

Fraternity and Sorority Life

The University of Miami

GREEK COMMUNITY NEWSLETTER

Welcome back!! Hope you all had a relaxing summer, because September has already been jammed with activities, especially those related to recruitment, and we've only just begun the semester. This is going to be a great year!

Welcome to UM!



We start this new academic year welcoming new additions to our Dean of Students Staff, Dr. **Tony Lake, Associate Dean of Students and Director for Judicial Affairs** and **Karen Taylor, Staff Associate**.

Dean Lake joins us from Michigan State University where he served as the Assistant Director of Student Life. He is a member of Theta Chi. He will be working with various Fraternity and Sorority Life Programs.

Karen Taylor joins us from Athletics. She will handle many of our day-to-day Fraternity and Sorority Life paperwork and is a supporter of all our activities.

Please stop by the Dean of Students Office and welcome our new members. We are so happy and excited that they are here!



Successful Alumni

Kudos to our hard-working alumni and advisors. Let us follow their examples!

Devang Desai, Chapter Advisor to Pi Kappa Alpha, was awarded the **2008 Outstanding Young Alumni Award** from the University of Miami.

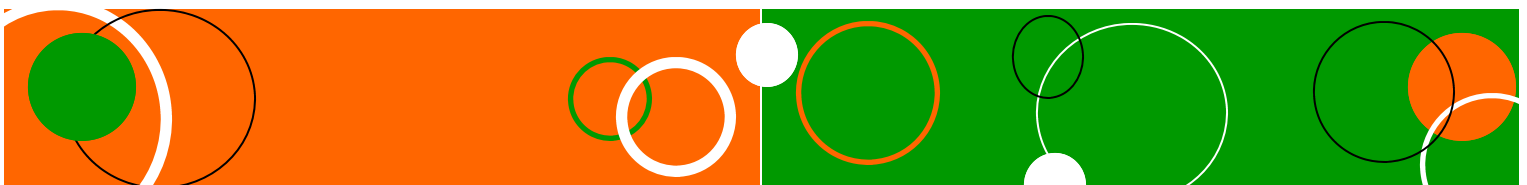
Congratulations to **Dr. Larry Baratta**, Chapter Advisor to the Florida Delta chapter, for receiving the **Raymond L. Gardner Alumnus of the Year Award** from Phi Delta Theta National Fraternity. The award recognizes his service to the fraternity and the world.

Margaux Manley, Chapter Advisor to the Alpha Mu chapter of **Sigma Delta Tau**, was elected to the **Sigma Delta Tau National Board**. She serves as the National Vice President for Collegiate Programming.

Congratulations to **Jeffrey Flanagan**, Beta Theta Pi Risk Management Advisor and newly appointed **District Chief** for South Florida. Jeff will be working with the following universities in his new position: Florida Atlantic, Nova Southeastern, Florida International and the University of Miami!

Congratulations to **Shari Robins**, chapter advisor to Zeta Tau Alpha, who has been appointed to serve as a Province President serving chapters in Florida!

Congratulations to **Sam Philips**, the Kappa Sigma Chapter Advisor, for being awarded **Outstanding Alumnus Advisor**. This award is presented to Advisors who consistently perform their duties with extreme dedication and commitment.



Awards!!

Sigma Delta Tau

Congratulations to the Alpha Mu chapter of Sigma Delta Tau for receiving the **Diamond Award**, the highest Award presented to an active chapter of Sigma Delta Tau. The chapter also received **Outstanding Chapter** and the **Prevent Child Abuse America Award**.

Kappa Sigma

This summer Kappa Sigma was awarded the **Founders' Award for Chapter Excellence** (a top honor). The chapter also received the **Campus Involvement Excellence Award**.

Alpha Delta Pi

Alpha Delta Pi accomplishments the past academic year were recognized by their national headquarters and they received the following honors: **Philanthropy, Adelphean, Panhellenic, Scholarship, Finance, Alpha Education Programming Achievement and Recruitment Achievement**. The chapter also received a **Diamond 4-point**.

Kappa Kappa Gamma

Kappa Kappa Gamma received the **Signature Philanthropy Event Award—Honorable Mention** for their Scholastic Book Fair benefiting Reading is Fundamental at their national convention.

