Welcome Back Terps!

Alexa Pierre, Vice-President of Public Relations

Today is the second day of the Spring Semester! Hopefully everyone enjoyed their winter holidays and is beginning to settle back into their academic routines. The NPHC is excited for the Spring 2013 semester and is looking forward to bringing new and exciting programs and events to the campus for all to enjoy.

As many already know, January is a very important month for Black Greek-letter organizations. Several organizations in the Divine 9 celebrate their Founders Days (the anniversary of the its founding) in the first month of the year.

- Kappa Alpha Psi was founded at Indiana University on January 5, 1911
- Phi Beta Sigma was founded at Howard University on January 9, 1914
- Delta Sigma Theta was founded at Howard University on January 13, 1913
- Alpha Kappa Alpha was founded at Howard University on January 15, 1908
- Zeta Phi Beta was founded at Howard University on January 16, 1920

Alpha Phi Alpha was founded on December 4, 1906, Omega Psi Phi was founded on November 17, 1911, Sigma Gamma Rho was founded on November 12, 1922, and Iota Phi Theta was founded on September 19, 1963. Founders Days are a time of celebration and reflection on an organizations' successes and achievements.

This year, Delta Sigma Theta has a very special reason to celebrate. This January marked the 100th anniversary of the sorority and tens of thousands of Deltas from all over gathered in Washington, DC from January 10-13 for a weekend of events, celebrations and fellowshipping that was covered by major television networks and even received specific acknowledgement by President Barack Obama.

Quote of the Month

“The ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at times of challenge and controversy.”

Martin Luther King, Jr., Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Incorporated

Monthly Showcase: Donate to the Divine Nine Scholarship Fund!

Jessica Archer, Internal Vice-President

Congratulations to Alexa Pierre (Senior, Communication/Public Relations) and Alexa Webb (Junior, Kinesiology) from the Kappa Phi Chapter of Delta Sigma Theta! They are the Fall 2013 recipients of The Divine Nine Emergency Tuition Assistance Fund Scholarship. This scholarship provides emergency financial assistance to undergraduate members of NPHC Greek letter organizations. Students must have a minimum of a 2.5 GPA and write a compelling, thoughtful, genuine, and thorough community service proposal for consideration. Awards range from $100-500 and are to be used for tuition and books. This scholarship was established by alumni members of Divine Nine organizations and can not exist without donors.

To donate, visit https://advancement.umd.edu/giving/addGiving.php. Applications for the next semester are available at www.greek.umd.edu. For questions or additional information, you may contact Ed Kenny at edkenny@umd.edu or your NPHC E-Board!

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