



# THE GREEK BEAT

## Upcoming dates of Interest:

- **Fall Break**  
Oct 19-20
- **Homecoming**  
Oct 26-31
- **Finals Week**  
Dec. 14-18

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## Welcome New Members!



*Bid Day Photo 2009*

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Tennessee Tech Panhellenic and Interfraternity councils recently held their annual fall recruitment drive. A large number of undergraduate students participated in the Greek Cook-out, Sneak Peek at Greek, and many other pre-recruitment events and activities. Panhellenic sorority recruitment began September 10th with more than 180 women participating. On Bid Day, TTU sororities had 140 new members! This marks the largest Panhellenic recruitment in TTU history. "Its amazing it see so many ladies happy," said Panhellenic VP of Membership Natasha Land. On September 14, the Interfraternity council held their first night of recruitment on the Main Quad. There was free food cooked by IFC council members,

games, and music. Potential recruits could register for drawings with approximately \$2,500 worth of prizes. On formal night, many fraternities saw record attendance. "I'm extremely happy with the recruitment turnout this year," stated John Mark Hackney, IFC Recruitment Vice President. "I'm glad these new guys will get to enjoy the benefits of Greek Life, the more the merrier." TTU Greeks make up approximately 10% of the undergraduate student population. Greek Life offers many opportunities for leadership, community service, projects to raise large amounts of money for charity, and friendship for life. For more information about TTU Greek Life, please log on to [www.tntech.edu/greek/](http://www.tntech.edu/greek/) or stop by the Greek Life office, room 119 in the University Center.

## Greeks (Still) Play Big Role in SGA

The results are in and when all the votes were tallied, Greek students had completed a clean sweep of all the SGA Executive Officer positions. Members of TTU's Greek community will hold all four of the SGA Executive Offices for the 2009-2010 school year.

Sean Ochsenbein, a member of Phi Delta Theta Fraternity, serves as Student Body President. Heather Christie of Alpha Delta Pi sorority was elected Vice President. Erin Chambers, of Kappa Delta sorority, serves as Secretary and Julian Lyons of Phi Gamma Delta Fraternity was elected Treasurer. Along with the Greek students on the executive board, 19 of the 29 SGA Senator positions are held by members of the Greek community. These senators will represent each of their respective colleges during the 2009-2010 school year.



*From Left: Erin Chambers, Julian Lyons, Sean Ochsenbein, and Heather Christie*

## National Hazing Prevention Week



Tennessee Tech University's Greek Life office sponsored a "Halt Hazing" banner for National Hazing Prevention Week. Hundreds of Greek students stopped by to sign the banner pledging to stand together against hazing and to never engage in hazing behavior or activities. "It's important students acknowledge how dangerous and damaging hazing is and that it will not be tolerated on this campus," stated Greek advisor Katie Williams. Athletics teams and student organizations were invited to sign the banner as well. "Hazing is often seen as a problem with Greek organizations, but it occurs in all types of organizations. That is why all students should be aware of what hazing is and work together to prevent it" said Williams. In addition to the banner, each Greek chapter's president and new member educator signed a hazing policy compliance form acknowledging they have read and understand Tennessee Tech's hazing policy and Tennessee's state laws pertaining to hazing. For more information on hazing prevention, please contact the Greek Life office.

TTU's Haunted Homecoming begins on October 26 and ends with the Homecoming game October 31st. For more information and a list of events, visit [www.tntech.edu/homecoming](http://www.tntech.edu/homecoming)

## Chapters Host Family Day Celebrations

Three chapters held their annual Family Day celebrations on Saturday, October 3 in conjunction with TTU's Parent and Family Weekend. Each Greek member's parents and family were invited to attend. The purpose of family day to give students the opportunity to introduce their families to the their Greek organization. Families are given a presentation about the fraternity's or sororities' history, explained the benefits of being a member, the chapter's awards and achievements, and share conversation over a meal. After lunch, the chapter members and families made their way over to the stadium for tailgating and the football game. Each of the organizations reported great success with their Family day celebrations.



*Ben Higgins of FIJI with his family*



*Alpha Delta Pi's Family Day Celebration in the Main Quad*



*Phi Gamma Delta Family Day*



*Kappa Sigma Family Day Photo*



*Kappa Sigma members (from left) Spencer Tidwell, Philip Stephens, and Adam Poe at their Family Day festivities*

## Alpha Delta Pi hosts Diamond Heist



***Pie at a Pi***



***Pi Prison***

Alpha Delta Pi recently completed their annual philanthropy event, Diamond Heist, held October 5-8. The philanthropy benefits the Ronald McDonald house, also known as The House That Love Built®, the program has been helping seriously ill children and their families for decades. Each Ronald McDonald House provides a safe, welcoming and warm home away from home for families of children receiving medical treatment at a nearby hospital. Today, there are 281 Ronald McDonald Houses in more than 30 countries and regions.

The week's events included a disc golf tournament and Lion's Feast burger cook-off held at Cane Creek Park in which different organizations competed against one another to raise money. The chapter also held a Coke Tab Drop, Pie at a Pi, and Pi Prison.

