



# LETTER FROM THE EDITORS

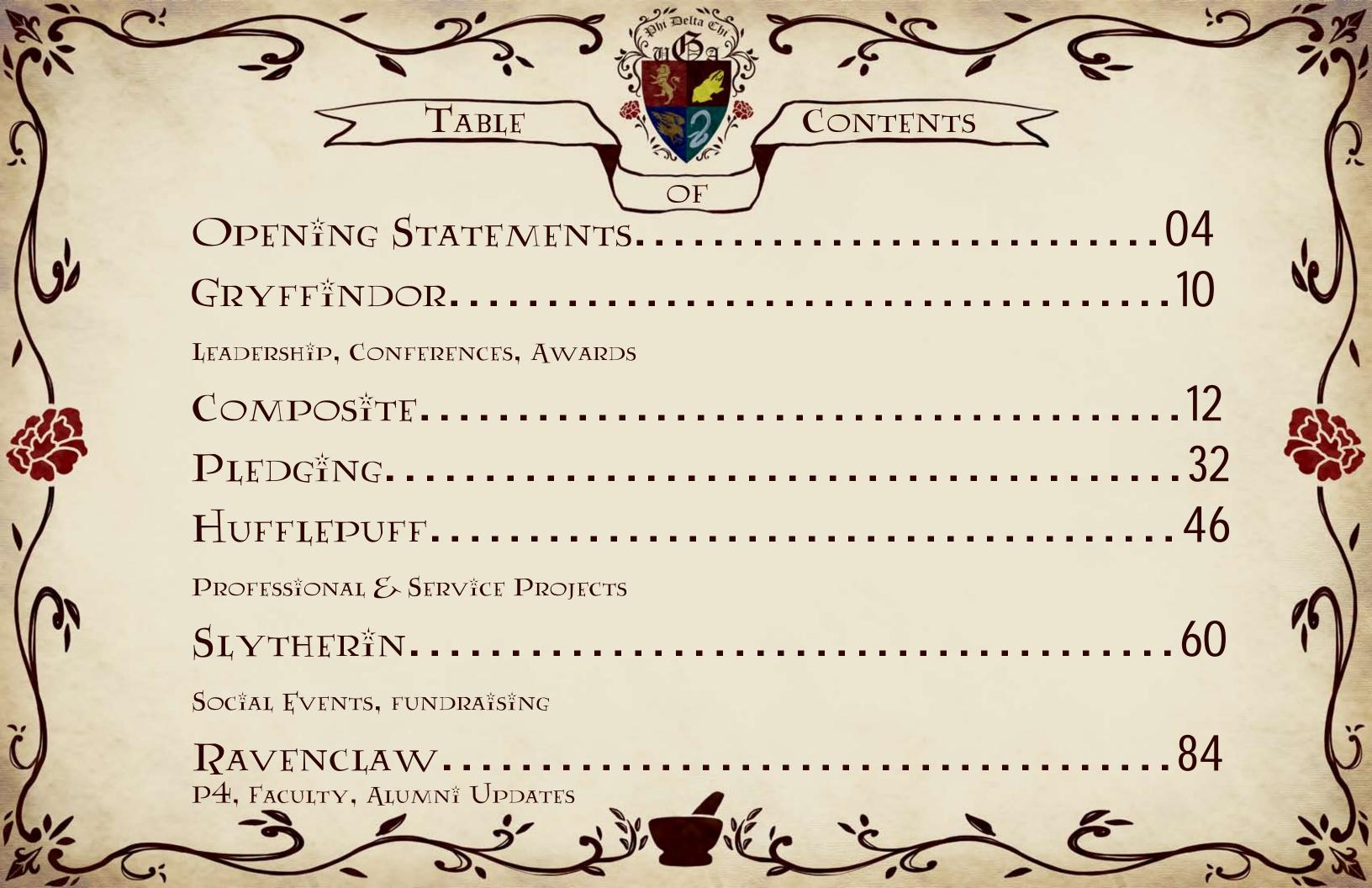
Dear Brothers,

Phi Delta Chi's Alpha Iota chapter was founded on May 29th, 1937 with nine charter Brothers. In the 2015 to 2016 year, our chapter has grown to 79 active collegiate Brothers from the P1 to P4 year. The Brotherhood has never been stronger and continually seeks to have quality Brothers through a rigorous pledging process and active participation. Phi Delta Chi is the oldest, most respected, and active fraternity at the University of Georgia's pharmacy school and we pride ourselves on our outstanding reputation. The publication is the finale to a year well done, and it has been an amazing honor to do this as Worthy Prelate and Worthy Alumni Liaison. We hope you enjoy the 2015-2016 edition of *The Crucible* as it gives you an opportunity to see how much this fraternity means to us.

Sincerely, Priyan Lad and David Kim

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## A LETTER FROM THE WCC

nother year has passed and I can hardly believe it! Alpha Iota has been busy this year and is happy to write another chapter into the Alpha Iota history book. We kicked off the year with Grand Council in Albuquerque, New Mexico. We toured the city, met up with old friends, made new friends, and learned about Phi Delta Chi's past and present. Our favorite part of the national meeting was getting to spend time with our infamous alumnus Lexie Turner Hoffman! We appreciate all her support and advice. It is my great privilege to announce that Alpha Iota placed 11th in the Thurston Cup and our publication The Crucible placed in the top 5 publications!

After returning from Grand Council, the Brothers met at Tugaloo State Park for our annual Summer Retreat. Here we planned our fall activities, enjoyed some team building exercises, and bonded as a chapter. The Brothers always love catching up after a long summer break.

RUSH- Such an exciting time! This year we welcomed eighteen new Brothers and I could not be happier with what they have done so far. They are motivated and determined to give back to the fraternity and strive to make Alpha Iota the best it can possibly be. I look forward to what the future has in store for them and the new heights they are going to reach!

Our favorite philanthropic event for the year is the St. Jude 5k Run/Walk. Held in October, our superhero themed 5k raised \$2,849.42 for St. Jude Children's Hospital. In addition to fundraising, we also hosted a community health fair. Our professional/service committee prepared many educational materials to hand out as well as interactive poster board presentations on various topics such as nutrition and heart health. The fundraising committee sold many of our beloved UGA College of Pharmacy t-shirts at the 5k and throughout the semester. In addition, our talented fundraising committee also came up with lots of new fundraising events such as bake sales, graduation flowers, and even some awe-

some new hoodies.

Each year the Brothers host a Faculty and Staff Appreciation Breakfast. We are so grateful for everything the faculty and staff do for us and we host this event as a token of our appreciation. Currently, Phi Delta Chi is the only student organization at the college that holds this appreciation event.

Perhaps our most groundbreaking event of the year was our homecoming weekend. It was a weekend full of spending quality time with our Brothers and alumni back in Athens. We recognize that there is much to gain by building relationships with our alumni and we have been eagerly working to rekindle those flames of friendship and fraternal bonds. We started the weekend with a Welcome Back Party at Creature Comforts Brewing Company in downtown Athens. The alumni chapter of Alpha Iota held its first meeting in five years during the Homecoming Tailgate. Our Homecoming Tailgate was a huge success as well. With the grill going, games of cornhole, and great company, we all got to reconnect with our alumni and make new connections over good food and football.

In the spring, we hosted the second annual Alumni Luncheon at the Rooker Hall Fireside Lounge. Our goal for this event is to give back and say thank you to all our alumni for all their support and advice they provide to our chapter.

Our Worthy Alumni Liaison David Kim has worked hard to foster the fraternal spirit amongst collegiate Brothers and alumni alike with his "I am Alpha Iota" campaign. In this campaign, the Brothers make personal videos and send them to the alumni to let them know what the chapter is up to. We also receive videos from the alumni and play them for the chapter. Although we may be spread across the country, his small introductory videos help bring us together. I would like to personally thank David for all the hard work he has done to mend the bonds between collegiates and alumni Brothers. We have made great strides to reach out and involve our wonderful alumni and we look for-

ward to growing more relationships next year!

We all came together to celebrate finishing another semester at our annual Holiday Dinner Party. It was a potluck of sorts as everyone brought something that reminded them of their holiday traditions to share with the chapter. In all the craziness of pharmacy school, I am happy to say that Phi Delta Chi has become my family and my home away from home. Celebrating the holiday season with this family was just what we all needed after a long semester.

Into the woods we went for Winter Retreat in Ellijay, Georgia. Similar to Summer Retreat, the chapter sets goals for the spring semester and planned all our events. With the help of our Worthy Keeper of Records and Seals Trinh Tran the fraternity and alumni in attendance were all well fed. We welcomed the newly initiated Brothers to our retreat customs and enjoyed bonding with everyone. It was a nice way to relax and spend quality time with the Brothers before school was back in session.

This year, the Brothers were busy participating in many community based events. We presented a community health awareness presentation to the residents of Talmage Terrace Residential Community. During both semesters, our chapter participated in the Adopt-A-Highway program. Brothers met in the early hours on a given Saturday to keep our portion of Timothy Road looking beautiful. Although picking up trash and stepping over roadkill is not at the top of the list of things we want to do on a Saturday morning, we would go out to eat at Waffle

House or Denny's to celebrate our morning's hard work. We always love to come together and bond while giving back to the community. During the month of March, we used our smartphones to play

an online trivia game called Free Rice. Since none of us ever use our phones in class, we decided that if we were going to use them we might as well be productive! So we answered trivia questions in order to help raise money for rice donations for developing countries. Together, we donated over 600,000 grains of rice. In order to grow as professionals, we hosted a CV lecture and workshop. Many Brothers attended to learn about creating a proper CV as well as having their CV

er CV as well as having their CVs critiqued. I solemnly swear that I am up to no good! You guessed it, this year's Spring Formal was appropriately named the Yule Ball with Harry Potter decor and atmosphere. We were sorted into houses, caught the golden snitch at our tables, and waved our wands at the photo booth. We recognized our Brotherhood award recipients and our Brothers with scholastic achievements. Keep in mind for next year that your new WCC was voted most likely to be Lord Voldemort! Keep an eye on that one!

This semester is coming to a close and summer is quickly approaching. It is hard to believe another year has come and gone, but we are already looking forward and making preparations to attend LDS this summer! Alpha Iota will see you there!

We all know pharmacy school can be hectic at times, but we as Brothers never forget our fraternity's motto, "Alterum Alterius Auxilio Eget," meaning, "Each needs the help of the other." The successes of our chapter come from our Brothers, whether they are active, alumni, advisors, or faculty. However, most of all it is the relationships we have formed with each other that allow us to do great things and make our fraternity great. We welcome our new Brothers with open arms and wish our graduating Brothers all the best. We are Brothers for life! Nathan Wayne



### BROTHERHOOD

hey said P2 year would be the hardest and for me it was, but not for academic reasons. I do not remember what made it so hard, but rather I remember what it is like to have a home away from home and having Brothers who treat you like family. I then got to see how these wonderful relationships came to be over the two years of pharmacy school.

