

National Pan-Hellenic Council Awards Packet

Oklahoma State University

211J Student Union
Stillwater, OK 74078

The National Pan-Hellenic Council, Incorporated (NPHC) is currently composed of nine (9) International Greek letter Sororities and Fraternities: Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc., Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc., Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. and Iota Phi Theta Fraternity, Inc. NPHC promotes interaction through forums, meetings and other mediums for the exchange of information and engages in cooperative programming and initiatives through various activities and functions. **The stated purpose and mission of the organization in 1930 was “Unanimity of thought and action as far as possible in the conduct of Greek letter collegiate fraternities and sororities, and to consider problems of mutual interest to its member organizations.”**

The Oklahoma State University Chapter of the National Pan-Hellenic Council was founded October 3, 1992. Organizations currently holding membership in OSU’s NPHC are Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc., Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc., Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Inc., Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc., and Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity Inc.

The Greek community at OSU annually recognizes chapters for their hard work, dedication, and scholastic endeavors. The organizations currently holding membership in the OSU chapter of NPHC are eligible to apply for the National Pan-Hellenic Council Monica Dudley Superior Chapter Award, which recognizes organizations in the areas of Scholarship, Chapter Programming, Membership Intake, Social Justice, and Community Service.

The chapter’s award packet should demonstrate the organization’s culture and highlight organizational characteristics. All applications must be typed on the form provided. Chapters are encouraged to be creative in the presentation of application materials. Please put all award applications in the same folder/binder in the following order.

- Chapter Introduction Sheet
 - Discuss chapter history and evolution on the campus of OSU (i.e. chapter founding information, charter members, etc.)
- Program of the Year
- Social Justice
- Community Service
- Membership Intake
- Scholarship
- Greek Member of the Year

Each award is worth 5 points. Chapters will be ranked from 1 to 5, with the 5 points being awarded to the chapter who is determined to be the winner. The chapter that has the highest point total will be awarded the Monica Dudley Superior Chapter Award.

Signature of Chapter President

Organization’s Name

Signature of Chapter Secretary

Chapter’s Name

Signature of Chapter Advisor

Date

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THE NPHC CHAPTER PROGRAM OF THE YEAR AWARD

Chapter Programming is an essential part of all Greek organizations. Providing the student body with avenues for academic and social growth is one of the basic foundations of Black Greek-lettered organizations. The NPHC Chapter Program of the Year Award will be awarded to the National Pan-Hellenic Council organization that demonstrates success and leadership in the area of programming. Please provide a short description of the event below. Include why the event was successful, how many people attended the event, the purpose of the event, target audience and any other information that you believe is relevant for us to understand the event. All descriptions must be presented in paragraph/essay format and typed.

In addition to providing the information above, chapters are also required to provide the following for the program being nominated:

- Samples of flyers, “handbills,” invitations, etc.
- Pictures of the event showcasing attendance and activities taking place
- Copy of programs or workshop materials (if applicable)
- Any evaluations that were used to assess the program/event’s effectiveness
- Any additional handouts from the event

The ideal chapter programming application will display the chapter’s efforts to provide an array of programs to the student population and community. This includes academic, leadership, diversity and social programs. Please indicate which program, if any, were co-sponsored with Non-Greek Oklahoma State student organization.

Chapter Program of the Year Award

Each chapter will have the opportunity to nominate one chapter program for the National Pan-Hellenic Council Program of the Year Award. The chapter may nominate only one program. The NPHC Program of the Year nomination must be submitted separately from other application materials. The chapter should provide a description containing all the information listed above and any supporting documents and handouts for the program. In addition the chapter must submit a 1-2 page essay discussing the planning and implementation of the program, as well as the impact the program has had on the targeted population.