Sigma Alpha Mu

The Gentlemen of Sigma Alpha Mu this past summer received the **Outstanding Community Service Award** and the **Alzheimer's Association's Judy Fund Top Donor Award**.

Delta Delta Delta

Delta Delta Delta received the **Intellectual Life Award** and **Outstanding Academic Achievement**.

Sigma Alpha Epsilon

Sigma Alpha Epsilon was presented with several awards this summer at their convention. The chapter received **Chapter Achievement Award** (awarded to 10% of all SAE chapters), **Chapter Scholarship Award** and **Chapter Singing Award Runner Up**.

Sigma Lambda Gamma

At their national convention this summer Sigma Lambda Gamma was awarded the **National Academic Silver Honors Award**. This is the highest academic honor awarded to chapters.

Zeta Tau Alpha

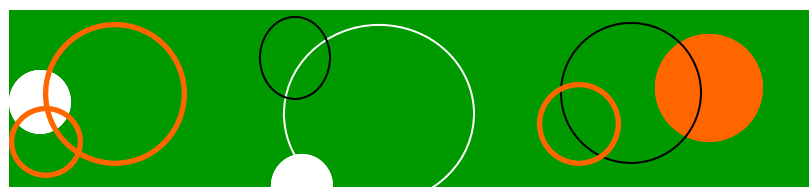
Zeta Tau Alpha was awarded this summer at their national convention the **Quota Total, Academic Achievement and Financial Excellence Awards**. The chapter also received the **Crown Chapter Award**.

Delta Phi Epsilon

Congratulations to Delta Phi Epsilon for being recognized for an **Average GPA of 3.2 or higher for the past Biennium** at their national Convention.

Beta Theta Pi

The University of Miami Colony of Beta Theta Pi received their charter at this summer's 169th Convention and are now known as the **Eta Beta** Chapter of Beta Theta Pi! The chapter also received a **Sisson Award** which is presented based on Chapter Excellence.



Individual Student Awards

Congratulations to the following student leaders on their achievements

Chris Bomhoff, Lambda Chi Alpha, selected to serve on the Student Advisory Committee.

Michelle Edwards, Sigma Delta Tau, Outstanding Treasurer

Lauren Marzano, Sigma Delta Tau, Inducted to the Sigma Delta Tau Hall of Fame

Kelly Bree, Delta Phi Epsilon, Collegiate of the Biennium

Michael Bookman, Kappa Sigma, Outstanding Grand Master (President)

Michael Montali, Kappa Sigma, Master of the Ritual

Bradley Schartz and **Lorenz Zaragoza**, Sigma Alpha Mu, Outstanding Recorder Award

Elected Position

Congratulations to **Mia S. Smith** of **Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.** for being elected to serve as the **National 2nd Vice President of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.** for the 2008-2010 year. The chapter was chartered in 2004! Way to go Mia.

Latino Explosion

Come check out Latino Explosion on October 10, 2008 at 7pm. Check out the fashion show and Step/Stroll exhibition. This is one of the scheduled events for Hispanic Heritage Month. Join in the fun.

Risk Management Workshop

Workshop 1: Monday, October 6 @ 2pm: UC 237

Workshop 2: Tuesday, October 7 @ 7pm: Flamingo Ballroom A

Chapter presidents, risk managers, social chairs, and anyone who is 21-years old and would like to be a server at a registered social event in a fraternity house must attend.

The above mentioned people only need to attend one of the sessions. They are being offered three different days for your convenience.

Greeks and Goblins

Mark your calendars..

Greeks and Goblins will be held **October 31!** It will be held in the Panhellenic Building. More information to come next week.

New Member Symposium

October 5, 2008

2pm—5pm

Learning Center

President Roundtables, Risk Managers, and educational programming for new members..

DWR

Congratulations to **Alex Candee**, Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity member, on his election as **Vice Chair of the Department of Wellness Student Advisory Committee.**

Honor Council

Congratulations to all the fraternity and sorority women serving on the Honor Council this academic year!

Kaley Barbera
Karissa Blasko
Jeremy Crystal
Kate Davis
Jason Drabman
Lisle Friedman
Graham Purdy
Tori Riley
Rachel Russo
Kristen Selema
Andrew Willert

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