

AUGUST NEWSLETTER

August 2013

CHAPTER UPDATES

The first newsletter of the 2013–2014 school year is here! Last semester we left on a high note with over \$7,000 donated and 1,800 hours volunteered. Over the summer, the Chapter yet again broke another record by placing first in grades among then, 9 other Fraternities. This year they already have major service projects planned and a string of goals which consist of scholarship, service, and house improvements.

National Convention:

Sigma Alpha Epsilon Fraternity held its biennium business meeting June 29th–July 1st, 2013, in Chicago, IL. Both the SDSI

Chapter and the Sioux Falls Alumni Association were in “good-standing” and had voting privileges. Some subjects in discussion this year were: alcohol free housing, position term limits, and increasing the membership grade point average. Representatives in attendance were: Marc Bury (previous EA), Ryan Blake (current EA), Justin Ebsen (Alumni Board Member), Steven Sikorski (House Corps past Pres.), and James Payer II (Alumni Advisory Board Chairman). Steve Sikorski was honored for his time and insight for over 10 years of serving on the National SAE Financial & House Corporation. *(pictures below).*

2012/2013 Total Philanthropy Dollars:

Alpha Phi: \$21,500
Alpha Xi Delta: \$3,837.81
Delta Tau Delta: \$3,600
Kappa Alpha Theta: \$6,600
Lambda Chi Alpha: \$17,385
Phi Kappa Theta: \$900
Pi Beta Phi: \$5,900
Sigma Alpha Epsilon: \$8,681
Beta Theta Pi: \$0
Phi Delta Theta: \$2,260
Tau Kappa Epsilon: \$2,378
Pi Kappa Alpha: \$7,600

**SAE ranked 3rd overall;
2nd in fraternities**

Board Members

James Payer II
Joshua Houska
Justin Ebsen
Regan Smith—House Corp
Tyler Gilliland
Ben Cahoy
Kyle Schoenfelder
Andrew Weckman
Randy Voss—Chapter Adv.
Robb Nielsen
Ryan Blake—Eminent Archon

Important DatesAugust:

- ⇒ 19th—SAE members move in
- ⇒ 23rd—New USD Students move in
- ⇒ 24th—Returning USD Students move in
- ⇒ 25th—All Greek Cookout @ Prentis Park & House Tours
- ⇒ 26th—Recruitment Officially Begins & Classes resume at 3:00pm.
- ⇒ 26th/30th—Recruitment Week
- ⇒ 30th—Bid cards turned in
- ⇒ 31st—USD v UC Davis @ 2pm (Dakota Dome)

September:

- ⇒ 2nd—Labor Day\No Classes



Steve Sikorski, his wife Arlys, are featured in front at SAE Convention outside the Levere Memorial Temple.

Justin, Marc, Ryan, & James enjoying free ice cream at SAE Convention.

Fall Recruitment Week

Sunday (Aug. 25) - All Greek BBQ in Prentis Park @ 2pm followed by House Tours

Monday (Aug. 26) - Inflatables (*Old Ice Rink on Cherry Street*) / Sub sandwiches @ 5pm-9pm

Tuesday (Aug. 27) - Volleyball & Yard Games / Pizza @ 5pm-9pm

Wednesday (Aug. 28) - Casino & Cigar Night / Howling Wings @ 5pm-9pm

Thursday (Aug. 29) - Alumni Night w/ live Music (*Ethan Netz*) / Grill Out @ 5pm-9pm

Friday (Aug. 30) - Recruitment ends at 8am

Volleyball Pit Update:

Ryan Blake mentioned the current Chapter is working on the volleyball pit's much needed update. They are going to add new sand, new landscaping tarp, and new railroad ties. It is scheduled for completion before recruitment week.

Housing Increase:

In order to continue to stay in compliance with the City of Vermillion, the University of South Dakota, and local fire codes, the Chapter house will have to install a new, updated fire alarm system. This will insure the safety and well being of each and every member living in the Chapter house.

Fall 2012—Spring 2013 Philanthropy Hours

Chapter	Fall 2012 Hours	Spring 2013 Hours	Total Hours
Alpha Phi	1,169.5	1487	2656.50
Alpha Xi Delta	127	176.5	303.50
Delta Tau Delta	148	338	486
Kappa Alpha Theta	802	1,522	2,324
Lambda Chi Alpha	450	598	1,048
Phi Kappa Theta	180	235	415
Pi Beta Phi	290	94	384
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	771	250	1,021
Beta Theta Pi	0	361	361
Phi Delta Theta	174	103	277
Tau Kappa Epsilon	0	201	201
Pi Kappa Alpha	911	4,890	5,801



John O. Moseley Leadership School

John O. Moseley Leadership School was held on August 5th—9th, 2013. The four day excursion offers personal growth and development opportunities, leadership trainings, and brotherhood events. The SDSI Chapter was able to send three representatives to the school this year.

Pictured above (l-r: Ryan Boyd (junior), Brandon Schweitzer (sophomore), and Tyler Larsen (senior))



Landscaping:

Since the defacing of the lions which occurred last semester, another lion has been "put-down" literally. Pictured below is the most recent case of vandalism to hit the SAE Fraternity Chapter House this past summer. The lion has been removed and disposed of since it was irreparable. It was on the west side of the sidewalk.



Spring 2013 Grade Report

Sorority Chapters	Initiate Average	New Member Average	Chapter Average	Ranking
Alpha Phi	3.450	NA	3.450	2
Alpha Xi Delta	2.909	2.899	2.904	4
Kappa Alpha Theta	3.512	3.590	3.523	1
Pi Beta Phi	3.388	2.724	3.375	3

Fraternity Chapters	Initiate Average	New Member Average	Chapter Average	Ranking
Beta Theta Pi	3.198	2.980	3.175	4
Delta Tau Delta	3.326	2.826	3.279	3
Lambda Chi Alpha	3.080	3.384	3.149	5
Phi Delta Theta	3.147	2.824	3.121	6
Phi Kappa Theta	3.434	3.200	3.280	2
Pi Kappa Alpha	3.051	3.000	3.040	7
Sigma Alpha Epsilon	3.261	3.384	3.281	1
Tau Kappa Epsilon	2.779	3.369	2.876	8

WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!!!

The Alumni Board, House Corporation, and Chapter would like to hear from you!

With the upcoming monthly alumni newsletters, we are searching for stories, memories, and other information to share within others. These can include honors and awards, certifications, professional and personal accomplishments, upcoming events (weddings, funerals, social engagements, or just looking to reconnect with the fraternity brothers).

Please find the following mediums of communication for reconnecting with the Chapter house to share your experiences!



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