# THE PHOTA

#### THE FRATERNITY AND SORORITY NEWSLETTER

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### MARCH EVENTS

March 1- Pi Kappa Alpha Founders Day March 5-20- Spring Break March 15- Phi Delta Theta Founders Day March 15- Phi Sigma Kappa Founders Day March 21-26- Women's Empowerment Week March 28-31- Pi Beta Phi Book Drive



#### **COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

During the month of January, we welcomed new members into our Fraternity and Sorority Community. We are so happy the new members have found their homes here on campus within FSL. All of the new members got to meet our IFC and Panhellenic Officers and learn about what they do at New Member Grand Chapter. They also got to meet other new members from chapters other than their own and they got to participate in fun activities such as Kahoots. We are so excited to see what amazing things these members will do in the community and on Valparaiso University's campus.

#### **LEADERSHIP**

Welcome the new 2022 IFC and Panhellenic Councils Leadership Team!

#### **Interfraternity Council**-

President- Aaron Spaletto

VP Standards- Ryan Cummings

VP Operations- Spencer Lehmann

VP Recruitment-Isaac Lembcke

VP Community Development- Sam Denaer

VP Public Relations- Allen Marvel

#### Panhellenic Council-

President- Kristen Flaws

VP Standards- Rebekah Hershberger

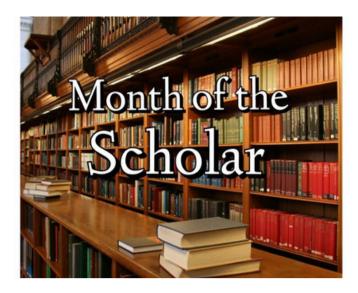
VP Operations- Madison Novack

VP Recruitment- Nikole Tzioufas

VP Community Development- Betsy Martens

VP Public Relations- Taylor Gaskill

Head Recruitment Counselor- Ella Goworowski



## **ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE**

February was Month of the Scholar here at Valparaiso University. Throughout the month, members of the FSL community were highlighted if they earned a 3.75+ GPA for the Fall 2021 semester. IFC and Panhellenic were tabling at the end of the month for people to write their academic accomplishments and show the community how hard they have worked in classes throughout the last couple of weeks.

One highlighted program was our community's first "Last Lecture" where Dr. Sara Gundersen, Professor of Economics, shared advice on living a content and fulfilled life, discussed some of life's truths, and share an excerpt from a current book she is reading about the morality of time entitled "Four Thousand Weeks: Time Management for Mortals."

IFC and Panhellenic also collected school supplies for Compass International Family Center which is an education program that serves immigrant families. congratulations to all of our Scholars and the FSL a community is very proud of you!



# PHILANTHROPY AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Throughout January and February we had a lot of great philanthropy events. Penny Wars at the end of January raised a lot of money for Breast Cancer Awareness.

Congratulations to Lambda Chi Alpha for getting the most pennies! In the beginning of February Pi Beta Phi tabled for their Crush for Crush week. They raised money for Hilltop by having people send notes to friends or significant others around Valentine's Day.

We also saw Alpha Gamma Delta selling snacks in the Union for their Week of Service to raise funds for Fighting Hunger.

Lastly, Gamma Phi Beta had their annual Moonball Tournament to raise money for Girls on the Run. It was a great tournament and congratulations to SigEp Splash for winning the tournament.



Have a story to share in the next issue of *The Phota?*Contact **Taylor Gaskill** or **Allen Marvel**, Panhellenic & IFC Vice Presidents of Public Relations at **panhellenic.pr@valpo.edu** or **ifc.pr@valpo.edu**