

# **THE INTERNATIONAL FRATERNITY OF DELTA SIGMA PI NORTHEASTERN PROVINCIAL COUNCIL MEETING**

**FEBRUARY 8, 2009  
CINCINNATI, OHIO**

Chancellor Renee Staul (Mu Pi) called the meeting of the Northeastern Provincial Council of the International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi to order according to Ritual at 8:49 am on Sunday, February 8, 2009 at the Marriott Cincinnati Northwest, in Cincinnati, OH

Brother Renee Staul (Mu Pi) served as chancellor of the meeting and Brother Renee Stewart (Eta Xi) served as recording secretary.

Brother Corinne Schilberg (Mu Pi) presented the credentials report (Addendum III). Thirty seven delegates were present and voting at this meeting, out of the 56 eligible. This constituted quorum of the Northeastern Provincial Council.

Motion to adopt the Agenda for the Northeastern Provincial Council Meeting as distributed to the council.

Motion – Philadelphia Alumni  
Second – DC Metro Alumni  
Motion Passed

Motion to approve the minutes of the previous Provincial Council Meeting held in Buffalo, NY on February 10, 2008

Motion – Cincinnati Alumni  
Second – Lambda  
Motion Passed

There were no votes taken since the last Provincial Council Meeting at the Hyatt Regency in Buffalo, NY on February 10, 2008.

Onuka Ibe presented the report of the Northeastern Provincial Vice President. (Addendum I).

Financials: Most chapters in good standing

Operations: CEI is strong across the province and continued to do well as switch to CMP. Any questions regarding new system talk to your DD & RVP. There is collaboration and participation in activities across the province.

Expansion: Currently there are four colonies, all in Eastern Region. Three are pursuing installation in Spring 2009 and Fall 2009.

Discipline & Assistance: No major issues. Two chapters are on guidance and one on probation

Regional Vice President reports were orally submitted to the Northeastern Provincial Council.

- Capital RVP – Frank Hodas
  - ◇ Progress/improvements across region (8 chapters)
  - ◇ Regional retreat was held in September
  - ◇ Reactivation inquiry form University of MD.
  - ◇ Encourage chapters to apply for awards and to attend GCC
  - ◇ Enthusiasm is outstanding and attendance at events
  
- East Central RVP —Brad Blanton
  - ◇ NOT PRESENT
  
- Eastern RVP—Tom Calloway
  - ◇ Regional retreat was held in September
  - ◇ Growth in Chapter & Colonies
  - ◇ Zeta Eta is coming off guidance
  - ◇ Three colonies submitting petitions; Two for Spring (Adelphi & Pace) and one for Fall (Lehigh)
  - ◇ Installation (potential) dates: March 28<sup>th</sup> (Adelphi), April 4<sup>th</sup> (Pace)
  - ◇ In May, Beta Xi (Ryder) will be celebrating their 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.
  
- New England RVP—Laura Bittner
  - ◇ Greater participation in LEAD schools
  - ◇ Chapters are working together & getting together more
  - ◇ Pledge class sizes have increased
  - ◇ First time without a colony in years
  - ◇ Boston Alumni – multiple events for the region and very supportive of chapters
  
- Niagara RVP —Aaron Beauregard
  - ◇ NOT PRESENT
  
- Steel Valley RVP—Wayne Lauer
  - ◇ Chapters are operating at a high level
  - ◇ Great success across the chapters
  - ◇ Lots of participation by the chapters at events & region
  

Provincial Committee chair reports were orally submitted to the Northeastern Provincial Council.

  
- Professional Development Chair—Liz Calloway
  - ◇ Great year with regions having local conferences
  - ◇ Will not be returning; transition to new chair
  
- Scholarship & Awards Development Chair—Corie Schilberg
  - ◇ No Report
  
- Alumni Development Chair – Sparky Graves
  - ◇ Presentations at LEAD and additional roundtables
  - ◇ Work on officer packet for VPAR
  - ◇ Powerpoint created for Alumni chapters
  - ◇ Alumni Best Practices Manual version 2 in progress
  - ◇ Encourage alumni chapters to apply for awards

•Community & University Service Chair—Renee Stewart

- ◇ “Thank you” to all those that participated in the Pop Tab & Wish list collection, Cell Phone Recycling and the Valentines for Veterans event
- ◇ Penny War will take place at the Fall 09 LEAD in Pittsburgh, PA
  - Start collecting those coins now
- ◇ Community Service Newsletter - four editions (Fall & Spring) available

Onuka Ibe, Northeastern Provincial Vice President presented & distributed the Provincial Financial Report (Addendum II).

Old Business from the previous council meeting was addressed: Determine use of budget surplus from 2008 Provincial Conference.

Onuka Ibe, Northeastern Provincial Vice President discussed the old business with the provincial council:

- Averaging a surplus over 1-2K per conference; The conference budget is separate from the Fall LEAD
- Some of the surplus was used at the Cincinnati LEAD for guest speaker, signed books and breakfast
- Approximately 4K still remaining
- Recommend – That the money goes back to the chapters sitting at the Buffalo 2008 Provincial Council that were fully registered, even if they were unable to vote at that time.

Motion to refund the surplus from the 2008 Northeastern Provincial Council by distributing it evenly between all chapters (alumni, collegiate & colonies) who sat a delegate at the 2008 council meeting or, if ineligible, had a fully registered attendee.

Motion – Onuka Ibe, PVP  
Second – Theta Rho

Point of Information – Tom Calloway, Eastern RVP

•Has the surplus been consistent over time and if there was a shortage for the council how would it be handled?

