

# Carnegie Mellon<sup>®</sup>

## Fraternity and Sorority Life Report, Spring 2009\*

### Membership

- Twenty-five (25) fraternities and sororities are currently active at Carnegie Mellon: 5 Panhellenic sororities; 11 Interfraternity Council fraternities and 2 Interfraternity Council colonies; 4 Asian-Interest groups, 2 fraternities and 2 sororities; and 3 NPHC chapters, 2 fraternities and 1 sorority.
- Of Carnegie Mellon's 5,339 undergraduate students, 1,106 are members of fraternities or sororities, making up 21% of the population. Three-hundred fifty-nine (359) women are affiliated with a sorority, reflecting 17% of the female undergraduate population at Carnegie Mellon. Seven hundred forty-seven (747) men are affiliated with a fraternity, reflecting 23% of the male undergraduate population at Carnegie Mellon.
- The average size of the Panhellenic (PHC) sororities is 62 women. The average size of the Interfraternity Council (IFC) fraternities is 53 men. The average size of the cultural fraternities and sororities is 29 people.
- A total of 92 new members joined the fraternity and sorority community this semester: 15 women joined PHC sororities, 68 men joined IFC fraternities and 23 men and women joined the NPHC and Asian American organizations.

### Scholarship

- This spring, 8 of the organizations had chapter QPAs at or above the all-University average (3.18): Delta Delta Delta, Delta Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Alpha Epsilon Pi, Delta Tau Delta, Sigma Nu, and Alpha Kappa Alpha.
- Four of the five (5) Panhellenic sororities had QPAs above the all-women's average (3.19); Delta Delta Delta, Delta Gamma, Kappa Alpha Theta, and Kappa Kappa Gamma. Four (4) fraternities had QPAs at or above the all-men's average (3.18); Alpha Epsilon Pi, Delta Tau Delta, Sigma Nu, and Sigma Phi Epsilon. All IFC OPA average was 3.03. All PHC OPA average was 3.25. All MGC OPA average was 2.90. All NPHC OPA average was 2.52.
- Outstanding organizations and members were recognized at the 2009 Greek Awards on the afternoon of May 3<sup>rd</sup>. This annual ceremony recognizes the individual and chapter successes of the community and includes the following honorees:

#### Organizational Awards

##### Chapter Excellence:

*alpha Kappa Delta Phi, Alpha Epsilon Pi, and Delta Gamma*

##### Chapter Improvement:

*Beta Theta Pi, Pi Kappa Alpha, and Sigma Alpha Epsilon*

##### Outstanding Campus Involvement:

*Sigma Phi Epsilon*

##### Excellence in Community Service:

*Sigma Phi Epsilon, alpha Kappa Delta Phi, and Delta Delta Delta*

##### Outstanding Multicultural Initiatives:

*Kappa Phi Lambda*

##### Outstanding Greek Spirit:

*Beta Theta Pi*

##### Highest GPA, Spring 2008:

*Beta Theta Pi, Delta Gamma and Kappa Alpha Theta, 3.29*

##### Highest GPA, Fall 2008:

*Kappa Alpha Theta, 3.33 and Alpha Epsilon Pi, 3.32*

#### Individual Awards

##### Chapter Presidents of the Year:

*Anita Shih, alpha Kappa Delta Phi  
Chris Donelan, Pi Kappa Alpha*

##### Greek Man of the Year:

*Vinny Giacalone, Beta Theta Pi*

##### Greek Woman of the Year:

*Elizabeth Young, Delta Gamma*

##### Community Service and Philanthropy Award:

*James Harrell, Sigma Phi Epsilon*

##### Outstanding Greek Athlete:

*Clay Crites, Beta Theta Pi*

##### Outstanding Alumnus Advisor:

*Vito Cedro, Theta Xi*

##### Outstanding Alumnae Advisor:

*Stacey Martin, Delta Delta Delta*

- The Greek Award of Distinction was created to recognize those students who exemplify the four pillars of Greek life in their daily life; scholarship, leadership, service and friendship for life. The recipients include: Amy Nichols, *Delta Gamma*; Joy Xu, *alpha Kappa Delta Phi*; John McGraw, *Pi Kappa Alpha*; Grace DeForest, *Delta Delta Delta*; Urvit Goel, *Kappa Delta Rho*; Clay Crites, *Beta Theta Pi*; Corey Williams, *Theta Xi*; Leigh Fortenberry, *Delta Delta Delta*; Mallory Elbert, *Delta Delta Delta*; Noah Levin, *Sigma Alpha Epsilon*; Greg MacLean, *Sigma Tau Gamma*; Ranjit Korah, *Kappa Delta Rho*; Vinny Giacalone, *Beta Theta Pi*; Chris Eldred, *Sigma Phi Epsilon*; Sean Hamilton, *Pi Kappa Theta*; Jared Itkowitz, *Sigma Phi Epsilon*; Amanda Sturges, *Delta Delta Delta*; Ida Lomibao, *Delta Gamma*; Elizabeth Young, *Delta Gamma*; Lauren Winchester, *Kappa Alpha Theta*; Sophie Chen, *Kappa Kappa Gamma*; Nicholas Baldo, *Pi Kappa Theta*; Chris Donelan, *Pi Kappa Alpha*; Justin Moidel, *Zeta Beta Tau*; Tiffany Mon, *Kappa Phi Lambda*; Anita Shih, *alpha Kappa Delta Phi*; Nisha Phatak, *Kappa Kappa Gamma*; and Ryan Handerman, *Kappa Sigma*

