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## IMPACT

Values-based Greek leadership retreat

Date: Jan 20-22

Location: Camp Woodstock

A list of each chapter's delegates must be submitted to Lauren Elliott by Friday, Dec 9th  
(Lauren.elliott@uconn.edu)

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## Greeks of the Month!

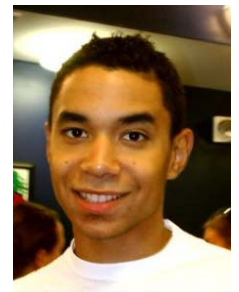
Greek of the Month is a recognition given to members of the Greek Community who demonstrate outstanding leadership, service, academic accomplishment and brother/sisterhood. These individuals are people of good moral character who uphold the values of the Greek Community and the University. The award is given to a male and a female member each month. The Greeks of the Month are chosen based solely on the Nomination Form submitted by their peers.

Congratulations to December's Greek of the Month winners- Lindsay Rice (Delta Zeta) and Jose Arriaga (Beta Theta Pi)

Our female Greek of the Month, Lindsay, has been extremely involved within her chapter serving as VP Recruitment and VP New Member Education. Lindsay has also been involved in various other activities such as a Tour Guide for the LVC, a member of Order of Omega, an intern for the Senior Vice President at UBS Financial Services. She has also been recognized for her high scholarship with her induction into the Phi Beta Delta Honorary Society (International Honor Society). Lindsay has "committed herself to the vision of a positive future for her chapter", and hopes to continue her Delta Zeta commitment in the future as a National Chapter Consultant.



Our male Greek of the Month, Jose, serves as IFC Vice President External. Jose recently organized the IFC Road Clean Up, a community service project that happens twice a month. Jose has "widened the opportunities for Greek men to do community service while also improving the image of Greeks in the Mansfield area." While at times it may be difficult to stand out amongst leaders, Jose's actions have not been overlooked especially since he just initiated into Beta Theta Pi last semester. The brothers of Beta "are very proud of Jose and look forward to many more great semesters."



There were some other amazing nominees for this month's recognition. Shout outs go to Jenna Verheyen (Pi Beta Phi) for her work as chapter secretary and Jenna Tamburro (Delta Gamma) for her work as the VP Member Education. Please send nominations for next month's Greeks of the Month (male and female) to Jess Smestad at [student0348@ad.uconn.edu](mailto:student0348@ad.uconn.edu). Greek of the Month winners are based on the nominations submitted by their peers.

Thank you to Jeff Collins, the Primary Supervisor of Dining Services for donating a gift to each of the individuals awarded Greek of the Month.

## Congrats to all newly elected officers!

At a time of great change within the Greek Community, it is fantastic to see so many outstanding individuals assuming executive leadership positions within their chapters! We look forward to you all becoming great assets to our Greek community!

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## ***HUSKYthon***

Planning for the ***HUSKYthon***, formerly the Husky Midnight Marathon, a campus wide service event has begun!

The first meeting for representatives will be held:

Date: December 7<sup>th</sup>  
Time: 7:30 PM  
Place: CASTLEMAN 204

Additional meetings will be held every Wednesday evening to discuss the details of the event.

**All are encouraged to attend!!**

*If you have any questions about the event please email HuskythonCampus@hotmail.com*

## **Greek Week 2006 April 2-8<sup>th</sup>**

Please mark your calendars now! More details to come...

Starting thinking about who will serve as your chapter's Greek Week delegate. Chapter Delegate meetings will begin early next semester.

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## Delta Gamma prepares for the holiday season

The sisters of Delta Gamma remained busy during the Thanksgiving season. They contributed baskets stuffed with the necessities for preparing a Thanksgiving meal and donated them to four families. This service project was organized by Chloe Sweetser and was such a success that the sisters plan on sponsoring another family for the upcoming holiday season. Additionally, the sisters of Delta Gamma will join the Lion's Club of Mansfield and participate in bell ringing on December 10<sup>th</sup>.

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## Pi Phi's Holiday Service Project

The sisters of Pi Beta Phi have taken a dynamic approach to a holiday service project. Under the direction of Vice President of Philanthropy, Crystal Huntoon, the sisters will be making home-made dog bones and then donating them to a local pound.

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## Congratulations! Recognition and Awards!

There are so many outstanding individuals in the Greek Community. Several individuals of UConn Greek Life have been recognized and awarded nationally!