Onuka Ibe, PVP: There has been a consistent surplus for several years from the conference; risk is low for shortage. If there is a shortage the chapters will be billed for the difference.

Vote taken  
Motion Passed

Motion to adopt the Provincial Budget for the 2008-2009 fiscal year.

Motion – Beta Pi  
Second – Theta Pi

Vote taken  
Motion Passed

Motion to propose that the regional boundaries be redrawn in order to optimize the level of support that chapters receive from their elected leaders. The current number of regions remains the same, at six (6). Boundaries were redrawn to balance the chapters which must be supported by each Regional Vice President to conduct chapter visits (See Addendum for map)

Motion – NE Province Boundary Task Force  
Second – Tom Calloway, Eastern RVP

Discussion was then heard

- Tom Calloway, Eastern RVP is against proposal as it would take Alpha Gamma out of Eastern Region
- Cincinnati Alumni – suggest amending proposal, leaving Alpha Gamma in Eastern Region and addressing at a later date.

At this time, Pi Rho left the council meeting. Thirty six delegates were present and voting at this meeting, out of the 56 eligible. This constituted quorum of the Northeastern Provincial Council.

Motion to amend the proposal to strike changes to the Eastern Region, thus keeping Alpha Gamma chapter in the Eastern Region.

Motion – Cincinnati Alumni  
Second – Boston Alumni

Vote taken

Amendment Passed

Point of Information – Alpha Theta

- Question to Eastern Region: Are the members of the Eastern Region ok with proposal?
- Consensus from members of the region “yes”

Discussion continued on Boundary Proposal with the new amendment

- Wayne Lauer, East Central RVP – Travel amongst region
- Frank Hodas, Capital RVP – Change to losing Frostburg from Capital
- Philadelphia Alumni yielded floor to Corinne Schilberg – discussed financial impacts of changes

Chancellor noted that time for discussion had elapsed. A motion would be needed to extend discussion.

Motion to extend discussion by 10 minutes

Motion – Cincinnati Alumni  
Second – Alpha Kappa

Vote taken

Motion Passed

Discussion continued:

- Theta Pi
- Wayne Lauer – yielded floor to Suzanne Swire-Lauer

- Baltimore Alumni
- Cincinnati Alumni
- Epsilon Tau

Motion for a five minute recess

Motion – Wayne Lauer, Steel Valley RVP  
Second – Omicron Tau

Vote taken  
Motion Passed

The Northeastern Provincial Council Meeting was called back to order by the Chancellor at 10:02am. Thirty four delegates were present and voting at this time, out of the 56 eligible. This constituted quorum of the Northeastern Provincial Council.

Discussion continued:

- Epsilon Tau
- Baltimore Alumni – create an amendment to the existing amendment

At this time, Mu Omega left the council meeting. Thirty three delegates were present and voting at this meeting, out of the 56 eligible. This constituted quorum of the Northeastern Provincial Council.

Motion to amend the amended proposal to leave Frostburg State University in the Capital Region

Motion – Baltimore Alumni  
Second – Omicron Chi

Discussion on second amendment then heard:

- Cleveland-Akron Alumni
- Omicron Chi

Vote taken  
Amendment Passed

Chancellor noted there is one minute left in discussion

Point of Information: Theta Lambda – Add Bowling Green to the list of chapters changing regions

Chancellor noted that time for discussion had expired

Motion to suspend order of the day and extend debate by ten minutes.

Motion – Wayne Lauer, Steel Valley RVP  
Second – Theta Kappa

Vote taken. Division called

12 Yeah

18 Nay

Motion Failed

Point of Information: Tom Calloway, Eastern RVP – What is the impact of abstaining from a vote?

Chancellor and PVP addressed the question to the provincial council

Vote taken on proposal with the two amendments that passed earlier in the meeting.

Motion Passed

Motion to allow the entire Cincinnati Metropolitan area to be administered by one Province and one Region.

Motion – NE Boundary Task Force

Second – Alpha Theta

Discussion was then heard.

Vote taken

Motion Passed

Motion to select Habitat for Humanity as the Provincial Community Service Option for the 2009-2010 fiscal year.

Motion – Theta Kappa

Second – Omicron Tau

Discussion was then heard:

- Possibly consider St. Jude's Hospital

Vote Taken

23 Yeah

3 Nay

9 Abstentions

Motion Passed

Motion that the Northeastern Provincial Council forwards to the office of the Executive Director that the following locations be considered for the 2011 Northeastern Provincial Council Meeting, in order of preference from most favored to least favored: 1) Cleveland, OH 2) Philadelphia, PA and 3) Pittsburgh, PA

Motion – Onuka Ibe, PVP

Second – Mu Pi

Discussion was then heard

Point of Information: DC Metro Alumni – What determines the choice for areas? PVP, Onuka Ibe went over the process for the NE province.

Vote taken

Motion Passed

Motion that the Northeastern Provincial Council forward to the Office of the Executive Director that the following dates be considered for the 2011 Northeastern Provincial Council Meeting in order of preference from most favored to least favored: Feb 18-20, Feb 25-27 and Feb 11-13.

Motion – Onuka Ibe, PVP

Second – Beta Pi

Discussion was then heard

Vote taken

Motion Passed

The floor was opened for general announcements:

- Philadelphia Alumni Chapter – Phillies Tailgate at Citizens bank park
  - Tailgate and attend the baseball game - \$25.00 – June 20<sup>th</sup>, 3pm (game 7:05pm)
  - Anyone interested in tailgate can contact the chapter at [phillydspalumni@gmail.com](mailto:phillydspalumni@gmail.com)
- Epsilon Tau
  - Volleyball Tournament – Contact chapter for more info
- Alpha Gamma
  - THON is next week,

The Chancellor moved the council meeting into executive session to review changes to ritual. All non-brothers were asked to leave the meeting at this time.

