

Dulea Classic Looks to Expand

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With the Dulea Classic going through a transition to new coordinators, the young men of Phi Delta Theta carry on the tradition with growth on their minds. Taking steps to cut costs and gain more awareness for Lou Gehrig's disease is a main focus of this year's event. "We know there is so much potential with this event, and we are doing everything we can to take it to the next level," said junior director Seth Rongkawit.

By getting a higher percentage of the chapter involved, we hope to gain more interest and spread the work between more people. We have a total of twelve undergraduates on the committee working diligently to contact donors, complete mailings, and offer innovative ideas for growth. Freshman Nick Tygard commented, "Getting involved with Dulea has been a great chance to contribute to the house. I didn't realize how much effort went into the process."

Brothers team up with girls from the Wichita State Sororities to make Dulea a success.

The Dulea auction for this year is scheduled for 7:00pm Friday, April 17th at the Petroleum Club. The golf tournament will be held Monday, April 27th at Willowbend Golf Club. For information on the tournament or sponsorship details please contact Dulea Chairman, Nathan Steele, at nathan@dulleaclassic.com.



New Member Class Strides Towards Initiation

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After an exciting fall class initiation, the new member class is starting out with high goals and expectations. Starting this spring semester we have 6 guys in the spring class, which is the highest amount that we have had in the last couple of years. Our chapter revamped the goal of the Accolade program by shortening the program and focusing more on guest speakers. With help from our new member advisor, Jason Wilson, this se-

mester we also focused on showing the benefits of joining and all of the networking opportunities made available for them. This gives the new members a chance to become fully invested in the fraternity before proceeding to the Phikeia induction. The Accolade program teaches many of the fundamentals of college life such as basic etiquette, personal finance, time management, study habits, risk mitigation and team leadership development. These lessons involve different opportunities for the new members to receive lectures from

distinguished speakers and participate in hands on exercise. This semester Adam Stewart, our financial advisor, gave a presentation on networking, budgeting, and how chapter leadership roles can transfer to real world experience. We also had Jill Pletcher, the Director of Career Services at WSU, attend meeting to discuss resume building. She proc-tored the personality-profile and resume building workshop. Each speaker did an outstanding job and helped the members in various ways.



As they proceed into Phikeiaship, the requirements increase as their commitment and dedication grow. They are moving on to more in-depth material and lessons. They are starting to learn the traditions and history of Phi Delta Theta as well as understanding its values and morals. Though they have proven themselves through Accolade, they must now prove themselves as a true Phikeia before they are granted initiation and the opportunity to become more.

Scholastic Principles Continue

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The 2008-2009 scholastic year has been a time of trials as well as great successes for Kansas Delta. In the area of academics however, it has been an incredibly successful year. The chapter achieved an overall GPA of 3.05, the second highest of the past 5 years, and the highest of any IFC fraternity for the semester. Another highlight is the individual performance of the members of the chapter.

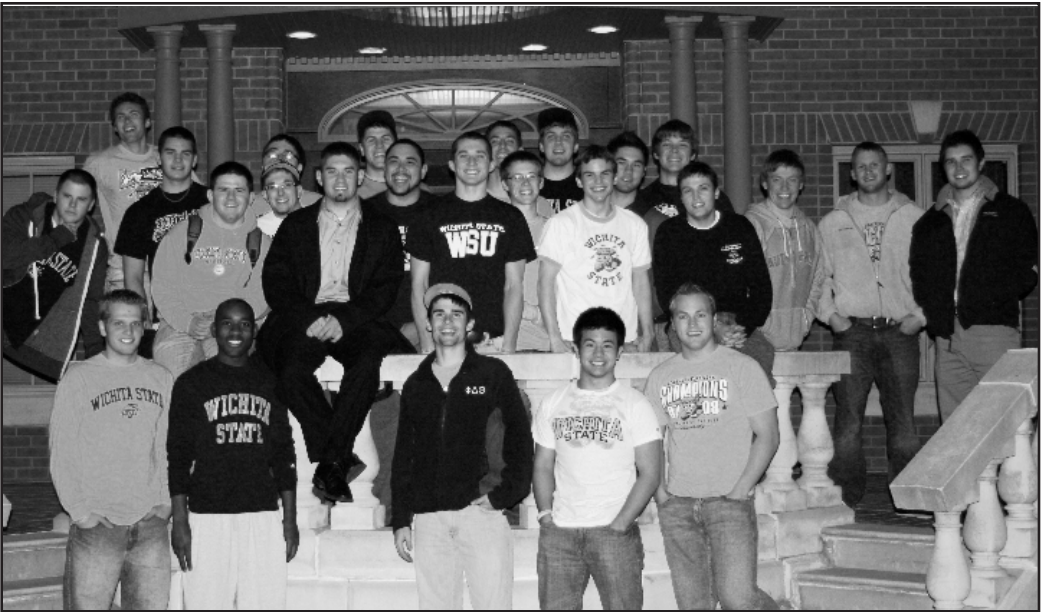
32 members achieved a GPA of 3.00 or greater, and of those, 9 individuals achieved a perfect 4.00. This demonstrates very clearly that academics is a focus of our organization. These numbers also represent a sizeable increase over the performance from a few years ago which is a credit to our newer members.

On March 30th, we will be having our annual Scholarship Dinner which honors those

who have achieved excellent academic marks and provides the members with the opportunity to network with various professors and campus administration officials in an inviting atmosphere. We will be privileged once again to have the President of the University and his wife, Dr. and Mrs. Beggs in attendance as well. Going forward we have instituted a few new programs that are designed to keep the chapter headed in the right direction. As a reward for members who achieve high marks on exams and quizzes

throughout the semester, study hours will be reduced or eliminated accordingly. Also, members have been organized into two man groups called "Study Buddies" in an effort to see which team can achieve the highest GPA at the end of the semester. The winning team will be honored in front of the chapter as well as receive a prize.

As the Scholarship Chairman of Kansas Delta Phi Delta Theta, I am honored and very pleased to be able to work alongside my chapter to constantly improve our scholastic standing. I am very proud of how hard everyone worked to make both our past and current semesters such huge successes.



Pictured above are the men of Kansas Delta who achieved a 3.0 GPA or higher for the Fall 2008