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Alpha Chi Sigma by the numbers

Alpha Chi Sigma has over
58,800 members,
50 collegiate chapters and 1 colony,
9 professional chapters and
8 professional groups!

GR Patrick Johanns

It is coming up on the end of the year and my to-do list is as long as five-year old's list to Santa. In a couple more paragraphs I can cross another item off of it. I know many of you are also in rush to finish classes, take your exams and have some time off. In that rush, don't forget to get your chapter paperwork sent into the National Office. I was surprised at the length of the list of chapters that have initiation paperwork to complete. Don't lose your chapter's chance at a Star Chapter Award by forgetting to submit your paperwork on time.

One item I can put off a little is planning my trip to Pennsylvania in February for chapter installations. Alpha Chi Sigma has climbed to 50 active collegiate chapters with Duquesne University being designated as Gamma Upsilon.

One item that I cannot put off is going through the applications to hire a person to work in the National Office. Jane Pepper is no longer working for Alpha Chi Sigma, we need someone to help run things. A copy of the ad can be found later in this newsletter.

Have a great holiday break!

Collegiate Reminders

- **Nominate a brother for Alpha Chi Sigma Scholar.**
- **Submit your Initiation paperwork,**
- **Signed Risk Management Forms should be kept in your chapter files until the member leaves the chapter.**

Need a form to submit to the National Office?
Go to this link on the Alpha Chi Sigma website:

[I Need Forms!](#)

Need to contact the National Office?
Dial 1 – 800 – ALCHEMY (1-800-252-4369)
Or email: national@alphachisigma.org

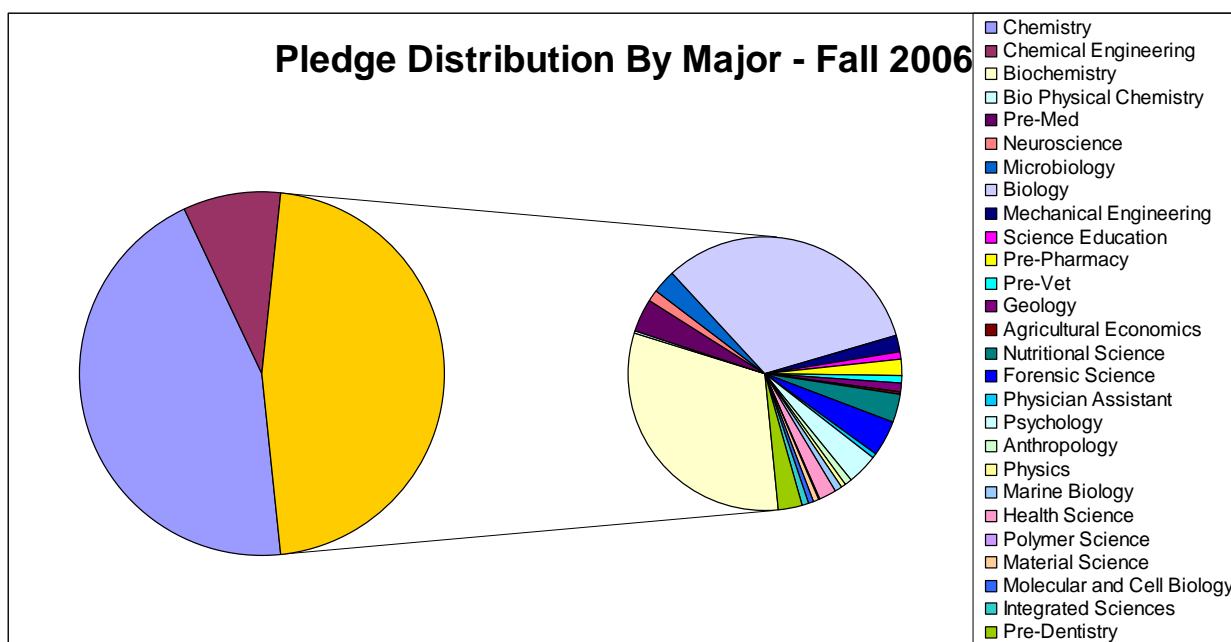
Collegiate Branch Initiative - Establishing a Baseline

GCA John Stipp

Earlier this year, we introduced the Collegiate Branch Initiative (a.k.a. the CDE Program). Details of this were e-mailed to each Chapter and an excellent overview was presented in the October issue of the *Chrome and Blue*.

