



# VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY FRATERNITY AND SORORITY LIFE 2015-2016 ANNUAL REPORT



## 2015-2016 – A YEAR IN REVIEW

### VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY FRATERNITY AND SORORITY LIFE

The 2015-2016 academic year was another tremendous year for the Valparaiso University fraternity and sorority community. As the sorority housing project progressed, members were able to tour and sign the interior framework of the new houses. It was bittersweet saying goodbye to Scheele Hall at the end of the spring semester, which has housed sorority members for the past 56 years; however, members are excited to move into the new facilities when classes resume in August.

The fraternity and sorority community welcomed more than 250 new members into our community during the fall and spring semesters. The fraternity community led men on campus in academics and topped the all-male average with a 3.198 GPA, and the sorority community bested the all-women's Average with a 3.336 GPA. Additionally, it was another banner year for community service and philanthropy. The community volunteered 13,389 hours of service and raised more than \$68,000 dollars for national and local non-profit organizations.

The Fraternity and Sorority Spring Service Trip celebrated its second year by sending 24 members and two staff members to Washington D.C. The students and staff volunteered at DC Central Food Kitchen and the Capital Area Food Bank, all while exploring the city and creating friendships across affiliations.

Finally, the Interfraternity and Panhellenic Councils were honored at this year's Association of Fraternal Leadership and Values (AFLV) Conference. Both councils were finalists for the overall award of excellence by achieving distinction in all eight category award sections, with the Panhellenic Council winning the Sutherland Award for overall excellence.

The fraternity and sorority community continues to raise the bar at Valparaiso University. We celebrate this year's successes while working hard to accomplish even more in the year to come. We are excited to see what we will achieve and contribute to Valparaiso University in the 2016-2017 school year.

Elise Misiunas and Eric Smith  
Panhellenic and Interfraternity Council Presidents



## FRATERNITY AND SORORITY MEMBERSHIP INCREASES BY 255 IN 2015-2016

### CHI OMEGA

Fall New Members: 8  
Spring New Members: 20  
Total Membership: 75  
Initiation Percentage: 100%

### KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA

Fall New Members: 2  
Spring New Members: 33  
Total Membership: 74  
Initiation Percentage: 96%

### PHI KAPPA PSI:

Fall New Members: 1  
Spring New Members: 9  
Total Membership: 52  
Initiation Percentage: 91%

### PI BETA PHI

Fall New Members: 7  
Spring New Members: 20  
Total Membership: 74  
Initiation Percentage: 95%

### SIGMA LAMBDA GAMMA

Fall New Members: 8  
Spring New Members: 1  
Total Membership: 9  
Initiation Percentage: 100%

### GAMMA PHI BETA

Fall New Members: 0  
Spring New Members: 22  
Total Membership: 80  
Initiation Percentage: 100%

### LAMBDA CHI ALPHA

Fall New Members: 5  
Spring New Members: 11  
Total Membership: 42  
Initiation Percentage: 90%

### PHI MU ALPHA

Fall New Members: 3  
Spring New Members: 4  
Total Membership: 40  
Initiation Percentage: 100%

### PI KAPA ALPHA

Fall New Members: 4  
Spring New Members: 10  
Total Membership: 33  
Initiation Percentage: NA

### SIGMA PHI EPSILON

Fall New Members: 2  
Spring New Members: 23  
Total Membership: 68  
Initiation Percentage: 100%

### KAPPA DELTA

Fall New Members: 0  
Spring New Members: 23  
Total Membership: 78  
Initiation Percentage: 100%

### PHI DELTA THETA

Fall New Members: 1  
Spring New Members: 8  
Total Membership: 31  
Initiation Percentage: 100%

### PHI SIGMA KAPPA

Fall New Members: 3  
Spring New Members: 11  
Total Membership: 35  
Initiation Percentage: 93%

### SIGMA CHI

Fall New Members: 1  
Spring New Members: 12  
Total Membership: 41  
Initiation Percentage: 86%

