on Saturday September 30th and luckily the rain held up long enough for the ALD performance to go off without a hitch! The group decided to work with *The Phantom of the Opera* and perform the title song. ALD at Montclair approached building this float with our typical mindset of attention to detail, perfection, and completion with pride. The float building occurred a week prior to ensure that the multilayered float could be built in such a short time and also to work out the special effects that were desired. Members Scott Stewart and Nicole Riotto worked together in planning, buying materials and acting as cast members as well.

Many people looked at ALD as a small group that did not have a chance against the large fraternities and other organizations. After carrying, moving, positioning, and sweating on over 80 very heavy cinderblocks, the float was



ALD members at Montclair State University pose as the cast of *Phantom of the Opera*.

completed. The outstanding and realistic backdrop was placed onto the float under designer and member Drew Soman's direction while he readied himself for his debut as one of the Phantoms. Member Danielle Perez ensured that the float was properly decorated with ALD pride and Greek letters and acted as one of the Christines.

When it came time for ALD to present our float the rain had just let up and the conditions were perfect for the catacomb feeling the performance required. Using a combination of two Phantoms and two Christines as well as a stage manager, the performance opened to cheers and yells from the crowd. Much of the successful performance is due to member Francesca Giannattasio working behind the float to ensure the fog machines were properly timed and cast members were not seen behind the float. The fog machines created a thick mystical lake and the show ended with a crashing chandelier. The audience cheered, and the applause echoed around the theater. After the performance, ALD

advisors Kathy Sadowsky and Angelo Colon expressed the pride they felt in watching us successfully build the float and perform the scene. The icing on the cake was when Michele Campanga, Director of New Student Experience, the office which houses ALD, said to the group that no matter what the outcome it was still a victory.

After the football game, tension was high as the groups waited for the winners of Homecoming to be announced. As they called the name "Alpha Lambda Delta" the group went crazy. For the first time that we participated in Homecoming our float won 2nd place for the Best Overall Float category! The cheers and comments of congratulations made it all worth it. The time, the stress, and the hard work all paid off for us at that moment. The most important thing was that we realized we came together as a group for one of the first times and made a mark on campus and showed that we are here to stay.



UNIVERSITY OF PITTSBURGH AT BRADFORD
18 students were on hand to receive their ALD certificates at UPitt-Bradford's fall ceremony.

NORTH CAROLINA A&T STATE UNIVERSITY

Once again, the North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta is in tip-top shape and ready for another award-winning year. The chapter is over 240 members strong. This year's Executive board consists of Jonathan McCoy-President, Lee Purvis-Vice President, Shanay Kinds-Secretary, Shaneka Hallback-Secretary, Chris Smith-Historian, Sierra Napier-Editor, James Howard-Webmaster with Mr. Brandon Mills and Mrs. Tameka Jones as Mr. and Mrs. ALD.

Before the spring semester was over, the 2006-2007 executive board of Alpha Lambda Delta, spearheaded by "Mr. and Mrs. ALD," jumped into action organizing street clean-ups to better the campus environment. The Child Literacy Fair on April 28, 2006 was also a great success. This year we also had the fall induction of several deserving students. Throughout the year, ALD has held

tutoring sessions in multiple locations on and off campus. ALD Secretary Shaneka Hallback especially put in a lot of time tutoring for children in need. In September, the campus voter registration campaign was a success largely due to the tireless efforts of our ALD members. Vice-President Lee Purvis and other members helped in the Special Olympics in August. ALD members also planned the text-in-community book forum for October, but it is postponed until January. This is now a collaborative effort between ALD and the Office of the Dean of Arts and Sciences.

Winter has also been an explosive season for the members of Alpha Lambda. During the entire month of November, our ALD banner proudly hung in the lobby of the Student Union, reminding the campus of contributions to community service. Spreading Holiday cheer for the elderly is a recurring theme for the chapter this year. ALD members made holiday cards and gift bags for nursing home residents, and delivered them the week before Thanksgiving. The Care Bear Program is now in full effect,

with chapter members collecting stuffed animals to donate to police officers who will give them to children in distress. President Jonathan McCoy eloquently stated, "We make a difference in the lives of others so much that they'll never forget." The Programming Committee is busily organizing spring semester activities such as a series of forums on "The War: Its Impact on us, our Community and the World." Other spring events will be our annual Child Literacy Fair, Black History Movie/Discussion series, African-American Read-In, and spring Street Clean-up. It is easy to see that the 2006-2007 edition of the Alpha Lambda Delta chapter here at A&T will truly implement excellence and dedication in community service.

NORTHERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

The Northern Michigan University chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta has been keeping busy this year! We began our year with a cookout near Lake Superior and invited soon-to-be inductees for a meet and greet picnic. It was a great way to get to know our new members and socialize before the formal induction. Our induction ceremony took place on October 28 and was a huge success. We inducted 58 new members and 20 returning members. After the induction, a brunch was provided to inductees and their guests.

Following induction, ALD was involved in Make a Difference Day, offering its volunteer services to an elderly woman in the Marquette area and joined other organizations to help rake leaves at a nearby elementary school.

To prep for the upcoming holiday

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2006 GRADUATE FELLOWS

In 2006, Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society For First Year Students awarded a total of 23 Fellowships, fourteen \$3,000 Fellowships, eight \$5,000 Fellowships, and the Maria Leonard Fellowship in the amount of \$7,500. These Fellowships are awarded annually for one year of graduate study. Any initiated member of Alpha Lambda Delta who has maintained the academic qualifications for membership is eligible to apply as a graduating senior or later.



SHERMEEN MEMON
Maria Leonard Fellowship
Initiated at
Univ. of Alabama



POOJA AGGARWAL
Warner O. Moore Fellowship
Initiated at
UAB



JENNIFER AUDIA
Alpha Lambda Delta Fellowship
Initiated at
West Virginia Univ.



EMILY DAY
Dorothy Anderson Fellowship
Initiated at
Univ. of Oklahoma



JENNIFER DICKMAN
Betty Jo Hudson Fellowship
Initiated at
Univ. of Delaware



JOSHUA FOWLER
Alice Crocker Lloyd Fellowship
Initiated at
Univ. of South Carolina



STEPHANIE KOCH
Katbryn Phillips Fellowship
Initiated at
Ohio Northern Univ.



TIFFANY KYSER
Miriam Shelden Fellowship
Initiated at
IUPUI



JARED MOLITORIS
Barbara Quilling Fellowship
Initiated at
Purdue University



AVIVA ROBIN
Adele Stamp Fellowship
Initiated at
UCLA



REBEKAH SMITH
Katherine Cater Fellowship
Initiated at
UAB



THOMAS SPAIN
Margaret Berry Fellowship
Initiated at
UA - Huntsville



NICOLE TOUZIEEN
Margaret Cunningham Fellowship
Initiated at
Columbia College



VAMSI YADLAPATI
Helen Clarke Fellowship
Initiated at
Univ. of Illinois



DEBRA YEBOA
Maude Ethbredge Fellowship
Initiated at
Spelman College

Not pictured:

Mark Bicket, Univ. of Oklahoma
Corrie Bilke, IUPUI
Brian Cabaniss, UAB
Elisabeth Derby, The Ohio State Univ.
Stephen Murphy, Univ. of Maryland
Lauren Oliver, Univ. of Texas
Ruchi Varma, UCLA
Lauren Weigand, Vanderbilt Univ.