On January 14, 2016 around 10pm, a driver turned without yielding, colliding head first into my car. The airbags exploded onto my face and I could not see or hear well. I was holding my phone, trying to see through the smoke and tears when Brother Eric Trinh texted just to catch up. He was on rotations in Atlanta but he immediately told David Bailey who came straight to the emergency room. Over the next few days, I got an overwhelming number of messages from Brothers asking if I needed anything. Brothers Ryan Shin, Parin Patel, Alex Lam, Angelina Cho, Tiffany Park, and Van Bui came to give me cupcakes, Chex Mix, flowers, bears, and balloons. I owe my biggest thanks to my favorite Brother and roommate Christina Huynh for taking care of me from the moment I was discharged from the ER to when I needed to go for my follow-up visits. She slept on the couch the first night of my accident because I could not see and wanted to be ready to help me if I needed it. She even guided me around our apartment and got a get-well soon card that was ironically signed in front of me. Four months later, when I had a recurrent corneal abrasion, she picked up

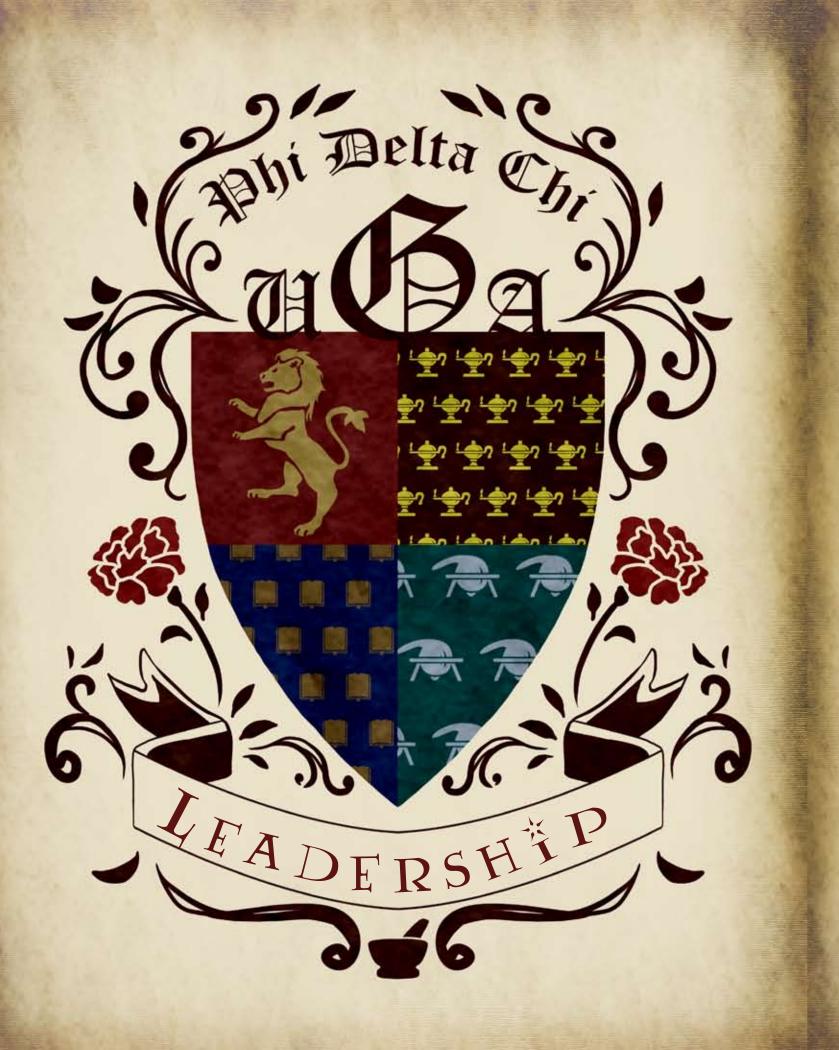
my medicine and consoled me as I cried over how much it hurt.

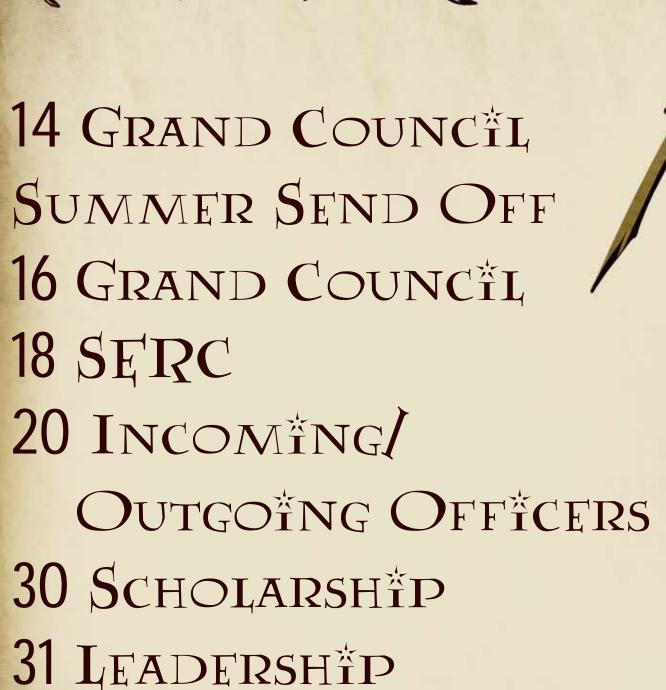
It is hard to convey what makes people Brothers for life. It is a collection of moments that when put together become a bond that makes these people the ones you invite to your wedding and the ones who go to your funeral. I have watched Brothers go through heartbreaks, find confidence and love, overcome failure, achieve, cry, and laugh. I have been one of those Brothers. When I was unsure of myself, Shane Peters, my Big, had the fastest response time to any advice I needed and when I was uncertain as pledge class president, Van Bui essentially told me to man up and be firmer in my decisions. Phi Delta Chi Alpha Iota is not a circle of ever-loving BFFs. We make each other stronger by finding our flaws and supporting each other.

Alpha Iota has made me so much better that I continually give it my all to help it progress and there is no finer example than the dogged persistence that comes around this time of year when I spend all of my personal time to working on this publication. My efforts would be for nothing if it were not for Regina Gim and our Littles Sarah Yoo and Pan Nimmononda. No matter how stressful this publication gets, I always enjoy looking back at moments that made this Brotherhood so great and how this year is not to be measured in all the difficulties I faced, but rather remembered by all we have achieved and gone through together. Michelle Vu

Let us each honor PHI DELTA CHI. Let us do good because it is a pleasure. Let us practice the virtues and war against vice. Let us keep burning the light of wisdom. Let us respect the aged and instruct the young. Let us cherish family. Let us be true Brothers. Let us refrain from excess. Let us hear much, speak little, and act well. Let us be just. Let us give our best efforts to our Brothers.







### GRAND COUNCIL SUMMER

### SEND-OFF

ypically for the summer, Brothers will go their separate ways until school is back in session; however, this year our Worthy Alumni Liaison David Kim organized the first ever Grand Council Send-off Dinner, a get-together consisting of alumni and Brothers. Not only was it a chance for the alumni to meet the Brothers going to Grand Council but also to mingle and catch up after months of not seeing each other. We all met at the Mexican restaurant Chuy's to stuff ourselves with delicious Mexican food. I had a lot of fun chatting and eating at the dinner. I even got to play with one alumni's daughter! Though I had seen some of the Brothers sporadically throughout the summer, most of them I had not seen since school ended. Some of the alumni I had not seen for a year, and others I had never met at all before this dinner. However, the Brotherhood of Phi Delta Chi runs through us all, and I never once felt like I was meeting strangers. Jacqueline Liu













### GRAND COUNCËL

feel as though I can speak for all thirteen Brothers who attended from Alpha Iota when I say that Grand Council truly set us on fire for PDC. I am pleased to announce that our chapter ranked 11th in the Thurston Cup and our publication ranked in the top 5 publications! It was an epic journey in many ways. For many of us, it was the first time we had ever been west of the Mississippi River. The dry air and barren landscape of Albuquerque, New Mexico came as a shock to us all. I distinctly remember walking two miles from our hotel to the nearest Walgreens in 80-degree weather and not even breaking a sweat. The dry heat was wonderful compared to the immense humidity we are used to in Georgia. While there, we experienced the city by visiting the Albuquerque Zoo, going on a Breaking Bad tour, and riding the aerial tramway to the peak of the Sandia Mountains.

In addition to exploring this "foreign" city, we also spent quality time with Brothers from all over the country. We made new friends and met up with old friends from previous national gatherings. We attended many seminars and learned about the fraternity's past and present. This trip helped me to grow not only as a leader, but as a Brother of Phi Delta Chi. After returning from Grand Council, I was energized and ready to start the year! If you are reading this in the future and you are on the fence about attending Grand Council or any other national meeting... DO IT! I promise you will not regret



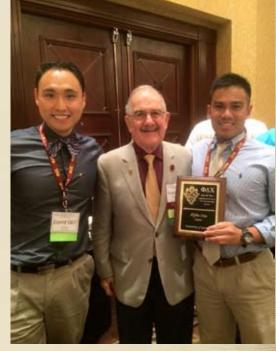
















#### SERC SOUTHEASTERN REGÏONAL CONFERENCE

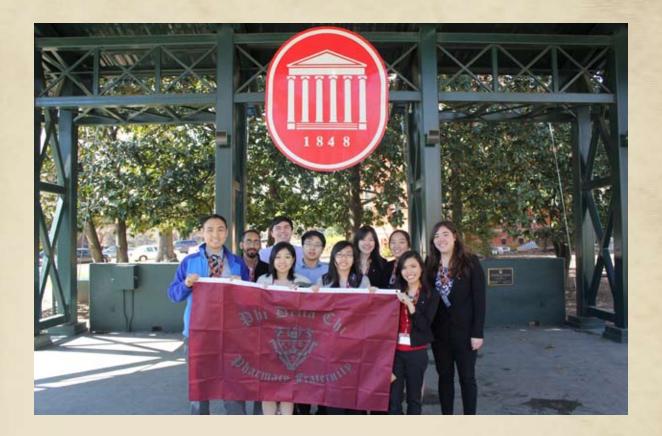
hen I first heard about Southeast Regional Conference, I was not sure what to expect. I was actually fairly reluctant to sign up in the first place, but I soon realized that I had nothing to lose and much to gain from going. In fact, I learned so much more about fraternity in the first couple hours of attending sessions. For example, I was able to understand the importance of chapter reports and the role of WC better by attending the "Achievement Award Program" workshop. I especially enjoyed attending the "Building a Chapter from Within" workshop, at which I was able to hear about the amazing things being done by other chapters and alumni. There was talk of taking attendance electronically with a unique QR code at the beginning of chapter and several chapters use a points system to motivate their Brothers to come to events and stay active. I would love to see some of those things be incorporated into our own chapter. What was great about this conference was that I was able to meet Brothers from all over the region. I was even able to speak with an alumnus specializing in pediatrics, which is a potential career path I would like to take. Not only did I gain knowledge about PDC, I was able to bond with my fellow Brothers during our down time and the seven hour drive to and from Mississippi. The evening of the second day consisted of us going

to downtown Oxford and enjoying the sites. Some of us chose to munch on Insomnia cookies while others decided to visit a local bookstore that night. The next day, we returned for some delicious Gus' Fried Chicken just before we headed back to Athens. Overall, SERC was a wonderful experience, and I am sure that anyone who chooses to attend in the future will find at least one thing new to learn. and stay active. I would love to see some of those things be incorporated into our own chapter. What was great about this conference was that I was able to meet Brothers from all over the region. I was even able to speak with an alumnus specializing in pediatrics, which is a potential career path I would like to take. Not only did I gain knowledge about PDC, I was able to bond with my fellow Brothers during our down time and the 7 hour drive to and from Mississippi. The evening of the second day consisted of us going to downtown Oxford and enjoying the sites. Some of us chose to munch on Insomnia cookies and visit a local bookstore that night. The next day, we returned the for some delicious Gus' Fried Chicken just before we headed back to Athens. Overall, SERC was a wonderful experience, and I am sure that anyone who chooses to attend in the future will find at least one thing new to learn.







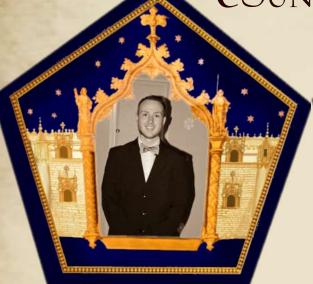




#### Outgoing/Incoming Officers:

#### COLLECTIBLE CHOCOLATE FROG CARDS OF FAMOUS WITCHES AND WIZARDS

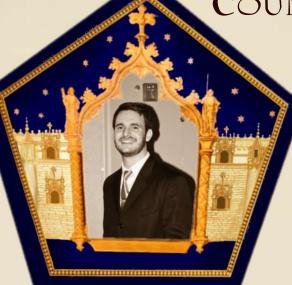
Worthy Chief Counselor



**Outgo**ing

Serving as your WCC for
the past year has been one of
the hardest things I have ever done. It
took a lot of time and effort, but at the end
of this year I can happily say it was worth it all.
have gained so many valuable experiences through
this opportunity and I have grown closer to so
many Brothers. I am thrilled to have watched
our chapter grow over the past year. Alpha
Iota is in good hands now and I look
forward to what the future holds
for our Chapter!

Worthy Vice Counselor



**Outgoing** 

This year has flown by!