### Community Service and Philanthropy

- The Greek community contributed **4,576** hours of community service this semester. Individual chapters raised a total of **\$28,419** for local, national and international charities.
- Delta Delta Delta raised \$15,961 for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and the Lustgarten Foundation for Pancreatic Research; Sigma Phi Epsilon raised \$2,500 for the Lustgarten Foundation and Alex's Lemonade Stand.
- Greek Sing 2009 was held on March 21, 2009, at the Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Hall in Oakland. This year, 17 fraternities and sororities competed in self-choreographed musical numbers, with student-designed costumes and sets, to raise over \$36,000 for the Lustgarten Foundation for Pancreatic Research in honor of Professor Randy Pausch. Delta Delta Delta was the recipient of the Philanthropy Award for raising the most money for the cause. This year's participants and award-winners were:

#### Singles Category

*Theta Xi, 1<sup>st</sup> Place  
Beta Theta Pi, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place  
Delta Tau Delta, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place  
Pi Delta Psi  
alpha Kappa Delta Phi*

#### Doubles Category

*Kappa Delta Rho and Kappa Alpha Theta, 1<sup>st</sup> Place  
Sigma Phi Epsilon and Delta Gamma, 2<sup>nd</sup> Place  
Phi Kappa Theta and Kappa Kappa Gamma, 3<sup>rd</sup> Place  
Alpha Epsilon Pi and Delta Delta Delta  
Kappa Sigma and Alpha Chi Omega  
Pi Kappa Alpha and Sigma Alpha Epsilon*

## Campus Involvement

- During the weekend of February 6 – 7, 2009, over 120 leaders of the Greek community attended the annual Greek Retreat at Camp Lutherlyn. Students partnered with University administrators and discussed the current state of the Greek community. Students also developed goals for their chapters.
- Sixty percent (60%) of active Greek members reported involvement in other campus organizations, of which 32% serve in leadership roles.
- Carnegie Mellon's Annual Spring Carnival 2009, *Epic Adventures*, was a spectacular event! Without the contributions of the Greek community, Carnival would not be such a success. This year's award winners include:

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| <b>Booth:</b> | <b>Fraternities</b><br>1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Kappa Delta Rho<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Place, Alpha Epsilon Pi<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Place, Sigma Phi Epsilon | <b>Sororities</b><br>1 <sup>st</sup> Place, Kappa Kappa Gamma<br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Place, Delta Delta Delta<br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Place, Delta Gamma |
| <b>Buggy:</b> | <b>Men's</b><br>3 <sup>rd</sup> Place, PiKA A 02:07.70   | <b>Women's</b><br>2 <sup>nd</sup> Place, PiKA A 02:31.15  |

## Education/Leadership

- Chapter officers implemented approximately 59 educational programs for their members and the campus community this spring. Topics included cultural programs, risk management, academic development, etiquette and respect, conflict resolution, stress and time-management, financial literacy, leadership, values and ethics, habits and success, ritual and chapter history, community service, health and wellness, mental health, sexual abuse, and alcohol awareness, new member education, recruitment and chapter development.
- The Greek Life Advisory Committee (GLAC) met to discuss and revise the Standards of Excellence (SoE) document. The GLAC is comprised of the presidents from each of the governing councils, the Greek interns, and the Greek Advisors. SoE chapters' performance over the calendar year will now be evaluated by GLAC during winter break. Chapters opting in to the SoE program will be eligible for chapter Greek Awards, which take place annually in May.
- The New Member Conference was held on Sunday, February 15, 2009. New members participated in team-building activities focusing on Greek collaboration.
- Ten representatives from the Greek community attended the Northeast Greek Leadership Association Conference (NGLA) February 19 – 20, 2009, in Hartford, CT. Students from all over the northeast meet to participate in workshops and share ideas related to various topics such as hazing and event planning, as well as, interact with prominent Greek leaders in the country.
- The National Panhellenic Council hosted the annual Badge Day reception on Monday, March 2, 2009. Greek-affiliated faculty and staff, and chapter members wear their badges to promote Greek life on campus.
- On March 28, 2009, Josh Orendi and Jessica Grendon of Phired Up Productions presented their Dynamic Recruitment program to help the fraternity and sorority community examine and strengthen current recruitment processes.
- Panhellenic and IFC co-sponsored an Ice Cream Social for newly admitted students during the April 4<sup>th</sup> Sleeping Bag Weekend.

