## The Fraternity and Sorority Connection

**MINNESOTA STATE UNIVERSITY, MANKATO** FRATERNITY & SORORITY LIFE

#### SPRING 2023

## FRATERNITY & SORORITY LIFE ADVISOR REMARKS

Another academic year is successfully winding down. This year, our chapters and councils have a lot to be proud of. This year was the most "normal" year we've had in 3 years, and, for many of our members, it was something that was new and different.

Recruitment was a challenge during the pandemic, and our community size declined by nearly 40%. This Spring, though, numbers rebounded, and we saw a 40% increase in new members over Spring 2022. We are hoping this trend continues into Fall 2023.

A couple of highlights from this year:

Our Diversity & Outreach efforts have advanced. Chapters partnered with an Athletics Team for the "Adopt-a-Team" program. Community members attended and/or helped with cultural nights put on by our international and multicultural student groups.

Our sorority community deliberated and chose to make changes to its recruitment structure in order to better adapt to changing expectations.

We look forward to more "normalcy" in Fall 2023 and look forward to hitting the ground running.



Fraternally, John Bulcock Assistant Director of Student Activities

## AWARD WINNERS RECOGNIZED

At the annual Fraternity & Sorority Life Awards banquet, held on Sunday, April 16, the following organizations, community members, and alumni were presented with awards.

#### John and Kristy Buck Leadership Scholarship for Phi Kappa Psi & Alpha Chi Omega

- Brandon Grund, Phi Kappa Psi
- Maggie Wipf, Alpha Chi Omega

#### Reichert Family Leadership Scholarship for Phi Delta Theta

- Evan Storkamp, Phi Delta Theta
- Stewart Symons, Phi Delta Theta

#### Stephen C. Jensen Scholarship for Phi Delta Theta

- Ian Schaefer, Phi Delta Theta
- Austin Willette, Phi Delta Theta

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## AWARD RECIPIENTS RECOGNIZED FOR ACHIEVEMENTS AND CONTRIBUTIONS **DURING 2022**

#### Order of Omega Faculty/Staff Member of the Year

• Chandler Holland, Director of Environmental Health, Safety, & Risk Management

#### Vawracz Award for Community Service

• Emilee Thomas, Gamma Phi Beta

#### Outstanding Alumnus Volunteer Award

• Brandon Plombon, Sigma Nu

#### Rissa Amen-Reif Award for Advocacy and Awareness

- Abi Saha, Sigma Chi
- Molly Nhean, Gamma Phi Beta

#### Sorority Scholar of the Year

• Taylor Stradinger, Gamma Phi Beta

#### Sorority & Fraternity Chapter Presidents of the Year

- Molly Nhean, Gamma Phi Beta
- Joey Casey, Phi Kappa Psi

#### Interfraternity Council and Panhellenic Council Executive Board Members of the Year

- Abi Saha, 2022 Interfraternity Council VP of Recruitment
- Lauren Wojack, 2022 Panhellenic Council President

#### Outstanding New Members

- Jaeger Cossette, Phi Kappa Psi
- Alyssa McCullough, Sigma Sigma Sigma

## Marie Bruce Fraternity Man and Sorority Woman of the YearMolly Nhean, Gamma Phi Beta

- Abi Saha, Sigma Chi

#### Public Relations & Marketing Award

• Sigma Nu Fraternity

#### Sisterhood Award

• Sigma Sigma Sorority

#### Most Improved Chapter Award

• Sigma Chi Fraternity

#### 2023 Greek Week Winners

Unknown at time of release

#### Chapter Achievement Awards

- Alpha Chi Omega Sorority o Recognized for achievement in the areas of
  - Recruitment & Retention
  - Risk Management
  - Scholarship
- Gamma Phi Beta Sorority
  - o Recognized for achievement in the area of
    - Fraternity & Sorority Community Involvement
    - Recruitment & Retention
    - Scholarship
- Sigma Sigma Sorority

o Recognized for achievement in the areas of

- Community Service & Philanthropy
- Fraternity & Sorority Community Involvement
- Member Education & Development
- Risk Management
- Scholarship

#### Phi Kappa Psi Fraternity

- o Recognized for achievement in the areas of
  - Fraternity & Sorority Community Involvement
  - Member Education & Development
- Sigma Chi Fraternity o Recognized for achievement in the areas of
  - Member Education & Development
  - Recruitment & Retention

o For Achievement with Honors in the areas of

- Campus Involvement & Outreach
- Community Service & Philanthropy
- Fraternity & Sorority Community Involvement
- Sigma Nu Fraternity
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    - Campus Involvement & Outreach
  - Fraternity & Sorority Community Involvement
    - Recruitment & Retention
    - Scholarship

#### Chapters of the Year

- Sigma Sigma Sorority
- Sigma Chi Fraternity



38 GRADUATING MEMBERS OF THE FSL COMMUNITY WERE RECOGNIZED AT THE LAST "ALL-GREEK" MEETING OF THE SEMESTER ON APRIL 25.



AWARD RECIPIENTS WERE HONORED AT THE FRATERNITY & SORORITY LIFE AWARDS BANQUET ON SUNDAY, APRIL 16

Members of the FSL Community Compete in the Cardboard Boat Regatta and the Annual LipSync battle, both time-honored staples of Greek Week festivities.





ANNUAL LIPSYNC BATTLE





CARDBOARD BOAT REGATTA

#### Fraternity and Sorority Life Community **Mission Statement**

The Fraternities and Sororities at Minnesota State University, Mankato take pride in serving the University and the greater Mankato area. We are a community of campus leaders committed to excellence in scholarship and to promoting dynamic personal growth of members, focusing on the development of experiential leadership, and the fostering of lasting relationships.

#### Fraternity and Sorority Life Community Core Values

- Leadership
- Friendship
- Scholarship
- Service

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