### SIGMA PI

Fall New Members: 3  
Spring New Members: 10  
Total Membership: 31  
Initiation Percentage: 100%







**TOTAL SERVICE HOURS FOR 2015-2016: 13,389**  
**TOTAL PHILANTHROPY DOLLARS FOR 2015-2016: \$68,264.33**

## **CHI OMEGA**

**Total Hours Donated:** 2,726 hours  
**Total Dollars Raised:** \$15,626.14  
**Primary Annual Event:** Swishes for Wishes



## **GAMMA PHI BETA**

**Total Hours Donated:** 1,399 hours  
**Total Dollars Raised:** \$4,598.96  
**Primary Annual Event:** Gamma Phive K



## **KAPPA DELTA**

**Total Hours Donated:** 1,170 hours  
**Total Dollars Raised:** \$5,344.43  
**Primary Annual Event:** Kick it for the KiDs



## **KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA**

**Total Hours Donated:** 1,074 hours  
**Total Dollars Raised:** \$6,487.40  
**Primary Annual Event:** Kappa Karnival



## **LAMBDA CHI ALPHA**

**Total Hours Donated:** 488 hours  
**Total Dollars Raised:** \$2,191.69  
**Primary Annual Event:** Pumpkin Palooza



## **PHI DELTA THETA**

**Total Hours Donated:** 614 hours  
**Total Dollars Raised:** \$1,419.15  
**Primary Annual Event:** Bags Tournament



## **PHI KAPPA PSI**

**Total Hours Donated:** 1,109 hours  
**Total Dollars Raised:** \$2,684.18  
**Primary Annual Event:** PhiPsi 500



## **PHI MU ALPHA SINFONIA**

**Total Hours Donated:** 243 hours  
**Total Dollars Raised:** \$1,680.04  
**Primary Annual Event:** Patterson Memorial Music Festival

## **PHI SIGMA KAPPA**

**Total Hours Donated:** 868 hours  
**Total Dollars Raised:** \$5,306.05  
**Primary Annual Event:** Polar Plunge



## **PI BETA PHI**

**Total Hours Donated:** 1,595 hours  
**Total Dollars Raised:** \$7,544.20  
**Primary Annual Event:** Arrow Spike



## **PI KAPPA ALPHA**

**Total Hours Donated:** 368 hours  
**Total Dollars Raised:** \$1,745.51  
**Primary Annual Event:** Fireman's Challenge



## **SIGMA CHI**

**Total Hours Donated:** 659 hours  
**Total Dollars Raised:** \$5,531.55  
**Primary Annual Event:** Derby Days



## **SIGMA LAMBDA GAMMA**

**Total Hours Donated:** 169 hours  
**Total Dollars Raised:** \$1,255.09  
**Primary Annual Event:** SLG Penny Wars



## **SIGMA PHI EPSILON**

**Total Hours Donated:** 637 hours  
**Total Dollars Raised:** \$4,325.48  
**Primary Annual Event:** SigEp Christmas



## **SIGMA PI**

**Total Hours Donated:** 266 hours  
**Total Dollars Raised:** \$2,524.06  
**Primary Annual Event:** Amazing Day





**FALL 2015 ACADEMIC AVERAGE: 3.231**  
**SPRING 2016 ACADEMIC AVERAGE: 3.268**



CHAPTER	RANK	FALL 2015		RANK	SPRING 2016	
		MEMBERSHIP	GPA		MEMBERSHIP	GPA
CHI OMEGA	2	55	3.368	2	75	3.431
GAMMA PHI BETA	1	60	3.467	1	80	3.456
KAPPA DELTA	4	55	3.258	3	78	3.338
KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA	5	55	3.258	5	74	3.218
PI BETA PHI	3	54	3.314	4	74	3.253
SIGMA LAMBDA GAMMA	6	8	2.746	6	9	3.085
LAMBDA CHI ALPHA	3	34	3.251	3	42	3.234
PHI DELTA THETA	1	26	3.344	2	31	3.356
PHI KAPPA PSI	8	45	3.097	6	52	3.176
PHI MU ALPHA	5	39	3.167	7	40	3.112
PHI SIGMA KAPPA	7	25	3.130	8	35	3.054
PI KAPPA ALPHA	9	32	2.857	9	33	2.923
SIGMA CHI	4	35	3.221	5	41	3.189
SIGMA PHI EPSILON	2	49	3.268	1	68	3.378
SIGMA PI	6	23	3.145	4	31	3.208