# Chapter Statistics

|                                | Number of Active Members*** | Chapter QPA <sup>1</sup> | Average Hours of Community Service per Member <sup>2</sup> | % Involved in Other Student Organizations <sup>3</sup> | % Serving in Campus Leadership Roles <sup>3</sup> |            |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--|--|---|------------|
| <b>Panhellenic Sororities</b>  | <b>Averages:</b>            | <b>59.0</b>              | <b>3.25</b>  | <b>3.46</b>  | <b>59%</b>  | <b>46%</b> |
| Alpha Chi Omega                | 29                          | 2.87                     | 5.67   | 52%  | 10%   |            |
| Delta Delta Delta              | 63                          | 3.30                     | 5.17   | 100%   | 81%   |            |
| <i>Delta Gamma***</i>          | 71                          | 3.20                     | <b>5.77</b>  | <b>76%</b>   | <b>45%</b>  |            |
| Kappa Alpha Theta              | 70                          | 3.41                     | 4.24   | 87%  | 77%   |            |
| Kappa Kappa Gamma              | 62                          | 3.25                     | 4.15   | 55%  | 44%   |            |
| <b>IFC Fraternities</b>        | <b>Averages:</b>            | <b>47.5</b>              | <b>3.05</b>  | <b>4.15</b>  | <b>59%</b>  | <b>25%</b> |
| Alpha Epsilon Pi               | 47                          | 3.30                     | 4.12   | 64%  | 21%   |            |
| Beta Theta Pi                  | 91                          | 3.01                     | 2.86   | 88%  | 15%   |            |
| Delta Tau Delta                | 31                          | 3.27                     | 3.48   | 97%  | 52%   |            |
| Kappa Delta Rho                | 52                          | 3.10                     | 0  | 0%   | 0%  |            |
| Kappa Sigma                    | 43                          | 3.07                     | 0  | 0%   | 0%  |            |
| Phi Kappa Theta                | 42                          | 2.54                     | 6.79   | 50%  | 14%   |            |
| Pi Kappa Alpha                 | 50                          | 2.94                     | 3.22   | 56%  | 0%  |            |
| Sigma Alpha Epsilon            | 38                          | 3.00                     | 2.68   | 79%  | 42%   |            |
| <i>Sigma Nu**</i>              | 40                          | <b>3.28</b>              | 7.25   | 38%  | 20%   |            |
| Sigma Phi Epsilon              | 82                          | 3.18                     | 4.39   | 80%  | 59%   |            |
| Sigma Tau Gamma                | 33                          | 2.74                     | 1.73   | 55%  | 0%  |            |
| Theta Xi                       | 38                          | 3.15                     | 10.11  | 47%  | 21%   |            |
| Zeta Beta Tau                  | 30                          | 3.01                     | 12.00  | 100%   | 100%  |            |
| <b>NPHC Chapters</b>           | <b>Averages:</b>            | <b>3</b>                 | <b>2.52</b>  | <b>1.78</b>  | <b>100%</b>                                       | <b>67%</b> |
| Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority     | 3                           | 3.51                     | 5.33   | 100%   | 0%  |            |
| Alpha Phi Alpha                | 3                           | 1.88                     | 0  | 100%   | 0%  |            |
| Kappa Alpha Psi                | 3                           | 2.17                     | 0  | 100%   | 0%  |            |
| <b>Asian-Interest Chapters</b> | <b>Averages:</b>            | <b>21.3</b>              | <b>2.90</b>  | <b>7.68</b>  | <b>13%</b>  | <b>17%</b> |
| alpha Kappa Delta Phi Sorority | 15                          | 3.04                     | 7.20   | 100%   | 100%  |            |
| Kappa Phi Lambda Sorority      | 21                          | 2.58                     | 11.73  | 71%  | 0%  |            |
| Lambda Phi Epsilon Fraternity  | 27                          | 2.88                     | 5.33   | 33%  | 7%  |            |
| Pi Delta Psi Fraternity        | 22                          | 3.09                     | 8.14   | 73%  | 32%   |            |
| <b>All-Greek Averages</b>      | <b>40</b>                   | <b>3.09</b>              | <b>4.21</b>  | <b>60%</b>   | <b>32%</b>  |            |

<sup>1</sup>QPA information provided by Enrollment Services

<sup>2</sup> self-reported; does not include hours spent raising funds for philanthropies

<sup>3</sup> self-reported

\*\*Administrative error

\*\*\*Reporting error