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The September 2025 e-*Communicator* of the Phi Delta Chi Fraternity is now available. This month's issue includes Grand Council highlights, GreekTrack 101, upcoming events, history corner, and more! **Previous editions of the** e-*Communicator* can be found here as a link/PDF.

We want **YOU** to be a part of the e-*Communicator*! While reading this month's edition, be on the lookout for opportunities to contribute to future editions with your photos, stories, and insights.

GRAND COUNCIL 2025 RECAP



The 76th <u>Grand Council</u> was held from July 30th to August 2nd in St. Charles, Missouri. Brothers gathered for a week full of Brotherhood, networking, workshops, continuing education, panels, Grand Officer and Regional Correspondent elections, policy discussion, and more. Highlights from this year's Grand Council can be found on our <u>Facebook Page</u>; for more pictures, check out our <u>Guestcam!</u>

Grand Officers 2025-2027

- Grand President: Grant Stimes (Psi)
- Grand Past President: Andrea Bourque (Rho)
- Grand Vice President for Collegiate Affairs: Dimitri Savva (Beta Alpha)
- Grand Vice President for Alumni Affairs: Jennifer Polyniak (Beta Upsilon)
- Grand Vice President for Communications: Samantha Marion (Alpha Theta)
- Grand Vice President for Financial Affairs: Ron Corey (Beta Gamma)
- Grand Vice President for Student Affairs: Whitney French (Gamma Sigma)



Regional Correspondents 2025-2026

Eastern: Karen Le (Beta Nu)Midwest: Austin Bedford (Psi)

Southcentral: Elizabeth Brownen (Delta Beta)Southeastern: Carryl Laserna (Alpha Iota)

Western: Liam Watts (Sigma)



Regional Directors for Collegiate Affairs

- Eastern: Dylan Knapp (Alpha Theta)
- Midwest: Nicole Nielsen (Gamma Omega)
- Southcentral: Pam Bosse (Gamma Epsilon)
- Southeastern: JJ Lee (Alpha Iota)
- Western: Anna Brecheisen (Beta Iota)

Regional Directors for Alumni Affairs

- Eastern: Michael Kelcz (Beta Alpha)
- Midwest: Zara Sivertsen (Alpha Zeta)
- Southcentral: Denise Anderson (Gamma Eta)
- Southeastern: Chidie Ukaegbu (Delta Beta)
- Western: Emma Johnson (Beta Iota)

Appointments (Made after Grand Council)

- Assistant GVPAA: Maureen Martin (Nu)
- Assistant GVPC: Tracy Van (Sigma)
- Assistant GVPCA: John Mondin (Epsilon)
- Project Director Advisor Support: TJ Frail (Gamma Mu)
- Project Director for Alumni Relations: JT Simonsen (Beta Sigma)
- Project Director for GreekTrack: Mattie Sullivan (Alpha Tau)
- Project Director for the *e-Communicator*: Kam Lee (Sigma)

AWARD WINNERS

Publication Award

- 1. Beta Nu
- 2. Tau
- 3. Gamma Mu & Lambda (tie)
- 4. N/A
- 5. Psi

Prescott Scholarship Award

- 1. Alpha Psi
- 2. Tau
- 3. Gamma Mu
- 4. Beta Nu
- 5. Psi

Grabenstein Leadership Award

- 1. Alpha Psi
- 2. Tau
- 3. Psi
- 4. Beta Nu
- 5. Alpha Gamma

Saroyan Brotherhood Award

- 1. Beta Nu
- 2. Tau
- 3. Alpha Psi
- 4. Gamma Mu
- 5. Lambda

Alvarez Professional and Service Projects Award

- 1. Tau
- 2. Beta Kappa
- 3. Beta Nu
- 4. Alpha Psi
- 5. Gamma Theta

Emory W. Thurston Grand President's Cup and Ron Corey Excellence Scholarship

- 1. Tau 🏆 🏆 🏆
- 2. Beta Nu
- 3. Alpha Psi
- 4. Gamma Mu
- 5. Psi
- 6. Lambda
- 7. Alpha Gamma
- 8. Alpha Theta
- 9. Beta Kappa
- 10. Delta Delta

Outstanding Alumni Chapter Award

1. Beta Chi Alumni Chapter 🏆 🏆



- 2. Alpha Psi Alumni Chapter
- 3. Alpha Theta Alumni Chapter



<u>Distinguished Alumnus Award</u> (listed in alphabetical order by last name)

- Eric V. Fields (Eta)
- Kirk Hevener (Omega)
- Kristen Ward (Alpha Psi)



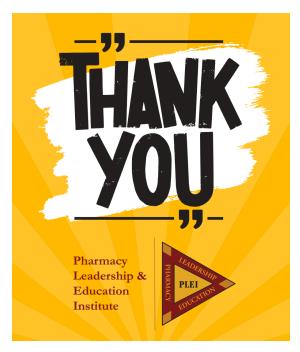
Honorary Grand President: Nisha Bhide (Beta Nu)

Schlegel Leadership Development Award: Rachel Huynh (Alpha Omicron)

<u>Delbert D. Konnor Award of Excellence in Pharmaceutical Administration:</u> Caiden Lukan (Alpha Phi)

Outstanding Chapter Advisor Award: Dr. Cole Wilder (Advisor for Alpha Tau)

PLEI AUCTION SUCCESS



The Pharmacy Leadership & Education Institute (PLEI) extends our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who contributed to and participated in our recent online auction. Thanks to your generosity, we raised nearly \$9,000 in support of the Leader Legacy Fund.

