

Alpha Phi Eta Lambda

George Mason University

A message from the President:

Hello again!

We have had a very busy fall semester so far, but we've gotten so much done! We took a beautiful new pledge class of 36 women and we've already had a sisterhood mixer where we went to a DC United soccer game, as well as a mixer with the brothers of Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity! We are looking forward to more of our events coming up this semester such as APHlesta and King of Hearts, a mixer with the sisters of Chi Omega, and semi-formal! We hope you enjoy the newsletter because we always like to keep our parents and alumnae in the loop!

Best,

Amanda Santiago

President, Eta Lambda

Alpha Phi Welcomes the Class of 2015!

After a long recruitment weekend, Alpha Phi welcomed 36 beautiful new members into our chapter! Congratulations to our newly initiated sisters! Our new sisters are: Carol Ajjan, Melissa Armstrong, Jessica Ball, Jessica Brosey, Sydney Brown, Nicole Bruenn, Mackenzie Bucher, Katie Busch, Erin Clark, Fay Cowper, Jillian Drew, Grace Foulke, Catherine Gauthier, Anna Green, Kelly Harty, Kayla Hirsth, Nawal Kassem, Ariel Koris, Chelsea Lear,

Sophia Lopez, Kate McDonald, Taylor McQueen, Renee Murphy, Erika Nielsen, Kathryn Orsini, Jessica Park, Taylor Poole, Lexi Schulman, Stephanie Simpson, Tianna Smith, Jen Storm, Hunter Strodel, Kara Swanson, Paige Syverson, Danielle Thompson and Megan Trask.

*Erika Nielsen and Lexi Schulman will be initiated on November 5th with our sisters at George Washington University.



The newly initiated sisters with their Pledge Mom, Lyndsey Lustig.

We're having "A Phiesta" for our Philanthropy!

King of Hearts is the main event for Alpha Phi in the fall semester and this year it is going to be bigger than ever! Participants from all different organizations on Mason's campus come together for this male pageant to raise money for the Alpha Phi Foundation in Support of Cardiac Care. Kicking off the event this year is "A Phiesta" which is on November 10th. With a wing eating contest and spicy Mexican theme, participants and audience are sure to have a PHInomental time! On the following night, November 11th, Alpha Phi will hold the main event of our King

of Hearts male pageant! Consisting of a talent showcase, outfit of choice, and interview portion, our participants will have completed many tasks, leading up to the crowning of our new King of Hearts! We encourage all students and alumni alike to come experience the Alpha Phi enthusiasm and help us crown our new King of Hearts! For any questions or comments feel free to contact the Director of Philanthropy, Rachel Hornstein, at rhornste@gmail.com. Hope to see you there!



Get to know our sisters!

Enjoy learning about Grace Foulke who is a freshman and one of our newly initiated sisters!

How was your new member experience? My new member experience was very exciting! It was great to get to know all the girls in Alpha Phi and the older sisters were always especially sweet to us. After Big/Little revealing, I felt like I was finally becoming a part of Alpha Phi. Now that I'm initiated, it's the best feeling ever! Relief, joy, and excitement is the best way I can describe it.

What has been your favorite experience in Alpha Phi so far? My favorite Alpha Phi experience so far has been Initiation Week but I also loved Bid Day. I got my bid letter and I teared up because I was so happy that Alpha Phi wanted me. Big/Little Revealing was amazing too, I love my Big Sister Sarah so much! She really made me feel like a special part of Alpha Phi.

Are you excited about the upcoming Philanthropy Event (King of Hearts)? I'm excited about our upcoming philanthropy event, King of Hearts! I can't wait to see all the guys compete in the games and especially the talent show! I think it's going to be a lot of fun. The Phiesta is going to be great too :)

Are you thinking about running for a position? Which one? (if not why?) I haven't given much thought about running for a position because I just got in, but maybe something with Panhellenic Council.

Tell us about your big sister! I LOVE MY BIG SISTER! She is the best Big Sister ever! I met Sarah the first week of pledging Alpha Phi and she was so nice and did a really amazing job of making me feel welcomed because I was shy at first. She invited me over to her house and we had taco night, and we went to the zoo with other sisters and baby Phis! When it came time to decide who I wanted to be my Big, her name came right to mind.

Now here are some fun questions!

If you could trade places with any other person for a week, famous or not famous, living or dead, real or fictional, with whom would it be? If I could trade places with someone, I think I would be Anne Hathaway, because she is classy and beautiful, and she's a really great actress!

If you were a type of food, what type of food would you be? If I was a type of food, I think I would be a cupcake, because everyone likes them!

If you had one million dollars, how would you spend it? If I had a million dollars, I think I would save most of it and give some to the Church and to our philanthropy!



Grace (on the left) and her Big Sister Sarah.

Upcoming Events:

King of Hearts: November 10-11th, 2011

Sisterhood Event: November 19th

Happy Halloween from Alpha Phi!



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