Executive session follows. Please note that due to the content details will be limited and only the results will be listed. For details on the discussion and topics contact a Northeastern Province RVP or the PVP.

### Ritual Proposal #1

Discussion heard

Vote taken

20 Yeah

12 Nay

3 Abstentions

Straw Poll

Motion Passed

### Ritual Proposal #2

Discussion heard  
Vote taken

2 Yeah  
26 Nay  
6 Abstentions

Straw Poll  
Motion Failed

Ritual Proposal #3

Discussion heard  
Vote taken

1 Yes, as written  
19 Yes, if amended  
15 Opposed  
0 Abstentions

Ritual Proposal #4

Discussion heard. Voting was broken into sections of the proposal.  
Vote taken

<u>Section A1</u>		<u>Section A2</u>		<u>Section B&amp;C</u>	
8	Yes, as written	0	Yes, as written	25	Yes, as written
1	Yes, if amended	1	Yes, if amended	3	Yes, if amended
24	Opposed	30	Opposed	6	Opposed
1	Abstention	5	Abstention	0	Abstention

Ritual Proposal #5

Discussion heard  
Vote taken

34 Yeah  
0 Nay  
1 Abstentions

Straw Poll  
Motion Passed

Ritual Proposal #5

Discussion heard – No discussion  
Vote taken

29 Yeah  
4 Nay  
2 Abstentions

Straw Poll  
Motion Passed

Motion to adjourn.

Motion – Boston Alumni  
Second – Mu Pi  
Motion Passed

Chancellor Renee Staul closed the Northeastern Provincial Council Meeting at 11:32 am.



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Northeastern Provincial Vice President



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Recording Secretary

# **ADDENDUM I**

## **Provincial Report** **PVP, RVP & Committees**

### **Northeastern Provincial Vice President**

**Onuka Ibe**

#### **TRAVEL/MEETING SUMMARY**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
July 31-August 3, 2008	Board Meeting	Chicago, IL
September 27, 2008	Capital Regional Conference	Washington, DC
September 28, 2008	DC Metro Alumni Chapter Business Meeting	Arlington, VA
October 18, 2008	LEAD	Dedham, MA
November 8, 2008	LEAD	Kansas City, MO
November 15, 2008	Iota Nu Initiation and 30-Year Anniversary	Kirksville, MO
January 23-25, 2009	Board Meeting	Oxford, OH
February 6-8, 2009	LEAD	Cincinnati, OH

#### **PLANNED TRAVEL**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
March 28, 2009	Adelphi Installation	Garden City, NY
August 9-10, 2009	Board Meeting	Washington, DC
August 12-16, 2009	Grand Chapter Congress	Washington, DC

#### **GENERAL COMMENTS**

Generally, the chapters in the province are on target for a successful year. The amount of interaction between chapters has increased, alumni are increasing their involvement, and CEI is strong compared to the other provinces.

#### **PROVINCIAL GOAL SUMMARY**

##### **Leadership**

There continues to be a struggle to find volunteer leadership in the East Central Region. This region has been underserved with respect to District Directors for some time now, and the lack of consistent national leadership is evident with some chapters. As we begin talking about plans for the next biennium, we will strategize a recruiting plan for alumni involvement with the East Central chapters.

I have seen tremendous participation by alumni and collegiate members in various activities including provincial or national committees or task forces, LEADs, regional events, and chapter events. There has been a wealth of interest in volunteering at this level throughout the province.

## **CHAPTER OPERATIONS**

### *CEI*

Overall CEI performance is strong, with the provincial average highest in the nation. Naturally, at the chapter level there are some chapters way out in front and others lagging. RVPs are working with those chapters to help maximize their efforts towards CEI goals.

### Finances

Provincial debt has been kept at a minimum this year. The exception is Xi Upsilon, which has made significant efforts to reduce outstanding debt.

### *Chapter Expansion*

City College of New York joined the list of colonies in the province this year. Adelphi will be installed in March and Pace and Lehigh are working towards fall installations. All four colonies are in the Eastern Region, which also has eight collegiate chapters. This has been a challenge for RVP Tom Calloway, but the close proximity of most of the chapters has been beneficial.

### Alumni Chapters

I am pleased also to report a new set of officers for the DC Metro Alumni chapter, which has essentially been dormant for a period. While alumni enthusiasm is strong throughout the province, most of the alumni chapters have been struggling for consistent participation. The leadership team is working to support them in organizing chapter activities.

### Provincial/National Events

LEAD attendance continues to be high in the province. LEAD programming is being supported in a variety of ways by the contributions of collegiate and alumni members. Regional events have seen good participation as well, including officer trainings hosted by RVPs.

## **COMMITTEE SUMMARY**

Committee Chairs are as follows:

<b>Committee</b>	<b>Chairperson</b>
Alumni Development	Sparky Graves
Community and University Service	Renee Stewart
Professional Development	Liz Calloway
Scholastic Development and Awards	Corie Schilberg

In addition, Suzanne Swire-Lauer has led a task force in reexamining the provincial and regional boundaries.