## MORE THAN 340 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS HOSTED BY FRATERNITIES AND SORORITIES IN 2015-2016

**PROVIDING OPPORTUNITIES FOR PERSONAL DEVELOPMENT IS A FUNDAMENTAL PRINCIPLE OF FRATERNITY AND SORORITY MEMBERSHIP. FRATERNITIES AND SORORITIES OFFER A WIDE RANGE OF PROGRAMMING FOR MEMBERS TO LEARN AND GROW BOTH AS A MEMBER AND AS A STUDENT AT VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY. THE FOLLOWING IS A SAMPLE LISTING OF THE OVER 300 EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS OFFERED BY THE CHAPTERS IN 2015-2016.**

### Overall Community Programming:

- Academic and Scholarship: 22
- Alcohol and Other Drug: 31
- Brother and Sisterhood Development: 21
- Career Development: 9
- Chapter Development: 27
- Diversity Education: 9
- Financial Education: 3
- Hazing: 32
- Leadership Development: 35
- Personal Development: 14
- Sexual Assault Education: 37
- Recruitment: 41
- Risk Management: 12
- Ritual Education: 25
- Values: 17
- Wellness: 6



**In addition, chapter members attended 32 different programs offered by inter/national fraternities and sororities.**



## VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY FRATERNITY AND SORORITY AWARDS 2015-2016 INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

### **DEAN DELORES RUOSCH SORORITY WOMAN OF THE YEAR:**

LAUREN SKINIOTES  
KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA

### **KYLE JAMES CARSON FRATERNITY MAN OF THE YEAR:**

RICHARD SCHRAEGER III  
PHI KAPPA PSI

### **OUTSTANDING FRATERNITY AND SORORITY CHAPTER PRESIDENT:**

BETHANY SODO, KAPPA DELTA  
KYLE CRAWFORD, PHI SIGMA KAPPA

### **LIVING YOUR VALUES AWARD:**

ABIGAIL LARSON, GAMMA PHI BETA  
LEANDRO JAIME, LAMBDA CHI ALPHA

### **OUTSTANDING CHAPTER ADVISOR:**

KAREN SEIKOWSKI, PI BETA PHI  
DON LANGHOFF, PHI DELTA THETA

### **OUTSTANDING FACULTY ADVISOR:**

JOHN RUFF, SIGMA PHI EPSILON

### **OUTSTANDING FRATERNITY AND SORORITY EMERGING LEADER:**

KELSEY STALTER, CHI OMEGA  
JONATHAN SCHILDWACHTER, PI KAPPA ALPHA







# VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY FRATERNITY AND SORORITY AWARDS

## 2015-2016 CHAPTER AWARDS



**PRESIDENT'S AWARD FOR FRATERNAL EXCELLENCE:**  
GAMMA PHI BETA AND SIGMA PHI EPSILON

**MOST IMPROVED CHAPTER AWARD:**  
CHI OMEGA

**2015–2016 PILLARS OF EXCELLENCE**  
CHI OMEGA, GAMMA PHI BETA, KAPPA DELTA,  
LAMBDA CHI ALPHA, PHI SIGMA KAPPA, AND SIGMA PHI EPSILON