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THE NPHC SOCIAL JUSTICE AWARD

The Greek community is strongly united and growing in numbers. On campus, Greek members have proven themselves as empowered, strong campus leaders. Because fraternity and sorority chapters are self-governing bodies in which the members take on the responsibilities and offices of the organization, Greek life is a special living and learning environment. Many of the Divine Nine organizations were founded on common values such as political activism and civic engagement. With recent events circulating the media in regards to social injustice, many Greek organizations have aimed to become political advocates. Their thoughts and ideas have been demonstrated through their chapter programming. The hands-on experience helps members develop leadership, organization and communication skills. Chapters and members interact and make connections with other student and departments on campus. Whether a member is a natural leader, wants to cultivate his/her skills or just wants to be involved, Greek life will help him/her develop their unique, individual potential. This award will be presented to the chapter whose program advocated for community engagement and political activism in the OSU community.

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THE NPHC COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

While having their own distinct heritages, the nine (9) member organizations of NPHC offer insight and a unique perspective into this understanding and the development of Black socioeconomic and cultural life. Although NPHC affiliate organizations recognize the social aspect of Greek college life, the primary purpose and focus of member organizations remains community awareness and action through educational, economic, and cultural service activities. NPHC affiliates and their respective members have pledged to devote their resources to service in their respective communities, realizing that the membership experience of NPHC organizations goes beyond organizational membership during an individual's college career. Members of NPHC organizations are expected to commit themselves to service through the goals and ideals of the organizations. It is expected that NPHC organizations will take an active part in matters concerning and affecting the community in which they reside.

This award will be presented to the chapter whose goals and objectives, and programs demonstrate and encourage membership participation in community service projects, activities and events.

Please discuss all service projects your chapter hosted/sponsored during 2017. These should also include those that your chapter participated in as part of your national and local philanthropy efforts. Include why the event was successful, how many people attended the event, the purpose of the event, target audience, service performed, hours accumulated and any other information that you believe is relevant for us to understand the event

Please indicate if project was open to non-members of your organization. If so, in addition to providing the information listed above, please provide the following for each program:

- Samples of flyers, "handbills," invitations, etc.
- Pictures of the event showcasing attendance and activities taking place
- Copy of programs or workshop materials (if applicable)
- Any evaluations that were used to assess the program/event's effectiveness
- Any additional handouts from the event

It is important for NPHC organizations to support university and campus service projects to assist in fostering the campus culture. Please provide the following information for all service projects the chapter participated in during 2017 that were sponsored by a non-Greek organization:

Please attach a description of the events using the following as a guideline:

- Semester
- Name of Event
- Non-Greek organization Sponsoring Event
- Date of event
- Number of members that participated

If applicable, please provide any documentation from the Student Volunteer Center for all service hours performed by the chapter in 2017. Note that only hours performed between January 1, 2017 and December 31, 2017 will be accepted for this award.

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THE NPHC MEMBERSHIP INTAKE AWARD

Membership Intake is one of the most exciting times for Greek organizations. The chance to extend their brotherhood/sisterhood is deeply valued by the current and incoming members. The National Pan-Hellenic Council recognizes that membership intake is vital to the longevity and health of its affiliate organizations, the council, the Greek community, and the University.

This award will be awarded to the chapter that displays the largest growth during 2017. Individuals must have been inducted during the spring 2017 or fall 2017 semesters. **All individuals must have completed a New Member Form with the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs at Oklahoma State University.**

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT

Name of Organization: _____

I. Briefly describe your chapter intake plan.

- a. What were your intake goals for 2017?
- b. Please describe your informational meetings or intake events.
- c. How did you publicize your organization?
- d. How many members were initiated during 2017 academic year?
- e. What was your chapter size prior to intake? Afterwards?
- f. Why is your chapter deserving of the Membership Intake Award?

II. Please attach any additional supporting documentation with the application (if applicable).

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THE NPHC SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Academic excellence is the basic foundation of higher education. Student organizations should at all time encourage their members to perform at their best in regards to their scholastic endeavors. The primary purpose of the National Pan-Hellenic Council is to create and maintain our own high standards and to perpetuate constructive relationships both within and among our affiliate organizations. Additionally, the council fosters an understanding of the structure and method of operation among the affiliate organizations, addresses, coordinates, and develops action strategies on matters of mutual concern to the affiliate organizations, and acts as a conduit for such action plans that may be developed. The council holds high academic standards for its affiliate members. Due to this standard, the OSU Chapter of NPHC will award an NPHC organization the NPHC Scholarship Award.