2006 TROW SCHOLARS

Congratulations to the 2006-2007 Jo Anne Trow Undergraduate Scholars! This year, the National Council awarded 35 Trow Scholarships of \$1,000 each! The Jo Anne J. Trow Award was established in 1998 to honor a past president of Alpha Lambda Delta, former Vice President for Student Services at Oregon State University, Dr. Jo Anne Trow. Dr. Trow served Alpha Lambda Delta as District VIII Advisor from 1974 to 1979, National Secretary from 1979 to 1983, President-Elect from 1984 to 1985, and as National President from 1985 until 1988.

Not pictured:

Cassandra Chesnut, U. of Oklahoma
 Jessie Farris, IUPUI
 Courtney Hurin, MSU - Bozeman
 Jennifer Martin - Georgetown College
 Lauren Peddicord - U. of Maryland
 Nicole Robinson - U. of Oklahoma



AARON BESSER
 Univ. of Maryland



AMANDA BISHEL
 IUPUI



DAN BURK
 Univ. of South Carolina



NICHOLAS CARLSON
 Monmouth College



NICHOLAS
 CHAMBERLAIN
 Univ. of Maryland



LINDA CHU
 UCLA



COURTNEY CONNELL
 Univ. of South Carolina



KATIE DIVINE
 Western Michigan Univ.



ALLYSON GEE
 Univ. of California
 at Riverside



MICHELLE GRECO
 Indiana University



JENNA GULLEY
 Eastern Kentucky Univ.



NICHOLE HESS
 Ashland University



JENNA HICKS
 Univ. of Oklahoma



TESSA JAMISON
George Mason Univ.



ALYSON KNAPP
Trinity University



ALICE LEE
UCLA



TAMARA LOONEY
Univ. of South Carolina



SYEDA MAJID
George Mason Univ.



CLAUDIA MCINTOSH
South Dakota State
University



PHUONG NGUYEN
Univ. of Wisconsin
at Eau Claire



KRISTAL POLLARD
University of Southern
Mississippi



NICOLE SAYLOR
Southern Illinois Univ.



KIMBERLY SCHNEIDER
West Virginia Univ.



KATHERINE
SCOCOZZO
Purdue University



TRISHYA SCREWVALA
UCLA



KARLI SHERMAN
University of Louisiana
at Lafayette



JOEL VERSYPT
Judson College



JOHN WESLEY
Samford University



CASSIE ZIMMERMAN
Morningside College

DR. SUSAN GROH

THE UNIVERSITY OF DELAWARE



Dr. James G. Stemler, President of National Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society, announced that Dr. Susan Groh has been named as the Outstanding Advisor of Alpha Lambda Delta for 2005-2006. Initiated in 1992, this award is given annually to the outstanding advisor in the nation.

The National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta selected Dr. Susan Groh who is Assistant Professor in the Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry at the University of Delaware to be the recipient of the Outstanding Advisor Award for 2005-2006. Dr. Susan Groh has served as the chapter advisor for Alpha Lambda Delta since 2000.

Dr. Susan Groh is an outstanding chapter advisor who has encouraged both the chapter and individuals to continue to achieve and serve others. Several Delaware ALD members have received Trow scholarships and three ALD officers have been Rhodes Scholar candidates.

The chapter has raised over \$15,000 in the last three years for kids in South Africa and worked to make the campus more environmentally friendly. Since Dr. Groh began advising the chapter in 2000, the ALD chapter has been transformed into one of the most active organizations on the campus.

"One could argue it doesn't take much to get students already identified as dedicated and successful to do exceptional things, but it still would not explain why ALD has become a magnet on our campus for this sort of activity. The key to this magnet is absolutely Dr. Groh," wrote Eva Koehler in her letter of recommendation.

Alpha Lambda Delta takes pride in recognizing Dr. Susan Groh as the Outstanding Advisor of the Year!

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OUTSTANDING ADVISOR

OF THE YEAR

ADVISORS OF THE YEAR



Dr. Glenda Earwood announced five winners of the Executive Director Advisor Awards for 2005-2006. This year's winners were Abby Parsons Shibban of Cleveland State University, Susan Huffman of Purdue University, Dennis Weise of Clemson University, Marty Knepper of Morningside College, and Harrison Greenlaw of the University of South Carolina. "It is quite difficult to select only five advisors from among the many superb Alpha Lambda Delta chapter advisors. These five advisors had an exceptional year with their chapters!" said Dr. Earwood.

The Alpha Lambda Delta chapter at Cleveland State University is a relatively new chapter installed in 2003. **Abby Parsons Shibban**, Coordinator of Orientation and New Student Programming has been the chapter advisor since 2004. The chapter has been quite active raising money for Big Brothers Big Sisters through Bowling for Kids Sake; being a part of Cleveland State's "Do Gooder" Day of community service and tutoring at an elementary school. On her own, Abby submitted a program proposal to the National Orientation Director's Association Region 7 Conference emphasizing the connection between Alpha Lambda Delta and the retention of excellent students.

Dr. Susan Huffman has been the advisor for the Alpha Lambda Delta chapter at Purdue University since 1984. Through several position changes at Purdue, Dr. Huffman has remained loyal to advising the ALD chapter. In addition to her duties as chapter advisor at Purdue, Dr. Huffman serves as Alpha Lambda Delta Vice President for Chapter Relations and Expansion. After a disappointing membership year in 2005, the Purdue chapter with Dr. Huffman's guidance decided to try some innovative advertising strategies including sending Good Luck postcards

to 6000 first year students before their fall final exam and contacting faculty of first year students with information about Alpha Lambda Delta. The result won the chapter a Gold Award with an increase of over 175%! Despite the large size of the chapter, the chapter holds bi-monthly member meetings. The chapter is very active in community service including participating in Prime Time Tutoring for children of married students living in Purdue housing, Academic Super Bowl, donations to Baby Corners County Health Clinic, Boo at the Zoo, toy drive for urban ministry, Valentine's Day cards for local hospital patients, and March of Dimes WalkAmerica among others.

Dennis Weise was the Director of the First Year Programs at Clemson University and a new advisor in 2005 - 06 for the ALD chapter at Clemson. Dennis hit the ground running and got the chapter officers to hold their first ever executive retreat and to develop a five year plan. The planning paid off as the chapter won the Order of the Torch Award for the first time ever! The chapter initiated 518 students after a personalized full color mailing was sent to the home of all eligible students. The chapter won a Gold Award because of this huge increase in membership. The chapter participated in several service events and sponsored the late night exam breakfast where 1287 freshman attended the event.

Dr. Marty Knepper, chair of the English Department at Morningside College has advised the Alpha Lambda Delta chapter since 1991. Dr. Knepper is a regular attendee at the ALD fall workshop. Her dedication and commitment to the students at Morningside is one of the strengths of the chapter. Although Morningside is a small college of 1150 students, the Alpha Lambda Delta chapter has been a visible and strong force promoting academic

excellence. In 2006, 40 students of 51 eligible or 78% were inducted as new members.

In addition to promoting academic excellence at Morningside, the chapter has been involved in a large number of service projects for the campus and their Sioux City, Iowa community.

Behind every Torch winning chapter, there must be an excellent advisor! This is certainly true of the Alpha Lambda Delta chapter at the University of South Carolina. **Harrison Greenlaw**, Director of Orientation and Testing, has served as one of the chapter advisors at South Carolina since 1987. Elected as Outstanding Advisor of the Year in 1997, this is the second time Harrison has received the Executive Director Advisor Award.

Already one of the largest chapters in the nation, the University of South Carolina chapter broke all previous records with the induction of 722 new members. No wonder the South Carolina chapter holds the record for winning the Order of the Torch Award as one of the five most outstanding chapters in the nation FOUR times!

The role of the chapter advisor is critical to the success of the chapter and the national organization," said Dr. Susan Huffman, Vice President for Chapter Relations and Expansion. "That's why the Chapter Relations Committee recommended the establishment of the Executive Director Advisor Award in 1998 so that more chapter advisors could be recognized for their service and commitment to Alpha Lambda Delta."