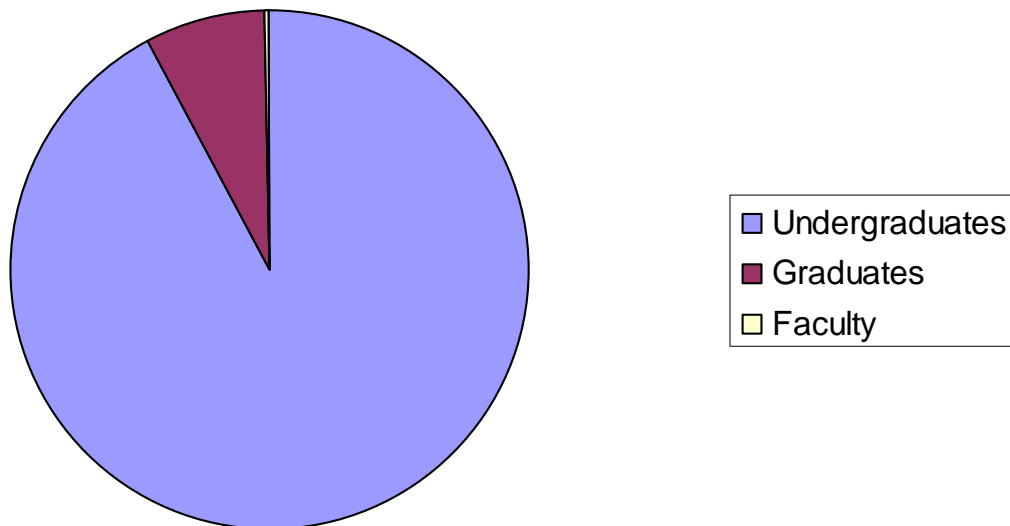
For any program to be successful, it needs to have measurable outcomes. It is difficult to know where you are going if you do not know where you currently are. For the expectations that are proposed, we should have that capability. The metrics that we can use to measure our outcomes should be readily available to us, and historical data should also be easy to compile. To date, I have compiled data for the Fall Semester 2006 Rush numbers that are available, which should give us an idea as to how diversified we are in our rush activities.

Looking over the following pie chart, it appears that we are doing fairly well in our diversity by majors. Although the number of pledges that are not Chemistry or Chemical Engineering majors is heavily dominated by Biochemistry and Biology majors, there are a substantial number of other related majors that our Chapters are pledging. I was very pleased to see this trend, and from this data it can be concluded that many of our Chapters are doing well at recruiting in several chemistry-related majors. By excelling in this area, you can help your Chapter be well positioned as the fields of science become more integrated, and also provide the Alpha Chi Sigma experience to a broader group of future Brothers.



The next pie chart shows the distribution of our pledges by class. The vast majority of our pledges are undergraduates, followed by graduate students. Only one faculty member was pledged this semester. I would suspect that this has been the case for some time, and is not an off semester for faculty pledges. Based upon this, we should try to pay particular attention to recruiting across undergraduate, graduate, and faculty groups. This is not an easy task, and it is my hope that the Grand Chapter can provide some sort of targeted rush materials to help our Chapters recruit from these other groups.

Pledge Distribution by Class - Fall 2006



With that said, I believe that we now have a baseline for where we are in our efforts towards diversity in our Collegiate Chapter membership. We can use this data to see where we may want to put some additional effort in the semesters ahead.

I will do my best to provide feedback on how we progress with the Collegiate Branch Initiative as well as continuing to provide tools for you to help meet these goals. With the proper tools, I believe that all of our Chapters can be successful. If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to send them to gca@alphachisigma.org. Thank you all for your efforts to date, and keep up the great work!

Alpha Chi Sigma Professional Corner

GPA Howard McLean continues to build a professional presence for Alpha Chi Sigma. The American Chemical Society holds two meetings annually, and, Alpha Chi Sigma sponsors a luncheon at these meetings on the Tuesday of each meeting week. Additionally, Alpha Chi Sigma Educational Foundation sponsors the ACS Award in Pure Chemistry.

American Chemical Society
233rd National Meeting & Exposition
March 25-29, 2007
Chicago, IL USA

Snippets

- New Collegiate Activities Committee (CAC) Forms and Applications are on the [National Website](#).
- DC forms are now on the [National Website](#).
- Wyvern Forms should be submitted to the National Office in a group. Keep a copy for your chapter records.
- Year-end Financial - Reimbursement and Gift-in-Kind reports for 2006 from SC, DC, PR, GR, GW, & Conclave delegates should be authorized and received in the National Office by December 30, 2006.



Supreme Council News



The Supreme Council is very pleased to announce that we have a new chapter, Gamma Upsilon, at Duquesne University. Gamma Upsilon and Gamma Sigma will be formally installed on February 10, 2007.

Supreme Council Propositions

Proposition 4138 Made by: Sherrie E. Settle, Grand Master Alchemist 11/20/2006
A petition having been approved by unanimous vote of the active subordinate chapters, the Supreme Council issues a Charter to the Duquesne University Colony of Gamma Chapter at Duquesne University, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, as the Gamma Upsilon Chapter of Alpha Chi Sigma Fraternity effective November 20, 2006.
Passed Unanimously

Proposition 4139 Made by Jennifer Showerman, Grand Master of Ceremonies 11/20/2006
An Extraordinary Meeting of the Grand Chapter shall be held on February, 10, 2007, in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, for the purpose of installing Gamma Sigma Chapter at Kent State University as the 90th collegiate chapter of the Fraternity and Gamma Upsilon Chapter at Duquesne University as the 92nd collegiate chapter of the Fraternity. The Supreme Council, Grand Vizier and the Grand Recorder may attend the installation at Grand Chapter expense.
Passed Unanimously

Active Member Registers and Initiation Reports

We still have not received the **MANDATORY ACTIVE MEMBER REGISTERS** from the following chapters:

Mu	Beta Delta
Nu	Beta Omega
Alpha Beta	Gamma Mu Colony
Alpha Epsilon	

Please correct the report and return it to the National Office as soon as possible. Contact the National Office if you need another copy.