## **DISCIPLINE & ASSISTANCE RECOMMENDATIONS**

Epsilon Kappa: Extend guidance until August board meeting

Zeta Eta: Continue guidance as scheduled

Kappa Lambda: Probation extended until October 19 (University probation until May 2009)

## Eastern Regional Vice President

### Thomas Calloway

- Travel During Period (dates, chapters, location, reason)

Date	Chapter/Colony	Location	Event
8/28/2008	Zeta Eta	St Peter's College	Chapter Meeting
9/13/2008	--	Rider University	Eastern Regional Conference
9/27/2008	--	George Washington University	Capital Regional Conference
10/2/2008	Zeta Pi	St Joseph's University	Pledging Ceremony
10/5/2008	Eta Xi	Philadelphia University	Pledging Ceremony
10/7/2008	Beta Xi	Rider University	Chapter Meeting
10/18/2008	--	Boston, MA	LEAD
11/8/2008	Mu Omega	The College of New Jersey	Initiation
11/10/2008	Eta Xi	Philadelphia University	Chapter Meeting
11/10/2008	Zeta Pi	St Joseph's University	Chapter Meeting & Pledge Meeting
11/15/2008	Beta Nu	Penn University	Initiation
11/17/2008	Beta Xi	Rider University	Initiation
11/21/2008	Zeta Pi	St Joseph's University	Initiation
11/22/2008	Zeta Eta	St Peter's College	Initiation
11/22/2008	Alpha	New York University	Banquet
11/24/2008	Eta Xi	Philadelphia University	Initiation

\* Numerous Philadelphia Alumni Chapter events were attended throughout the semester. As a member of the chapter, I am not specifically stating every meeting and/or event that I attended.

- Planned Travel

Date	Chapter/Colony	Location	Event
2/6/2009	--	Cincinnati, OH	Northeastern Provincial LEAD & Council
3/28/2009 (Tentative)	Kappa Rho Delta	Adelphi University	Chapter Re-Activation
4/4/2009 (Tentative)	Kappa Iota Nu	Pace University	Chapter Installation
8/12/2009	--	Washington, DC	Grand Chapter Congress

- Goals Progress related to your position

- *(In Progress)* **Increase the leadership pool within the region**  
The Eastern Region has traditionally been difficult to retain talented and energetic brothers and keep them involved within the Fraternity, much less in leadership positions. New opportunities continue to create themselves establishing an atmosphere where new leaders and volunteers have been able to be matched with the opportunities that best fit everybody's needs. As several colonies have reached new points in their path to chartering, volunteers have been accessible. To keep this atmosphere going, collegiate brothers have been stepping forward in advance of graduation.
- *(Improving)* **Promote Delta Sigma Pi Awards and Leadership Foundation Scholarships**  
Six chapters within the Eastern Region submitted completed Collegian of the Year applications. This represents a slight decline from last year, but still shows great promise as a region. Additionally, more chapters are actively pursuing and preparing for other chapter awards.

- *(Improving)* **Increase attendance at national events**
- *(Improving)* **Improve understanding and importance of CEI deadlines**  
With the upcoming changes to the chapter efficiency index (CEI), this goal needs reevaluated.
- *(Undetermined)* **Increase alumni involvement**  
Alumni relations programs and activities at a majority of the chapters have remained status quo, however there have been indications that more alumni are remaining involved and supportive of their chapter without getting involved at a national level or with an alumni chapter affiliation.
- *(Improving)* **Increase chapter interaction**  
The year started off with a Regional Conference in September to help get chapters talking and to help kick off some chapter interaction while also helping chapters share. More chapter interaction followed.
- Identification of potential leaders and/or update on your own succession-planning

During the last year and a half, the region has enjoyed the volunteer services of ten (10), four (4) this year alone, brothers who had never served in alumni leadership capacities. Most of these have played roles as District Directors, but other roles and responsibilities have also been filled by new volunteers.

District Directors (Fall 2008)

Alpha	- Abigail R. Passeri
Alpha Gamma	- Kyle Junk
Beta Nu	- Lauren Schappert
Beta Xi	- Linda Fritch
Zeta Eta	- Delia Espinosa
Zeta Pi	- Elizabeth Calloway
Eta Xi	- Dara Henry
Mu Omega	- Frank Gramlich
Adelphi	- Shreema Sanghvi
CCNY	- Leah Orejudos
Lehigh	- <i>vacant</i>
Pace	- Michael Lombard

## Committee Members

Provincial Borders & Boundaries Task Force  
Vicky Hall Beatty  
Regional Collegian of the Year Selection Committee  
Maria Aseron Ramos  
Diane Thibault  
Stephanie Solomon Wolff

There are a number of strong leaders that will be graduating at the end of the year or who have recently graduated who have expressed interest in remaining involved within the fraternity.

- General Comments regarding the operational status of the region/province and the fraternity

Most of the chapters are well on their way to meeting the minimum requirements of the CEI. A few chapters have already completed the minimum number of professional or service events for the year. Overall, chapter operations remain strong for most chapters. The colonies at Adelphi and Pace have continued to operate very successfully throughout the year. Both colonies have prepared for installation/reactivation during the spring semester. The region has also enjoyed the creation of a new colony at City College of New York.