These advisors have done exceptional jobs and deserve the recognition of this award. "The National Council is very proud and grateful to these advisors for the outstanding work they do with these chapters", said Dr. James G. Stemler, National President.



Boston!

Check out these photos from the 2006 National Leadership Workshop...





season, ALD conducted a fund raiser at an NMU hockey game to help raise money for our annual "Adopt a Family" program. We sold rubber pucks for \$1 each. The "Chuck a Puck" participants threw their pucks onto the ice with the hopes of getting it near the center ring. Prizes included a \$50 gas card for first place and two \$25 cards for second and third place. Overall, roughly \$500 was raised at this event and will go towards the family that we adopt for Christmas through the Salvation Army.

We also plan to continue our very effective "You've Been Caught Studying!" candy bags to be distributed during finals week. Members bring one bag of candy to our December meeting and help in putting together numerous goodie bags to be given to individuals caught studying during the week of December 11-15. Included in each bag is a small piece of paper informing the receiver about ALD and the services it offers.

Our chapter has also been working on its public relations services. We have a Web site devoted to our chapter and an electronic newsletter that is submitted to members via e-mail. We have very devoted members this year, and we are looking forward to the year that lies ahead.

UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

After a very successful year, the Alpha Lambda Delta chapter at the University of Oklahoma continues to excel, keeping up with old traditions and starting new ones. Last year, we ended with a few great service events, including our Second Chance Animal Adoption Day, Keep Norman Beautiful, and the DHS Teen Clothing Drive, where members donated clothing for underprivileged teenagers. Our biggest event was, in fact, "The Big Event," one big day of community service where thousands of OU students get together and disperse to various job sites throughout Norman and Oklahoma City. Our chapter made up one of the largest groups having around 125 volunteers! They even had to split our group up—half going to the OKC Food Bank and half going to an outdoor garden at an elementary school.

At our Spring Initiation, we welcomed 675 new members, awarded our chapter scholarships, and congratulated our two Alpha Lambda Delta Fellowship Award winners. We also introduced our new officers. This year, instead of electing 10 officers at the induction ceremony, we interviewed several interested officer

applicants and created an amazing officer panel of 18 with two new committees. The new officers immediately took the initiative and before the school year was even over, they were already leading the chapter into another great year.

So far this year we have participated in Freshmen Move-In, Habitat for Humanity's "Shack-A-Thon," and Homecoming. At Shack-A-Thon, our team constructed a shack made from "trash" materials, such as cardboard boxes, and collected \$300! For the Homecoming Canned Food Sculpture Contest, our chapter collected 250 cans, helping us win 1ST place in the small group category.

After returning from this year's National Leadership Workshops in Boston, we are fired up and ready for a year of maintaining the flame!

PURDUE UNIVERSITY

This year we have been keeping busy beginning to grow into our positions as leaders of our combined Alpha Lambda Delta Phi Eta Sigma chapter. We are from a group of over 500 students initiated last spring! The Purdue chapter also has a tradition of conducting a fall initiation and we inducted 43 new members into our chapter in November. We are extremely excited to begin working together more as a group. Between decorating a nursing home for a Halloween bingo tournament, tutoring the children of married students in University Residences family housing, keeping regular office hours, and preparing to ring bells for the Salvation Army, we have kept quite busy growing as a chapter and serving our local community as well as our campus. Within the next few weeks we will be distributing "Caught Studying" candy to students studying for finals, and we are collecting toys for the Lafayette Urban Ministry Jubilee Toy Drive. With the start of the spring semester, we will dive into our annual academic Superbowl competition



IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

Who were those masked people? Members of the ISU chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta donned costumes for this chapter social event.

well as our Spring initiation process. We continue to grow both as leaders and as a team as we proceed into 2007!

SAM HOUSTON STATE UNIVERSITY

At the spring 2006 induction ceremony, one thing was clear: the incoming members of SHSU's Alpha Lambda Delta chapter were enthusiastic. We had a record-breaking 96 inductees who were excited to be a part of our chapter's history.

Soon after inductions, an officer election meeting was held. Over 20 people ran for each of the five officer positions. After nearly two hours, our members emerged from the meeting with new friendships and determination.

During the summer 2006 Freshman Orientation, our chapter had a table to display several pictures and specific goals that we want to accomplish this year. Current members described Alpha Lambda Delta's purpose to eager incoming freshman.

ALD participated in "Move-In Week" in which about 20 members volunteered to move students into their on-campus dorms. On September 7, we inducted 47 new members and two honorary members. Dr. David E. Payne, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, and Dean Mary Ellen Sims, Former Assistant Dean of Students and advisor to ALD were both inducted as honorary members. Now, with nearly 150 members, we needed to come together and celebrate our academic achievements.

In October, we held our first ALD Social at a park on campus and played games to become better acquainted with the new members. We had a raffle drawing and gave lucky members a few gift certificates to local businesses. Pizza was served and we even had a party must: the classic piñata.

Every two weeks, we hold a chapter



Top: Sam Houston State ALD Officers from top left: Amanda Spindola, President; Meeta Lulla, Treasurer; Kelsey Shimek, Editor; **Bottom row:** Rachel Martin, Secretary; Josh Starkey, Vice President.

Bottom: SHSU Alpha Lambda Delta members creating cards for the holidays that were given to a local nursing home.



meeting where we discuss possible ideas for community service and fundraisers for scholarships. Our chapter is organized by five officers and five different committees. Our members were encouraged to volunteer for the scrapbook, website, photography, fundraising, and activities

committees.

SHSU's Alpha Lambda Delta Chapter will continue to serve the community and promote ALD in the name of academic success.

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH
CAROLINA

The University of South Carolina chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta proudly marked our 44th anniversary of existence at USC by inducting a chapter record 721 new members. We are now the largest academic honor society on campus and the second largest student organization at USC. Another point of pride came

when National ALD declared that we had earned the Order of the Torch for a fourth time, the first and (so far) only Alpha Lambda Delta chapter in the country to achieve this feat. Moreover, we were pleased to announce that all three of our candidates were awarded the JoAnn J. Trow scholarship, another first for our chapter. Even though we are a firmly established organization, all these "firsts" have been exciting and

re-energizing. We started the 2006-07 school year ready to take it up a notch!

Our first chapter meeting was appropriately themed "ALD Kick-Off," to celebrate the coinciding start of football and soccer seasons as well as ALD monthly chapter meetings. We used indoor football and soccer games with prizes to emphasize our theme and show that ALD is not only an academic achievement, but also an enjoyable pursuit. Continuing our lighthearted meeting environments, we scheduled our October meeting on Friday the 13th and had Halloween trivia, candy, (almonds for the health conscious) and prizes to make the meeting festive. St. Patrick's Day, Earth Day and other themes are used in meetings throughout the year.

Another satisfying way our members spend time together is with intramural sports, continuing to demonstrate that USC ALD is "not just brains." In the spring, both our men's and women's swimming teams won the campus intramural championships. In the fall, we sponsored volleyball, soccer, and flag football teams. To show our support for varsity athletics on campus, we routinely participate in USC's banner making competition for home football games, and this year we plan to expand into making banners for home basketball games.

While we like to have fun, we are serious about our outstanding history of service. We have a number of recurring annual projects, including the USC Challenge, an academic quiz bowl competition for high school teams from all over the state. Nevertheless, we are always looking for new and inspiring ways to be of service to our campus and community. In August, over forty members helped freshmen move into their dorms by offering direction, advice, and, most of all, our strong backs and hands as we carried boxes, luggage, televisions, and all the things needed to make a new home. We have members who mentor



An ALD member at the University of South Carolina helps paint the campus financial aid office. The project, which saved the University thousands of dollars, greatly enhanced the on-campus visibility of the ALD chapter.

