

Phi Delta Chi Alpha Sigma Alumni Association



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Covid19 vs. UIC College of Pharmacy

As you could probably guess, every activity and event at the College of Pharmacy and the Phi Delta Chi Fraternity was and is still being affected by the Covid19 pandemic. Classroom learning became virtual for the most part and P4 students finishing their clinical rotations, were faced with additional challenges right before graduation. Needless to say, it was and still is a learning experience for all. Many events at the college were canceled or changed into virtual events. The fraternity also had to cancel many events during the spring semester. The Marco Villa Raffle that helps fund the PDC Memorial Scholarship was canceled. The Spring Formal that would have taken place on the Odyssey cruise ship at Navy Pier and the Annual Retreat / Alumni Picnic scheduled for August 23rd was also CANCELED. This coming semester (fall/2020) classes for the most part will be virtual or in some sort of hybrid format.

(Good luck students, classes start on the 24th of August).

All fraternity activities will need to be done virtually and the Candidate selection process (pledging) will not take place until the second semester. The Collegiate Chapter can introduce the fraternity virtually to the incoming P1 class. With all that said and done, this year's Phi Delta Chi Collegiate Chapter Officers (E-Board) will encounter many unique problems but they will persevere and do an excellent job! Because they are PDC-STRONG!!

Phi Delta Chi Memorial Scholarship Presentation

This year the scholarship presentation became a virtual event. The presentation was scheduled to occur at the College of Pharmacy's Annual Awards Convocation on Tuesday, April 2nd at the college. Unfortunately, the event could not take place. Another casualty of the pandemic. Our scholarship is presented annually to a third year pharmacy student entering the last year of Pharmacy school who has demonstrated leadership in the fraternity, participated in community outreach programs and is active in other student organizations on campus. Our Alumni Association recognizes the importance of this involvement as students go on to their future careers in pharmacy. This year's deserving recipient was **Brother Amy Valkovec**. We wish her and all of the other Phi Delta Chi Brothers who were recognized at the virtual Honors Convocation continued success scholastically and professionally.

Celestial Crystal Keepsake Box to be given to Brother Amy Valkovec the recipient of this year's Phi Delta Chi Memorial Scholarship Award



Challenges for the Alpha Sigma Chapter

This year the Alpha Sigma Chapter will be faced with many new challenges. Because of the pandemic the Marco Villa Raffle was postponed. The raffle was the main source of income for the chapter's Memorial Scholarship Award. Because of this, the Alpha Sigma Alumni Chapter would love to see the alumni receiving this newsletter make a donation to the scholarship by simply using the Illinois Foundation web site. (see page 3 of this newsletter for details) Thank you all in advance. We are sure that the monies received will be appreciated by the Collegiate Chapter and the College of Pharmacy.

[Impact Report Fiscal Year 2020](#)

FYI:

The Collegiate Chapter's main source of income for fraternity sponsored events and the chapters annual donation to the St. Jude Children's Hospital has been put on hold. The Collegiate Brothers donate their time running one of the concession stands at Solder Field. They tirelessly work long hours at events held throughout the year. The events include Bear games, soccer matches and concerts. This income has made it possible to donate as much as \$10,000 to St. Jude. In the mean time the Collegiate Chapter has suspended local chapter dues from the membership. We can see financial problems in the future. Hopefully, by early next year the income stream may once again be available.

Congratulations Class of 2020

The PDC Alumni Chapter congratulates all of the recent graduates from the University of Illinois College of Pharmacy. The Phi Delta Chi graduates should all be proud of their scholastic achievements, their leadership at the College of Pharmacy and the devotion given to our fraternity. As colleagues in the profession, we are confident that all of you will find success and fulfillment within the field of pharmacy. It is our sincere hope that the all the graduates consider membership in our Alumni Association and maintain a close bond to our Collegiate Chapter. The Alumni Chapter can serve as a bridge between scholastic and professional challenges.

UIC Phi Delta Chi Memorial Award Fund

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This endowment is supplemented by ongoing contributions from our PDC Alumni. For those wishing to donate to the Phi Delta Chi Memorial Scholarship Fund at the University of Illinois, please click on the secure link below.

In the box at the bottom of the page indicated as "other" please type:

Phi Delta Chi Memorial Scholarship # 772143

All donations are tax deductible.

Thank You.....the PDC Alumni Association! [UIC College of Pharmacy Alumni Giving Link](#)

Your dues and donations help us to fund the PDC Memorial Scholarship Fund and the PDC Continuing Education Fund. We are also able to help our Collegiate Brothers with travel expenses to National Phi Delta Chi events and other professional meetings.

If you know of any fellow Brothers who are not getting this newsletter, please feel free to pass this newsletter along so we can continue to grow and continue to be the leading Alumni Chapter of Phi Delta Chi

To all the Brothers that have already joined our alumni chapter, we thank you!!!

Alpha Sigma Alumni Association Membership Form 2020-2021

Name of Alum: _____

Chapter: _____ Year of Graduation: _____

City, State, Zip Code: _____

E-mail: _____ Phone (optional): _____

Area of Pharmacy Practice: _____

Voluntary Donation to the PDC Alumni Association - Alpha Sigma Chapter (enter amount): \$ _____
Yearly dues (June 1st to May 31st) are \$20 per alum.

Dues can be paid by check, money order, and **now online** at: www.pdc-chicago.org/membership.htm

Please make all payments out to: **Phi Delta Chi Alumni Association**
 Mail payments to: **Anita Staron - 10620 Grandview Drive - Palos Park, IL. 60464**

Alumni Brothers from all regions are welcome to join our Alumni Association!