

The Panhellenic Press



Panhellenic Council



Upcoming Events

- **Deeper Dudes**
Saturday, November 3
7:30pm, Kimmel E&L
- **IGC Greek Week**
November 11-17
Kimmel
- **Panhellenic Elections**
November 14 & 28
6:30pm, Kimmel
- **Neighborly November**
KKG Theme Month
80 Lafayette

Presidential Welcome

Congratulations to all of our chapters for a successful Formal Recruitment this fall. This year, we were able to provide a home for 206 young women.

As the semester has continued, the Panhellenic Council celebrated International Day of the Girl by participating in the Stand Up for Girls campaign.

Our organizations showed their support for the American Cancer Society at the Making Strides Against Breast Cancer walk in Central Park.

In conjunction with Pride Month, we also had 32 sorority women Safe Zone Trained through the Inter Greek Council's Greek Allies program.

We are proud of all of our accomplishments so far this semester, and are excited to keep growing, improving, and providing a home for all Panhellenic Sorority women.

Letter from the Editor

Welcome to *The Panhellenic Press*. At the beginning of each month we will distribute the newsletter to each chapter, as well as post it on our website so everyone can read about the accomplishments of the Panhellenic community.

This month's issue is filled with stories about sisterhood and philanthropy. Bid Day photos are scattered throughout, showing off the new member classes of each sorority. Next month's issue will include information about the elections of each organization and the Panhellenic Council. I hope you all enjoy reading our first issue of *The Panhellenic Press*.



Alpha Sigma Tau Sisterhood

We're excited to say that AST is currently working on rebuilding and focusing on the values that we as a sorority believe in. Currently, one of our main goals is to promote sisterhood within our organization. For the past few weeks, we have been staging events to help us bond as sisters, and to help us bond with all of our fantastic new members!

Last week, we had our Big/Little reveal, which we spent the

last three weeks building up to with secret presents and notes for our littles. After the littles searched through Washington Square Park and found their hidden bigs, we headed to Queens to play laser tag, our chosen retreat activity. Family lines formed alliances with other family lines, and we spent an hour strategizing and attempting to shoot each other. We're excited to see where the future takes us as sisters and as an NYU sorority!



Delta Phi Epsilon Loves Service

The months of September and October were all about service for DPhiE. On a early Saturday morning in September, we met with the men of Pi Kappa Alpha to do a beautification in the Brooklyn Bridge Park. We helped landscape areas of the park near the water by putting down fresh mulch and planting new bushes. The same afternoon a group of sisters gathered in Kimmel to make peanut butter sandwiches for The Cystic Fibrosis Foundation, our national philanthropy, to distribute to children who suffer from Cystic Fibrosis. Meanwhile during the entire month of September, we held a school supply drive for Operation Backpack, an organization that distributes school supplies to children who can't afford them.

In October, we participated in an alumni social media event to raise awareness about breast cancer. Sisters tweeted and uploaded photos of anything pink with a tag about breast cancer awareness. We also had 27 sisters participate in the Breast Cancer Walk in Central Park. All of these events were incorporated into our new member process to teach our new members about the importance of giving back to both our national philanthropies and other service based organizations. It has been a very rewarding two months for the sisters of Delta Phi Epsilon as we shared our dedication to service with ourselves, our new members and New York City.

APhiZ is Making Strides

This October, the sisters of Alpha Phi Zeta welcomed the change of seasons by falling into many charitable and philanthropic efforts. At the Grilled Cheese for a Cause fundraiser, sisters sold delicious homemade sandwiches and tomato soup to the residents of the Lafayette community. The proceeds benefitted the American Cancer Society's "Making Strides" initiative supporting breast cancer research. The fundraiser was complemented later on by a five-mile walk in Central Park. Sisters celebrated their efforts with a brunch in the West Village after the event.