University 101 freshman seminar classes. In October, we sent a team of members to the Special Olympics in Anderson, SC, to volunteer with the Special Skills Volleyball games. We have also initiated a new service project where we go to a nursing home once a week to visit with the elderly and write letters for those who can no longer write themselves but wish to stay in touch with their loved ones. However, our best service project of the year by far was painting six rooms in the USC Financial Aid and Scholarships Office. They did not have the \$3000 required to have the rooms professionally painted, so ALD solicited members with painting experience and members volunteered to paint the office for no charge. In two afternoon sessions, ALD members scraped, sanded and painted the rooms. ALD advisor Harrison Greenlaw noted that the Financial Aid and Scholarship Office has provided funds and excellent service to the majority of ALD members, making this project an excellent opportunity to give back. Financial Aid and Scholarships Director, Dr. Ed Miller, and the rest of his staff expressed grateful appreciation in a wonderful thank you note.

Through our ongoing commitment to service, responsibility, integrity, and academic and personal success, our chapter looks forward to continuing to grow bigger and better than ever before!

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

It was the students giving professors “brownie points” on October 19, 2006, when the University of Southern California chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta held its second annual Professor Appreciation Luncheon.

Members invited their favorite professors to join them for lunch at USC’s fine dining restaurant, Upstairs Café, to enjoy a scrumptious buffet and



The University of Southern California’s chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta helped sponsor and host the campus Learning Communities project.

pleasant conversation.

But the event offered more than just a mid-day lunch break for the Trojans—Brian Carlisle, advisor from cross-town rival University of California, Los Angeles’ ALD chapter presented executive board members with the Order of the Torch award!

Professors can do more than hammer functions and formulas into a student’s head, eloquently dissect Emily Dickson poems, or explain how Nash Equilibrium applies to conflicts popping up around the globe. Professors have the unique ability to challenge their students to think critically and creativity, and instill in their pupils passion for academia and scholarship. Every student has a story about a teacher who opened up their eyes and inspired them to learn. The PAL lunch is our chance to thank those professors for their dedication and zeal in

and out of the classroom.

In addition to the luncheon, ALD at USC strives to give our members the tools they need to succeed in their studies. Whether that is giving out 20 scholarships to newly admitted members to help purchase books and other costly student expenses or holding a mid-semester study break, complete with ice cream, cookies and blue books for midterms, our programming is aimed at creating a healthy, vibrant academic environment for members!

SUSQUEHANNA UNIVERSITY

The Alpha Lambda Delta Chapter at Susquehanna University has come alive this past year in raising its presence and activity level on campus. Having garnered the 2006 ALD Bronze Membership Award this past year has



Students at Susquehanna University create custom Alpha Lambda Delta t-shirts for its new Member Identity Program.

truly motivated the SU Chapter to strive for a heightened campus presence and reclaim its historic legacy by providing members the opportunity to be actively engaged in community events, develop a sense of membership, and contribute to the University's long-standing tradition of service.

This fall, the SU Chapter held its first ever Member Identity Program, in which members gathered together to create the ALD Society shirts to promote campus identity. Using pre-cut letter patterns, the members chose among various fabrics to create colorful and unique lettered shirts. Tee-shirts were provided through the Office of First-Year Programs and the shirts were worn at several campus events to help showcase the ALD membership.

In October, the Chapter held a Pizza Party Social for the first-year students in the freshmen residence hall community to create awareness of the honor society and to encourage students to consider future membership. President Elizabeth Rhoads along with Faculty Advisor, Dr. Margaret Peeler, met with ALD Executive Director, Glenda Earwood, and Dean of Student Life Emeritus and Former ALD Administrative Advisor, Dorothy Anderson, to discuss SU's ALD activities. November ushered in November Service and Awareness month and the SU Chapter gamely arranged to raise monies through the sale of Candy Cane Grams in advance of the holiday season for Operation Christmas Child,

a project of Samaritan's Purse. Closing out the fall term, the SU Chapter will be providing all first-year students with an end-of-term treat, Smarties candies, with a note of well-wishes for a successful end to their first semester. The members will also be volunteering in SU's third annual Library Chill-Out Night, a multi-sponsored academic and social event at the campus library which is designed to be a night of entertainment and a fun study break for all students.

With the amount of enthusiasm, energy and commitment of this year's officers, Elizabeth Rhoads, President, Brittany Bunting, Secretary, Rachel Cullen, Vice President, and Elizabeth Bovee, Treasurer, coupled with the dedication of the SU members, it is sure to be a banner year for Susquehanna's Alpha Lambda Delta Chapter.

TULANE UNIVERSITY

Tulane's chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta is just another example of a community coming together after Hurricane Katrina.

Despite the numerous setbacks caused by the devastation to the city of New Orleans, Tulane inducted a record 138 members during the induction ceremony held earlier this year.

One notable aspect of Tulane ALD is that the organization falls under Tulane's historical Newcomb College Institute - an interdisciplinary academic center that strives to further women's education and leadership at Tulane University. Through the support of the Newcomb College Institute and our advisor, Cordelia Heaney, Tulane ALD's largely female membership has been able to coordinate and implement various activities within the organization and the larger community.

One of our most successful events this year has been our participation at the New Orleans School of Cooking located in the historic French Quarter. Our members took part in a group cooking class and learned how to prepare native New Orleans cuisine such as gumbo, shrimp creole, and pralines with the help of Chef Tom Nagelin. This event proved to be a wonderful social event as we each



Despite the catastrophe that befell their city, the ALD chapter at Tulane University in New Orleans has remained active, and set a new chapter record for initiates in 2006.

got to know each other while enjoying quintessential Louisiana cooking. This experience served to instill a sense of community within the members of the organization but also to the greater city. In the near future, we plan on having more events that will help build a visibly cohesive community among ALD members and the city of New Orleans.

VALDOSTA STATE UNIVERSITY

This year's Alpha Lambda Delta (ALD) class is better than ever at Valdosta State University. We have many events planned for the year, and have already completed one called "Blazer Buddies" that began with the 2005 class. Blazer Buddies is an annual event that we sponsor where children age 4-16 from underprivileged families that attend the Life Steps Community School in Valdosta Georgia are treated to a VSU sporting event. Many of these children have never been to a college event, and they really enjoy the activities. These kids were "Buddied Up" with a VSU student, and they watched the game, ate some snacks, and got a T-shirt and a gift bag. This year's event was held on November 15, 2006 at the first men's home basketball game against Carver Baptist College, and after the game these children were able to go onto the court and shoot baskets and meet the players. What a treat it was for the 48 students from the Life Steps Community School and volunteers from Alpha Lambda Delta and other on-campus organizations. ALD donated T-shirts, the Dean of Students Office concessions, the Athletic Department free admission, the men's basketball team post game events, and VSU Football Assistant Coach Timi Aganga-Williams T-shirt design and gift bags.