Serving as Worthy Vice Counselor
was a difficult task, but I have worked
hard to take initiative and set goals for
the position. I definitely utilized my experience
from last year to help everything run smoother
with far less conflict. My advice for next year
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deviate from the standard. Phi Delta Chi
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past three years, but I know we
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\*NCOM\*NG

It is a privilege to have been elected WCC next year, and I know that there will be a lot of challenges that come with it; however, I am really excited to see what is in store for Alpha Iota next year. We have a really talented executive board and I know that we will all be doing big and exciting things next year. I look forward to guiding all of our Brothers to achieve their full potential and make Alpha Iota prosper.



**İNCOMİNG** 

I really love how PDC always
keeps my calendar full of meaningful
events. After being able to serve as co-chair
and then as an active brother for a year, I really
wanted to be able to give back to the fraternity
that has really made my pharmacy school
experience so vibrant. As WVC, I hope to work
with the committees to make the most of our
time and resources and to make this year as
memorable and eventful as the
previous worthies have made
it for me.

# WORTHY KEEPER OF RECORDS AND SEALS



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## WORTHY KEEPER OF FINANCE



**Outgo**ing

This past year was a learning experience for me. I am grateful for the opportunity that the Brothers gave me.

This year we raised over \$2,500 for St. Jude and our fundraising team has done an excellent job with coming up with new ideas for products.

My term as WKF has been rewarding and I know that our chapter has grown in many ways that I could not imagine.

I wish John the best of luck!



\*NCOM\*NG

I am truly excited to be WKRS
this upcoming year! While serving as the
Worthy Correspondent, I have seen the
behind the scenes logistics of our fraternity, but
now I feel that I will be more available as a
resource for our Brothers to help them out with
their projects and events as WKRS. I look forward
to planning our Summer and Winter Retreat
with all the challenges involved and hope I
can help my Brothers as much as they have
helped me.



**†NCOM†NG** 

I am honored to have
been elected as the Worthy Keeper
of Finance. Ever since I heard about the
position during my pledging process, I knew
that this would be for me. I came into pharmacy
school with a BBA in Economics so this seemed
like the best fit for me. I plan to better allocate
the current budget and work more closely
with committee co-chairs to get a better
estimate of needed funds rather than
reusing previous years' budgets.

#### WORTHY

#### CORRESPONDENT



**OUTGOÏNG** 

The previous year as WC has been very challenging, but enlightening for me. I have gotten more experience in writing, delegating, and planning ahead, but most of all, I have come to understand how our fraternity truly works behind the scenes and I have grown to really appreciate it. Our chapter has come a long way and I hope that we can work together to go beyond our imagination.

#### WORTHY ALUMNI Liason



**Outgoing** 

Being the Worthy Alumni Liaison was a whirlwind experience for me. I had never been in a leadership position in any organization before Phi Delta Chi and being elected WAL was a huge honor for me. My recurring theme throughout the year was to get the collegiate Brothers to build personal connections with our alumni and I did my best to make that happen. However, I want to always remind the Brothers that this is a team effort, there is no way I could have accomplished what I did without the support of my fellow Brothers.



*NCOMING* 

Next year, I am excited to turn a new page with Alpha Iota and my fellow Brothers. With many of my pledge class Brothers rising to lead our fraternity, I am hopeful to where the future will lead us. Many are passionate about the Brotherhood and I trust them to lead us to accomplish great things. As WC, I will work hard to exceed the expectations of my Brothers, so that this Brotherhood can be something that future generations look upon.



**†NCOMŤNG** 

I am very excited to see what the next year holds for PDC. I look forward to excelling at my duties as WAL including building stronger bonds with my Brothers and reconnecting with many alumni. I am on an executive board with truly great people and together we will have a great year carrying out our old traditions as well as making new ones. I cannot wait to give back to this wonderful fraternity over this next year and get even more alumni to join our awesome events!

#### WORTHY PRELATE

**OUTGOÏNG** 

#### Being Worthy Prelate has been one of the most fun positions I have ever had. Being able to take pictures at all the events and capturing the best and funniest moments has been a blast. With all the challenges that came with the position, I knew that I could not have done it without the help of my Brothers. I know that this is an experience I will never forget and I look forward to seeing what is in store for

Alpha Iota for the years to come.

#### WORTHY

#### MASTERHATHARMS



**O**UTGO ÎNG

Being the WMA was a fast-track course in leadership. It was very stressful at times but was also one of the most fulfilling things I have ever done. I loved seeing the little pledges grow and succeed as they became Brothers. Thank you to Nathan and Sean for providing the leadership and support in running a superb executive board. I look forward to see Gabby and my grandbaby Bernard bring an awesome group of pledges next year.



**†NCOMŤNG** 

The upcoming year is going to be a great one, and I am excited for the opportunity to capture all the personality, talent, and shared moments that make our Alpha Iota chapter so great. I have some pretty big shoes to fill as the Worthy Prelate, but I am excited to implement my ideas and work to exceed the expectations of my fellow Brothers.



**†NCOM†NG** 

It has been a crazy year, going from a pledge, to a newly initiated Brother, and now bringing in new pledges. I am so thankful for the Brothers I have gotten to know and the leadership opportunities I have gained to allow me to grow as a person. As Worthy Master-at-Arms, I believe the future of our fraternity lies in the pledges. I look forward to the opportunity of bringing in a good group of pledges and instilling in them the traditions of our Brotherhood. I am so excited for this fall, so get ready Alpha Iota!

#### WORTHY INNER

GUARD



**O**UTGO TNG

The best part about being
WIG was getting to know each
pledge and to build a nice relationship
with each of them. I was able to talk to
them and get to know them a little bit more with
each day that passed by. It made me feel great to
see little pledges show so much devotion to join
our fraternity. I would say that the WMA
and I did a great job bringing on a new
pledge class and had lots of fun while
doing it. This is definitely
an experience I will
never forget!



*incoming* 

This past year with

PDC has been a really great
experience for me. I was able to go to
SERC and attend the initiation of the I00th
chapter, both of which have prepared me to be a
great Worthy Inner Guard. I hope to utilize what I
have learned during these experiences to bring fresh
new ideas to pledging. I am looking forward to
growing as a leader and working with Gabby
on enhancing our pledging process to
choose quality Brothers who will
strengthen our chapter.















### **SCHOLARSH**†PS

#### P4 Scholarship Recipients

Jeffery Cheung – Jun Family Achievement Scholarship Payal Kakadiya – Grace and Kenneth L. Waters Scholarship Baotrang Nguyen – Albert W. Jowdy Scholarship Lillian Otieno – Amy and Glenn Morgan Endowed Student Scholarship

#### P3 Scholarship Recipients

Ruchita Amin – Tim and Ann Hansford Specialty Pharmacy Scholarship
Amanda Colpetzer – William T. (Billy) Wolfe Student Scholarship
Shaily Doshi – Albert W. Jowdy Scholarship
Vidhi Doshi – Kmart Corporation Scholarship
Sean Hawkins – Lee Webb, III Scholarship James L. Youngblood Scholarship
Jacqueline Liu – Grace and Kenneth L. Waters Scholarship
Gail Smith – CVS Caremark Charitable Trust Pharmacy Scholarship
Tu Trinh Tran – Andre Mackey Scholarship Fund
Joung "Jenny" Woo – Albert W. Jowdy Scholarship

#### P2 Scholarship Recipients

Marin Abousaud – Reagan Roland Lykins Memorial Scholarship - Fred M. Peterson, M.D.
Endowed Student Scholarship
David Bailey – Reagan Roland Lykins Memorial Scholarship
Van Bui – George W. Elrod Scholarship Endowment
Angelina Cho – Albert W. Jowdy Scholarship
Priyan Lad – Jim Furman Student Scholarship
Justin Moore – Kwaku M. Fenin Endowed Student Scholarship
Michelle Vu – David and Jane Chu Scholarship
Shelley Yang – Walmart Scholarship

#### P1 Scholarship Recipient

Gabrielle Costello – John Avery Smith Distinguished Scholarship

# PRESTDENTIAL SCHOLAR

Nathan Wayne Michelle Kho Jeffery Cheung

### DEAN'S LÄST

David Scott Bailey
Gabrielle Costello
Gabby Do
Priyan Lad
Sarah Yoo
Pan Nimmanonda
Jacqueline Liu
Jackleen Fan
Michelle Vu

Rachel Alexis Darsey
Haley Cook
Sean Hawkins
Amanda Zhang
Shelley Yang
Marin Abousaud
Rosalyn Reese
Priyan Lad
Youn Jeoung

## LEADERSHÄP

ORGANÏZATÏON  Academy of Managed Care Pharmacists	POSTTTON  President Vice President Secretary Media Chair Treasurer
American Pharmacists Association - Academy of Student Pharmacists	First-Year Liaison Operation Co-Chair
American Society of Consultant Pharmacists	Treasurer

Student National Pharmaceutical Association

President Vidhi Doshi
Vice President Marin Abousaud
Secretary Priyan Lad
Media Chair Gail Smith
Treasurer Jacqueline Liu

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American Pharmacists Association - Academy of Student Pharmacists	First-Year Liaison Operation Co-Chair	Arielle Charles Justin Moore & Trinh Tran
American Society of Consultant Pharmacists	Treasurer	Sarah Yoo
Christian Pharmacists Fellowship International	Treasurer	Annie Lee
Georgia Society of Health-System Pharmacists	Social Chair	Justin Moore
Phi Lambda Sigma	President Vice President	Payal Kakadiya Trinh Tran
Student College of Clinical Pharmacy	President Elect	Justin Moore
Student Oncological Advocates in Pharmacy	Fundraising Chair	Angelina Cho

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Public Relations Liaisons
Secretary
Treasurer
Social Chair
Fundraising Chair

Marin Abousaud Cassandra Clark Shaily Doshi Naderia Hussein Ruchita Amin Priyan Lad

BROTHER



# RUSH \*1 BLIND PIG TAVERN

### TRÏVÏA

or the first rush event, the Brothers of Phi Delta Chi invited rushees to join them in a battle of wits at the Blind Pig Tavern. There was a tremendous turnout. Three Phi Delta Chi Alumni joined the Brothers and rushees and together we all enjoyed the beautiful weather. The Brothers and alumni met the rushees and enjoyed the delicious food provided such as chicken fingers, pasta salad, and vegetables. While eating, the Brothers, alumni, and rushees divided up into teams for a game of trivia. The range of trivia topics varied from sports, geography, movies, music, and of course pharmacy. In the end, the winning team's competitive spirits was rewarded with t-shirts and other goodies. It was a great way to get to know the rushees and for them to also get to know us. Huda Abdi















### Rush \*2 Pool Party

he second rush event was held at a neighborhood pool and clubhouse. The day was a perfect day for a pool party, blistering hot and without a cloud in the sky. Most of us at the event stayed in the shade to protect ourselves from the heat and summer sun. However, the hot temperatures did not stop people from coming out! I happened to be one of the first rushees to find my way there and started chatting with the Brothers I did not have a chance to meet at the first event. The buzz of conversation grew increasingly brighter and louder as more pledges and Brothers showed up. With a mix of both old and new faces, many people were starting to branch out and find those they clicked with. As time went on there were a number of activities going on – a healthy game of pool volleyball, a life-or-death match of monopoly deal, a pizza social, and a sit 'n chill club. There was even a mini water balloon war between Brother Parin Patel and rushee Emily Tang. Unfortunately, there were some bystanders that got caught in the line of fire, myself

included. Many found people they bonded with and became fast friends. Even though it was hot, the mood was high and good times were had by everyone. All in all, the pool party proved to a great event to bring the rushees and Brothers closer together. Sarah Yoo

















# Rush \$5 Cookout

he sky was a perfect blend of blue and white on the afternoon of our annual rush cookout. With the help of many Brothers, we set up the food and began grilling in preparation for the arrival of the rushees. Our very own Drew Watkins was the overseer and also decontaminator of the grilling area. Rushees began to arrive, mingling with the Brothers in a symbiotic process wherein they gained newfound knowledge about us and we got a glimpse into their personality. I had driven two hours from the satellite campus in Augusta, GA in order to attend this event because I was eager to meet the new potential new Brothers and make informed decisions about extending bids. It was with enthusiasm that I began conversing among them, trying to figure out where people were from, which ones I could talk nerdy with, and who might be willing to go on a hike with me. The

unanticipated bonus that I encountered was a rush of greetings and excitement from all of the main campus Brothers who have not seen me in person for the first few weeks of school. The cookout became a whirlwind of conversation, jokes, laughter, and joy. Eventually the time came to eat so Brothers Michelle Vu, Van Bui, David Bailey, and Nathan Wayne dished out burgers, hot dogs, and vegetarian options to suite taste buds of all shapes and sizes. There were cookies, chips, soda, and the spread of standard all-American hero cookout fare. A few people had to leave early but the 7pm designated ending came and went with almost no notice since Brothers and rushees were still playing frisbee and talking and even eating! We all had a wonderful time getting to know potential new Brothers so that one day they may a part of the brotherhood that is Phi Delta Chi. Hannah Keith





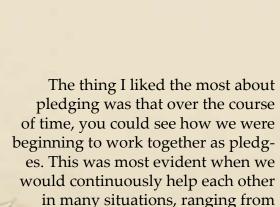
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My favorite part of pledging is the Big-Little Week. It is awesome to receive gifts for the whole week while guessing who got me those cute gifts.