On Friday, the chapter hosted a benefit concert featuring J.C. Andersen and Anna Foster. Anna Foster, a folk artist from TN, opened at the concert. J.C. Andersen, who received second place from the popular show "The Next GAC Star" and serves as the current house band of The Wild Horse Saloon in Nashville, lit up the stage with his performance.

The event was an enormous success raising approximately \$5,000 for the Ronald McDonald House.

*Abby Allen of Kappa Delta*

*Myra Conley of Alpha Delta Pi*

*Cameron Felty of Kappa Alpha Order*

*Chelsey Gilliam of Alpha Delta Pi*

*Sarah Ginn of Alpha Delta Pi*

*Kacyn Goranson of Delta Gamma*

  
**ORDER OF OMEGA**  
 HONORING GREEK LEADERS SINCE 1959

**Congratulations to the  
 newest members of  
 Tennessee Tech  
 University's Beta Delta  
 chapter of  
 Order of Omega**

*Hailey Holland of Kappa Delta*

*Kristen Kyte of Alpha Delta Pi*

*Alston Peek of Sigma Chi*

*Courtney Scott of Alpha Delta Pi*

*Rachel Steidl of Alpha Delta Pi*

*Philip Stephens of Kappa Sigma*

## Alpha Phi Alpha completes Alpha Week



*AΦA Ladies Appreciation Dinner*



*AΦA member Joseph Smith reading to children at the CDL*

The Omicron Phi chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha recently completed a week long series of events to display the values and personality of their organization. The week kicked off Sunday, September 27 with a church service at Burton's Chapel UMC. Other events included a Madden Tournament, voter registration drive, a forum entitled "Is Civility Dead," reading to children at the Child Development Lab, a Ladies Appreciation Dinner, tailgate cookout, and a party. For more information on the Omicron Phi chapter of Alpha Phi, please visit <http://www.orgs.tntech.edu/apa/>

## Kappa Sigma hosts successful South Seas

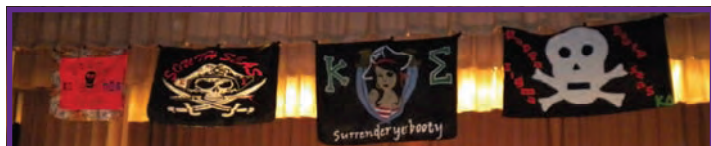
The brothers of Kappa Sigma recently completed their 2nd annual South Seas philanthropy on September 28-October 1. Events included a treasure hunt, "Run out the colors" where chapters designed their own pirate flag, a pirate ship build off, "Miss South Seas" Pageant, and "Booty Drop" where chapters donated money to their chests in the UC.

Just over \$2,000 in profits were donated to Fischer House for Military Heroes. This non-profit organization was established in 2000 to provide free or low cost lodging to veterans and military families receiving treatment at military medical centers.

For more information about the Fischer House, visit [www.fallenheroesfund.org](http://www.fallenheroesfund.org)



*Kappa Sigma's South Seas Pageant*



*South Seas Pirate Flags*



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**Greek Calendar—October 2009**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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4	5 Alpha Delta Pi Diamond Heist	6 Alpha Delta Pi Diamond Heist	7 Alpha Delta Pi Diamond Heist	8 Alpha Delta Pi Diamond Heist	9	10
11	12 Phi Gamma Delta MS FIJI Island  Phi Beta Sigma Clothing Drive	13 Phi Gamma Delta MS FIJI Island  SGA Homecoming Court Elections	14 Phi Gamma Delta MS FIJI Island  Phi Beta Sigma Clothing Drive	15 Phi Gamma Delta MS FIJI Island  Phi Beta Sigma Clothing Drive	16  Phi Beta Sigma Clothing Drive	17
18	19 Fall Break  National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week	20 Fall Break  National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week	21 Homecoming Forms Due  National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week	22 Fraternity Fire Inspections  National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week	23 Fraternity Fire Inspections  National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week	24 YMCA Half Marathon
25	26 Homecoming Banner Competition	27 Homecoming Skit Night	28 Homecoming Canned Food Drive & Ghoulish Games	29 Homecoming Fear Factor & Haunted House Competition	30 Homecoming Spirit Day Pep Rally NPHC Step Show	31 Homecoming Parade TTU vs. TSU

**Greek Calendar— November 2009**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5 Alpha Gamma Sigma Pumpkin Carve	6	7
8	9  Delta Sigma Theta Week	10 DG/PIKE Skate for Sight  Delta Sigma Theta Week	11  Delta Sigma Theta Week	12 Alpha Phi Alpha Basketball Tournament Delta Sigma Theta Week	13 Alpha Phi Alpha Basketball Tournament Delta Sigma Theta Week	14
15	16 SAE True Gentlemen Week	17 SAE True Gentlemen Week	18 SAE True Gentlemen Week	19 SAE True Gentlemen Week	20	21
22	23	24	25	26 Thanksgiving Break	27 Thanksgiving Break	28
29	30					



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