## Chapters

- Alpha (Abigail R. Passeri)
  - Strengths:
    - Professional programming remains very strong
    - General moral is very high
    - Good attendance at national events
    - Very self reliant
    - Have a firm grasp of deadlines in a professional manner
  - Weaknesses/Concerns:
    - Experiencing some attendance and participation problems
    - Fundraising
  - Opportunities:
    - Regional Leadership as a chapter
    - Strong professional contacts
    - Officer transition is an area of focus that the chapter is working on
- Alpha Gamma (Kyle Junk)
  - Strengths:
    - Chapter management with strong programming that is not just minimal effort
    - Good attendance at national events
    - Very self reliant
    - Recruiting
    - Strong leadership potential
  - Weaknesses/Concerns:
    - Relationship with National Officers and volunteers
    - General Chapter morale
    - Alumni Relations/Involvement with the chapter
    - Attendance and participation problems at chapter events
  - Opportunities:
    - Regional Leaders
    - Good backup/support source to colonize schools in the vicinity to campus
- Beta Nu (Lauren Schappert)
  - Strengths:
    - Chapter management with strong programming that is not just minimal effort
    - Fundraising
    - Forward thinking
    - Good relationship with Beta Nu alumni
    - Good relationship with other school organizations
  - Weaknesses/Concerns:
    - Relationship/communication with national volunteers

CEI submission deadlines

Inter Chapter relations having been improving

So forward thinking, that they don't always know the next step (shoot for the stars, but don't always have a plan B)

- Opportunities:
  - Regional Leadership as a chapter
  - Consistent attendance at National events; given the strength of the chapter I would like to see a higher level attendance
- Beta Xi (Linda Fritchey)
  - Strengths:
    - Extraordinary Morale and brotherhood
    - Good relationship with the school
    - Strong relationship with local companies
    - Taking strides to expand chapter interaction
    - Chapter management with strong programming that is not just minimal effort
  - Weaknesses/Concerns:
    - Some historic traditions that are being corrected as they come up
    - Leadership transition - Current leadership is very outspoken and strong; what happens when they graduate
  - Opportunities:
    - Regional Leadership as a chapter
    - Potential National Leaders
    - Direct involvement/influence on Mu Omega which could benefit Mu Omega positively

\* The schools in New Jersey, particularly Rider, have had a lot of recent concerns with hazing so there has been a big push to educate, deter, and prevent hazing on campuses. The brothers of Beta Xi have really made efforts to keep everybody educated on Risk Management and school efforts regarding hazing.

- Zeta Eta (Delia Espinosa)
  - Strengths:
    - Wants to change the environment and create a refocused chapter
    - Officers and brothers want to change
    - Strong group of current brothers
  - Weaknesses/Concerns:
    - Chapter operations need constant attention, but are improving
  - Opportunities:
    - Current brothers want to see a strong Zeta Eta; need help and support!!!
- Zeta Pi (Elizabeth Calloway)
  - Strengths:
    - Service program is extremely strong
    - Tight knit group – Strong chapter that strives to avoid cliques
    - Recruiting
    - Pledge Education Program
  - Weaknesses/Concerns:
    - National Event attendance improving, but still lacks a chapter wide energy
  - Opportunities:
    - Leverage large chapter structure to develop committees
    - Plan for the future, not just the now
- Eta Xi (Dara Henry)
  - Strengths:
    - Thinks big
  - Weaknesses/Concerns:
    - Relationships and group unity
    - Communication and follow up, brought on by brothers not checking email
    - Follow through
    - National Events attendance

Chapter Advisor/School Support  
Attendance and participation problems at chapter events

- Opportunities:
- Mu Omega (Frank Gramlich)
  - Strengths:
    - Good relationship with Beta Xi
    - Recruiting
    - Risk Management
    - Overall chapter management
  - Weaknesses/Concerns:
    - Understanding of deadlines and event qualification; improving
  - Opportunities:
    - Direct involvement/influence on Beta Xi could be a positive influence on Mu Omega
    - Developing younger brothers for future leadership

### Colonies

- Kappa Zeta Theta - Lehigh (unassigned)
  - Strengths:
    - Leadership team
    - Good refocus on goals and direction
  - Weaknesses/Concerns:
    - Lack of alumni leadership in the area
    - National event attendance; improving
  - Opportunities:
    - Appear to be on track for fall petition
- Kappa Iota Nu - Pace (Michael Lombardi)
  - Strengths:
    - Petition being prepared/submitted
    - Very proud of campus presence
  - Weaknesses/Concerns:
    - Transition needs work
    - Attendance at national events improving greatly; just have to keep it up
  - Opportunities:
    - On track for installation on April 4
- Kappa Rho Delta - Adelphi (Shreema Sanghvi)
  - Strengths:
    - Support from school
    - Fundraising and their ability to turn some into annual events
    - Inter organization interactions on campus
    - Colony programming is strong
    - Petition is submitted
  - Weaknesses/Concerns:
    - School lacks hazing policy
    - Receptiveness as a group to national volunteers
  - Opportunities:
    - On track for installation on March 28
- Chi Omega Pi – City College of New York (Leah Orejudos)
  - The colony is too new to adequately gauge, but I am extremely excited for their presence.*
  - Strengths:
  - Weaknesses/Concerns:
    - CEI submissions
  - Opportunities:
  - Threats/Risks:

## Alumni

- New York City Alumni Chapter
- Philadelphia Alumni Chapter

## Steel Valley Region Vice President

### Wayne Lauer

#### Travel Summary

October 2008	Boston LEAD	Boston, MA
October 2008	Omicron Tau Visit	Columbus, OH
February 2009	Cincinnati Provincial	Cincinnati, OH

#### Review of Officer Goals

1. Leadership Development - in progress
2. Chapter Interaction - in progress
3. National Events -
4. Chapter Operations - in progress

#### Collegiate Chapter Performance and Status (as of February 6, 2009)

<b>Chapter</b>	<b>Current CEI points</b>
Lambda	47
Nu	42
Beta Pi	42.50
Theta Kappa	16.50
Theta Rho	55.50
Mu Pi	37.50
Nu Upsilon	34.50
Omicron Tau	37.50

#### ***Lambda (University of Pittsburgh)***

This chapter continues to strive for excellence. They reach for new ideas and help anyone who asks.