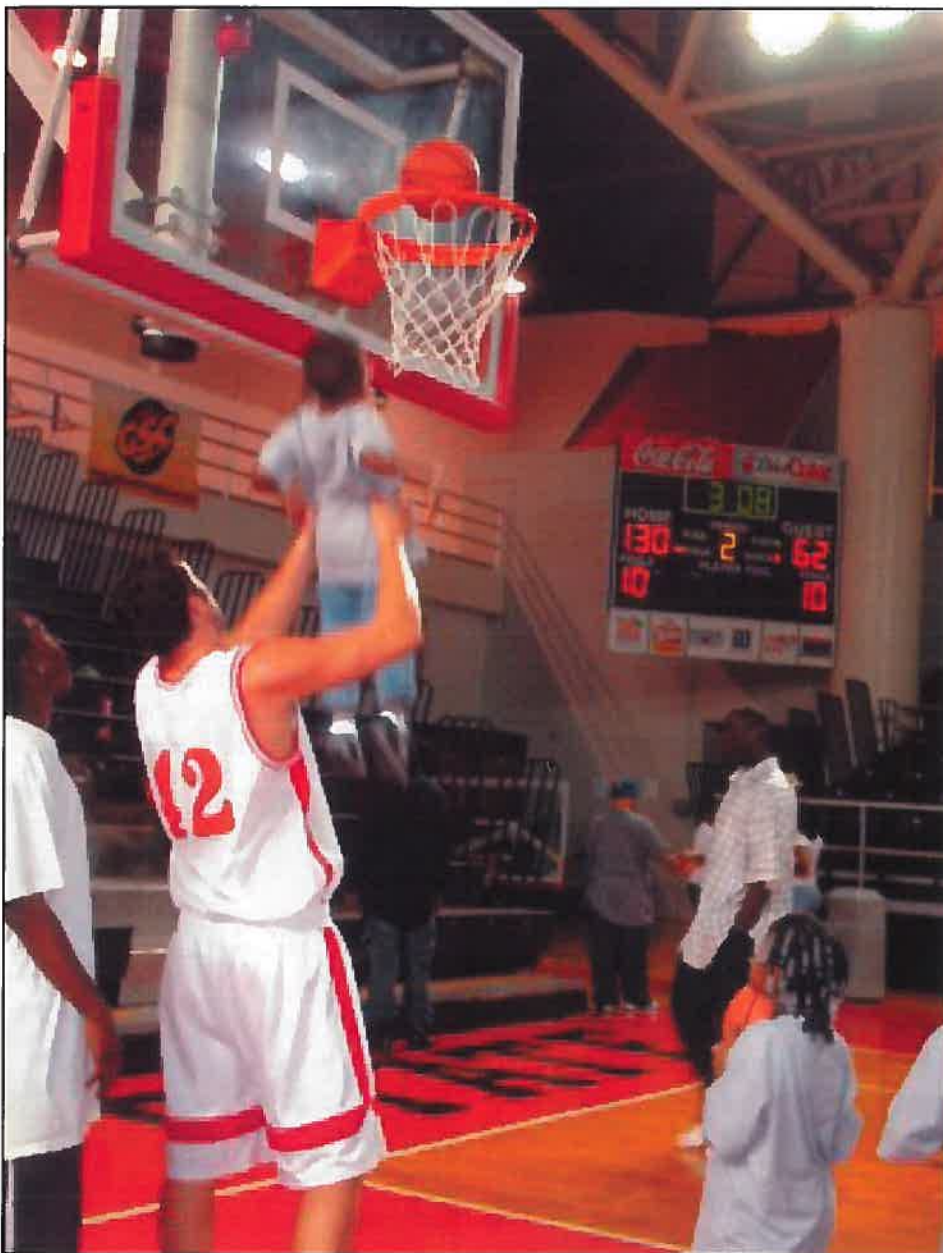
This event was enjoyed by all who participated and will be an event that continues for years to come. If anyone would like additional information on how to set up your own Blazer

Buddies event, contact Ashley Helton at arhelton@valdosta.edu.

Other events that we are planning for this semester are a gas raffle where freshmen can enter to win a \$50 gas card from a major gas provider. We are also planning to do a coffee and doughnut sale during finals and bedsheets signs that wish VSU students luck with their exams. Our last project that we are considering is a parking spot raffle where the student

body can enter to win, via a \$5 entry into the raffle, a centrally located parking spot for a month.

During the spring semester we are looking at an event known as "Brain Days" where we will hold a carnival on campus to raise money for a family whose son or daughter is currently battling a brain tumor or injury. VSU's ALD chapter is on the move!



It's so much easier with some help! The ALD chapter at Valdosta State University partnered with the VSU basketball team to pair ALD members and student athletes with underprivileged children in the South Georgia region.

WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

The Western Michigan University Chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta has recently begun a community volunteer partnership with the local Oakwood Community Center. Oakwood organizes events throughout the year, and ALD members volunteer their time and effort to make sure these events run smoothly. The two primary events during the year are called "Fall into the Streets" and "Spring into the Streets." Many of the community members who live around Oakwood are elderly and do not have much family. When fall and spring come, the leaves pile up in the community's yards since many cannot rake for themselves. On one day in the fall, ALD members assemble at Oakwood and receive a map to houses around the area which have signed up to have their yards done. The yards are raked and leaves are carried to the designated spot for pick-up by the city. Also, in the fall, ALD members help place plastic around windowsills for community members as a way to keep the cold out. Come spring time, ALD members again rake yards and clean up leaves, and the plastic placed on in the fall is now taken off. ALD members are able to meet with community members and enjoy a nice day getting to know the community. Oakwood Community Center hosts holiday parties for children in the area which ALD members are able to help with. For Halloween parties, there is candy and treats, as well as costume contests, games, and crafts that children may participate in. Each child goes home with a gift bag as a way to start their trick-or-treating early. Easter parties are also held and an egg hunt is the main event. Coloring and other crafts, as well as food, are available for the children, too. Another event ALD has participated in with Oakwood has been computer classes for senior citizens.

Many older community members would like to be able to communicate with out-of-area family members via computer, but simply do not have the resources to learn simple things like using word processors or sending an e-mail. ALD members meet with these community members and provide the help they need to send pictures or other greetings to family. Another popular event ALD helps Oakwood with is the senior citizen bingo game days. ALD members help prepare cards and markers and call out numbers for the game. Snacks are provided and senior citizens of the area always seem to enjoy this time spent with their friends. Because this ALD chapter has such a close connection with the Oakwood Center, once a year ALD members try to help spruce up the Center. The area is cleaned, cupboards are usually repainted, and old items (such as unusable markers) are thrown out.

This chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta was nominated by Oakwood Community Center for a Sharing Time And Resources (STAR) Award for the 2005-2006 school year. STAR Awards are given throughout

the Kalamazoo area for exceptional effort in volunteerism, and the chapter won for the College category. Our chapter is very proud of our members and hopes to implement some new programs with Oakwood in the coming years.



This page: Students from Western Michigan University's chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta helped clean up their community - taking part in a "Fall Into the Streets" autumn cleanup project. Students raked leaves in the community and used plastic sheeting and seals to help local community members insulate their homes against the harsh Michigan winter.



CHAPTER MEMBERSHIP AWARDS

THE NATIONAL COUNCIL AWARDS THE GOLD, SILVER, AND BRONZE AWARDS TO CHAPTERS WHO HAVE SEEN A 50%, 25%, OR 10% INCREASE IN MEMBERSHIP, RESPECTIVELY, DURING THE PAST YEAR.

