

## UPCOMING EVENTS

SPRING 2024 <u>PDC Regional</u> <u>Conferences</u> Various Locations

**03.22.24 – 03.25.24** <u>APhA Annual</u> Orlando, Florida

07.31.24 – 08.03.24 <u>75<sup>th</sup> Grand Council</u> Charleston, South Carolina

#### PHI DEX AT MIDYEAR!

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### **THE e-COMMUNICATOR** OF THE PHI DELTA CHI FRATERNITY JANUARY 2024 [VOL 15; ISSUE 1]

## **REGIONAL CONFERENCES WILL BE HAPPENING DURING SPRING 2024**

Regional Conferences provide an affordable opportunity for Brothers to attend a nearby conclave of multiple Chapters. One could call the Regional Conference "A Taste of Phi Delta Chi," as Brothers are given the opportunity to sample the offerings of Phi Delta Chi as a national organization, including leadership training, officer training, and Brotherhood. Regional and national fraternity business is also discussed during this weekend program.

To find your Regional Conference, check out the <u>Regional</u> <u>Conference page</u> on GreekTrack. If you have any questions, please contact Grand Vice President for Collegiate Affairs, Dimitri Savva (<u>gvpca@phideltachi.org</u>), or Project Director for Regional Conferences, Chephra McKee (<u>pdrc@phideltachi.org</u>).

Great Lakes	Mid-Atlantic	Midwest	Mountain
3/8/24-3/10/24	3/1/24-3/3/24	2/16/24-2/18/24	2/16/24-2/18/24
Buffalo, NY	Durham, NC	Bloomington, MN	Albuquerque, NM
Host Chapter:	Host Chapter:	Host Chapter:	Host Chapter:
Gamma Phi	Alpha Gamma	Delta	Alpha Nu
Northeast	Pacific	Southcentral	Southeast
3/8/24-3/10/24	4/5/24-4/7/24	4/12/24-4/14/24	3/1/24-3/3/24
King of Prussia, PA	Portland, OR	San Antonio, TX	Greenville, SC
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Host Chapter:	Host Chapter:	Host Chapter:	Host Chapter:
Host Chapter: Beta Nu	Host Chapter: Beta lota	Host Chapter: Gamma Epsilon	Beta Theta





## APPLY FOR ALUMNI PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT SCHOLARSHIP TODAY!

Is there a conference you would like to attend but the price is a little too high? Are you considering board certification this year? Is there an upcoming class that you want to take?

Phi Delta Chi is offering a \$500 professional development scholarship to an alumnus in each region.

The application period is from January 1, 2024 through February 8, 2024.

The link to apply can be found <u>here</u>. More information can be found <u>here</u>.

Please contact your region's <u>Regional Director for Alumni Affairs</u> or <u>Grand</u> <u>Vice President for Alumni Affairs Dena Dillon</u> if you have any questions.

# CONTINUING EDUCATION CALL FOR SPEAKERS

Hello, alumni! I hope you enjoyed the Continuing Education offered at Grand Council 2023 in Houston, TX! In the spirit of continual
improvement, I am seeking feedback on the education that was offered, as well as insight on future needs. Whether or not you attended Grand Council, please take a moment to help us learn about your experiences and needs by filling out <u>this form</u>.

Did you enjoy the continuing education offered in Houston? Do you have expertise to share with other Brothers? Would you like to contribute to the professional development of your Brothers? We are looking for speakers to present Continuing Education at Grand Council 2024 in Charleston, SC! These presentations will be accredited by ACPE. If you think you may be interested, please fill out this form.

AAAE, Jennifer Polyniak (Continuing Education Coordinator, <u>ce@phideltachi.org</u>)

TikTok - Click to connect!





APPE Meet & Greet



Zeta's APPE meet-and-greet



Epsilon's bowling night



Delta Epsilon's Secret Santa



Alpha lota's Dr. PharmDawg pageant



# PHI DELTA CHI AT ASHP MIDYEAR

Thank you to everyone who visited our booth and joined us at Oggi's for a fun time. Check out some of the highlights below!



# **THROWBACK TO REGIONALS 2020**



Northeast Regional Conference 2020



Pacific Regional Conference 2020



Highlights from Mid-Atlantic Regional Conference 2020



**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** 

#### **COMMUNICATIONS TEAM**

The Phi Delta Chi Communications team has transitioned from Regional **Directors for Communications** (RDComm's) to six Project **Directors for Communications** (PDComm's) to streamline Fraternal communications, connect Brothers and chapters across the country, and reduce expenses. If you have any questions about the change to PDComm's, please contact Grand Vice President for Communications, Ethan Rawl (gvpc@phideltachi.org).