#### ***Nu (Ohio State University)***

This chapter has several strong events with potential for national awards. Definitely on an upswing.

#### ***Beta Pi (Kent State University)***

Has all the makings of a strong nationally recognized chapter, though until recently they have chosen to remain somewhat isolated.

#### ***Mu Pi (Pennsylvania State University – Behrend College)***

This chapter is recovering from real morale issues. They have made definite progress and have the potential for “big” things.

#### ***Nu Upsilon (West Virginia University)***

This chapter has some of the makings of a strong nationally recognized chapter. They do struggle in some areas but are working diligently on them.

#### ***Omicron Tau (Ohio Dominican University)***

This chapter while operationally viable has serious recruiting concerns. The executive committee is working hard, but there is definitely the potential for burnout.

### ***Theta Kappa (University of Akron)***

The chapter is holding the necessary events but continues to struggle with the reporting aspect in CEI. They maintain a positive attitude but struggle with chapter size.

### ***Theta Rho (Duquesne University)***

This chapter has shown much improvement over the past year. The fresh executive committee is excited and moving them forward. Inter-chapter networking has really helped.

### **Alumni Chapters**

Cleveland-Akron  
Pittsburgh (not official, but in progress)

### **Regional Leadership**

District Directors

- Lambda – Pat Flynn
- Nu – Alan Brunton
- Beta Pi – Rich Garber
- Theta Kappa – Tricia Smith
- Theta Rho – David Schreiber
- Mu Pi – Lisa Slusarz
- Nu Upsilon – Arnel Balcita
- Omicron Tau – Suzanne Swire

### **Officers Succession**

The Steel Valley region has several brothers whom have ambitions of succeeding me as RVP. No formal DD succession is planned however a few vacancies are on the horizon.

### **Expansion inquiries**

None to report

## **Northeastern Province Community Service Report**

**Renee Stewart**

### **• Travel Summary**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>	<b>Location</b>
June 14, 2008	Philadelphia Alumni Chapter – Annual Mini-golf Tourney	Philadelphia, PA
July 12, 2008	Philadelphia Alumni Chapter Meeting	Conshohocken, PA
August 9, 2008	Philadelphia Alumni Chapter Meeting	Conshohocken, PA
August 22, 2008	Philadelphia Alumni Chapter – Social Event / Happy Hour	West Chester, PA
September 4, 2008	Philadelphia Alumni Chapter – Fundraiser / Pizzeria uno	Philadelphia, PA
September 13, 2008	Philadelphia Alumni Chapter Meeting	Conshohocken, PA
September 26, 2008	Philadelphia Alumni Chapter – Social Event / Poker Night	Warrington, PA
October 17-29, 2008	Boston LEAD	Boston, MA
October 26, 2008	Make a Difference Day – Letters to Soldiers	Conshohocken, PA
October 31, 2008	Philadelphia Alumni Chapter – Social Event/ Game Night	Newtown Sq. , PA
November 1, 2009	Philadelphia Alumni Chapter – Fundraiser/Avon Party	Conshohocken, PA
November 7, 2008	Philadelphia Alumni Chapter – Founders Day Dinner	East Norriton, PA
November 22, 2008	Philadelphia Alumni Chapter – Philly Marathon Volunteer	Philadelphia, PA

December 6, 2008	Philadelphia Alumni Chapter – Holiday Potluck Dinner	Philadelphia, PA
December 11, 2008	Philadelphia Alumni Chapter – Fundraiser / Pizzria Uno	Conshohocken, PA
December 13, 2008	Eastern Region Event – Philadelphia KIXX Soccer	Philadelphia, PA
January 10, 2009	Philadelphia Alumni Chapter Meeting	Conshohocken, PA
January 30, 2009	Philadelphia Alumni Chapter – Social Event / Happy Hour	Philadelphia, PA

- **Planned travel, if known:**

Date	Event	Location
February 6-8, 2009	Cincinnati Provincial LEAD	Mason, OH
February 21, 2009	Philadelphia Alumni Chapter Meeting	Philadelphia, PA

- **Committee Goals**

Mission: To continue to encourage & educate brothers on the importance of Community & University Service as part of their chapter operations as well as serve as a resource for questions & concerns.

Goals:

- Support and encourage chapter participation in National Community Service Events
  - Blood Drive
  - Make A Difference Day
  - Provincial Initiative – American Cancer Society (until June 30, 2009)
- Support initiatives of National Community Service Chair- Tracey Florio Moss
- Communicate & educate on “University Service” as part of Community Service
  - *Issue addressed in the first issue of CS Newsletter; Will remind students at upcoming LEAD in Buffalo about this area **COMPLETE***
- Committee Meetings
  - Meet (in person) twice yearly at National Events (Fall LEAD & Spring Provincial)
    - *Encourage members to attend the Spring LEAD in Cincinnati*
    - *Increase member participation for the CS Events at the LEAD Schools*
  - Semester Conference Calls
    - *Conference Call –None this year. Communication done via e-mail*
    - *Will make a committee requirement that to be a member you must come to one of the LEAD events (Fall or Spring) in order to assist with the CS activities.*
- **Actions:**
  - Create a NE Province Community Service Newsletter to be distributed once a semester to highlight successful events of chapters in the NE province as well as serve as a way to distribute information on upcoming events and bring awareness of the existence of the committee
    - *Completed! Fourth Issue will be distributed at Cincinnati LEAD*
    - *Topics: Member Spotlight, Date Reminders, Provincial Initiative, etc.*
    - *Will send to CO, after Spring 2009 LEAD, to have all issues posted in province document well*
  - Develop & deploy a Community Service Survey to chapters to better understand any challenges and the needs of the chapters
    - *Completed! Results were e-mailed to all chapter VPCS & Presidents in the Fall 2007 (RVP & PVP were e-mailed as well)*
  - Provincial Penny War – Hold a penny war at the Fall LEAD School Annually
    - *Completed! 4<sup>th</sup> annual Penny War held in Boston*
      - *Raised \$500.00*
      - *Those attending chose the charity: Autism Speaks*
    - *Results will be posted in the newsletter in the Spring 2009 edition*

