

THE e-COMMUNICATOR

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The April 2024 e-Communicator of the Phi Delta Chi Fraternity is now available. This month's issue includes Grand Council from July 31 to August 3, the Schlegel Award for graduating Brothers, the Alumni Foundations Program, and more!

GRAND COUNCIL RULE CHANGE

Grand Council is the *Ultimate Fraternal Experience* and brings together Brothers from across the country to conduct the business of the Fraternity. The 75th Grand Council in 2024 will occur from July 31st through August 3rd in Charleston, South Carolina!

To ensure that all Brothers are focused and engaged during the conference, your Executive Council has voted to implement a no-devices policy during the entirety of Grand Council. Any Brother caught with a cell phone, laptop, etc. at any point during the conference will have their device confiscated. Confiscated devices can be picked up at the following Grand Council in 2025. Any devices that are not picked up will be sold, with all proceeds going toward the Derek Zoolander Center For Kids Who Can't Read Good. Please contact Grand Vice President for Collegiate Affairs, Dimitri Savva, with any questions you have about the no-devices policy!

APRIL FOOLS!

Happy April Fools' Day! We hope that article brought a smile to your face. Now that we have your attention, please enjoy the real April e-Communicator.

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GRAND COUNCIL 2024 WILL BE IN CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA. <u>START PLANNING NOW!</u>



Grand Council registration is live!

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What happens at Grand Council? During Grand Council, our Chapter's Collegiate and Alumni delegates as well as Alumni Chapters will vote on business. Brothers will be able to participate in reference committees, Regional Caucuses, officer training courses, professional development opportunities, the Leader Development Day, continuing education, and more. Start planning and fundraising now to attend the Ultimate Brotherhood Experience!

Registration Fees:

Early Bird registration ends June 15. Prices will increase on June 16.

Collegiate/Candidate Early Bird Registration

\$325.00 (\$395 after June 15) · Includes Wednesday ice cream social, Thursday through Saturday lunch, and the banquet on Saturday. DOES NOT INCLUDE LEADER DEVELOPMENT DAY.

Alumni Early Bird Registration

\$425.00 (\$495 after June 15) · Includes Wednesday ice cream social, Thursday through Saturday lunch, the alumni reception on Friday, the banquet on Saturday, and all Continuing Education sessions. DOES NOT INCLUDE LEADER DEVELOPMENT DAY.

Alumni WEEKEND Early Bird Registration

\$275.00 · Includes Friday lunch and alumni reception, Saturday lunch and banquet, and all Friday/Saturday Continuing Education sessions. DOES NOT INCLUDE LEADER DEVELOPMENT DAY.

Banquet Only

\$100.00 · Join us at the awards banquet on Saturday night!

Leader Development Day

\$200.00 optional add-on · Don't miss this exciting session filled with fun activities and engaging discussion that will teach you the secrets of preventing and addressing the most common breakdowns to effective teamwork. This optional session will take place on Wednesday from 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM (before Grand Council begins). Space is limited to the first 30 participants. Must purchase this ticket to attend. Learn more.

Please remember that according to the Bylaws -

Chapter VI, Number 5 (b) "Any collegiate Chapter failing to be represented by a Delegate in at least one Grand Council, one Regional Conference, and one Leader Development Seminar within a four-year fraternity cycle may be declared inactive and its Charter forfeited and vacated."

See you in Charleston, SC!

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AAAE CAMPAIGN

As collegiate Brothers move to alumni status, they owe to this Fraternity their support and their advice. Our common bond is never severed, and our oaths and obligations persist. So long as each of us is a true Brother, we are Brothers for Life! The purpose of the AAAE Campaign is to increase National Alumni Dues paying Brothers. **Collegiate chapters will receive credit for each alumnus paying their National Alumni Dues. Life Member dues will count double and are included for 5 years.**

For the first 15 dues-paying alumni, the collegiate chapter will receive one complimentary Grand Council/LDS registration that summer. Additional registrations can be earned with 25 more dues paying alumni. Chapters will be notified by email when they reach these levels. Newer collegiate chapters will receive one complimentary registration for their first two national meetings. This will allow time to graduate Brothers and begin the process of building their alumni base.

More information and up-to-date standings can be found <u>here</u>. If you have any questions, please contact your <u>Regional Director</u> <u>for Alumni Affairs</u>.

John F. ("Jack") Schlegel Leadership Development Award - Call for Nominations Collegiate Brothers who conclude their final professional year of study in spring 2024 are eligible!

CALLING ALL CHAPTERS! Nominate a young leader for the Schlegel Leadership Development Award. Thanks to the generosity of Alpha Psi alumnus Jack Schlegel and his wife, Priscilla, PLEI established the Schlegel Leadership Development Award to recognize collegiate Brothers of $\Phi\Delta X$ who demonstrate exceptional leadership potential in the pharmacy profession. The award includes a \$1,000 honorarium and is open to collegiate Brothers who are concluding their final professional year of study in spring 2024.

We encourage you to identify and nominate a deserving candidate from your chapter for this prestigious award. It is a wonderful opportunity to recognize the outstanding leadership potential of our collegiate Brothers. To be eligible for the award, the nominee must have exhibited exemplary behaviors and actions as a student and professional in training that have gained the respect of their peers.