Amanda Zhang



The best part of it all was Big-Little Week and making the paddle. In my opinion, the excitement of trying to

guess who our Bigs were followed

by creating the paddles designed just

for them was a simple but meaning-

ful portrayal of what PDC should be

- difficult, but fun work that empha-

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Annie Lee

helping each other finish the pledge tasks to helping one another study for exams. Hannah Cole

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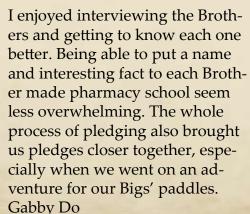




My favorite part of pledging was the Jersey-Paddle Exchange. I really loved hearing the stories behind each pledge name chosen, as well as seeing all of the paddles revealed and why each design was chosen. Stories ranged from sweet to hilarious and it was really awesome seeing how much each big and little cared about each other. Gabrielle Costello

My favorite part of pledging, were Big-Little Week, Big-Little Reveal, and the Jersey-Paddle Exchange. Most of the pledging process put the pledges in positions where they learned the meaning of Alterius Alterum Auxilio Eget by working with other pledges. In turn, these events really allowed the pledges to connect with members of Phi Delta Chi. Anthony Adeojo

Pledging was an exciting process which involved getting to know the Brothers. For that reason, interviewing the Brothers was my favorite part of pledging. I had so many great conversations during pledge interviews that helped me bond with the Brothers and made me feel at home. Haley Cook







My favorite part of pledging was progressive dinner, because I feel like I had the opportunity to bond with fellow pledges and Brothers whom I do not hang out with frequently. Plus, the food was delicious! Joanna Lee





My favorite part of the pledging process was Big-Little Week. I also enjoyed the game nights. Jennifer Dinh



I enjoyed the activities we did before the pledge meetings to get to know each other. Dennia Ernest



My favorite part of pledging was interviewing everyone and being able to meet people I normally would have never spoken to. Bernard Hsia



During pledging, I enjoyed the Jersey-Paddle Exchange because it was nice to surprise the Brothers for once instead of being surprised. Big-Little Week was also fun just for the funny and the generous gifts from our bigs. I got a whole a rotisserie chicken so that was cool. John Le



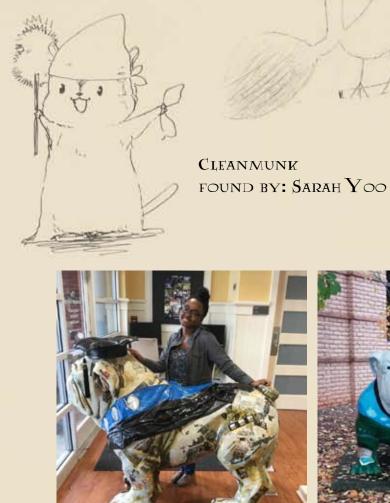
My favorite part of pledging is the camaraderie that we made with not only fellow pledges, but also with all the Brothers. Though difficult, strong brotherly bonds were forged through the good and bad times - bonds I won't soon forget. Sarah Yoo



My favorite part of the pledging process was meeting every Brother. Initially it was quite intimidating to have to interview over fifty Brothers, but by the end of it all, I would gladly do it again because I got to meet lots of unique and awesome people. Wen Chen



My favorite part of the pledging process was getting to complete all of the pledge tasks and interviews. I feel like these things helped me get to know Brothers more, as well as gave me more time to get to know my fellow pledges. **Emilly Tang** 



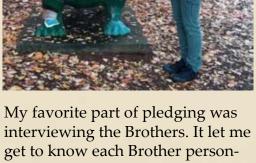
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My favorite part of pledging was the Jersey-Paddle Exchange. **Arielle Charles** 



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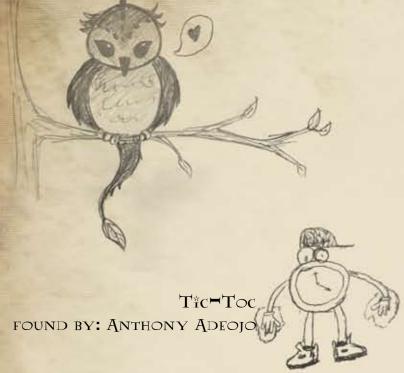
My favorite part was connecting with the fellow pledges and Brothers by getting to know them better. I also enjoyed all the fun and creative icebreakers.

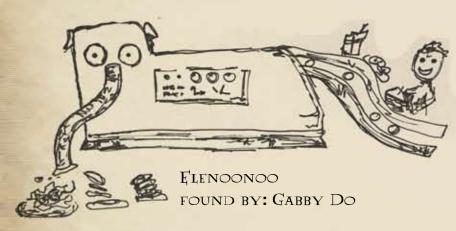
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## PADDLE EXCHANGE



fter weeks of designing our paddles, it was finally time to reveal it to our Bigs at the Jersey-Paddle Exchange. As our Worthy Master-at-Arms Jacqueline Liu called their names, pairs of Big and Little headed to the front. Littles were excited to finally unveil their decorated paddles which they had kept hidden wrapped up in blankets and bags. Bigs were ready to reveal the names they had carefully chosen for their Littles.

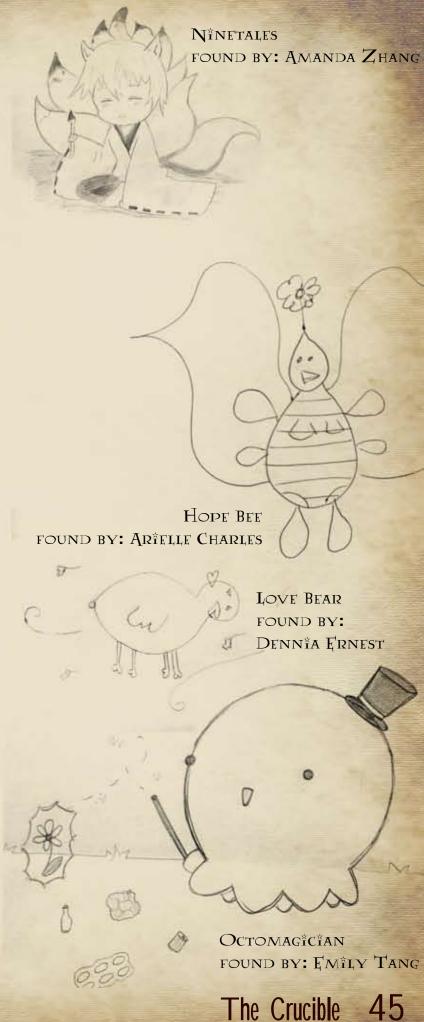
From the short and sweet "AG" to a mouthful "360NOSCOPE," one by one each

Little's pledge name was revealed, sewn in with old gold lettering against a jersey the shade of dregs of wine. The paddles were just as unique. From a cute pembroke welsh corgi to a life-size Yu-Gi-Oh inspired sword each paddle showed a glimpse into their Big's life. Each heartfelt and awkward moment was caught on camera and the exchange was finished with a group picture. As a short hour came to a close, Bigs and Littles made their way back to class, along with the new paddles and jerseys they had received, all part of an old Alpha Iota tradition. Gabby Do

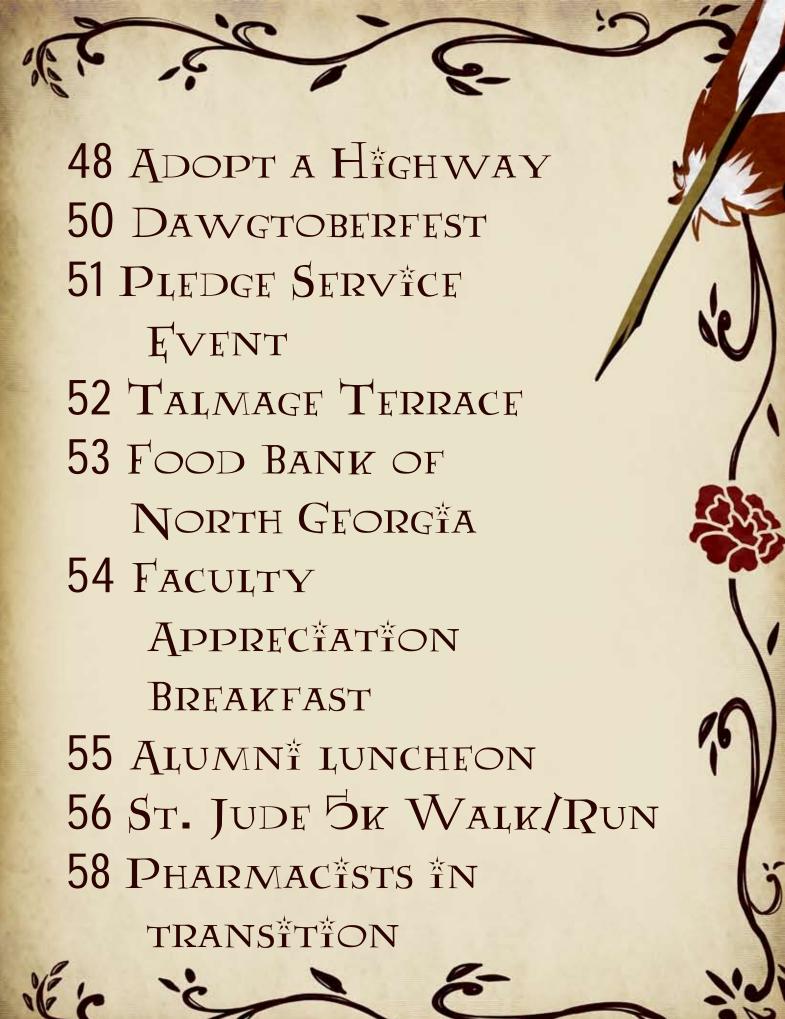












## ADOPT A HÄGHWAY



here is no time to sleep in on Saturday mornings when you are a superhero of the Alpha Iota chapter. Throughout the year, the Brothers of Phi Delta Chi woke up early on Saturday mornings to rid the streets of trash. Along the mile of Timothy Road, we faced many obstacles. From finding animal carcasses to picking up glass bottles, wrappers of snacks and candy, and crushed soda cans, we found it all but that did not stop us from cleaning. To keep the morning lively and the spirits high, our theme music ranged from Fetty Wap to Omi. After a long morning of hard work, we would celebrate our accomplishment with brunch at Waffle House. This was a great way for us to give back to our local community and help making it a cleaner place to be.

