



Strolling The Yard

A Publication of the Center for Multicultural Student Services at James Madison University

Monthly Newsletter

Greetings from the Inter-Cultural Greek Council,

I.C.G.C., a governing council for the Center for Multicultural Student Services (CMSS) multicultural fraternities and sororities, has achieved great accomplishments since its establishment in the spring of 2009.

Representing 11 multicultural fraternities and sororities, the purpose of I.C.G.C. is to “unify and enhance student development through celebrating diversity, participating in civic engagement, and upholding high scholastic standards for multicultural and service oriented Greek-lettered organizations that are represented under the Center for Multicultural Student Services.”

This issue highlights the scholastic achievements of several stellar members of the I.C.G.C. community. Their dedication to academic excellence has not gone unnoticed by CMSS, James Madison University and the larger Greek community. We celebrate there accomplishments and are proud of what the future holds for these individuals.

We hope you enjoy this issue!



Photo taken by Justin Harris

I.C.G.C. PROGRAMS DECEMBER-JANUARY

December

- 1: ΣΓΡ Greek Switch Step Competition
- 2: ΔΣΘ & ΩΨΦ Coleman Love Christmas
- 3: αΚΔΦ Nu Class Banquet
- 4: ΑΦΑ Founders' Day, ΔΣΘ University Sunday
- 5: ΔΣΘ Foci
- 7: ΩΨΦ Beta Delta Delta Chapter Charter Day
- 8: ΔΣΘ Iota Alpha Chapter Charter Day

January

- 11: ΚΑΨ Founders' Day
- 13: ΔΣΘ Founders' Day
- 15: ΑΚΑ Founders' Day
- 16: ΖΦΒ Founders' Day
- 16-21: ΚΑΨ Week
- 10: ΔΣΘ Foci
- 19: ΩΨΦ & ΚΑΨ “1911” Party

Scholastic Achievement

Order of Omega I.C.G.C. Charter Line Members

Order of Omega is a national leadership honor society for all members of the JMU fraternity and sorority community. In a collaborative effort between CMSS and FSL the JMU Chapter of Order of Omega recognizes juniors and seniors who have exemplified high standards in the areas of scholarship and leadership, involvement within their respective organizations, councils, campus and local community. Members are selected from the top 3% of each respective council.



Pictured left to right:

Alyssa Rachubka & Diana Pei, alpha Kappa Delta Phi Sorority, Inc. Colony Chapter

Kenneth Gilliam, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. Xi Delta Chapter

Chareka Daniel & Cassandra Jones, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Lambda Chi Chapter

Not pictured:

Ashley Johnson & Jelesa Anthony, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. Theta Nu Chapter

Jessica Johnson, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Lambda Chi Chapter

Liz Alva, Hermandad de Sigma Iota Alpha, Inc. Alpha Epsilon Chapter

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I.C.G.C. Scholastic Achievement Fall 2011

Cumulative GPA between 3.0 and 3.5

Alyssa Rachubka, alpha Kappa Delta Phi Sorority, Inc.
Michelle Agtuca, alpha Kappa Delta Phi Sorority, Inc.
Ingrid Caranzo, alpha Kappa Delta Phi Sorority, Inc.
Kenneth Gilliam, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
Calvin Walker, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
Richard Aguilar, Lambda Upsilon Lambda Fraternity, Inc.

Adrian Cavanaugh, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc.
Liz Alva, Hermandad De Sigma Iota Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Jessica Bailey, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
Lamitra Barnes, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
Chereka Daniel, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
Cassandra Jones, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
Melodie Barefield, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
Selamawit Mamo, Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.
Angelina Sobel, Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc.
Jelesa Anthony, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.
Teneisha Bailey, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.
Tiffany Collins, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.
Ashley Johnson, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.
Jasmine Walker, Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

Cumulative GPA between 3.5 and above

Valerie Chiang, alpha Kappa Delta Phi Sorority, Inc.
Emmanuel Fairley, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.
James Aliaga, Lambda Upsilon Lambda Fraternity, Inc.
Christina Grier, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.
Jessica Johnson, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Founders' Day Celebration

The Lambda Chi Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. celebrated their 104th Founders' Day with music, poems, a tribute to their 16 phenomenal founders, as well as a Woodgrill catered dinner.

Submitted by Jessica Bailey



Photo taken by Justin Harris

Alpha Kappa Delta Phi Sorority, Inc.

Nu Class Banquet

The ladies of alpha Kappa Delta Phi held a banquet to reveal their new member class for fall 2011. During this event they also recognized achievements of their sorority throughout the fall semester. They recognized their sisters who have shown great improvement in their GPA, sister with the highest GPA and their Active of the Semester. The evening showcased their accomplishments and the many ways they have impacted the Harrisonburg community through community service events.