BRONZE AWARDS



William Penn University
University of Alabama - Birmingham
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Minnesota State University, Mankato
Sweet Briar College
Georgetown College
Maryville University of St. Louis
Sam Houston State University
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts
University of South Carolina
Georgia College & State University
Bowling Green State University
Jackson State University
Wittenberg University
Western New England College
Susquehanna University
University of Houston
Saint Joseph's College
Southern Illinois University

SILVER AWARDS



Indiana University
Drake University
Saint Vincent College
Mount Union College
University of Science & Arts of Oklahoma
Butler University
Morningside College
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Texas A & M - Commerce
U. S. Coast Guard Academy
Marietta College
Montana State University - Bozeman
Converse College
Millikin University
Troy State University
University of Pittsburgh - Bradford
Spelman College
Vanderbilt University
University of Rio Grande
Youngstown State University
California State Polytechnic University
Johnson C. Smith University
University of Miami
University of Massachusetts at Lowell
Texas Wesleyan University
East Tennessee State University

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Albion College
University of North Alabama
University of Wisconsin - Eau Claire
Mississippi State University
University of Nebraska
Cleveland State University
University of La Verne
Mississippi College
University of Cincinnati
Mary Baldwin College
Fort Hays State University
Texas Christian University
University of Louisiana - Monroe
Midwestern State University
Austin Peay State University
Texas Tech University
Eastern Kentucky University
University of Maine
University of Texas - Pan American
Western Michigan University
Regis College
Chowan College
Purdue University
Clemson University
University of Texas - Austin
University of Massachusetts
Colorado State University
University of Central Oklahoma
University of Illinois
University of Florida

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University of Alabama - Birmingham
University of Alabama - Huntsville
Auburn University
Birmingham Southern College
University of Montevallo
University of North Alabama
Samford University
Troy State University

Arkansas:

Arkansas State University
University of Arkansas - Fort Smith

Arizona:

Arizona State University
Northern Arizona University

California:

California State Polytechnic University
California State University - Long Beach
University of California - Los Angeles
University of California - Riverside
University of California - Santa Barbara
Dominican University of California
University of La Verne
University of the Pacific
University of Southern California

Colorado:

Colorado College
Colorado State University
Colorado State University

- Pueblo

University of Colorado - Colorado Springs
University of Denver

Connecticut:

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University of Connecticut
University of Hartford
University of New Haven
U. S. Coast Guard Academy

District of Columbia:

American University

Delaware:

University of Delaware

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University of Florida
University of Miami
Northwood University
South University
Warner Southern College

Georgia:

Brenau University
Georgia College & State University
Georgia State University
University of Georgia
Piedmont College
Spelman College
Georgia Southwestern State University
Valdosta State University
Wesleyan College
State University of West Georgia

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Drake University
Iowa State University

Morningside College
Simpson College
William Penn University

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Illinois Wesleyan University
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Millikin University
Monmouth College
Northwestern University
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University of Louisiana - Monroe
McNeese State University
Tulane University
Nicholls State University
Northwestern State University
Louisiana State University

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Framingham State College
Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts
University of Massachusetts - Boston
University of Massachusetts
University of Massachusetts at Lowell
Regis College
Salem State College
Western New England College

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Morgan State University
University of Maryland

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University of Maine

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Northern Michigan University
Western Michigan University

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Minnesota State University
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Crookston
Winona State University

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Lindenwood University
Maryville University of St.
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University of Missouri - Kan-
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William Jewell College

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Mississippi College
University of Mississippi
University of Southern Mis-
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Tougaloo College
Mississippi State University

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University of Montana

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Johnson C. Smith University
Lenoir-Rhyne College
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North Carolina A&T State
University
University of North Carolina
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Salem College
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University of Nebraska
University of Nebraska

- Omaha
Wayne State College

New Jersey:

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Ramapo College of New
Jersey
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New York:

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Cazenovia College
Long Island University
SUNY - Fredonia

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Bowling Green State Univer-
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Cleveland State University
Heidelberg College
Kent State University
Marietta College
Miami University
Mount Union College
Ohio Northern University
The Ohio State University
Ohio University
Otterbein College
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University of Toledo
Wittenberg University
Wright State University
Youngstown State University

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University of Science & Arts
of Oklahoma
Oral Roberts University
Southern Nazarene University

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University of Oregon
University of Portland
Willamette University

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Chestnut Hill College
Dickinson College
Elizabethtown College
Gettysburg College
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- Altoona
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- Bradford
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University of Scranton
Temple University
University of Sciences in
Philadelphia
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Susquehanna University

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Columbia College
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University of South Carolina
Winthrop University

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University of South Dakota

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Maryville College
University of Memphis
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University of Tennessee at
Chattanooga
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ALPHA LAMBDA DELTA WELCOMES THREE NEW CHAPTERS IN 2005-2006!

CAZENOVIA COLLEGE
March 4, 2006

Installed by Dorothy Anderson

Fifty-nine students were inducted as charter members of the Cazenovia College Chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta. The College President, Dr. Mark J. Tierno, Past Chapter President and the student most instrumental in getting the installation service organized, Sarah Kraeger, and the new Chapter President, Hallie Heineman all participated in accepting the Charter. Sarah and Hallie spoke of their pleasure in accepting the charter, some plans for the future, and

their thanks to the installing officer. Sarah presented the installing officer with gifts of a Cazenovia mug and shirt.

In addition to the new members, another forty or so parents attended the ceremony despite the very cold and snowy afternoon. The ceremony was held in a conference/dining room of Hubbard Hall and was followed by a reception in that same location. A pledge ceremony had been held the week before the Installation, and this was of great assistance to the advisors and officers in organizing the "main event." Many of the students were wearing the ribbons they received at that ceremony.

The program started with a welcome by Sarah Kraeger. She introduced the Chaplain who provided an invocation, and then President Tierno who welcomed the installing officer and other guests and congratulated the students on their achievements.

The installing officer had the opportunity to meet with the current officers to talk about possible chapter activities following a rehearsal held earlier in the morning. In addition, further opportunity to meet with Sarah and chapter advisors occurred over dinner the evening prior to the ceremony. Joining us for dinner was Dr. Patricia Rueckel, former Executive Director of NAWDAC, who accompanied me on the trip to Cazenovia in order to visit with a long time friend, Dr. Winnie Coleman. Dr. Coleman is a former Dean of Students at Cazenovia who currently serves on the Board of Trustees of the College. The ceremony concluded with the candle ceremony and the singing of

the Cazenovia College Alma Mater. A pianist provided music for the beginning and the ending of the ceremony, and the students had arranged for boutonnières for several of the participants in addition to a lovely small bouquet that awaited the installing officer in her hotel room at the Lincklaen House, an historic hotel in Cazenovia.

Judging from the experiences of the Installing Officer, the Cazenovia College Chapter is in good hands and has the potential to be a vital part of the campus community.

STATE UNIV. OF NEW YORK
FREDONIA
September 30, 2006

Installed by Dr. Herman "Butch" Hill

The installation of the SUNY - Fredonia chapter of Alpha Lambda Delta was held on Saturday, September 30, 2006 at 2:00 p.m. Appropriately, installation of this new chapter was the first event held in a new meeting place—the extensively remodeled University Commons Marché. Refreshments were provided both before and after the ceremony.

The ceremony was planned for the University's Family Weekend, and followed a Scholars Breakfast for all Fredonia scholarship students and their families.

After SUNY Fredonia President Dr. Dennis Hefner welcomed the audience, Butch Hill, Alpha Lambda National Vice-President for Finance and Long-Range Planning gave a brief opening



Program sample from the March 4 installation of the new ALD chapter at Cazenovia College, NY.



Installing officer Butch Hill along with the officer team for one of ALD's newest chapters, at the State University of New York -Fredonia.

speech that emphasized the positive impact that a thriving ALD chapter could have on the Fredonia campus. The chapter Administrative Advisor, Erin Mroccka, assisted by chapter President Kaitlyn Russo and chapter vice-president Jason Mellon conducted the induction of new members. After each student's name was read, the student signed the chapter roll.

Following the induction of new members, Kaitlyn Russo, Jason Mellon and the other officers inducted key SUNY Fredonia administrators as honorary members: Dr. Dennis Hefner, President; Dr. David Herman, Vice-President of Student Affairs, and Dr. Virginia Horvath, Vice-President of Academic affairs.