**VALUES IN ACTION AWARD:**  
SIGMA PHI EPSILON FOR THE BALANCED MAN LEADERSHIP RETREAT

**INTRAMURAL CHAMPIONS:**  
CHI OMEGA AND SIGMA PHI EPSILON

**OUTSTANDING ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE:**  
GAMMA PHI BETA AND PHI DELTA THETA

**OUTSTANDING NEW MEMBER ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE:**  
CHI OMEGA AND PHI DELTA THETA

**MOST IMPROVED ACADEMIC PERFORMANCE:**  
PI BETA PHI AND SIGMA PI

**EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMIC PROGRAMMING:**  
KAPPA DELTA AND LAMBDA CHI ALPHA

**EXCELLENCE IN ALUMNI/AE DEVELOPMENT:**  
CHI OMEGA AND PHI DELTA THETA

**EXCELLENCE IN CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT:**  
GAMMA PHI BETA AND SIGMA PHI EPSILON

**EXCELLENCE IN CHAPTER MANAGEMENT:**  
GAMMA PHI BETA AND PHI SIGMA KAPPA

**EXCELLENCE IN COMMUNITY SERVICE:**  
CHI OMEGA AND PHI DELTA THETA

**EXCELLENCE IN MEMBER DEVELOPMENT:**  
GAMMA PHI BETA AND SIGMA PHI EPSILON

**EXCELLENCE IN NEW MEMBER EDUCATION:**  
CHI OMEGA AND SIGMA PI

**EXCELLENCE IN PHILANTHROPY:**  
KAPPA DELTA AND SIGMA CHI

**EXCELLENCE IN PUBLIC RELATIONS:**  
PI BETA PHI AND PHI SIGMA KAPPA

**EXCELLENCE IN RECRUITMENT:**  
KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA AND SIGMA PHI EPSILON

**EXCELLENCE IN RISK MANAGEMENT:**  
CHI OMEGA AND SIGMA PHI EPSILON





# VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY SORORITY HOUSING PROJECT COMPLETED AUGUST 2016

**VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY COMPLETED THE SORORITY HOUSING PROJECT IN THE SUMMER OF 2016. THE COMPLEX WILL OPEN FOR 150 WOMEN TO LIVE IN STARTING WITH THE 2016-2017 ACADEMIC YEAR. EACH CHAPTER WILL HAVE THEIR OWN CHAPTER ROOM, KITCHEN, LIBRARY, STORAGE AREAS, AND MANY OTHER FEATURES.**

**SCHEELE HALL, BUILT IN 1960 CLOSED AT THE END OF THE 2015-2016 ACADEMIC YEAR.**





ASSOCIATION OF FRATERNAL  
LEADERSHIP & VALUES

## ASSOCIATION OF FRATERNAL LEADERSHIP AND VALUES 2016 AWARD WINNERS

THE VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY PANHELLENIC AND INTERFRATERNITY COUNCILS WERE RECOGNIZED FOR EXCELLENCE AT THE 2016 ASSOCIATION OF FRATERNAL LEADERSHIP AND VALUES CENTRAL FRATERNAL LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE. THE COUNCILS HAVE PREVIOUSLY RECEIVED SIMILAR NATIONAL LEVEL RECOGNITIONS FROM AFLV, CONTINUING THE LEGACY OF EXCELLENCE AT VALPARAISO UNIVERSITY.

### PANHELLENIC COUNCIL AWARDS

SUTHERLAND AWARD FOR OVERALL  
EXCELLENCE (THIRD YEAR IN A ROW)

#### **AREA EXCELLENCE AWARDS FOR:**

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT  
COUNCIL MANAGEMENT  
LEADERSHIP & EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT  
PHILANTHROPY AND COMMUNITY SERVICE  
PUBLIC RELATIONS  
RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT  
SELF-GOVERNANCE AND JUDICIAL AFFAIRS



### INTERFRATERNITY COUNCIL AWARDS

FINALISTS FOR THE JELLISON AWARD FOR  
OVERALL EXCELLENCE

#### **AREA EXCELLENCE AWARDS FOR:**

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT  
COUNCIL MANAGEMENT  
LEADERSHIP & EDUCATIONAL DEVELOPMENT  
MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT  
PHILANTHROPY AND COMMUNITY SERVICE  
PUBLIC RELATIONS  
RISK REDUCTION AND MANAGEMENT  
SELF-GOVERNANCE AND JUDICIAL AFFAIRS

