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Sent Monthly To All Active and Alumnae Sisters of the Iota Chapter of Phi Sigma Rho

Meet The Associates

The actives did an excellent job with recruitment this fall. The results of their efforts – 10 associates!



The Theta Class Induction

The associates - sitting from left to right: Katelyn, Megan, Amber, Ashley, Erin, Lisa, Amy, Kelly, Laura, Jessica

Name	Class	Major
Erin Hinkle	Sophomore	CE
Amber Hoying	Sophomore	CPE
Ashley Johnson	Sophomore	CPE
Kelly Cholewa	Freshman	CE
Katelyn Plummer	Freshman	CPE
Megan Turner	Freshman	ME
Laura Childerson	Freshman	ME
Jess Drda	Freshman	ME
Amy Comstock	Freshman	CE
Lisa Cheski	Freshman	EE

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The Associates Become Sisters

Now that all of the recruiting has been done and membership education is coming to an end, the associates and actives are preparing for Initiation! The big news...10 new members means every family is growing!!

The 9 actives have spent a lot of time preparing a great I-Week for the new members. The following are the events planned for the week: Big – Lil Night on Monday, an alcohol awareness program on Tuesday, dinner and games in Findlay on Wednesday, bowling in McIntosh on Thursday, and a progressive dinner on Friday. Hopefully, many of the alumnae will make the trip to Ada to attend the Initiation of the Theta Class on Saturday afternoon. Please RSVP to Elizabeth (ElizaONU@hotmail.com) if you are planning on attending by Tuesday, December 7th, so that appropriate reservations can be made for dinner. The following is a schedule of events for Initiation:

Saturday	4:45	Initiation starts – Conference Room (an email will be sent later in the week to announce which apartment complex) *Pictures will be taken following the ceremony, no gifts at this time
	5:45	Depart Ada for Findlay
	6:30	Dinner at Ruby Tuesday's
	8:30	New actives open gifts/ Change clothes for activities
	9:00	Activities planned by New Member Educator
		*You may need to dress warmly!
	10:30	Ritual activities
	Sleep	*We will be sleeping on floors in the conference rooms – please pack accordingly
Sunday	Breakfast	Provided by actives *Ariane and Chelsea have offered their showers for those wishing to clean up before heading home Sunday

Other notes to keep in mind for Initiation:

- ◆ The alumnae have been asked to provide snacks and beverages for Friday evening. Please include in your RSVP to Elizabeth what you are planning on bringing.
- ♦ Please note that no alcoholic beverages are permitted in the Conference Room with the exception of dinner (for those that are 21 and not driving), Initiation will be an alcohol free event.
- ◆ The actives have requested that the gavel pass be kept Phi Rho related and targeted toward the new members. Just something to keep in mind as the Chapter gets larger!

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Philanthropy

The actives have been busy with philanthropy activities this fall and have many plans for the winter! They remain active with the girl scouts – they are planning to help with a meeting in January and one meeting in the spring quarter. The girls have chosen to participate in a Christmas philanthropy as well. They "adopted" two terminally ill children and will be sending small gifts to them for the holidays. After the first of the year, planning for the 2005 Relay for Life will begin.

Just To Keep You Updated...

- ♦ A couple of the actives are looking into a Phi Rho Theme House for next year!!!
- ◆ The actives noted that it would be nice if some of the lota Alumnae submitted updates to Nationals to be included in the National Newsletter – They would like to see some familiar names in the alumnae section!
- The Chapter has been given the opportunity to submit pictures to have a page in the yearbook!
- Watch for information about an Easter candy fundraiser later this quarter...around Spring Break.
- ◆ The actives are currently looking into options for the 2005 Orchid Ball. They plan to have a place and date chosen by December 17th. The date and place will be included in the next newsletter!

Upcoming Events & Dates To Keep Open

for the next 3 months

December

6-10 I-Week

- 11 Initiation RSVP to Elizabeth by December 7!!
- 13 Christmas Party & Gift Exchange

January

- 7 Social with Theta Chi
- 9 Officer Elections for 2005
- 12 Sisterhood Dinner at Cheddar's in Findlay

February

Open House for Spring Recruitment
*If girls are interested, Spring Initiation will be held on April 23rd

If you are going to be in town and would like to attend any of these events, please contact Rachel Wechter, Karen, or Elizabeth to get more information.