#### GRAND COUNCIL 2024 WILL BE IN CHARLESTON, SOUTH CAROLINA! START PLANNING NOW!

Grand Council is the Ultimate Fraternal Experience and brings together Brothers from across the country to conduct the business of the Fraternity.

#### The 75<sup>th</sup> Grand Council in 2024 will occur from July 31st through August 3rd in Charleston, South Carolina!

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 Seminar (LDS) track, continuing education, and more. Start planning and fundraising now to attend the Ultimate Brotherhood Experience!

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!



Grand Council 2019 in Anaheim, CA



Grand Council 2023 in Houston, TX





Alpha Iota volunteered for Adopt-A Highway, as did many other chapters!



Tau got together to try out some new recipes



Alpha Sigma raised money through "Pie a Phi"

# HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2023

Each month, we ask you to submit your chapter's successes through the Chapter Excellence and Quality (ChEQ) program. Let's take a look back at some of the highlights from 2023!



Beta Chi's Health Fair!



Rho's recruitment event



Beta Psi at MPSA's auction



Delta Beta's Murder Mystery



Delta Alpha escape room



Gamma Beta Professional Development Night



Psi mini golfing



Omega awards



Beta Rho's formal



Beta Phi's St. Jude Walk/Run



Nu's jeopardy event

# PHI DELTA CHI®

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Chapter Publication Due August 31

<u>Scholarship Report</u> Due October 31

<u>Leadership Report</u> Due December 31

Brotherhood Report Due February 29 (leap year!)

Professional / Service <u>Report</u> Due April 30

#### **AAP INSTRUCTIONS**

AAP instructions 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</u> <u>Vice President for Student</u> <u>Affairs</u>, Kali Cira (gvpsa@phideltachi.org).



The PDC booth at Midyear!

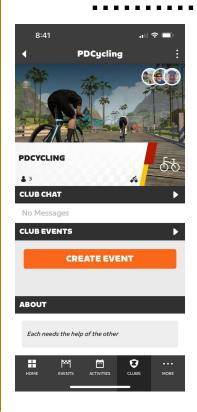
# NOMINATIONS FOR OUTSTANDING CHAPTER ADVISOR AWARD DUE JANUARY 31, 2024

The <u>Outstanding Chapter Advisor Award</u> recognizes the significant role performed by Chapter Advisors and the importance of the continuity which they provide our Chapters. This award will be presented during the Fraternity's annual awards ceremony at <u>Grand</u> <u>Council</u> 2024 in Charleston, South Carolina.

If your Chapter wishes to nominate your Advisor for this award, please submit a **500-word maximum**, type-written nomination document based on the **criteria** <u>outlined here</u>.

The nomination deadline is **Wednesday, January 31, 2024 by** 11:59pm ET.

The report will be **submitted via email to our AAP Administrator**, **Michelle Walkup (aap@phideltachi.org**), and should also be **submitted to your <u>Regional Correspondent</u>**. If you have any questions, please reach out to your <u>Regional Correspondent</u>.



# PDCycling

#### Calling all PDC cyclists!

PDC Executive Director Kenny Walkup has created a cycling group on Zwift. If you are a cyclist that uses Zwift, please join the PDCycling group. You can join the group by searching groups on the Zwift Companion app.

Once we have Brothers in the group, we will begin group rides.

And by the way, a PDC cycling jersey is in the works.

# PHI DELTA CHI<sup>®</sup>



Brother Josh Murdock, current Project Director for *The Communicator* and previous Regional Officer, got married on November 4th with lots of Brothers showing up in support!



The Rho Chapter participated in Student Research Day!

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### I AM PHI DELTA CHI: AN ORAL HISTORY

# Our upcoming engagement campaign, I am Phi Delta Chi: An Oral History, will compile a unique oral history archive, uniting our members across generations, professions, geography, and life experiences.

We have partnered with Publishing Concepts to help collect stories from as many members as possible and produce the I am Phi Delta Chi: An Oral History Publication.

By sharing your memory, you'll ensure that the rich history of Phi Delta Chi Pharmacy Fraternity will be preserved for generations to come.

PCI will soon be contacting you via mail, phone, and email asking you to participate and updating your contact information.

Thanks for your participation!

## Check out this link for more information!

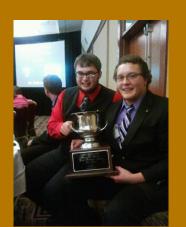
#### MY EXPERIENCE WITH THE ORAL HISTORY PROJECT Ethan Rawl, Grand Vice President for Communications

I recently called PCI (1-866-579-2787) to participate in the I am Phi Delta Chi: An Oral History Project. The whole process only took around 15 minutes. They first verified my member data to ensure that it's accurate. They then asked a few questions about my experiences in PDC, including why I joined, how PDC helped me grow, who my biggest influences have been, and how PDC helped me professionally. We then went over how to submit photos for the project and how to purchase the publication and other PDC swag (t-shirt, sweatshirt, travel bag). Submitting photos and purchasing the publication are both optional. Overall, the process was really easy, and I look forward to seeing the final publication with everyone's stories!