In establishing the award, Jack noted that many student pharmacists are so focused on working their way through their educational program that they do not have time to take on formal leadership positions with organizations, but instead demonstrate their potential by exhibiting leadership in other than elected positions. He distinctly wishes all forms of leadership to be considered for this award.

Once your nominee has been identified, you should work with them to complete the nomination packet. Nomination packets should contain the application form, a personal statement (not exceeding 500 words) from the nominee including a vision of what they aspire to accomplish within 10 years after graduation, and three letters of recommendation addressing the nominee's potential for exceptional leadership in the profession after graduation. One letter of recommendation must come from the Chapter Advisor.

The deadline for receiving nominations is May 31, 2024. The award will be presented by the Pharmacy Leadership & Education Institute (PLEI) at the 75th Grand Council in Charleston, South Carolina on August 3, 2024. **The pathway for submitting nomination packets can be found at** <u>https://plei.org/schlegel/</u>.



The term "glimmers" can be thought of as small moments which spark joy or peace in an effort to calm our mind or promote a feeling of safety. One could call "glimmers" the opposite of triggers. Glimmers from Brothers all over the country are featured in this month's e-Cator!

The glimmer pictured above is Brother Peg Carver, who was recently awarded the 2024 Teaching Excellence Award from University of Michigan College of Pharmacy.

GLIMMERS

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Phi Delta Chi would love to hear about glimmers from your everyday life, both large and small.

You can submit glimmers by either filling out <u>this form</u> and starting it with the word "Glimmer" or by contacting the Project Director for the *e-Communicator*, Sophie Jacome-Singletary (<u>pdec@phideltachi.org</u>) with the subject "Glimmers" to be included on the next *e-Communicator*.

More glimmers from this month can be found on our Facebook page!

PRESCOTT AWARD WINNER: NISHA BHIDE (BETA NU)



The Pharmacy Leadership & Education Institute and Phi Lambda Sigma Pharmacy Leadership Society are proud to announce Nisha Bhide as the 2024 recipient of the Albert B. Prescott Pharmacy Leadership Award recipient.

Dr. Bhide is recognized for her work on the USP Healthcare Quality and Safety Expert Committee that wrote the U.S. COVID-19 Vaccine Handling Toolkit and International COVID-19 Vaccine Handling Guide. She is also recognized for her contributions to innovative and transparent PBM formulary pricing strategy models and technology that helped change the way that prescription drugs are priced and patients are cared for in America.

Read more about Dr. Bhide here.

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Alumni Reports & Outstanding Alumni Chapter Nominations Due May 31

Alumni Chapters should submit <u>Alumni Foundation Program reports</u> between now and May 31. The Alumni Foundations Program is the primary tool by which Phi Delta Chi assesses Alumni Chapter activity, maintains communication, and identifies opportunities to support chapters. The AFP report is <u>required</u> of all Alumni Chapters wishing to maintain active status.

Nominations for the <u>Outstanding Alumni Chapter Award</u> are also due May 31. For Alumni Chapter convenience, nominations may be <u>submitted</u> on the same form as the AFP report. See the submission form for guidelines. The Outstanding Alumni Chapter Award will be presented at the 75th Grand Council in Charleston, SC.

Please contact <u>Kate Grafel</u>, Project Director for Alumni Relations, with any questions.

AAP CALENDAR 2023-2024

Chapter Publication Closed August 31, 2023

Scholarship Report Closed October 31, 2023

Leadership Report_ Closed December 31, 2023

Brotherhood Report Closed February 29, 2024

Professional/Service Report Due April 30, 2024

AAP INSTRUCTIONS

<u>AAP instructions</u> and last year's AAP scores are available on GreekTrack. If you have any questions, please contact your <u>Regional</u> <u>Correspondent</u> or the <u>Grand Vice President for Student Affairs</u>, Kali Cira (<u>gvpsa@phideltachi.org</u>).

GRAND COUNCIL 2024 POLICY DEVELOPMENT TOPICS

The following are the policy development topics to be discussed at Grand Council 2024 in Charleston, SC. These can be found on GreekTrack using the links below.

Organizational Affairs

Collegiate Affairs

I AM PHI DELTA CHI: AN ORAL HISTORY PROJECT

What does "Each Needs the Help of the Other" mean to you? When was the first time you sang the Spirit Song with people outside of your Chapter? What is your fondest memory as a collegiate Brother? Who mentored you as a collegiate Brother or young alumni?

Whatever the story is, we want to hear it!

We have partnered with PCI (also known as Publishing Concepts) to produce I am Phi Delta Chi: An Oral History Publication for the Phi Delta Chi Pharmacy Fraternity. Over the next few months, PCI will collect stories from our Brothers to memorialize the history of the fraternity experience through the years. Hardbound books and digital publications will be available for our Brothers to purchase. To participate, please call the Phi Delta Chi Pharmacy Fraternity Hotline at 1-866-579-2787 by May 24, 2024. If you have questions about the project or how you can get involved, please contact Executive Director Kenny Walkup.

STORY COUNTER

How many Brothers have submitted a story so far? **1,642**

97.3% of respondents would recommend others call in!

Are you interested in sponsoring the e-Communicator or The Communicator?

If your organization would like to sponsor and be featured in the *e-Communicator* or *The Communicator*, please email:

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