- Pop Tab Collection – Continue to support Pop Tab collection / contest at Spring LEAD Provincial w/ other goods to be given to the local Ronald McDonald House
  - *Will hold 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Pop Tabs and donation collection in Cincinnati 2009. All donations will go to the Cincinnati RMHC.*
- Valentines for Vets – Hold a Friday Night & Saturday Day interactive community service event where members will make valentines for veterans in the Cincinnati area
  - *All valentines will be sent to the Cincinnati VA Medical Center*
  - *Went well at Buffalo and am implementing for a second year; will evaluate after that for further years*
- Verizon Hope Line – Joint CS initiative with the Southern Province
  - *In Support of our brothers in the South, we'll be collecting old cell phones & accessories at our LEAD, while they will collect Pop Tabs at theirs*
  - *Reason: Exposure to other provinces and also showing another type of program that chapters can be involved with (broadening their charity horizons)*
- **Future Milestones:**
  - Encourage participation in filing awards for Outstanding Community & University Service
    - *Reminded chapters to submit their national CS events to National Chair for CS*
    - *Also reminded that in order to submit for award chapters must participate in one of the two national initiatives or the provincial*
  - Develop a Provincial recognition program for participation in the Penny War & Pop Tab collection
    - *Completed! Plaques were made and on display at Cleveland & Buffalo LEAD.*
    - *Plaques will be filled in and sent to the Central Office this Spring/Summer to be displayed for all to see!*
- **Committee Members**
  - Kyle Junk                      Mu Pi (Alumni) / Philadelphia Alumni/ DD Alpha Gamma
  - Emily Paton                    Mu Tau (Alumni)
  - Amanda Moretto              Xi Rho (Alumni)/ DD Omicron Omega
  - Patrick Johnson              Xi Psi (Alumni)/Boston Alumni
  - Brittany Schwartz            Alpha Gamma (Collegiate)
  - Jamie Lewin                  Xi Rho (Collegiate)
- ***Recommendations/ General Comments***

**General Comments:**

As Community Service Chair, I will continue to, with the support of the committee, host a Community service event at each of the LEAD schools held in the Northeastern Province. I will also work to be a valuable resource to not only our collegiate members but our alumni as well. At the fall event we will change the charity for the donation so that different organizations can benefit from the generosity of Deltasigs, as well as meet the various philanthropic drives of our members. We'll try to diversify and add new initiatives to our efforts with the Provincial CS Initiative that is selected yearly and provide the Provincial Council with a list of recommended charities. I will document my activities and processes for chairs to succeed my time.

Serving as Chair for these past four years has been a great, fun filled experience that I would not trade for the world. I was able to meet and interact with brothers across the province and nation. While I am stepping back from this role, not stepping away, I have no doubt that whomever my successor is will continue to set the bar high for Provincial events and activities. Thank you everyone for making it such a great time. I owe you.

## Recommendations:

- Manual/ Guideline creation for chair positions (Provincial & National Level)
- Specific criteria for membership into committees; requirements to be a member
- Educate members on the value of reaching out to DSP Chairs at all levels and areas

# **Northeastern Province Professional Development Report**

**Liz Calloway**

## **Travel Summary**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Chapter/Colony</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Event</b>
9/13/2008	--	Rider University	Eastern Regional Conference
9/27/2008	--	George Washington University	Capital Regional Conference
10/2/2008	Zeta Pi	St Joseph's University	Pledging Ceremony
10/18/2008	--	Boston, MA	LEAD
11/21/2008	Zeta Pi	St Joseph's University	Initiation
1/31/2009	Alpha Gamma	Penn State University	

## **General Comments**

As a Province, the Northeastern Province is incredibly talented. Chapters have amazing ideas and events but sometime lack the opportunities to share these ideas. In some instances, chapters excel in some areas and struggle in others. Sometimes, they don't realize that chapters nearby have experienced the same thing and can help. With this in mind, Regional Conferences were hosted in the Eastern and Capital Regions. This provided opportunities for the chapters to share their experiences and provide feedback to other chapters. A curriculum is in place should other regions choose to host similar events in the future semesters.

Continuing on this theme, Provincial Leadership worked to modify the Provincial LEAD event to ensure as many opportunities for chapter interaction. The biggest component is the Chapter Expo on Friday night. If it is successful, Leadership has plans to continue at future events.