Marin Abousaud













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### DAWGTOBERFEST

eing able to give back to my local community is a great way for me to use my skills that I learn in pharmacy school and make a meaningful impact. One way I do this is through Dawgtoberfest which is a free annual health fair held in October by the University of Georgia College of Pharmacy. The health fair is open to the whole community of Athens, Georgia. Many of the various organizations associated with the College of Pharmacy take the time to provide health screenings and general health information to the public. The Brothers of the Alpha Iota Chapter of Phi Delta Chi take this time to serve the community by educating the public about the health benefits of practicing safe sex. In addition, the Brothers also provide general information about the various forms of birth control ranging from birth control pills, to spermicide and Plan B. Both topics are presented with their own tri-fold

poster and as an added service, the Brothers also distribute free condoms and packets of personal lubricants at the event. I love being able to help educate many of the visitors that stop by. Many of the Brothers also volunteer to partake in health care screenings hosted by the College of Pharmacy while under supervision. These screenings include blood pressure measurements, cholesterol screenings, and body mass index assessments. Brothers with immunization certification also volunteer to help the administer influenza vaccinations to members of the community and university. We all take pride in helping the community in any way they can and take the time to encourage the community to develop a close relationship with their local pharmacist. Thus, we are able to both promote the field of pharmacy and expand on the constantly expanding role of pharmacists. Ruchita Amin



#### PLEDGE SERVÄCE EVENT



or our service project, we traded in our professional attire for our casual clothes and running shoes as we headed to Lay Park in downtown Athens to become mentors for a day. Started in 2008 by UGA students, the Thomas Lay After School Program serves elementary and middle school students in the Athens area every day of the academic school year. Volunteers provide tutoring and mentoring to children in an environment that encourages enthusiastic learning and fun. As we arrived for our service event, we were greeted by a horde of hyper children who had gotten off early from school during early release. We began by helping the children finish their reading. The kids are required to read out loud to their mentors for a minimum of twenty minutes each day. The first five minutes can be a true test of patience as the kids try to find any distraction to get out of reading. However, once they pick a book, their curiosity of what happens to Elephant and Piggie overcomes the distractions as the children build their vocabulary, practice their phonics skills, and expand their imagination. Afterwards, we were able to play with children on the playground to get their pent up energy out. Some of us chased after the speedy children in a game of tag, a few unfor-

tunate ones were held captive in never-ending rounds of cops and robbers, while others got a workout from manning the swings pushing the kids into the sky. Our energy seemed to give out just as the kids were warming up. So we rounded all the children up to come in and let them wind down inside playing games of jump rope, foursquare, and basketball. As the evening arrived and parents picked up their children, we all met for a mentor meeting along with other volunteers from UGA. We learned that the program is in constant need for volunteers especially as the children begin to form personal connections with the mentors and look forward to seeing them every week. As a mentor at Thomas Lay for some time now, I felt this was an experience I wanted to share with everyone in a way to give back for our service event. I was glad to see so many of us who wanted to return back. However, as much as we felt we were able to help, the children helped us more. They reminded us what it was like to be imaginative and they put into perspective the life outside of studying and school. When a kid looks up to you, it reminds you of the positive impact we can have on the generations to come. Gabby Do

### TALMAGE TERRACE

he professional/service committee organized an interactive presentation about immunizations and OTC medications for the residents of the Talmage Terrace Retirement Community of Athens. To encourage the residents to engage in the activity, our committee decided to craft the presentation into a Jeopardy game show that would test the knowledge of the residents on these topics. Although only a handful of the Talmadge residents were able to attend, that did not stop us from jumping into the game right away! The first contestant would choose a category and the level of difficulty for a question and then we would survey the room for their thoughts on what the answer to the question might be. Some questions were very basic and the residents knew the answer right away. One of our contestants could not contain her excitement when she knew what the maximum dose for acetaminophen is. The Brothers in attendance were really impressed by how much our Talmage audience knew on their own. On the other hand, there were some questions that were more challenging and stumped our contestants. Fortunately, we were there to jump in and explain concepts to the residents, clear up any confusion, or debunk any false information that the residents had heard about OTCs or vaccinations. Dr. von Wald-

ner, a faculty member of the UGA College of Pharmacy, was also present to add in her own knowledge when a resident would ask a particularly challenging question. By the end of the game, the residents were really pleased with how much new information they had gained from the activity. Many were anxious to share what they learned with friends and were even planning on discussing specific issues with their doctors. It was really encouraging to see that a simple game could make people want to take responsibility for their health.

Before we left, the entire group took a few photos of everyone who had participated in the event. The Talmadge group was so lively and full of energy throughout that afternoon. One of the residents, a lovely woman who was nearly 90 years old, hopped on to the piano bench in the room and skillfully played a few Christmas tunes for us as a way of saying thank you for visiting them. I was so surprised by how enthusiastic this group was and I was extremely grateful for the opportunity to spend time with them and share my knowledge as a pharmacy student. This was my first time volunteering at the Talmage community but it definitely will not be my last! Christina Huynh



### FOOD BANK OF

#### NORTHEAST GEORGÍA

sually when the Brothers volunteer at the Athens Food Bank, it is to sort foods into separate categories at their warehouse; however, this time, thanks to Marin Abousaud's tireless efforts in contacting the Food Bank of Northeast Georgia, the Brothers were invited to help distribute food to the families – an opportunity not often afforded to those outside their core volunteers. We all met with the food bank volunteers and personally delivered food ranging from limes and avocados to spaghetti sauce and crackers to the families in their cars. It was a fantastic workout shuffling six bags of potatoes from the set-up to the cars for two hours, and was no easy feat, but by communicating with the food bank coordinator we were able to set up an efficient distribution line. In fact, that the person in charge asked if we were willing to come help out the next month as well! It was definitely a worthwhile experience and I am glad to know that I was able to help out with such a noble cause. Jacqueline Liu







### FACULTY APPRECÏATION

#### BREAKFAST

t was a cool, crisp morning when the Brothers of Alpha Iota gathered at 7:00 AM, before the pharmacy school doors even opened with arms full of pastries, bagels, orange juice, bacon, and almost every kind of breakfast cereals. Rise and shine professors, the annual Faculty Appreciation Breakfast has officially arrived. We set up shop on the second floor of the Pharmacy South building with hopes that our strategic location would help capture the most foot traffic. As the smell of fresh grilled bacon filled the College of Pharmacy, faculty and staff alike were drawn to our extravagant display of breakfast items. The line started at the cereal, pastries, and bagel table, then proceeded to the pancakes, eggs, and bacon station, and finished with the refreshment stand where faculty could choose from fruit juices, freshly brewed coffee or flavored, chilled iced coffees. They came for the food but stayed for the ambiance thanks to the comfy chairs and the Spotify Coffee-Shop Jazz station that played in the background. Before you knew it, we had created an environment where Brothers and faculty were talking and mingling while enjoying breakfast and a beautiful second floor view of the courtyard below. As the faculty and staff went back to work with their bellies full and minds caffeinated, we wondered what we would do with all this leftover food. After posting a message alerting all Brothers on campus that breakfast was upstairs, we grabbed plates and poured each other coffee and enjoyed a rare Wednesday morning together, gathered all around the breakfast table.

Natalie Labrador







#### ALUMNI LUNCHEON

othing is better than catching up with an old friend, so we invited our alumni to come back home to the Fireside Lounge at Rooker Hall in Athens, Georgia to share their knowledge and wisdom with us over a Mediterranean style lunch. The alumni who joined us all had unique career paths which allowed us to gain more knowledge on community, hospital,



independent, alternative hospital, academia, and residency. We all enjoyed pita chips and hummus for appetizers, salad and pasta for lunch, and ooey gooey bars for dessert. With each course of the meal, we rotated tables to converse with many alumni. Not only did I gain great advice about hospital pharmacy, I also learned tips on refurbishing furniture and embroidering. The best advice that I got was from alumnus Karen Rodeghiero who talked about her experience raising her own chickens and goats. This was a great time to learn more about what our alumni do out of work and what PDC was like back when they were in school. As the lunch came to a close, we took many pictures to remember the occasion, and the alumni were given a handmade gift from the collegiate Brothers. We shared many laughs over the two hour lunch and left already looking forward to next year's alumni luncheon.

Haley Cook









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# ST. JUDE 5K RUN/WALK

lpha Iota hosts a 5k run/walk to raise money for St. Jude's on campus annually in the fall. This is the main focus for the professional/service committee and this year was no exception. We put a lot of work into planning the event, finding sponsors, designing the t-shirt, and pulling everything off up until the very end! Our theme this year was "Superheroes: GO!" since anyone who supports St. Jude's is a superhero to children fighting cancer. In preparation of the St. Jude 5k, we had several fundraising and advertising events planned out throughout the semester. We had an advertising day at the Tate Student Center, which lies in the center of the UGA campus. There we handed out flyers and had a table for people to register for the 5k while handing out candy as an incentive for people to register on the spot. From September 28th to October 2nd, we hosted a bake sale at UGA College of Pharmacy. We baked an assortment of delicious goods such as brownies, chocolate chip cookies, oreo balls, turtle bars with and without nuts, cupcakes, and more! All profits raised from the bake sale went towards St. Jude's Research Hospital. Additionally,



Insomnia Cookies hosted a fundraising day and a check was issued to our chapter for 5% of that day's sales. We also hosted a percentage night at Menchies and brought all of our friends to enjoy some froyo in order to raise money for St. Jude's. Kids Kuts Salon also donated 10% of their proceeds to benefit St. Jude's.





We had a huge turnout thanks to all the advertising that we did. We increased donations by 61% over last year, and raised a total of \$2,849.42! Everyone dressed up in their favorite superhero attire and was cheered on throughout the course with encouraging signs like, "Run, Forest, Run!" or, "I can barely tell you're sweating." Once everyone completed the race, we provided smoothies donated from Smoothie King and had various treats such as banana bread and cookies from Sweetie Pie by Savie, bananas and water from The Fresh Market, and granola bars from Wal-Mart. We also received generous monetary donations from ADD Drug, On Cloud 9 Boutique, and The Reserve apartment complexes. While everyone was enjoying their food and refreshments after the race, they were





able to visit our health fair, a new addition and twist to this year's St. Jude 5k. Our health fair had 3 booths: cholesterol, diet & nutrition, and blood pressure. Each booth had a couple of students educating the runners about each topic and handed them an information sheet afterwards. To encourage people to visit the health fair, we handed out raffle tickets at each booth. Once everyone visited the health fair, we awarded our first, second, and third place male and female winners some prizes, which included gift cards donated from Athens Running Company, Marti's at Midday, Blind Pig Tavern, and Buffalo's. For the raffle ticket winners, we had various prizes such as four movie tickets to Beechwood Cinemas, Willy's gift card, and more! Overall, we had a great turnout and got the opportunity to educate people more on important health topics while helping out an amazing cause. Marin Abousaud









# PHARMACISTS in Transition

ith the emergence of Value-Based Purchasing and a general push towards quality care, preventing hospital readmission is becoming one of the main goals of transition of care healthcare professionals. These teams of practitioners are creating methods to educate patients and minimize readmission. Pharmacists have the skillset to innovate these methods and streamline this new process.