Next Administrative Advisor Erin Mroccka and Faculty Advisor Raymond Rushboldt installed the chapter officers, and Butch Hill installed the chapter. The ceremony concluded with remarks from president Kaitlyn Russo.

VALLEY CITY STATE UNIV.
November 5, 2006
Installed by Jonathan Hovda

The installation of the Alpha Lambda Delta chapter at Valley City State University in Valley City, North Dakota was held on Sunday, November 5, 2006, at 1:30 p.m. in the Student Center on the Valley City State University campus. Displayed at the table where the initiates and their guests entered were a number of congratulations from members of the National Council and from other Alpha Lambda Delta chapters. Dr. Margaret Dahlberg, Chair of the Communication Arts Department, was instrumental in advising the charter group and serves as the Faculty Advisor. Jan Drake, Director of Student Academic Services, served as administrative advisor for the ceremony.

The installing officer was Jonathan Hovda, a graduate of the University of North Dakota, and former student member of the National Council. Currently a medical student at the University of Minnesota, Jonathan shares an honor with Dr. Dahlberg: both

were recipients of Alpha Lambda Delta fellowships.

Before the installation ceremony, the installing officer, Jonathan Hovda, met with the two advisors and several officers. The initiates sat at the front of the room, before an audience of about forty family, friends, and faculty. The students rose to repeat the Alpha Lambda Delta pledge. After Jonathan Hovda called their name, each new initiate signed the chapter roll, received his or her certificate from Dr. Margaret Dahlberg and received his or her jewelry from Advisor Jan Drake.

After the induction of the student members, the four honorary members were initiated. Jonathan Hovda talked about the academic accomplishments of Jan Drake, the Director of Academic Services. Jonathan Hovda also iterated the academic accomplishments of Joan Aus, the Director of the Writing Center and the Coordinator of the English Language Learner program, as well as an instructor in the Department of Communication Arts. Glen Schmalz, Vice President for Student Affairs was also initiated as an honorary member. The final honorary member was Ellen-Earle Chaffee who has served as president of Valley City State University since 1993. Following the initiation of the charter members by Jonathan Hovda, the chapter officers were installed.

After the officers' installation, Jonathan Hovda announced that it was his pleasure to install the new Alpha Lambda Delta chapter on behalf of the National Council. Upon presentation of the national charter to the chapter by Jonathan Hovda, chapter president Misty Olds accepted the charter and spoke about the importance of recognizing academic achievement. The ceremony closed with Senior Advisor Sarah James' reading of "The Road Not Taken" by Robert Frost. After the ceremony ended, several pictures of the new initiates were taken. Congratulations to each member were extended by the University community and Jonathan Hovda.



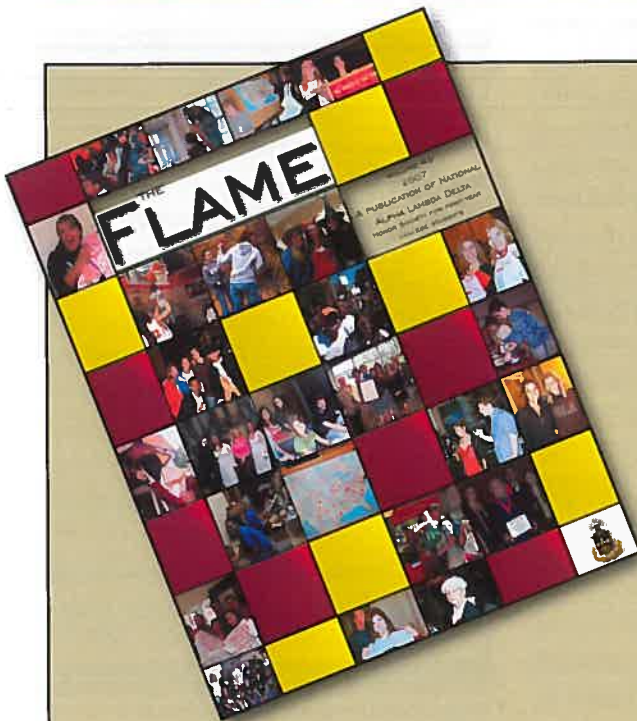
National Council member Brian Carlisle (center) presents the chapter at the University of Southern California with their Order of the Torch banner. Former Council member Kristian Guzman (left) is also a former member of the ALD National Council.

the valuable lesson of giving of themselves to serve others.

"I would like to encourage you to strive for continued success and to challenge yourselves to exceed your accomplishments from this previous year. Torch Award winners are not eligible to win the award again for four years. However, you may compete for the Maintaining the Flame commendation for each of those four years.

"As I close, I would like to leave you with a few words of Admonition from the ALD initiation ritual...

"May each of you find in the years ahead the rewards of the educated person – imagination, adventure, humor, compassion, and understanding. May you have tolerance in your dealings with all persons, generosity in giving to those in need, and insight into the feelings of others. In relating your education to the world in which you live, you can make a meaningful contribution to society. Each of you can make a difference. On behalf of the National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta, I wish to express our pride in your achievements and congratulate you on your success. You are indeed worthy recipients of the Order of the Torch Award."



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THE NATIONAL COUNCIL WISHES TO EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO TWO NEW COLLEAGUES...



DAN BURK

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

Dan Burk is the newest student member of the Alpha Lambda Delta National Council. The second student member from the University of South Carolina elected to the Council in the past three years, Dan brings the experience of one of the nation's most successful chapters to his work on the National Council.

DR. ALICE LANNING

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THE NATIONAL COUNCIL WISHES TO EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO TWO NEW COLLEAGUES...



DAN BURK

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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NATIONAL COUNCIL MINUTES

2006

Each year the members of the National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta gather from across the United States for four days in June to make decisions about the management and future of the Society. This year, President James Stemler called the meeting to order on June 21 in Boston to review the past year, to make decisions about future directions, and to celebrate all the Society's accomplishments.

Highlights of this year's meeting included:

- A decision to increase ten of the 35 Trow Scholarships to \$3,000 instead of \$1,000.
- The installation of Dr. Alice Lanning of the University of Oklahoma and Mr. Dan Burk of the University of South Carolina as new members-at-large
- A terrific increase of over 26,000 new members
- A decrease in operating expenses thanks in part to greater use of electronic communications instead of more expensive postage and reduced printing expenses for *The Flame*
 - Announcement of the Executive Director's Advisors of the Year, winners of Order of the Torch, Maintaining

the Flame Awards, the Outstanding Advisor of the Year Award, and the Lampadia Chapter Website Awards

- Announcement of the installation of a Chapter at Cazenovia College and plans for future expansion of Chapters
- Increasing the Lampadia Chapter Website Award to \$300.
- Discussion of ways to support and assist chapter advisors
- The decision to "outsource" Alpha Lambda Delta insignia merchandise and make purchases easily accessible via the ALD website
- Making plans for the next annual leadership workshop in Boston in October of 2006
- Discussion of changes in the ALD Website and *The Flame*
- The installation of Dr. James Stemler of the University of Portland for his second term as National President by Vice President, Dr. Susan Melson Huffman
- Saying "Thank you for a job well done" with resolutions to departing Council members Melinda Koonce, Dr. Kathy Beardsley, and Brittany Wells.



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ALD T-shirts and hoodies

Far left: ALD basic tee - This t-shirt has a classic front-stripe design (inset) that shows off your success simply and stylishly. Available in short- and long-sleeve styles, in white or red (pictured). Also pictured, **ALD Baseball Cap** in khaki.