Every donation—whether it was an item contributed, a bid placed, or a word shared to spread the news—helped us reach this milestone. Your support ensures that PLEI can continue developing and delivering leader development programming that empowers student pharmacists and Brothers of Phi Delta Chi to grow as leaders in their chapters, campuses, and communities.

This year's auction featured a wide variety of items, from antique pharmacy memorabilia and Phi Delta Chi treasures to professional coaching sessions and unique getaways. The success of this event shows the strength of our network and the shared commitment to investing in the future of pharmacy leaders.

On behalf of the PLEI Board, thank you for making this event possible. Together, we are ensuring that the Leader Legacy Fund continues to inspire and prepare future generations of leaders.

GLIMMERS

Nathan Charay, Beverly Yu, and Paulina Cruz from Delta Kappa Chapter at Texas Tech University Dallas Campus won 1st place at the <u>Walmart Prescription for Service Competition</u> for their HIV SMART project! Established in 2012 and sponsored by Walmart Stores, Inc., Prescription for Service is a national scholarship competition that provides SNPhA students with funding to positively impact underserved communities. The competition emphasizes the importance of community outreach, teamwork, and leadership, while advancing the profession of pharmacy.





Stephanie Shaw, the Worthy Chief Counselor of Rho Chapter at University of Oklahoma, is one of only 28 student pharmacists nationwide selected for the American Association of Colleges of Pharmacy (AACP) Aspiring Academics Program! The <u>ACCP Aspiring Academics Program</u> is designed to inform and inspire students from diverse backgrounds who are interested in pursuing an academic pharmacy career.

LIGHTS, CAMERA, BROTHERHOOD!

We encourage chapters to be more active on Phi Delta Chi's social media pages. Whether your chapter enjoys creating videos together or capturing event highlights, there are plenty of ways to get involved:

- Tag @phideltachi in your posts and reels; or consider adding the official account as a collaborator!
- Message or email your video content to the Grand Vice President for Communications (gvpc@phideltachi.org)
 for potential repost on the official PDC TikTok account.

Moving forward, be on the lookout for TikTok challenges! The GVPC will select trending challenges for chapters to complete, giving you a chance to showcase your Brotherhood spirit.

Get creative, have fun, and show the Phi Delta Chi community what your chapter is all about!

RISK MANAGEMENT WEBINAR AND ALCOHOL 101

Attention WCCs, WVCs, and Chapter Advisors! To keep chapters safe and informed, please be on the lookout for an upcoming email about two important programs:

- Risk Management Webinar: Required for WCCs and Chapter Advisors. WCCs are encouraged to review or watch
 the webinar with their chapters to ensure everyone understands and follows Phi Delta Chi's policies and
 procedures.
- Alcohol 101: Required for WCCs and WVCs. This interactive program helps students make safe and responsible decisions about alcohol.

Completing these programs is essential for maintaining a safe, responsible, and successful chapter environment. For questions, please contact Grand Vice President for Collegiate Affairs, Dimitri Savva (gypca@phideltachi.org).

GREEKTRACK 101: YOUR GO-TO GUIDE



As the school year begins, it's a great time to revisit the tools that keep your chapter running smoothly. **GreekTrack 101** is always available as a resource to help chapters manage key responsibilities, including how to:

- Change membership statuses for Prospects and Candidates
- Transition new graduates to alumni status
- Update Worthy Officers and Chapter Advisors
- Generate National Operating Dues and Initiation Fees invoices
- Send email and SMS messages
- Conduct Candidate education
- Manage finances
- Generate membership reports
- Review ChEQ report submissions
- Track service

To access the course, sign in to **phideltachi.org** and navigate to: **More... > Courses > GreekTrack 101.** Topics are organized for easy reference and can be viewed anytime, in any order—making this the perfect refresher for every Brother.

BROTHERHOOD FROM COAST TO COAST

Is your chapter hosting an event for Brothers nationwide — such as a reunion, Founders' Day event, initiation, formal, charity walk, or continuing education workshop? We'd love to help spread the word! To feature your event in the *e-Communicator*, please reach out to Grand Vice President for Communications, Samantha Marion (gvpc@phideltachi.org)

When submitting, be sure to include:

- Event description
- Date, time, and location
- Contact person
- Registration information and cost
- Number of available spots
- Flyer (if available)
- Any other key details Brothers should know

Upcoming events:

- Alpha Psi Chapter has officially set the date for the 2026 Tom and Andy Stout Thousand. This event will be taking place on Saturday, April 4, 2026, from 6–9 PM at the Alex and Jeri Vereschagin Alumni House. The full itinerary is being finalized but expect events such as a wine tour and golf tournament. This is a don't miss event as it also marks the 70th year of Alpha Psi's founding!
- Hanging with F/N* Ron, a new virtual event series where Ron Corey (gvpfa@phideltachi.org) will host a Zoom session to discuss all things finance. The first meeting will take place on Wednesday, September 24th. Stay tuned for more details coming soon! *Finance and Necessities

HISTORY CORNER

At the 76th Grand Council in St. Charles, MO, Tau Chapter (Purdue University) etched its name in the history books by becoming the first chapter ever to win the Emory W. Thurston Grand President's Cup and Ron Corey Excellence Scholarship for four consecutive years. The Thurston Cup, established in 1974, recognizes the very best chapter of Phi Delta Chi and represents all that is good about our Fraternity. This year, Tau's achievement sets a new standard of excellence for all of Phi Delta Chi.



Consecutive Thurston Cup Winners

- **4 Years:** Tau (2022–2025)
- **3 Years:** Alpha Psi University of the Pacific (2018–2020), Psi Drake University (2000–2002), Beta Gamma Duquesne University (1997–1999)

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