## ADDENDUM II

**International Fraternity of Delta Sigma Pi**  
Northeastern Provincial Budget  
Approved by Provincial Council - February 8, 2009

Description	2001-2002	2002-2003	2003-2004	2004-2005	2005-2006	2006-2007	2007-2008	2008-2009	2009-2010 (Approved)	Variance
<b>Northeastern Provincial Vice President</b>	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,940	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,950	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ 2,000	\$ -
<b>Regional Vice President Individual Travel Budgets<sup>1</sup></b>										
<i>Steel Valley (6 Chapters)</i>	\$ 625	\$ 625	\$ 600	\$ 625	\$ 625	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ 900	\$ (300)
<i>East Central (9 Chapters)</i>	\$ 1,125	\$ 1,125	\$ 1,320	\$ 1,375	\$ 1,375	\$ 875	\$ 1,050	\$ 1,050	\$ 1,350	\$ 300
<i>Eastern (8 Chapters, 4 Colonies)</i>	\$ 750	\$ 875	\$ 840	\$ 875	\$ 750	\$ 1,250	\$ 1,500	\$ 1,650	\$ 1,800	\$ 150
<i>Capital (8 Chapters)</i>	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 960	\$ 1,000	\$ 875	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ 1,200	\$ -
<i>New England (7 Chapters)</i>	\$ 750	\$ 875	\$ 960	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,000	\$ 1,050	\$ 1,050	\$ 1,050	\$ -
<i>Niagara (6 Chapters)</i>	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 480	\$ 625	\$ 625	\$ 750	\$ 900	\$ 900	\$ 900	\$ -
<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$ 4,750</b>	<b>\$ 5,000</b>	<b>\$ 5,160</b>	<b>\$ 5,500</b>	<b>\$ 5,250</b>	<b>\$ 5,875</b>	<b>\$ 6,900</b>	<b>\$ 7,050</b>	<b>\$ 7,200</b>	<b>\$ 150</b>
<b>Provincial Leadership Meeting<sup>2</sup></b>	\$ 1,500	\$ 2,000	\$ 1,400	\$ 2,500	\$ 1,400	\$ 2,125	\$ 1,850	\$ 1,850	\$ 1,700	\$ (150)
<b>Oxford Leadership Retreat Travel Allotme</b>	\$ 1,600	\$ -	\$ 1,400	\$ -	\$ 1,400	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Leadership Training</b>		\$ 500					\$ 600	\$ 600	\$ 600	\$ -
<b>Provincial Committees and Task Forces</b>	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ 500	\$ -
<b>Other<sup>3</sup></b>	\$ 150	\$ 500	\$ 100	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 150	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTAL PROVINCIAL BUDGET</b>	<b>\$ 10,000</b>	<b>\$ 12,000</b>	<b>\$ 12,000</b>	<b>\$ 12,000</b>	<b>\$ -</b>					

1 - 2009-2010 proposed RVP Budgets funded at \$150 for each collegiate chapter/colony in existence as of January 2, 2009. (Historical budgets starting in 2006-2007 reflect new regional boundaries effective July 1, 2005.)

2 - Meetings between PVP, RVPs, committee chairs and other volunteers. May be a combination of face-to-face team meetings and conference calls.

3 - This line item includes historical allocations for speculative colonies. Any line item budget surpluses may be reallocated at discretion of PVP.

## ADDENDUM III

### Northeastern Provincial Council Meeting February 8, 2009 Cincinnati, OH

#### Roll of Delegates

#### COLLEGIATE CHAPTERS

Alpha	Andrew Goon	Gamma	Rachel Katz
Lambda	Brant Hawk	Nu	<b>ABSENT</b>
Chi	<b>ABSENT</b>	Alpha Gamma	Jared Etkins
Alpha Theta	Austin Francis	Alpha Kappa	Kayleigh Lot
Alpha Omicron	Hilary Berghausen	Alpha Upsilon	Colin Atherton
Beta Nu	<b>ABSENT</b>	Beta Xi	Timothy Schuster
Beta Pi	Daniel Blair	Epsilon Kappa	Kimberly Foltz
Epsilon Tau	Zachary Jernigan	Zeta Eta	Amanda Rotundo
Zeta Pi	Zachary Leahan	Zeta Psi	Joseph Mirabella
Eta Xi	Saida Miftahi	Theta Iota	Gregory Autuori
Theta Kappa	Ally Donatelli	Theta Lambda	Katie Weisbrod
Theta Pi	Lindsey Cycles	Theta Rho	Matthew D'Eramo
Theta Upsilon	Jay Godbole	Iota Kappa	<b>ABSENT</b>
Iota Rho	Lavon Coker	Kappa Lambda	Patrick Walling
Lambda Tau	<b>ABSENT</b>	Mu Pi	Britta Landfried
Mu Tau	Simran Arora	Mu Omega	Joseph Sanseverino
Nu Sigma	Dennis LeClair	Nu Upsilon	<b>ABSENT</b>
Xi Rho	Stefanie Moser	Xi Tau	Bridget Alemd
Xi Upsilon	<b>ABSENT</b>	Xi Phi	<b>ABSENT</b>
Xi Psi	Even Wallace	Omicron Rho	<b>ABSENT</b>
Omicron Tau	Dustin Crew	Omicron Chi	Antonio Watson
Omicron Omega	Sam Mintz	Pi Rho	Rebecca Pavao

#### ALUMNI CHAPTERS

Baltimore	Jennifer Holt
Boston	Paul Carpinella
Cincinnati	Amanda Romine
Cleveland -Akron	Tricia Smith
Connecticut	<b>ABSENT</b>
NYC	<b>ABSENT</b>
DC Metro	Stacy Jordon
Philadelphia	Conchita Dixon
Shepherdstown	<b>ABSENT</b>

#### OFFICERS

Northeastern Provincial Vice President	Onuka Ibe
Greater Allegheny Regional Vice President	Wayne Lauer
Eastern Regional Vice President	Thomas Calloway
East Central Regional Vice President	<b>ABSENT</b>
Capital Area Regional Vice President	Frank Hodas
New England Regional Vice President	Laura Bittner
Niagara Regional Vice President	<b>ABSENT</b>