#### **GREEKTRACK WEBINARS**

GreekTrack offers training webinars to chapter leaders to help them learn how to best use the platform. If you're interested in attending a webinar, please register here. If you're interested in a session but can't attend, please register anyway so a recording of the session can be sent to you. If you have have questions, please email Grand Vice President for Communications, Ethan Rawl (gvpc@phideltachi.org) or **Project Director for** GreekTrack, Bailey Nero (pdgreektrack@phideltachi.org).



Psi Brothers Peter Ryan and Grant Stimes (current Grand President) celebrating Psi's Thurston Cup win in 2012. Is winning the Thurston Cup one of your chapter's New Year's resolutions?

### I AM PHI DELTA CHI: AN ORAL HISTORY

# Check out some of the stories that Brothers have submitted thus far!

"It was a lot of fun. I still have many fond memories of that year. We were active on the national level, winning the Achievement Award Cup every year. We also attended the Phi Delta Chi Grand Council in Detroit during that time." -Michael Harris (Alpha Sigma)

"Joining Phi Delta Chi Pharmacy Fraternity Inc. was one of the best decisions I ever made. It gave me a sense of belonging and a place to turn to if I ever needed anything. It also gave me the opportunity to get involved in something outside of the classroom. I really enjoyed the leadership aspect of the fraternity and I was able to learn a lot from the regional conferences and programming..." -Past Mountain Regional Correspondent Holly Rawlings (Gamma Rho)

"My time with Phi Delta Chi Pharmacy Fraternity Inc. (has been) incredibly memorable. I was able to form intense friendships with people older than me who were always looking out to help me. This taught me to look out for the younger generation and how to be a good teammate. This has been incredibly helpful in my professional career..." -Past Grand President John Grabenstein (Beta Gamma)

# **POSTER PRESENTATIONS AT MIDYEAR**





# New episodes released monthly

Did you know that Phi Delta Chi has pharmacy residency resources for our Brothers looking to prepare for the application process?

In two recent episodes, Tony discusses the factors that will stand as the headwinds against matching to residency and how to approach a late letter of recommendation!

Check out on the YouTube channel – <u>Tony PharmD</u>.



# GLIMMERS

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!

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*.



Alpha Phi wishes you a Happy Holiday season!



Brother Bailey Nero, current Project Director for GreekTrack, presented at Midyear on Antibiotic therapy and SSTI guidelines.



Alpha Psi hosted two Health Fairs!



Gamma Mu delivered gifts to "Christmas is for Kids"



Brother Tracy Van, current Assistant Grand Vice President for Communications, presented at Midyear her methodology for future research regarding Cannabis Use for Chronic Migraines.



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:

Grand Vice President for Communications, **Ethan Rawl** (gvpc@phideltachi.org),

Project Director for the The Communicator, Josh Murdock (pdtc@phideltachi.org),

or

Project Director for the e-Communicator, Sophie Jacome-Singletary (pdec@phideltachi.org).



Lambda cheering on their school's football team!

# **PROJECT LEARN**

A PLEI INITIATIVE TO DEVELOP AN ORGANIZATIONAL MANAGEMENT SKILLS **TRAINING PROGRAM** 

By Kirk E. Hevener, Omega #1569

In cooperation with Phi Delta Chi, the Pharmacy Leadership & Education Institute (PLEI) is currently developing a new training program for collegiate chapter officers focusing on organizational management skills. Project LEARN (Leader Education And Resource Network) will develop asynchronous, self-paced training courses that will be hosted on PLEI's Learning Management System (LMS), 'Thinkific.' Digital badges will be earned by the learners for completion of course chapters, and digital certificates will be awarded for completion of the courses.

During the first phase of Project LEARN, PLEI will roll out four courses covering topics that were selected by polling Chapter Advisors, PLEI Board members, PDC EC members, and key regional officers and project directors. The four courses will be: Setting Chapter Goals, Running a Productive Meeting, Financial Management, and How to Communicate Effectively as a **Leader.** It is anticipated that the first chapters from each course will be pilot tested in early 2024 and be released nationally by Spring 2024. It is expected that there will be no cost to collegiate officers to take the courses and earn digital credentials.

Volunteers are currently being sought to serve on the content development teams, particularly students with past or current leadership experience. Contact Brother Kirk Hevener (<u>khevener@gmail.com</u>) if you are interested in volunteering to be a member of a content development team. There are also opportunities to sponsor the costs of the program development. Please contact Kirk if you would like to learn more about Project LEARN sponsorship.