Congratulations to **Steve Mlenak** for being selected as one of forty recipients of a *National Academic Scholarship* of \$2500! Steve has been an active member in the Greek community, serving as the VP Finance of IFC and Vice President of Kappa Sigma. Additionally Steve serves as Chair of Student Affairs Committee of USG.

Seldom does any national Greek organization select two leadership consultants from the same chapter for the same year. Two members of Beta Theta Pi have been selected to serve as *National Leadership Consultants* for the 2006-2007 academic year. Congratulations to **David Schmidt** and **Adam Porter-Price**! Dave has served as the New Member Educator to Beta, Assistant VP of Order of Omega, and a Peer Instructor of the newly created Intro to Greek Leadership course. Adam has been recognized for his role as the VP Internal for IFC, a CA of the Husky Village, and a former Secretary General of the Model United Nations!

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## Greek Week Management Team

Congratulations to all those who applied to become a part of the 2006 Greek Week Management Team! The following individuals have been selected to serve as directors:

**Jenna Tamburro** - *Executive Director*  
**Timothy Ehren** - *Communications Director*  
**Louis Perrone** - *Funding Director*  
**Leslie Delfine** - *Public Relations Director*  
**Noelle Rose** - *Educational Programming Director*  
**Arthur Poje** - *Greek Activities Director*

Currently applications are still being accepted for the *Service Programming Director*. The responsibilities include:

- Lead on organizing the charity walk and all Greek Service Day
- Collaborate with PR Chair/ director to organize "Meet the Greeks"
- Lead on identifying the beneficiary nomination
- Liaison between GWMT and beneficiary nomination

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### *Chapter Management Policy reminder...*

Each chapter must conduct at least **two philanthropic events** and/or **community service events** a year with a combined total of 100% attendance!

Also, each chapter must conduct or sponsor at least **two educational programs** per semester with combined total of 100% attendance!

Please submit the correct verification form within one week of event completion.

*Want to be recognized for the good things your chapter is doing?*

**SUBMIT THE FORM BY THE LAST DAY OF CLASSES!**

### **December Founders' Days**

12/1: Lambda Theta Phi  
12/4: Alpha Phi Alpha  
12/10: Kappa Sigma  
12/25: Delta Gamma  
12/29: Zeta Beta Tau

If you are interested in this position you can obtain a hard copy of the application from the Involvement Office (SU 302). Please return your application to Lauren Elliott as soon as possible (SU 302).

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## Fraternity and Sorority Educational Programming

Each chapter is responsible for conducting or sponsoring at least two educational programs per semester. If you have not yet done so, please submit the educational programming verification form for your chapter to the Involvement Office (SU 302) by the last day of classes.

\* **Beta Theta Pi** brothers fulfilled the educational programming requirement for the Fall 2005 semester. They hosted *CSI:UConn* presented by Dr. Nick Bellantoni, a program which taught the brothers a great deal about forensic archaeology. Additionally, the brothers hosted a program entitled *Name that Narcotic* presented by Tom Szigethy, the Director of Alcohol and Other Drug Education Services at UConn.

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## National Pan-Hellenic Council's Fall Informational

The National Pan-Hellenic Council held an informational on Thursday, November 17, 2005. The program, intended for people interested in learning more about the 9 Fraternities and Sororities that encompass the council, was attended by more than 50 people. The council is composed of 9 organizations, including Alpha Phi Alpha, Alpha Kappa Alpha, Kappa Alpha Psi, Omega Psi Phi, Delta Sigma Theta, Phi Beta Sigma, Zeta Phi Beta, Sigma Gamma Rho, and Iota Phi Theta. This semester's informational was the first time in years that all 9 organizations had representation at the informational. Topics of discussion during the informational included common Greek stereotypes, hazing myths, and membership requirements. The council holds an informational every semester and looks forward to informing others on the wonderful work and service they give to their communities in the coming future.

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## All Greek Council (AGC)- Update

At the end of last spring semester, three of the out-going council presidents who had served on the All Greek Council, sat down to discuss how they could make the AGC work better for the Greek community. After hours of hard work, they had restructured the All Greek Council and had added new elements to help overcome the problems they had faced. This semester, the All Greek Council has been working hard to put the new structure in place.

The AGC Executive Committee, which consists of Lauren Levy (Panhellenic President), Camille Castro (National Pan-Hellenic Council), Athena White (Multicultural Greek Council), Jeff Durrand (Interfraternity Council), and Nick Gelbar (Order of Omega President), has been meeting every other week with Greek Life staff members. They have become to lay the foundation of a great community!

Here are some highlights of what AGC has been up to...