Also, we still have **INITIATION PAPERWORK** pending for the following chapters:

Nu	Alpha Rho	Gamma Mu
Rho	Alpha Upsilon	Gamma Rho
Alpha Beta	Gamma Delta	Gamma Sigma
Alpha Zeta	Gamma Iota	Gamma Upsilon
Alpha Pi		

Please contact the National Office ASAP after December 4th to help us complete the recordings and get the membership cards and certificates shipped to our new members.

Chapters who have held Initiations, please submit POST forms ASAP:

Epsilon	Alpha Omega	Beta Psi
Pi	Beta Nu	Gamma Theta
Sigma	Beta Rho	Gamma Xi

!! Important Reminders from the National Office !!

EMAIL ADDRESS UPDATES! The National Office is going to be sending more and more information and forms to chapters and their officers via email. **IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT CHAPTER OFFICER FORMS AND EMAIL ADDRESSES ARE KEPT UP TO DATE.**

Additionally, we are asking that in ALL email correspondence regarding your chapter to the National Office – please include your **CHAPTER NAME** in the subject line of the email for example: “Beta Nu Chapter Officer List” or “Beta Gamma questions regarding pledge manuals”. We have 49 chapters and this process will help us not only respond to you faster, but will also help us to file things accordingly. Thank you in advance for your cooperation on this!

Position Available

Administrative Assistant/Manager in Training Alpha Chi Sigma National Office

This position is an opportunity to be trained on the job with the skills to assume the role of our national office manager.

A successful candidate will have:

1. A desire to grow into a long term position with increasing responsibility leading toward the Officer Manager's position.
2. Ability to manage multiple tasks with competing deadlines. Experience in website technology.
3. Good software skills including Word, Excel, and database management.
4. Willingness to learn new skills and software.
5. Typing ability of at least 50 wpm.
6. Excellent verbal and written skills.
7. Good people skills.

This position will entail

- Close work with the Supreme Council
- Use of bookkeeping software
- All aspects of the annual solicitation
- Providing membership services
- Assisting in all aspects of conducting Conclave
- Eventual staff and office management responsibilities

Salary and Benefits include retirement, paid vacation and holidays, and sick leave. The position will begin January 2, 2007. To apply, please mail or email cover letter, resume, and at least three references by December 5, 2006 to Alpha Chi Sigma Fraternity, 2141 N Franklin Rd., Indianapolis, IN 46219. National@alphachisigma.org.

ALPHA CHI SIGMA CALENDAR		
DEC	2	Alpha, Mu, Tau, Alpha Theta, Beta Chi, Gamma Kappa, and Gamma Mu Colony Initiations
	4	Alpha Rho Initiation
	10	Nu Initiation
	11	Happy 104th birthday Alpha Chi Sigma!
	15 - 17	Supreme Council Meeting at National Office in Indianapolis
	22-31	National Office closed for the holidays thru January 2, 2007
JAN 2007	3	Deadline for submissions for Spring issue of THE HEXAGON to National Office
	10	Birthday of founder Edward G. Mattke, born in 1881
	15	Deadline for 2007 Alpha Chi Sigma Scholar Award nominations
FEB	10	Installation of Gamma Sigma (Kent State) and Gamma Upsilon (Duquesne University) in Pittsburgh, PA
	17	Delta Centennial Celebration (Contact Kimberly Lavine at kalvxf@mizzou.edu .)
	24	Installation of Gamma Tau Chapter at Indiana University of Pennsylvania
MAR	25-29	233 rd ACS National Meeting, Chicago, IL
	31	Gamma Iota 20 th Anniversary Celebration (Contact Justin Lemkul at jalemkul@vt.edu .)

Finally, since we have room, this message from Jake at Alpha Chapter.

Alpha Chapter is having our initiation this Friday night at 6pm and Saturday morning at 9am if anyone is interested in attending. If anyone wishes to help out, e-mail jessicamayer@wisc.edu. We'll be having our banquet this Saturday following Formal initiation. Also, if you could put a reminder in that Alpha Chapter rocks, just in case anyone forgot.

Yours in the Double Bond,
 Jake Henrichs
 MA Alpha Chapter
 A '04

Do you have ideas or events to share with your brothers? Please feel free to share them by emailing me (gr@alphachisigma.org) or posting them to discussion board at the [Alpha Chi Sigma Website](#). Have a great fall!
Yours in the Double Bond, Pat