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Victoria Alcantara Candlelight Memorial

On January 26, 2009 Victoria Alcantara was killed in a fatal car accident. In order to come together and remember their fallen sister the ladies of alpha Kappa Delta Phi held a candlelight memorial in January of this year.

Submitted by Avian Tu

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

Service to the Community

In November the Finer Women of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. collected 238 lbs. of food for the Elkton Area United Services. The ladies continued serving the Harrisonburg community in December by adopting a family for the holiday season. They were able to donate and shower two young girls and their mother with presents for the holidays. The family was very grateful and enjoyed a very Merry Christmas. In January the ladies received the results for their Baby Bottle Change Drive! This was a Fundraiser that collected money for women in need at the Harrisonburg Pregnancy Center. A grand total of \$249.12 was collected. The ladies would like to thank all those who donated and helped them in their fundraising efforts. In service, the ladies of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Theta Nu Chapter would like to encourage everyone with this quote:



“What we have done for ourselves alone dies with us; what we have done for others and the world remains and is immortal.” - Albert Pike

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Founders Day Celebration

January 16, 2012 marked the 92nd Founders Day of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. The ladies of the “Tenacious” Theta Nu chapter held a banquet in celebration of the 92 years of Scholarship, Service, Sisterly Love and Finer Womanhood. During this time the members of the chapter reflected on the accomplishments of the beloved sorority over the years. The ladies would like to thank all who helped to commemorate their precious pearls: Arizona Cleaver Stemons, Pearl A. Neal, Fannie Pettie Watts, Myrtle Tyler Faithful, and Viola Tyler Goings. Your support was greatly appreciated.

Submitted by Teneisha Bailey

Duke-Lite



This issue’s Duke-lite is shining on Miss Tiffany Collins. There is no doubt that Tiffany goes above and beyond what is required of her. The Theta Nu chapter has witnessed her true leadership skills come to light as she shares her ideas and efficiently performs her duties. Tiffany is one of the most dedicated, hardworking, and committed students here at JMU. Her vibrant personality has encouraged all the members of the Theta Nu chapter to carry out their tasks with excellence. She is a great role model, who actively continues to be a positive influence on her sorors and peers. Her professional nature always highlights her discipline and focus. This is complimented by her enthusiasm and her authentically fun personality. Tiffany is an excellent team player and eagerly seeks to make sure that the organization accomplishes its goals. Tiffany is great leader and she works hard and well. Not only does she hold jobs off campus, participate in campus organizations, but she maintains high academic standards from semester to semester! In the recent absence of the Theta Nu chapter President, Tiffany stepped up to the position in order to keep the business of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. running smoothly. Her

selfless nature and immense embodiment of Scholarship, Service, Sisterly Love, and Finer Womanhood are an inspiration to those around her.

To have a member of your organization featured in the Duke-lite please submit a brief summary of why they are qualified and a picture of the person to Justin Harris at harris2jw@jmu.edu.

The Duke-lite section of the STY is a portion that is dedicated to those individuals who go above and beyond what is required of them. It is an acknowledgement of a member that truly embodies what their organization stands for.

Members of each organization agree to nominate one of their members who qualifies and then individuals are given credit accordingly. There is a new Duke-lite in each issue of the STY.

Busted Brain Corner

D.K.Y

DID YOU KNOW

This section is dedicated for did-you-knows. Random, but interesting facts are given in each issue. Spread the word and ask someone...D.Y.K?

- George and Martha Washington are both buried on their Virginia estate called Mount Vernon.
- The sum of the 7 Roman numeral , MDCLXVI , are equal to 1666.
- The mental and physical exercise known as yoga evolves from Hinduism.
- The word Limbo can refer to a place of transition for lost souls or a Caribbean dance.

TRIVIA

1. Which NFL team is the only one to win the Super Bowl back to back two different times?
2. What is the name for the science or study of plants?
3. Who was the first female justice on the US Supreme court, and which U.S. President appointed her to that position?

February I.C.G.C. Events

Feb. 22: $\Delta\Sigma\Theta$ Foci

Feb. 23: $\Delta\Sigma\Theta$ Unity Cook-Off

Feb. 24 : $\Omega\Psi\Phi$ Achievement Banquet

Feb. 25: $\Omega\Psi\Phi$ & NAACP Talent Hunt

Feb. 27: $Z\Phi B$ Sanfoka 360

Information for events can be found on the CMSS Information boards outside of the office, located in Warren Hall, Suite 245