Left: ALD Hoodie - Perfect for class meetings, football games, or just laying around, this hoodie carries the same design as the basic tee (above) and is available in red (pictured) or grey. Also pictured, **ALD Padfolio**.

Right:

ALD Ladies' Hoodie - This pink-over-white hoodie sweatshirt is a great addition to any cool-weather wardrobe. Features the ALD "Sporty" logo (inset) in pink.

ALD Ringer Tee - Everything old is new again, and you can show off your ALD style in this red-over-white ringer-style tee with the ALD "Sporty" logo in red.

Also pictured: **ALD Baseball Cap** in pink, **ALD Sports Bottle** and **ALD Brainy Bear**.



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Below: Ladies' Cap-Sleeve Tee - This ladies' tee has a slightly smaller fit for that retro-style look. Available in red-on-pink and black-on-grey (inset).



Top: ALD Baseball Tee - 3/4 sleeves make this stylish red-on-white t-shirt a true "spring classic." Also pictured: **ALD Ringer Tee**.

Above: ALD Retro Tee - A design harking back to the classic drive-in signs of the '50's sets this shirt aside from the rest. Short-sleeve grey tee with full-back print and front-pocket design (inset).

Right: ALD Baseball Caps

These Baseball Caps are both practical and affordable. Both caps are adjustable to fit most, and have a sporty ALD design embroidered into the face.

Khaki cap has a mid-crown design for a stiffer face, pink cap is soft-crowned for a more relaxed look.

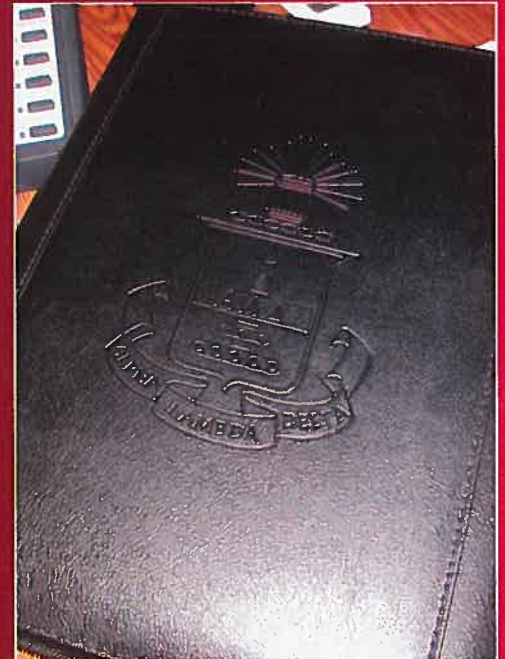


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Top Left: ALD Sports Bottle – 1L Sports Bottle in unbreakable acrylic. Also, **ALD Key Lanyard**.
Top Right: ALD Brainy Bear – Black and tan plush bear with “Smarter Than the Average Bear” red t-shirt bearing ALD Crest. Brainy Bear is seated on an **ALD Stadium Fleece Throw Blanket**.
Bottom Left: ALD Travel Mug and ALD Marbled Coffee Mug
Bottom Right: ALD Padfolio with notepad, built-in calculator, and zipper enclosure.



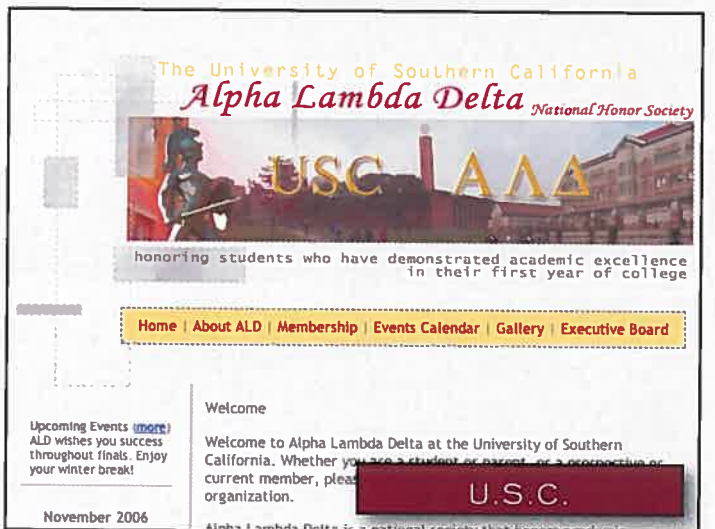
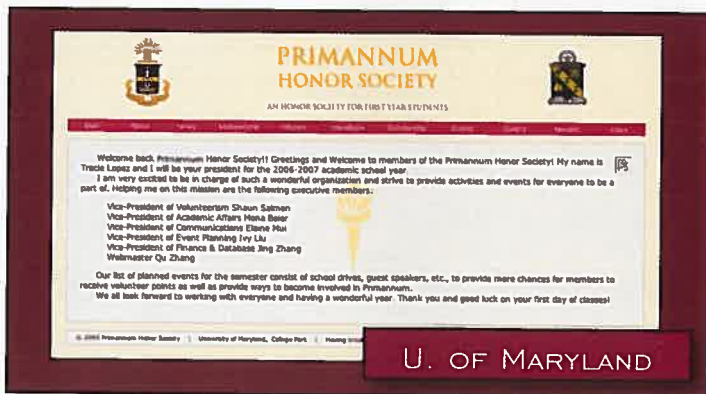
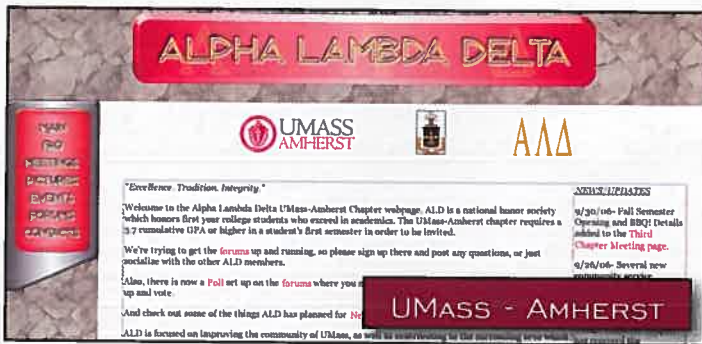
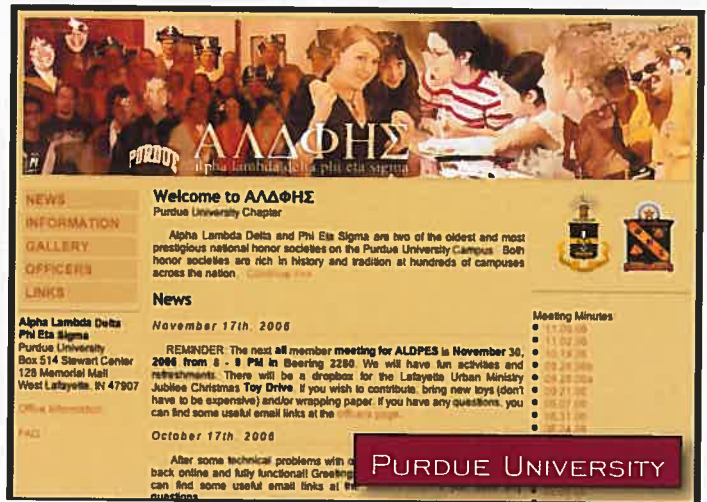
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To make sure that your chapter website is considered for competition in the 2007 Lampadia Chapter Website Awards, have your chapter website completed by May 1, and make sure to send the URL to ald@nationalald.org.



HONORABLE MENTION...

The National Council of Alpha Lambda Delta extends Honorable Mentions to the following chapter websites:

- Indiana University - Purdue University at Indianapolis
- University of California at Los Angeles

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