The organization earning the highest grade point average award will exhibit high academic achievement by having the highest cumulative grade point average of all NPHC organizations on the OSU campus for the spring and fall 2017 semesters. The organization awarded the most improved grade point average will demonstrate the highest increase in chapter grade point average from the spring 2017 semester to the fall 2017 semester.

Please sign the form below and return it along with other application packet materials. All information will be provided and calculated by the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Affairs at Oklahoma State University.

The Academic Excellence in Scholarship Award will be determined using the scoring system listed below:

_____ **Chapter's Spring 2017 Combined Grade Point Average**

_____ **Chapter's Fall 2017 Combined Grade Point Average**

Highest Grade Point Average

_____ **Chapter Grade Point Average [(Spring 2017 + Fall 2017)/2 = CGPA]**

Most Improved Grade Point Average

_____ **Chapter's Improved Grade Point Average (Fall 2017 – Spring 2017 = CIGPA)**

Grade Point Average Submitted for Scoring

_____ **Chapter's Complete Grade Point Average [(CGPA + CIGPA)/2 = CCGPA]**

The Chapter's Complete Grade Point Average (CCGPA) will be used to determine the recipient of the NPHC Scholarship Award. The chapter with the highest CCGPA will be awarded this award. The chapter (s) having the Highest Grade Point Average and the Most Improved Grade Point Average will be recognized for having such at the Greek Awards Banquet.

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NPHC GREEK MEMBER OF THE YEAR AWARD

Name _____ Classification _____

Campus Address _____ Local Phone Number _____

Major _____ GPA (Last Semester) _____/4.00

GPA Cumulative (Must be greater than 2.75) _____/4.00 OSU Email address _____

Organization _____ Chapter Name _____

This special award has been established by the National Pan-Hellenic Council to acknowledge an outstanding member who exemplifies leadership, scholarship, and service qualities. Criteria are as follows:

- Applicant must have a minimum 2.75 cumulative grade point average and be a full time OSU-Stillwater student.
- A current certified college transcript must be attached
- Please list responses to each of the following categories on no more than one sheet of paper each. Please indent positions or jobs that fall under the role of another job.
- Only activities actively participated in during the applicant's collegiate career are to be included.
- 2 Letters of Recommendation
 - 1 from an OSU Administrator, Faculty or Staff Member
 - 1 from Chapter Advisor

Chapter Activities

Offices held, committees, chapter awards, etc.

Campus Activities and Honors

List activities in order of importance. Provide a brief description of the applicant's duties within each.

Other (Jobs, internships, volunteer work, etc.)

Essay Question:

The National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) was established on May 10, 1930, on the campus of Howard University in Washington, D. C., with the purpose and mission of the organization being "unanimity of thought and action as far as possible in the conduct of Greek-letter collegiate fraternities and sororities, and to consider problems of mutual interest to its affiliate organizations." Submit an essay describing what this purpose statement means to you, how it sums up your Greek experience (provide examples), and why you should be selected as Greek member of the year. The essay should be no longer than three pages, doubled space with 1-inch margins and font size of 12. Provide a cover page that includes your name, organization, and essay title.

Signature of Applicant/Nominator

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Signature of Chapter Advisor

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TIPS FOR A SUCCESSFUL AWARD PACKET

- **START EARLY.** Don't wait until the last minute to complete the packet.
- **PROOFREAD** your packet, particularly essay responses. Pay close attention to grammar, punctuation and spelling mistakes. It is highly recommended that you have an advisor or professor read over your complete packet before submission.
- **RESPECT OTHER PEOPLE'S TIME.** Give your recommendation writer enough time to complete your recommendation letter. Do not give it to them the day before the deadline.
- **BE YOURSELF.** There is no "right" answer.
- **DON'T PROCRASTINATE.** Deadlines are final. Your packet will not be considered if it is late.
- **TAKE RESPONSIBILITY** for your packet. Make a copy of your packet for your records and make sure that ALL pieces of your packet are included before you submit it for scoring.

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