As a local Alpha chapter, Alpha Phi Zeta sisters are able to have great fluidity and flexibility in terms of where they focus their philanthropic and service initiatives. The sorority takes pride in getting involved with organizations and causes near and dear to the sisters' hearts. APhiZ began working with One Million Bones back in 2010 after it was founded by one sister's cousin. The foundation is dedicated to educating the world about genocide through a large-scale social arts practice and a display of handcrafted bone sculptures, and annually the sisters host a Bone Making Party to raise funds and craft bones. APhiZ held its third annual Bone Making Party this October with support from Lafayette Hall Council, S.O.L.I.D, and it was a great success.

Following the tradition of working with organizations close to the hearts of our sisters, next month will hold more thoughtful efforts by Alpha Phi Zeta, as future philanthropic events will be aimed towards raising resources for brain damage research and support – a cause important to one sister because of a close family member who suffered a brain injury. Alpha Phi Zeta is excited to see what the rest of the semester holds as they continue to strengthen their bonds of sisterhood through philanthropy and service.

ZTA Goes to MetLife Stadium

The Morning of Saturday, the 14th of October brought rain, Giants fans, and a wave of Zetas from the tri-state area to MetLife Stadium in East Rutherford, NJ. We began the morning by dividing into teams within our respective colleges, and the rest of the day was spent selling breast cancer awareness merchandise and passing out pink ribbons to the Giants and Browns fans tailgating before the game. Whether we sold towels or magnets, the support we received from the gathered fans was overwhelmingly encouraging. Perhaps even more rewarding were those moments when we encountered friends and family of breast cancer survivors- and perhaps even more rewarding still were the instances when we met the breast cancer survivors themselves. While the event was fundamentally inspiring in a philanthropic sense, it was also a sisterhood event in and of itself, as we bonded with one another taking pictures with the fans and even miraculously selling several breast cancer awareness towels to the (very generous) Cake Boss himself. All in all, our day at the stadium was a singularly moving and invaluable experience.





Alpha Epsilon Phi Style

October is a happening month in the Aephi world. Just as the school year really starts to get into the full swing of things, so do our Greek life activities and community involvement opportunities. We have had numerous Jewish learning activities at chapters and at the house this month since it is filled with holidays. In honor of one of our philanthropies (Sharsharet) and breast cancer awareness month we held a tabling event in Lafayette where we handed out lollipops. Attached to it was a link to a picture that could be emailed to family and friends affected by breast cancer or those who may wish to send love during this awareness filled month. For Halloween we held an event in the Events room in Laf where a psychic came to read palms and tarot cards. And stay posted on Aephi events as there are even more fun ones to come, like free insomnia cookies!



Pi Phi Chapter Traditions

With initiation just around the corner, Pi Phis are getting ready to celebrate some of our favorite and unique traditions. Phamily Feud is the ultimate competition between big and little pairings. All the families, dressed in their family colors, challenge one another in both Pi Phi and pop-culture trivia, puzzles, games and even an obstacle course. This year, everyone is looking forward to some Phamily bonding and anxious to see who will win the Championship prize!



Kappa Kappa Gamma's Philanthropy

As part of Kappa Kappa Gamma's Philanthropy 1-2-3 initiative, the Eta Pi Chapter at NYU has been very involved with an afterschool program, A Place for Kids, for the last two years. We were so fortunate enough to get involved with the program after a sister of ours, Emily Mattsson, showed great interest with the program and since then we have all been great supporters of this philanthropy opportunity. The program is used as a resource for parents that are unable to pick up their children until after their workday, as well as those parents that cannot adequately help their children with homework and reading tasks.

Twice weekly, a group of sisters from Kappa volunteer with the program, and they help the children with homework, activities, and reading projects. The children range from grade levels kindergarten through fifth grade, and Kappas are used as teacher assistants. Interacting with the program is a great way for Kappa to get hands on involvement that positively affects the community.

Volunteering for A Place for Kids is especially important to all of us because the initiative ties in with Kappa's national philanthropy, Reading is Fundamental, or RIF. RIF is a great organization that promotes children's literacy through the use of motivational reading activities and commitment through the community. While volunteering at A Place for Kids, Kappas always encourage the children to read after they have completed their homework, or when they're looking for something interesting to fill their time. It's a great organization, and we always try to look for ways to support it!

