

Kappa Psi Pharmaceutical Fraternity Province V Vice Satrap Officer Report

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Friday-Saturday, October 20-21, 2006

Brothers and the Executive Committee of Province V,

The new academic year has gotten off to a positive beginning with philanthropic activities and reporting. As the Vice Satrap, my role is to lead the Chapters of the Province in the chosen philanthropy by facilitating communications and coordinating chapters and charities, as much as possible from afar. In the 2006-07 academic year, our Province V Philanthropy Project is once again “Pediatrics”, as it was during the 2005-06 year. Pediatrics proved to be a highly successful project last year, and I expect this year to be no different.



The Vice Satrap also recognizes outstanding Chapters on all of their philanthropic service over the preceding academic year at each Assembly, including general community service and professional pharmacy service.

On August 21, 2006, I released the first new philanthropy newsletter since the autumn of 2004. This newsletter helps to explain how to report any kind of service by Chapters to the Vice Satrap. It also recapped the philanthropy that the chapters performed from the 2005-2006 academic year and the award winners. The hope is that if any chapters are struggling to come up with Pediatric-based philanthropic service, they can look to other chapters' success stories from last year and emulate one of those with their own chapter.

The newsletter may be found at:

http://www.kappapsi5.com/download/phil_newsletter_06aug.pdf

The Newsletter also explains which forms should be used to report its service to the Vice Satrap.

Since early August through today, we continue to attempt to establish Chapter Philanthropy Contact Persons for each Chapter. The purpose of these contact persons is to have a single point of contact between myself and each Chapter dedicated solely to communicating what philanthropic activities the Chapter is performing. Currently, nine of the twelve active Collegiate Chapters have contact persons established, with a tenth chapter having at least a temporary contact person. Upsilon and Beta Lambda still need to designate a brother in for this role. I am using the Regents for the Contact Persons of the Graduate Chapters, if they would like to report any service.

2006-2007 Chapter Philanthropy Contact Persons

Xi – Sherry Mori (mori.14@osu.edu)

Pi – Lisa Caudell (lcaudell@purdue.edu)

Upsilon – **none**

Chi – Grace H. Kim (gkim6@uic.edu, grace.gkim6@gmail.com)

Beta Lambda – **none**

Beta Upsilon – Jen Thomas (jhthomas@butler.edu)

Beta Phi – Danielle Wright (wrightdi@email.uc.edu)

Beta Psi – Eva M. Zoellner (EMZoellner@wisc.edu)

Gamma Iota – Laurie Loedeman (loedeman@buffalo.edu)

Gamma Chi – Jennifer Sweeney (jensiferbubba_04@hotmail.com)

Delta Nu – Bhavin (**temporary contact**)

Mu Omicron Pi – Johnny Khoury (aj2736@wayne.edu)

On September 25, 2006, I released a new form for the Chapter Philanthropy Contact Persons to report the service of their chapter with, in addition to the forms outlined in the August 2006 Newsletter. The new form is called the “Summary of Service Form”. This new form may be used to report both service towards the Province V Philanthropy Project or any other kind of community or philanthropic or professional service. The goal of the form is to try to make it easier for our chapters to report information and to standardize the information they do report. Any brother of the Chapter may fill out the form, but the idea is that the Chapter Philanthropy Contact Person would do so. It is hoped by creating this new form that the service reporting rate will improve. Then-Vice-Satrap Jim Walsh reported last year that the reporting rate was poor, especially after Midyear.

The Summary of Service Form may be found at:

http://www.kappapsi5.com/download/summary_of_service_form.doc (use if reporting more than 3 service events at a time... copy-and-paste page two as needed)

http://www.kappapsi5.com/download/summary_of_service_form1.pdf

http://www.kappapsi5.com/download/summary_of_service_form2.pdf (interactive fields)

Over the past couple of months, there has also been a small group of brothers led by Webmaster Jen Suminski meeting online to discuss ways to improve chapter service reporting. This group has been informally calling ourselves the “Philanthropic Communications Committee” and has also involved brothers from Xi, Beta Upsilon, Gamma Chi, and Delta Nu Chapters. There have been two online meetings since late August, and I have participated in both. During these meetings, strategies have been discussed to promote the reporting of all types of service to the Vice Satrap. This committee heavily influenced the decision to create the Summary of Service Form and offered feedback on ways to improve it. The committee may continue to meet online after Midyear.

Webmaster Jen Suminski also has created a new Philanthropy page on the Province V website, located here: <http://www.kappapsi5.com/main/philanthropy.php>

On this page, short summaries of the service each chapter is performing throughout the year will be provided. The page will be updated continuously between Midyear and Assembly. As of October 3, 2006, none of the Chapter Philanthropy Contact Persons have provided an update on the activities of their Chapter, but I am confident that will change shortly. The Philanthropy Page will be updated as the service reports come in. I am expecting numerous Chapters will provide updates on their philanthropic activities at Midyear this weekend.

Finally, as some of you may realize, I was appointed to the position of Kappa Psi International Webmaster by the international Executive Committee, effective August 25, 2006. It was quite unexpected that I found myself in this position, but the opportunity to improve the previous website and fix numerous issues was one that I could not turn down. Over the course of the coming months and years, we are hoping to add some valuable enhancements to the website which would combine database information from Central Office with the website, to offer real-time information for each Chapter like membership rosters, chapter balances, and much more. This is an opportunity to do something highly valuable for the entire fraternity, but will also require a rather large amount of my time. The last three months have been an enormous challenge, and unfortunately this new position could adversely impact my ability to serve as an officer of this Province in the future.

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Craig Burkin". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Craig" being more prominent than the last name "Burkin".

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