According to ASHP's Pharmacy News, pharmacists at the Cedars-Sinai Medical Center are adopting a policy to assume that all patient medication lists contain errors. This policy has proven to be successful for the medical center as the pharmacists found 7.4 errors per list on average. Errors included inaccurate medications on the patients' list and lack of patient education about their medications. The pharmacists and technicians created a system where they would confront the patients, physicians, and community pharmacists to produce an updated medication list and educate the patient. This approach not only prevents readmissions caused by poor patient education but it also prevents possible drug interactions and other medication errors that may occur if patients are taking unnecessary medications. Furthermore, communication between the transition of care staff and community pharmacists promotes collaborative health care and simplifies the process for the patient. This article mentions that a lot of the time, the patients do not know what medications they are on or the strengths of the medications and are thus "bad historians". This appears to be a sad trend among patients, especially for those who take multiple medications. Patients can have bottles of medications that they do not take anymore. This is a problem in healthcare

and may be a contributing factor to lack of adherence and ultimately readmission. Patients need to know what they are taking, why they are taking it, and how they should take it. Medication should not be something that a health care professional hands a patient—it should be a choice that a patient makes. When it comes from the patient, they should be more interested and invested in knowing how it should be taken. The pharmacists at Cedar-Sinai Medical center are setting a good precedent for the relationship between pharmacist, patients, and drugs. By systematically evaluating each patient's medication list, the pharmacists are able to involve the patient in their care and identify any gaps in knowledge or care that may lead result in readmission. Dennia Ernest

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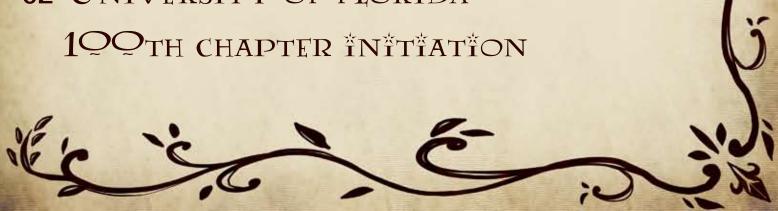




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# GODRÉC'S HOLLOW FOUNDER'S DAY

he Brothers of Alpha Iota celebrated Founder's Day by listening to a speech by our faculty advisor and Dr. Ashley Hannings. Dr. Hannings used the infamous Gettysburg Address as inspiration and went through each of the reflections on Brotherhood and what they meant to her. The Brothers listened intently to every reflection in order to gain knowledge and inspiration from someone who had been an involved collegiate Brother also. After the speech, the Brothers enjoyed cake with their faculty advisor, discussed what the reflections and Brotherhood meant to them, and went out to dinner together before going

went out to d home. David Kim





#### GRÄNGOTTS WÄZARDÄNG BANK

#### FUNDRAÏSÏNG





he fundraising committee stayed very busy this year selling a plethora of new and old products as well as organizing several fundraiser events. We came out of the gate running with a blowout on several of our most popular tees: the "UGA College of Pharmacy Logo" and "Count By 7's." We also continued last semester's popular new item, the College of Pharmacy polo. There has been a large push to sell to alumni and P4s through our online shop so we have optimized our shipping methods to save money. The fall semester also included our Halloween Bake Sale where Brothers prepared their best culinary creations including Brother Wen's fried chicken wings that literally sold out in a matter of seconds. Spring semester brought with it a some new additions to the PDC product catalogue. We began selling folding pocket clipboards for Pharm.D students on clinical rotations as well as our first ever PDC-specific product, the "Hail to Phi Dex Hoodie." This busy semester also included our annual ADR book purchase for upcoming P3s, our Valentine's Bake Sale, and a flowers and refreshments sale at the commencement ceremony in May. It has been an exciting time for fundraising and we cannot wait to continue supporting the Brotherhood next year! **Andrew Russell** 





o set the mood, imagine all the good parts and bad parts of summer camp packed into three days and two nights. As always, our Chapter never fails to have me do things I have never done before and be so glad that I did them in retrospect.

We drove through pouring rain with two passengers and a car full of four sleeping bags and enough pillows to stage an IKEA room. David Bailey was my navigator and DJ, and Alex Lam served as falsetto vocals for the Maroon 5 and Taylor Swift songs. We shared stories about our summers and tried to figure out what it meant to "Netflix and Chill" in the context of an article from The Onion.

When we arrived to Tugaloo State Park, I watched Brother Van Bui pump up her new air mattress. "Should I put it on top of the mattress?" she asked me, the person who's never gone cabin camping. We headed back to the main cabin

SUMMER RETREAT





for enchiladas made by our paleo-dieting Worthy Keeper of Records and Seals Trinh Tran. After dinner, we went back to rest, played board games, and decorated our paper bags for the so we can leave each other cute notes throughout retreat and read them on our way home. As always, I had Angelina Cho decorate mine.

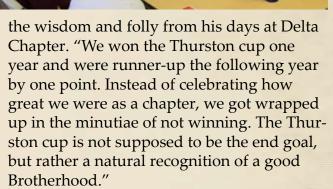
The next morning we had breakfast and a group picture on the beach, which is when I learned that when you asked someone to hold your phone, it means you will have your phone held and over 30 selfies taken in less than a minute. We had our committee meetings with a backdrop of an idyllic lake and one of our beautiful social co-chairs in the forefront. After watching Joe Angelini get really close and personal with a caterpillar, we met with everyone to discuss our budget and individual committee plans.

With a productive morning done,



some chose to go napping, running, or swimming. I decided to try canoeing. "No, Michelle, don't ram into my kayak. I can't swim," said Regina Gim as she left me in her wake. It was a peaceful afternoon bonding over personality tests, some awful tan lines, and a foot full of ant bites. I almost missed being grill master for dinner due to my foot, but I was able to be there thanks to some Zyrtec from Tiffany Opiah.

WCC Nathan Wayne recommended a bonding exercise where we sat in a circle of chairs and stood as certain prompts applied to us under the conditions that there would be no judgement or gossip to follow. It started off rather lightheartedly and grew quite solemn as some Brothers felt comfortable enough to share some personal details. At the campfire, we enjoyed s'mores, passed the gavel, and listened to alumni Tony Chaffey share stories from



We played Monopoly Deal and the Game of Things late into the night. After Jessica Marshall and Parin Patel found their mutual burning passion for Game of Thrones, she headed down the lake to watch the meteor shower. As crazy as it sounds, an hour later, I'm swimming in a lake, watching shooting stars until 4 AM.

Retreat is a really magical time, because we get to spend several days in isolation with only our Brothers and nature for company. It is a time for productivity, renewal of our bonds, and reminder of how what a great group we are and what we can accomplish.

Michelle Vu

# inter break came and went in what seemed like a blur. Before I knew it, it was the last weekend before school. How could anyone end a break in this cold season without going to the even colder mountains? I, however, would not have had it any other way.

Being a newly inducted Brother and a P1, I have never been on a retreat of this size before nor did I have any clue on what to expect. Luckily, I would not be traveling alone as Brothers Arielle Charles, Gabby Do, and Thu-Kim Phan were willing to carpool with me. I gathered my happy campers and we set off on our journey to Elijay, GA. The two-hour car ride was filled with singing, bonding, and screaming for deer. When we arrived at our destination, we were greeted fondly by Brothers and alumni. It felt easy reconnecting with everyone even though it had been weeks since we had seen some of them. After dinner, we were given some free time to play games and decorate our brown paper bags. Each Brother had made their own unique bag and everyone else would put a positive note in it at any time during the retreat. After the free period was up, we had chapter and discussed the schedule for the next day. Once everyone was on the same page, the rest of the night was filled with more bonding through playing pool, relaxing in the hot tub, or shouting at each other

while playing Avalon, a mafia-style game that alumni Hamilton Wen brought. After the first night's activities were done, everyone

### Winter Retreat

had more than enough space to sleep given the two cabins.

The next morning, we had an amazing breakfast with the best sausages and eggs ever cooked on that mountain. Kudos to my Brothers for waking up early and being great chefs. I volunteered for clean-up, but others who did not sign up also helped us out. Alumni President, Aimee Shin, was kind enough to finish the rest of the dishes when committees were about to meet. After coming up with a game plan for every committee and sharing with everyone what our plans were for the semester, it was time for the actual games. We played a game called "Corners" which conducted by our chapter's Worthy Chief Counselor Nathan Wayne and Worthy Vice Counselor Sean Hawkins. It revealed more about each Brother based on the answer choice they gave and was a great way to get to know the each other more. Following that, we separated into four teams and competed in "Minute-To-Win-It" minigames. The games ranged from using just your face to move a cookie from your forehead to your mouth, to stealing balloons



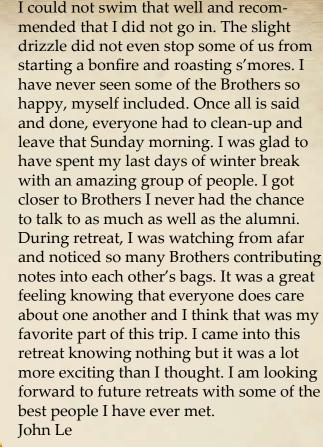


from other Brothers. My personal favorite was making a human table out of four people. All of these games kept spirits high and the weather was even cooperating. We finished the activities with a group picture with everyone in their jerseys.

After the activities, we had free period and then another delicious dinner. One Brother in particular, Amanda Colpetzer, drove six hours to make it to the cabins. I admired her dedication and how much effort she put into coming. She also made very good pudding. We then took a group picture to remember the wonderful time we had. Once we finished, the rest of the night was just as fun. People were dancing, singing, going down to the frigid river. I was also about to join everyone in the river but thoughtful Brother Joe Angelini realized















# BACK TO THE BURROW HOMECOMENG TAELGATE

he homecoming tailgate for Alpha Iota was held on a beautiful day in Athens, Georgia in front of UGA's College of Pharmacy. There was a big turnout from pledges, collegiate Brothers, and alumni from several different chapters. Brothers travelled from Florida and Ohio to come have some fun. The tailgate was a way for every Brother of Phi Dex from several different generations to connect and build new memories over food, drinks, and fun. It was exciting to catch up with Brothers who recently graduated to see what they were up to. The recent graduates had lots of fun stories to tell about their first year out in the real world; some of them were quite funny but others were eye openers. There were some others who had graduated a little less recently, so many of us had not been in school with them, but it was nice to meet their families or hear about additions to their family as with Brother Lexie. This event helped us remember that the Brotherhood will continue beyond P4 year, and it does not just end with graduation. Some



highlights of the event were Brother Trinh Tran being attacked by Frank, the dog, and beating Dr. Hannings in a game of cornhole. After the tailgate, many of the Brothers went together and watched their home team defeat the University of Missouri. It was a great success and we hope to have an even larger turnout next year. Vidhi Doshi











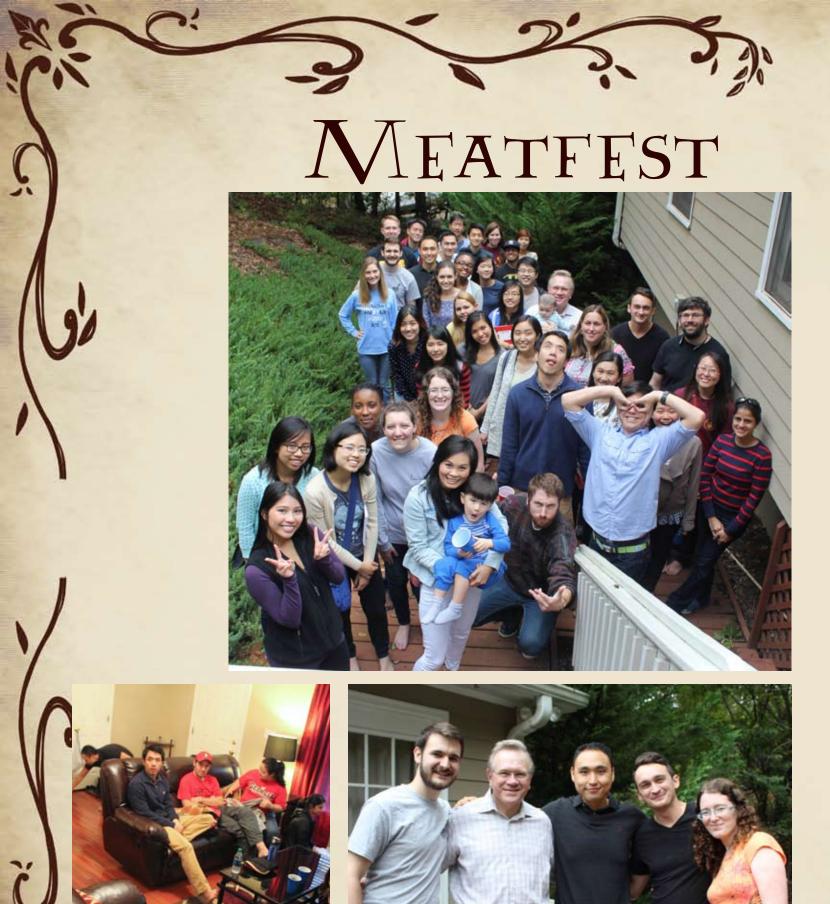




















Cassandra Clark

### Progressive Dinner



ur annual Progressive Dinner continued to be the highlight of the fall for our chapter. It gave pledges and Brothers the chance to get to know each other better and put our novice culinary skills to use. Each house hosted a handful of pledges and our house had the pleasure of whipping up vegetarian chili for our fellow Brothers and pledges. We shared embarrassing stories from retreat, tips for classes, and upcoming plans for the chapter. It was a great time for all and the night was capped off with all you can eat frozen yogurt and a Big-Little photo session. We welcomed pledges into our houses for dinner and they left a step closer to being Brothers. Plus, not one Brother or pledge left with food poisoning, so overall it was a successful night! Justin Moore









