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MESSAGE FROM THE CHAPTER PRESIDENT

Welcome back to the new school year! I am excited to begin the new season by announcing a partnership between Phi Kappa Phi and Women’s Studies for the upcoming academic year. Cheryl Riley and Yvonne Johnson have been awarded $10,000 on behalf of UCM by the national office for the Phi Kappa Phi Promotion of Excellence Grant. The award will offer financial support to the upcoming Cultural Literacy Symposia throughout the academic year. I encourage all of you to mark your calendars for these activities! A listing of activities can be found on page 2.

Additionally, our local chapter will be providing grants to campus organizations for assistance with funding for activities which include the following: guest speakers, symposiums, travel and workshops. There will be five grants awarded in the amount of $250. For more information, please contact: Sara Sundberg at 660.534.8698.

Student Executive Board Being Developed

Currently, we are looking to develop an executive board for a student chapter at UCM. We would like to use this new direction to allow students within the Society to become recognized leaders on campus. The student executive board would be assisting the current executive board in planning initiation, assisting with public relations, and developing activities to network with other Phi Kappa Phi members.

We have one leadership position available: Secretary.

If you know of a student who would be interested in serving a leadership role, please have them contact: Rochelle Barabas, 660.543.4725.
Study Abroad Grants
Phi Kappa Phi Study Abroad Grants are designed to help support undergraduates as they seek knowledge and experience in their academic fields by studying abroad. Thirty-eight $1,000 grants are awarded each year.

Literacy Grants
Grants of up to $2,500 are available to Phi Kappa Phi chapters and individual members to fund ongoing literacy projects or to create new initiatives.

DID YOU KNOW?

Founded in 1897 at the University of Maine, Phi Kappa Phi is the nation's oldest, largest, and most selective honor society for all academic disciplines.

Phi Kappa Phi’s notable members: Jimmy Carter, Ellis Marsalis, John Grisham, and David Baldacci.

PHI KAPPA PHI & WOMEN'S STUDIES CULTURAL LITERACY SYMPOSIA

October 24, 2006, Workshop, "Sexual Harassment in the Workplace," taught by Ms. Ronnie Podolefsky and Dr. Mary McCord, UN 237B, 2:00-3:30 pm.

November 2006, Self-Defense Training, Taught by Public Safety, Time & Place, TBA

December 6, 2006, Film Screening, "North Country," UN 237B, 2:00-3:30.


February 12, 2007, Speaker, Dr. Eddie Moore, Jr. "Cultural Competency, Diversity and Leadership in the 21st Century: Are You Ready?" UN 237B, 2:00-3:30pm. (Dr. Moore teaches at The Bush School and is the founder of the White Privilege Conference)

March 13, 2007, Speaker Dr. Paul Rothenberg, from the new book, "Beyond Borders: Thinking Critically About Global Issues," UN 237B, 2:00-3:30 pm. (Dr. Rothenberg is the author of the most widely used textbook on Race, Class and Gender, "Race, Class and Gender in the United States," and has just published "White Privilege: Essential Readings on the Other Side of Racism").

March 2007, International Culture Night, TBA

April 3, 2007, Speaker, Gary Howard, from his book "We Can't Teach What We Don't Know: White Teachers in Multiracial Schools," UN 237B, 2:00-3:30 pm.

The following very important speaker is sponsored by the Women's Studies Program and is connected to the "Women and the Democratic Process" class - WS 4910 but she is speaking in a larger venue and the event is open to the campus and community:

November 6, Mayor Kay Barnes will speak on her career and "Women and the Democratic Process," in UN 237B from 5:30-7:30 pm.
PHI KAPPA PHI NATIONAL AWARDS & RECOGNITION:
Congratulations to UCM’s Jennifer Jonas for being granted one of the 2006 Award of Excellence Winners from PKP National Headquarters! Jennifer has been granted $2,000 for her first year at graduate school!

LOCAL CHAPTER #135 AWARDS & RECOGNITION:
Phi Kappa Phi will be honoring two members for service and past presidency at the November initiation ceremony. Congratulations to Amber Clifford and Shari Bax!

Distinguished Service Award: Past President:
Amber Clifford Shari Bax

Updating Our Local Chapter Contact Info
Currently, we are working on revising our Chapter #135 files. We would like to know updated information to improve communication between our local chapter and our members of Phi Kappa Phi. Please email Rochelle Barabas at: rbarabas@cmsu.edu Include the following information: name, email, mailing address, and phone number.

November Initiation for Phi Kappa Phi

This year’s initiation ceremony will be held on Sunday, November 19th at 2:00 p.m. in the Union: Room 236 and the Charno Room. Our theme for this year’s event is: Believe It and Achieve It. The keynote speaker for the ceremony is Dr. Sue Sundberg, Professor of Mathematics Education. Dr. Sundberg is the recipient of the Governor’s Award of Excellence in Teaching and The Byler Distinguished Faculty Award. The student speaker for the ceremony will be Wendi Rauli, Student Vice President of Phi Kappa Phi. We will be honoring our award winners for the Phi Kappa Phi grants and also our service award recipients.

All Phi Kappa Phi members are welcome to join us for our ceremony to celebrate our new initiates. There will be a reception following immediately in the piano lounge with refreshments.

We will be selling medallions for graduation which will be available for $10 at initiation. If you would like to purchase a medallion at a later time, please contact Dr. Patricia Decker at: 660.543.4696.

Graduate Fellowship’s Available from National Phi Kappa Phi
Every year, the Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi awards sixty Fellowships of $5,000 each and forty Awards of Excellence of $2,000 each to members entering the first year of graduate or professional study. Each Phi Kappa Phi chapter may select one candidate from among its local applicants to compete for the Society-wide awards. For more information about graduate fellowships or other awards and scholarships, please go to the following website: www.phikappaphi.org and click on “Scholarships and Awards”. If you would like to be considered as a candidate from our Chapter #135, please contact Rochelle Barabas at 660.543.4725. The deadline for entry is February 1, 2007.
**Call for New Columnists:**

Once again the Phi Kappa Phi Forum is looking for a few good volunteers to serve as regular columnists for the magazine. You must be an active member (have paid current annual dues or be a life member) to be considered. We are looking for writers for the following columns:

* Education and Academics           * Business and Economics
* Science and Technology             * The Arts

Plus two new columns:

* Organizational and Individual Ethics  * The Workplace

For the "Organizational and Individual Ethics" column, we want to address issues of both personal and organizational ethics. For the "Workplace" column, we would like to have members with long-term success (current and past) in the corporate world to write about issues that arise daily in the workplace.

Your term will be a two-year commitment (three total columns). The first set of new columnists will appear in the Winter/Spring 2007 issue. Please submit a copy of your résumé and no more than two writing samples of reasonable length (less than five pages) to:

**Phi Kappa Phi Forum**  
108 M. White Smith Hall  
Mell Street  
Auburn University, AL 36849-5306

Apply for only one position. Deadline for submitting materials has been extended to October 13, 2006. Selections will be made by November 1.

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**Faculty and Staff Nominations**

The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi is accepting nominations for faculty or staff that have performed outstanding achievements or services at UCM. Members can be initiated as students, faculty or staff.

The Society provides resources and benefits which are developed to assist with academic and professional needs. Benefits of the Society include: publications, awards, scholarships, training, networking, and leadership opportunities.

If you would like to nominate someone, please contact Rochelle Barabas to get the nomination form. Contact information: rbarabas@cmsu.edu or 660.543.4725.

The deadline for nominations is: **Friday, October 13**th.