- Presidents' Council is up and running... There have been two very well attended and productive meetings of all the fraternity and sorority presidents. This communication forum will resume next semester.
- The AGC Risk Management Policy has been adopted.
- Plans for major and minor AGC programming in the spring... discussion of co-sponsoring events with the Hillel, USG, and the Dept of Student Activities.
- AGC will be sending a strong delegation of eight to the Northeastern Greek

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### Spring 2006: Greek Programs & Important Dates

#### January

17- Classes Begin  
18- Presidents' Kickoff  
20-22- IMPACT  
25- CMP Review  
27- J-Board Training  
29- MGC & NPHC  
Special Forum  
31- Peer Facilitation  
Workshop

NPC Consultant Visit is either Jan 27-29 or Feb 3-5.

Greek Life Town Meeting will be late Jan or early Feb.

#### February

10- HUSKYthon  
16-18- NGLA  
22- Greek 101  
26- Alum/Grad  
Advisors & Presidents  
26- HV Housing Corp &  
House Managers

#### March

1- Hot Topics  
2- Greek 101  
4-12- Spring Break  
18- Panhellenic Exec  
Elections  
18- MGC Step Show  
19- Chapter & Council  
Exec Officer Workshop  
26-Alum/Grad  
Advisors & Presidents  
26- HV Housing Corp &  
House Managers  
26-NPC Workshop  
28- Hot Topics

#### April

1- NCAA Final 4's  
2-8- GREEK WEEK  
8- UConn Open House  
9- Greek Recognition  
Reception  
28- Last Day of Classes

Leadership Association's (NGLA) annual conference in Hershey, PA from February 16 through February 18.

- Next semester, the committee structure will get off the ground... please start thinking about chapter delegates for the AGC committees.

Any questions, comments, or concerns for AGC? Have an issue you would like AGC to discuss? Please email Lauren Levy at [sunedazey@aol.com](mailto:sunedazey@aol.com).

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## Alpha Kappa Alpha Supports Soror Rosa Louise Parks

The Lambda Tau Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated participated in a Candlelight Vigil that celebrated the life of their Soror Rosa Louise Parks at Trinity College on November 6, 2005. Soror Rosa's refusal to give up her seat on a city bus led to the formation of the Montgomery Improvement Association, led by Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The association called for a boycott of the city-owned bus company. The boycott lasted 382 days and brought Soror Rosa, Dr. King, and their cause to the attention of the world. A Supreme Court Decision struck down the Montgomery ordinance under which she had been fined, and outlawed racial segregation on public transportation.

Rosa Parks became an honorary member of our illustrious sisterhood, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated in 1988. She lives on within our hearts not only as the mother of the Civil Rights Movement but also as our sister and a source of pride and inspiration. "She wasn't 'The Mother of the Civil Rights Movement' to me, she was the woman I wanted to become." Rest In Peace Soror, you were an inspiration to us all. --Soror Rosa Louise Parks 1913-2005

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## Greek Life Town Meeting

Yes, the Greek Life Task Force has been meeting since early September. Lots of work by four sub-committees comprised of students, alums/grads and staff: **Administrative/Staffing/Budget** issues; **Programming and Traditions** issues; **Public Relations**; and **Self-Governance**. Hear the recommendations of the Task Force, AND find out how YOU can get involved with all the projects...

### Greek Life Town Meeting

Date & Time: TBA, Location: SU Theatre

This meeting will also provide people with an opportunity to share their comments, concerns and questions about what is happening in our Greek community. This meeting is not for just officers- all members, old and new, are encouraged and welcomed to participate in this meeting!

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## Good Luck on Finals! Enjoy Winter Break!

The Department of Student Activities/ Greek Life Staff would like to wish everyone good luck on their upcoming final exams. Take some time over break to relax... because we have a ton in store for you in Spring 2006! Check the side bar for some important meeting dates in January. As a reminder...

- Presidents' Semester Kickoff Mtg: Jan 18 @ 7-8pm, SU 410
- Chapter Management Policy Review: Jan 25 @ 5-6pm, SU 410
- Alum/Grad Advisors & Presidents Mtg: Feb 26 & March 26 @ 1-2:30pm
- Husky Village House Corp Alums & House Managers Mtg: Feb 26 & March 26, 3-4:30pm

The first newsletter for next semester will go out the first week of classes. Please send submission to Sarah Seward ([student0374@ad.uconn.edu](mailto:student0374@ad.uconn.edu)) by Jan 18<sup>th</sup>!