### REVERSE PROGRESSÄVE DÄNNER

inducted Brothers of the Alpha Iota chapter prepared appetizers, dinner, and dessert for the older Brothers. In the fall semester, the Brothers had prepared these meals for the pledges for progressive dinner so now it was their turn to show off their cooking skills. I drove four Brothers to our first stop at TK and Haley's. After sneaking in through the gate behind another car, we arrived to pigs-in-a-blanket and a salmon spread with crackers. The food was delicious but the star of the show was definitely TK's adorable dog Chico, who I considered kidnapping and am not convinced

n a rainy and thunderous evening, the newly I made the right decision in restraining myself. TK and Haley stalled us to allow the hosts of our next stop time to get off of work and warm their food. Once we got the okay, we headed over to the next house where Dennia, Arielle, and Gabrielle prepared some Caribbean chicken and homemade mac-and-cheese. We were even treated to a dance performance by Dennia and Arielle. Finally, we headed to the dessert house where all of the Brothers gathered to eat ice cream and cookies. Despite the cold, wet outdoors, it was a fun evening for all! Jacqueline Liu





















### SHRËEKËNG SHACK

### HALLOWEEN PARTY

alloween, a spooky time of year filled with tricks, treats, and parties. This year, I had the pleasure of hosting the Pledge Class of 2015's "The Haunted Condo" Halloween Party. At first, I was a bit worried that there would not be enough room for everyone to fit but I am happy to say that I was wrong. It was like any other day: wake up, get ready, and go to classes; however, focusing while in class was quite difficult. The idea of decorating, getting into costume, hanging out with my fellow pledges, and getting to know the Brothers more was all too exciting and I wanted nothing more than to head home and get ready for the party. When classes had finally finished, I headed home and began to pull out all the decorations and candy I had bought for the occasion. My fellow pledge Haley Cook came over to help me set up. We strung up lights, put cobwebs on the stairs and windows, and thumb-tacked paper pumpkins on the walls; the preparations went on and on. As night fell, people began to come over dressed in various costumes. Probably the most memorable costumes belonged to our Worthy Vice Counselor Sean Hawkins and our Worthy Alumni Liaison David Kim who were dressed in green and red morph suits respectively.

You could hear roars of laughter from the living room as a group had started to play Head's Up and groans of dismay came from the dining room as others played a game of Cards Against Humanity. Everyone had



brought so much food that there was more food than people! The part that made me the happiest was watching everyone enjoying themselves, getting along with each other, laughing, smiling and bonding. I could not have been happier with the way the event had turned out.

Unfortunately, all good things come to an end. After spending a good two to three hours at The Haunted Condo, the party had come to an end. Brothers and pledges hung around to help clean, but one by one, everyone left. Overall, the event was a total success. Hannah Cole









### GREAT HALL FEAST

### HOLIDAY PARTY





ith another exhausting semester coming to a close, the Brothers of Alpha Iota held our annual PDC Holiday Party to celebrate and partake in joyous festivities before finals week. Our social co-chairs for the fall, Brothers Justin Moore and Charles Zhu, planned the event and made sure everyone had a great time. The Holiday Party is always revered as one of the best fall events among both the collegiate Brothers and alumni. The party consists of dinner with all the Brothers and is an amazing opportunity for Brothers to connect more and have some fun before finals. The dinner was held potluck style, with Brothers bringing their best holiday side dishes such as jalapeno cornbread, green bean casserole, stuffing and gravy, and the ever popular tomato quiche made by our very own Worthy Chief Counselor, Nathan Wayne. The main course was turkey and dressing as well as the social co-chairs' famous fried chicken.



Brothers bonded over dinner and shared wonderful stories of their PDC experiences. This year's holiday party was once again a success among all of the Brothers. Charles Zhu



### DIO ARTINI





ne of the latest crazes that is going around right now are the "Paint and Wine" events. Here at Alpha Iota, we decided that we can do the same. We all brought out our elegant side with a fancy cheese platter, crackers, and decadent dips to go along with it. Our talented social co-chair Gabby and Brothers Arielle and Hannah led the workshop. We got to have the option of either painting an owl or a beach. I had never known that I could be an artist, but after this session, I had my wonderful masterpiece of the beach scene. Despite getting paint all over myself and others, it looked so realistic that it was definitely something I am proud to have hanging in my room. I even got creative and added my own twist. Some added a picture of their corgi or Wilson the volleyball, but I opted for my childhood favorite, Spongebob and Patrick. By the end of the night, we all had become Picassos and had our own masterpiece to hang on the wall and lots of paint to scrub off from all of our clothes. Hannah Cole

























### TRIWIZARD TOURNAMENT

### First Annual Brodown

he Phi Delta Chi 1st Annual Brodown was a weekend of retreat and refuge for the Brothers as we displayed our teamwork and skills. Our Brodowns are personal, everlasting, and memorable. The Alpha Iota Brodown is a team based field day that consists of a series of physical and mental games. Through these games, each team accumulates their ingredients to cook up the best fried rice. The teams also get an opportunity to boost their chances by upgrading their ingredients or utensils or they can even sabotage the other team's resources. The Brothers are randomly assigned to a team and must work together to reach the final goal. From classic games such as dodge ball and charades to unique ones such

as connect four races and the lemon juice challenge, there was something for all Brothers to enjoy. The Brodown was designed to be challenging and engaging that at the end of the day whether you win or lose, everyone feels like a champion because they go home with a unique prize. I thought the event had a memorable impact on our Brothers. There was not a single person with a bored face; everyone was laughing and participating. To see my fellow Brothers get very competitive was surprising and delightful. At the end of the day, we all had fun and I know I am definitely looking forward to continuing this tradition next year. Ryan Shin

























## YULE BALL

### SPRING FORMAL

n this magical night, Trumps Ballroom was transported to another world: The Wizarding World of Harry Potter. This year's theme for formal was Yule Ball, a mix of winter wonderland with whites and silvers and touches of magic from Harry Potter. Alumni and collegiate Brothers were elegantly dressed and some even cloaked in festive attire as each was welcomed by placing the sorting hat over their head and being sorted to different houses and tables.

Majestic music from the movie series' soundtrack and a slideshow of pictures from events throughout the year played as guests arrived. The walls were decorated with cascades of silver dots and intricate snowflakes. Centerpieces with silver branches, tea light candles, snitches, and frames proclaiming each table's house, adorned the white clothed tables. Special alumni guests, Sarah Frizzell, Whitney Holcomb, Sara Miller, and Ashley Tippett were able to join us in our celebration.

Once everyone was situated, social committee co-chairs Gabby and Ryan started the festivities of the night by opening the dinner buffet to the different tables by unveiling of their snitch. The first table to go had the snitch with a number one and so on until all eleven tables had gone. The buffet table boasted a spread of stuffed sliced breast of chicken, tossed Caesar salad with garlic croutons and grated parmesan, zucchini, green bean, and mushroom







sauté, gemelli pasta marinara, and warmed veast rolls.

Once everyone was fed, the awards the Dean's List or Presidential Scholar were recognized and received a certificate for their academic achievements. Superlatives were







given out along with silver glitter-glued, blue sashes for: Most Fraternity Spirit (David Kim), Best Big/ Little (Sarah Nguyen/John Le/Thu Kim Phan), Best ceremony began. Students who were awarded Bromance (Priyan Lad/Parin Patel), Alumni of the Year (Aimee Shin), Best Paddle (Pan Nimmanonda), Sexiest Brother (Andrew Russell), Best Laugh (Parin Patel), Most Likely to be Your Boss (Nathan Wayne), Most Likely to Cheer You Up (Michelle Vu), Most Likely to Snapchat their Whole Life (Andrew Quach), Most Likely to be Caught Sleeping in Class (Sean Hawkins), and Most Likely to be Lord Voldemort (Priyan Lad). Plaques were given out to: Faculty Member of the Year (Dr. Hannings), Executive Member of the Year (David Kim), Pledge of the Year (Gabby Do), and Brother of the Year (Michelle Vu).

As the ceremony came to a close, guests made their way to the photo booth, snapping pictures with wands, butterbeer, and other sorcery shenanigans. The dance floor started to fill up as well as we turned the music up and danced the



night away. Formal was a success! Although we may have gotten to be Wizards for the night, we are always Brothers for life. Gabby Do





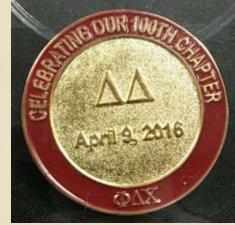


### University of Florida 199th Chapter Initiation

right and early on a Saturday, seven Brothers from Alpha Iota set off on a mission to go to The University of Florida in Gainesville, Florida to help initiate the 100th Chapter of Phi Delta Chi. It was a long, six-hour drive down to Florida but we also had to make a pit stop in Tifton, Georgia to pick up another one of our own Alpha Iota Brothers. Early afternoon, we reached gator territory and got right to help with preparing all the rooms for initiation. While setting up, we got to see a bit of the UF campus and all the different buildings for the nursing and public health school as well. After successfully initiating 42 new Brothers, we got a nice little surprise from the regional officers: a special PDC coin made in honor of the 100th Chapter, Delta Delta. We all then celebrated with pictures, Cuban food, and cake. Being able to be a part of Phi Delta Chi

history is an experience that we will all never forget. Since we were in Florida, we decided to make the most of our trip and head down to the beach the next day. On our way, we stopped by JL Trent's Seafood & Grill. We all indulged on lobster, clams, crab, salmon and our favorite: alligator (which tasted like chicken from the sea). After a hearty meal, we headed towards Jacksonville Beach and spent time soaking in the sun, playing frisbee, and getting our feet wet. Brother Bernard, a P1, spent his time on the beach studying for his pharmacology final that was the next day. After we had all relaxed enough, we headed back home to Georgia. It was a fun trip and we will definitely be back in Florida visiting our new Brothers. Priyan Lad

























## HOGSMEADE

### WELCOME BACK AT CREATURE COMFORTS

he alumni and collegiates of Alpha Iota met this weekend between the tall fermenters and aged wooden barrels of Creature Comforts Brewing Company to celebrate UGA's Homecoming. There is a saying in Athens, Georgia that no matter where you may travel or relocate to, Athens will always be your home away from home. This was evident amongst our alumni this weekend. What a better way to celebrate coming home than to tour a unique and quirky brewery that upholds the uniqueness and quirkiness that defines downtown Athens! So we opened our homes and invited in all the alumni from Alpha Iota to Omega who needed a place to stay, and we are so happy we did. Just as yeast slowly converts barley and grain into a desired product, the alumni of Phi Delta Chi offered wisdom and knowledge, thus aiding in the conversion collegiate Brothers into pharmacy professionals. Beer is a symbol of tradition, prestige, and history around the world. Similarly, the Brothers of Alpha Iota strive to be revered as professionals, leaders

in pharmacy, and custodians of altruism. We would not be able to achieve these aspects without the guidance of our alumni. Alpha Iota came together this weekend with the intention of further fostering a fraternal spirit amongst all Brothers, alumni, and collegiate alike and so foster we did! This weekend has excited many of the collegiates about returning 'home' after graduation and always remembering, "I am Phi Delta Chi!" Nathan Wayne



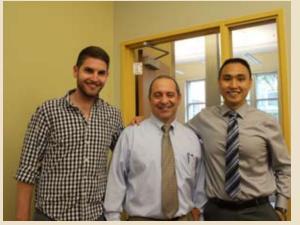




### PLEDGE FACULTY Pizza Party



ne afternoon, the Brothers of Alpha Iota invited our faculty advisors and faculty Brothers to join in a pizza party with the pledges. This was a great opportunity to connect with our professors outside of class and learn about how they got to where they are now. Many of the faculty Brothers had funny stories they shared from their pharmacy school experiences. It was an afternoon full of laughter and good food.









