



Panhellenic Association at the University of Kansas

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November Newsletter

PHA Highlights

- Membership Education and Policy Change
 - *Bylaw revisions*

As previously mentioned in the PHA October Newsletter, the Panhellenic Association Executive Board proposed multiple amendments to the Panhellenic Association Bylaws and Recruitment Policies. Bylaw changes ranged from updating outdated verbiage, realigning and reallocating Panhellenic Officer position duties, adding descriptions and responsibilities to each standing committee, and creating new standing rules. On October 27th, the chapter delegates voted to approve the proposed amendments at a General Assembly (GA) meeting. All amendments were unanimously approved; the updated copy of the Bylaws and Recruitment Policies can be found on the Panhellenic Association website under 'Resources'. For more information contact kuphajudicial@gmail.com

- *PHA and SFL sponsored lecture*

The Panhellenic Association and the Office of Sorority and Fraternity Life (SFL) hosted Lawrence Ross, best selling author and lecturer, on Thursday, November 5 via Zoom webinar and Livestream. Ross presented his lecture *Blackballed: The Black & White Politics of Race on America's Campuses* to members of the SFL community. *Blackballed* explores the present and historical issues of racism on college campuses and how it ties into today's current state/events. Panhellenic chapter leadership were able to further discuss the lecture the following Monday, November 9 with Ross. This time allowed Panhellenic members to ask Ross questions pertaining to next steps, navigating conversations surrounding race, forming and/or rebuilding relationships, and more. Please visit <https://thelawrenceross.com/> for more information about the guest lecturer.

- *Diversity & Inclusion Committee*

Throughout Fall 2020, the Panhellenic Association Diversity & Inclusion Committee operated through weekly meetings conducted by the Director of Diversity & Inclusion. The last committee meeting of the semester was held on Sunday, November 8. If you are interested in joining the 2021 Panhellenic Association Diversity & Inclusion Committee, applications will be available at the beginning of the upcoming Spring semester.

On November 6th, the Diversity & Inclusion November Newsletter was sent to all Panhellenic chapter members' KU email addresses. If you are unable to locate this email or are not a member of the Panhellenic community, the newsletter can be found on the Panhellenic Association website under the 'Resources' tab > '[Monthly Newsletters](#)'. For more information or feedback contact kuphadiversity@gmail.com

- Recruitment
 - *Continuous Open Recruitment*

Kudos to the chapters and welcome to the New Members who participated in the Continuous Open Recruitment (COR) process this semester! Next semester, select chapters may decide to recruit through COR; more information will be available as we approach the Spring semester. For more information contact ku.pha.cor@gmail.com

- *2021 Panhellenic Association Executive Board*

The 2021 Panhellenic Association Executive Board has been selected and will be installed on Tuesday, November 17! Thank you to those who took the time to apply and interview; your dedication to the Panhellenic community is appreciated. To review the proposed and approved slate, please contact your chapter President.

Two positions, Director of Recruitment Programming and Director of Diversity & Inclusion, are currently vacant. The Nomination Committee felt it prudent to select applicants who were best fit for the position. With that, applications for these positions will open the first week of December. For more information contact phapresident.ku@gmail.com or pha@ku.edu

- Connecting with various KU communities/resources

Panhellenic leadership has connected with University and Sorority and Fraternity Life staff to explore member education surrounding topics under social justice and active bystander intervention. For more information contact pharelations.ku@gmail.com

Council Highlights

- Interfraternity Council (IFC)
 - To learn more about the Interfraternity Council (IFC) organizations at the University of Kansas, please visit <http://kuifc.org/>
 - The 2021 Interfraternity Council Executive Board has been selected and will be installed on Tuesday, November 17.
 - A letter was sent to all chapter presidents informing them of "the unanimous decision of the National Council of Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity on November 12, 2020, the charter of the Theta Epsilon Chapter at the University of Kansas has been revoked concurrently with

the University's decision to suspend the chapter...Pursuant to the North-American Interfraternity Conference (NIC) standards, and in recognition of previous agreements with the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) regarding participation/partnering with chapter that have been closed by their respective organization, Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity requests your assistance in upholding this decision."

- Multicultural Greek Council (MGC)
 - To learn more about the Multicultural Greek Council (MGC) organizations at the University of Kansas, please visit <https://silc.ku.edu/mgc>
 - Sigma Psi Zeta Sorority Inc. welcomed new members to the Spring 2020 Eta Class and MGC community. More information can be found on the organization's Instagram account (@kusigmazeta).
 - Phi Iota Alpha Fraternity, Inc. raised over \$15,000 for the Cambio Para Cambio fundraiser. The donations will be used for scholarships that will be given to student Dreamers at the University of Kansas. In addition, the organization recently revealed their Spring 2020 Lambda Line and welcomed new members to the MGC community. More information can be found on the organization's Instagram account (@ku_phiotas).
 - Kappa Delta Chi Sorority Inc. is hosting a percentage night at Chili's located on Iowa St. on Monday, November 16. The funds raised will be given to the colony. More information can be found on the organization's Instagram account (@ku_kdchi).
- National Pan-hellenic Council (NPHC)
 - To learn more about the National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) organizations at the University of Kansas, please visit <http://silc.ku.edu/greeklife/nphc>
 - Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. is promoting Educational Advancement Foundation Awareness Month to support students, offer scholarships, support victims of sex related crimes, and advocate for Black colleges. More information can be found on the organization's Instagram account (@deltachapteraka).
 - Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. welcomed new members to their Fall 2020 line Unprecedented RED.Volution and to the NPHC community. More information can be found on the organization's Instagram account (@psideltas).
 - Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. is currently in their intake process! More information can be found on the organization's Instagram account (@muchapternupes).

SFL Announcements

The Anti-Hazing Acknowledgement and Grade Release Form needs to be filled out by every chapter member no later than Wednesday, November 18th in order to release your grades to your organization. This form can be found on the SFL Rock Chalk Central page.

Upcoming Events/Deadlines

The Greater Kansas City Panhellenic Alumnae group is offering scholarships to current KU seniors. These scholarships are available to collegiate women who are attending academic institutions in Kansas or Missouri that are graduates of a Greater Kansas City area High School. Applications will open on **Tuesday, December 1** and will close on February 1, 2021. Information on applying to this scholarship can be found [here](#).

Information regarding applications for the Director of Recruitment Programming and Director of Diversity & Inclusion will be released in the coming weeks.

Chapter Spotlight

The Chapter Spotlight of the Month is *Alpha Delta Pi*! The Tau chapter at the University of Kansas hosted a masked, social distanced initiation for new members that were recruited in the Spring and Fall semesters. The chapter put on an enchanted forest themed semi-formal event and members were able to have dinner at various restaurants in Lawrence! Later this month, incoming chapter leadership will be installed to the Executive Board.

The 2020 Panhellenic Association Executive Board would like to thank chapter leadership and members for being supportive and flexible throughout this past year! It was an honor and privilege to lead the Panhellenic community, and we wish you all the best.