### P4 CARE PACKAGES

lthough our numbers have grown large from 63 to 81 collegiate Brothers, we always strive to create events or programs to keep all the Brothers connected. We keep into contact with one another whether via social media like satellite campus Brother Andrew Quach's hilarious Snapchats or through Facebook pages and groups. This spring however, collegiate Brothers created P4 Care Packages, a new tradition of making personalized care packages to mail to our eleven P4 Brothers. These would be a great surprises for our P4 Brothers to cheer them up while they are still on rotations. Brothers would obtain information such as their favorite food, candy, snacks, random interests, etc to get a good idea of what to put in each package. This way, it would give the P4s a reminder that even though they may not be around as much to come to our events, we would still be thinking of them and they are always welcome to see

Cassandra Clark

I also received a nice little care package in the mail today. Thanks for thinking of me. It definitely made my day!"

Bao-Trang Nguyen, current P4

Aww, you guys are so awesome! Thanks for the package of goodies I got in the mail today! It was really thoughtful of you guys to take the time and effort to send it! I shall eat the sweets and use the school supplies while I'm (not) studying for the Naplex."

Kasandra Hour, former WKRS and current P4

Ahhhh! I got a small care package/goodie bag today! Thank you whoever lives on [address] and everyone else for making my day. It means a lot you all still think about us P4s - no matter how far away we are."

Jeffery Cheung, former WCC and current P4



### P4 UPDATES

P4 Brother	PLANS
Eric Trinh	PGY-1 Emory Saint Joseph's Hospital
Shane Peters	Kroger
Huldah Abaidoo	Walgreens - Memphis, TN
Jeffery Cheung	PGY-1 Northside Hospital
Kasandra Hour	Wal-Mart
Payal Kakadiya	PGY-1 Virginia Commonwealth University
Mandi Kyle	Kroger
Carolyn Le	Costco
Bao-Trang Nguyen	CHOA
Lillian Otieno	CVS
Darryl Patman	CHOA



### FACULTY SPOTLÄGHT

t was an honor to be named Teacher of the Year at the UGA College of Pharmacy for 2016. As a junior faculty member, I have had many great mentors in my career and in particular here at UGA where I fostered my professional development and skills as an educator, mentor, and clinician. I have adopted the firm but fair mantra in education. While my courses and rotations may be challenging, I strive to ensure each activity leads to the growth of the students' critical thinking skills and knowledge base. Seeing the "aha!" moment for an individual learner is the best outcome for me in the classroom and in my practice site while taking care of patients with students.

I advise my fellow Brothers to take each experience whether in the classroom, extracurricular, or experiential as an opportunity for growth. This may be through expansion of your knowledge, enhancement in compassion and humility, or development of professional skills. You never know what knowledge, skill, or experience that you gain may change your life or the life of a patient later. I once saw a quote, "You aren't studying to pass an exam, you're learning for the day your knowledge and abilities are what stands between a patient and death."

Dr. Amber Clemmons



### FACULTY UPDATES

#### DR. HERIST

I spent this academic year working on the curriculum revision and Essentials I and II; plus coordinating PHRM 5820 and 3828. That kept me quite busy!

#### Dr. Hannings

I have been working hard, expanding my roles in the college of pharmacy and was in charge of organizing the rising first year's boot camp in August. She is also in charge of scheduling students for certain IPPE experiences as well as coordinating labs. My advice for the chapter is to help a Brother in need when you can. One day you may be the one who needs help.

#### DR. PERRT

This year, I received a large multi-year federal grant and focused on interprofessional education with the students. I was the class coordinator for Pharmacy Essentials series for P1s and P2s, associate department head in clinical/administrative pharmacy. For the current chapter, I am really proud with the progress we have made! We are a large and growing force to be reckoned with in the college.

#### DR. BEACH

This year I am working out the kinks in the new curriculum for the first years. I am going to spend my summer reorganizing material to prepare the rising second years for their four semesters of pharmacotherapy and the change in the infectious disease course, which will no longer cover microbes. I am also in the process of moving my research lab.

#### DR. BARTLETT

I no longer teach biochemistry. I am in charge of the new Bachelor of Science in Pharmaceutical Sciences. The second class is graduating this year. There are approximately 280 students in that major. I teach a junior-level pharmaceutical analysis course and I also organize the online master's degree program for regulatory affairs and clinical trials management at UGA-Gwinnett. I look forward to welcoming two new international faculty, who are also UGA's first international faculty, from Belgium and Brazil, who will be teaching via distance learning.

#### DR. TACKETT

Professionally, I have been readjusting courses and working with Dr. Norton on substance abuse issues. I am still teaching abused drugs and forensics. My daughter and grandkids moved back to Athens. I started krav maga and am working towards my yellow belt in the martial arts. My eldest daughter has been teaching Taekwondo. Some advice for the collegiate chapter is that we are very diverse in PDC, but we need to remember networking with diversity of people; however, it is not just about diversity in backgrounds, but also the diversity in knowledge.

### ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

exie (Turner) Hoffman here, AI 866! I am very proud of the work the chapter is doing to connect with alumni Brothers and am excited to be asked to write a bit about what I have been up to for the past few years. Life has certainly been a whirlwind.

I am currently on maternity leave as my husband Cody and I were blessed with a little baby girl Lydia on 3/6/16. Cody and I got married last summer and spent some time in South Africa on our honeymoon. It was amazing! In 2014, I lost my father. My advice to you would be to treat those you love and those around you as if you were never going to see them again... you never know when it will be your last.

I work as a staff decentralized pharmacist at Lee Memorial Hospital in Fort Myers, Florida. I have a unique position on the orthopedic surgery unit and have helped develop a fully integrated decentralized practice. I never thought I would land myself in this position. Keeping an open mind and willingness to open new doors has certainly afforded me this opportunity to work side by side with patients, nurses, and providers to deliver top-notch care in a new setting!

Prior to Grand Council 2015 in Albuquerque, I was super busy representing the Fraternity as GVPCA. It seemed like I was in a different city every other weekend at first but by the second term, I had created a well oiled machine and surrounded myself with top notch Brothers who were operating well on their own. My favorite part of being in that office was encouraging and empowering

so many Brothers to take leadership positions in our organization. So rewarding to see how they progress and become more well rounded individuals in their careers both student and alumni. I have recently rekindled my activity with our alumni Chapter and hope to find the time to get up to Athens from here more often. So proud to see Aimee Shin as our President! I have also been enjoying spending time with the collegiate Brothers at local and national events and getting to know everyone better. Outgoing WAL David Kim has been an outstanding link to the chapter and I cannot say enough about the positive impact I think he is having on the alumni. He is really kicking our butts into being active again - AAAE at it's finest. I have been making little inspirational videos for the chapter at his suggestion as well. I wish the all Brothers at Alpha Iota the very best and I know you all will keep doing great things! Lexie Hoffman



### ALUMNI UPDATES



PHOENY LT

I am starting a new job as a Pharmacy Informatics Analyst at Northeast Georgia Medical Center in Gainesville, GA. We arere making the move to Epic, and it takes an interdisciplinary team of pharmacists, nurses, doctors, and IT professionals to pull it off. Excited about relocating to Flowery Branch, where I will be closer to family, Brothers, and all the food on Pleasant Hill!



JOANNE Y I (LEFT)

I work at Walgreens mainly in East Cobb and Woodstock and I get tons of counseling questions. My advice if you are a retail pharmacist: BE CONFIDENT; YOU'RE THE BOSS. They do not tell you this in school! If you are wondering how my hours are being a floater pharmacist, I work decent hours (average of 32 hours a week + benefits), and have 2 dogs, Timmy and Toby. Have fun at work and remember to build rapport with coworkers. Oh yeah, study everyday and be a nerd until you make it and of course, be professional.



#### William Huang

Since the last year I went to the APHA conference to keep myself updated in the pharmacy world. I also changed from CVS in March to Kroger as a floater since they have a lot of clinical opportunities. Advice for collegiates: Network with alumni and people whenever you go to national conventions (APHA/ASP).



#### Lori Chilly Willy McGinley (far left)

We do hospital pharmacy with remote pharmacy and hospital pharmacy management. I oversee 9 hospitals in Georgia. I still work as a pharmacist to know what my employees are doing. Some advice to my fellow Brothers is to definitely always keep your options open. What you start off in pharmacy school, the career path is not always the career path you end up on. Embrace change as the world of pharmacy is changing so much and the traditional pharmacist may be going away. Be adaptable and you can be successful no matter what happens.

#### KAREN RODEGHÏERO (SECOND FROM LEFT)

I had a baby girl and started working at Athens Regional as a clinical pharmacist in the ER. I moved back to Athens, GA where my home chapter is and am excited to get to know the new Brothers. I'd like to say the collegiates enjoy what you do because you do it every day.

#### SUZY QUEEN B CURRY [FAR Right]

I worked as a floater for Publix since 2003 and now work at Homer drugs and Tigertown pharmacy. I joined PDC in my 2nd year because I hung out with PDC people and since I was hanging out with them, I should join. Also, one of the Brothers already paid my dues. If I could give any any advice to the collegiate Brothers I would say to enjoy every minute with your Brothers because the older you get, the harder it is to get to keep up with everybody.



#### TRAC NGUYEN

I am currently working at Gordan Hospital in Calhoun, Georgia as a night pharmacist. I made a policy for pharmacokinetcs in the hospital and the TPN. I enjoy gardening and baking bread. Some advice for Brothers is to keep an open mind and reach out to your collegiate Brothers.



#### REBECCA HOWELL (SECOND FROM LEFT)

Since graduation I have continued working at Children's Healthcare of Atlanta (Scottish Rite) and staff primarily in the main and emergency room pharmacies. My husband and I volunteer with the Georgia Garrison of the 501st Legion, a Star Wars themed costuming group which raises money for charities and seeks to improve the lives of sick children. Some advice for collegiates is to enjoy this time with your Brothers and focus less on worrying about choosing the right classes/rotations/employers; do your best to learn as much as you can tolerate and help others- the rest works itself out.



#### Tiffany Chong

I started working at Macy's Systems and Technology after graduating last December. It is vastly different from where I thought I would be when I joined PDC. But hey, sometimes life does that. Anyways, after a rather meandering academic career, I am really happy with the job I have now and my years in pharmacy school gave me a nice perspective on things. My advice for you all is to not be afraid of change.

#### NAVÎD AMLANÎ

After completing my PGY1 at Northeast Georgia Medical Center, I went overseas and practiced as an ICU clinical pharmacist in Jeddah, Saudi Arabia. After two and a half years abroad, I decided it was time to head back to America. I miss the food, but I don't miss the heat! I'm now doing overnight clinical coverage at New Hanover Regional Medical Center in Wilmington, North Carolina. Happy to be home!

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### ALUMNI ANNOUNCEMENTS



Robert and Laura Ko got married.



Ray and Sarah Frizzell got married.



Brittany Williams and husband had a baby.



Lexie Turner gave birth to Lydia Joyce Hoffman on 03/06/16.

### "I OPEN AT THE CLOSE." CLOSING REMARKS

ere ends another year of The Crucible and Alpha Iota. Our entire team encourages you to look through again to see if you noticed a few small things we added.

On the cover, the Marauder's Map features the Stegman Coliseum, our football stadium, the Arch, and our college of pharmacy which is situated between the Trial Gardens and green space which is in the shape of a bulldog, our mascot.

To reveal the Marauder's map, a witch or wizard must say, "I solemnly swear I am up to no good," which is featured on the Letter from the Editors page. This year we included our PDC man dressed as PDC wizard, still holding his mortar and pestle with the addition of a wand that is surely from Ollivander's.

The crest, framed with red carnations, is a minimalistic version of the Hog-

warts houses which captures the spirit of our chapter and publication. Note that each divider features the house animal while the other houses are filled with symbols with the actual PDC crest. The pledges are greeted by owls and their magical beast creations were added throughout the section. For the brotherhood statement, the Deathly Hallows and the equilateral triangle have more than their shape in common. Our brotherhood lasts a lifetime, and like the invisibility cloak that the triangle represents, we hope to be as wise as the third brother in The Tales of Beedle the Bard and realize what is truly important in life.

We hope you enjoyed exploring the halls of Alpha Iota as much as we do. Now that you are done, we urge you to maintain the utmost secrecy and remember to tap the map and recite the magic words. Michelle Vu

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