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The **Pi Delta Phi** Newsletter is published twice a year to inform each chapter about the activities and events of the organization. It is hoped that this information will inspire members to improve their roles as promoters of the French language and francophone cultures.

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If you have a Linkedin® account, join our free Linkedin group that is geared more toward non-students and professionals.

#### From the President of Pi Delta Phi:

Colleagues,

I hope your semester and courses are going well. We've had a very active 2012 spring semester at **Pi Delta Phi**, with chapters installed or to be installed at the following colleges and universities: North Carolina State in Raleigh, NC; West Chester University in West Chester, PA; the University of Puerto Rico, Río Piedras, in San Juan, PR; George Mason University in Fairfax, VA; University of San Francisco in San Francisco, CA; and North Central College in Naperville, IL. In addition to the above institutions that have confirmed installation dates, **Pi Delta Phi** has accepted the applications from two other schools, and we're working on finalizing installation dates with them: Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches, TX, and Spelman College in Atlanta, GA. Chapter #38 Alpha Xi, inactive for several decades, is also considering reactivation.

A reminder to faculty moderators that spring is our busiest time at **Pi Delta Phi**. Since the vast majority of our active chapters hold spring induction ceremonies, please remember to place and to pay for your

online orders for memberships and supplies at least three weeks prior to your ceremony date. Although Dr. Evans informs me that her office is often able to fill requests within that time frame or sooner, if you are placing a last minute order, we do ask that you select and pay for the express shipping option when you place your online order.

Finally, all of us at **Pi Delta Phi** were saddened this spring to learn of the passing of former National President Dr. Rolande Léguillon on March 17. Dr. Léguillon was serving as National President when my own institution's chapter of **Pi Delta Phi**, Mu Alpha, was installed in 1997. In addition to her service to **Pi Delta Phi** (1992–1998), Dr. Léguillon served on the board of directors of the Alliance Française de Houston from the late 70's until her passing, and served as President of the Board from 1982–1985 and from 1999–2009. She was a tireless promoter of French, foreign languages, and study abroad, and she will be greatly missed. Additional information on Dr. Léguillon is located in the history section of the website.

To all our faculty moderators, thank you for your service to **Pi Delta Phi** and for helping to recognize your students' academic achievement in the French language, and in Francophone cultures and literatures.

Scott Fish, Ph.D. National President, **Pi Delta Phi** 

#### **IN MEMORIAM**

It is with sadness that **Pi Delta Phi** reports the passing of former National President (1992-1998) Dr. Rolande Léguillon on March 17, 2012.

Dr. Léguillon received her Baccalaureate in Latin-Greek and in Philosphy from the University of Paris, her B.A. from the University of St. Thomas in Houston, her M.A. from the University of Houston, and her Ph.D. from Rice University in Houston. Before joining the French Department at the University of St. Thomas in Houston in 1968, Dr. Léguillon taught French at several primary schools in France and pioneered the AP program in French at Lamar High School in Houston. At St. Thomas, Dr. Léguillon served as the Chair of the Modern Foreign Languages, then French, Department for many years, and Chair of the French section

for more than three decades. Besides serving on and chairing dozens of university committees, Dr. Léguillon was extremely active in local, regional and national professional organizations, including the AATF, for which she served as the Southwest Regional AATF representative from 1975-1980, and the Federation of Alliances Françaises in the United States on whose Board she served from 1986-1999. Dr. Léguillon published and delivered conference presentations on numerous subjects, in particular on Pierre Loti, and the teaching and history of French language and culture. She received many awards and recognitions, including the 1994 Teacher of the Year (awarded by the Texas Foreign Language Association), Who's Who in American Women, Who's Who in American Education, and was the distinctions of Chevalier (1976) and Officier (1995) in the Ordre des Palmes Académiques awarded by the French Government. Dr. Léguillon was very active in the French community of Houston, and many admired her. The Alliance Française in Houston held a memorial for Dr. Léguillon on Tuesday, April 17.

Scott Fish, Ph.D. National President, **Pi Delta Phi** 

Colleagues,

Please help me to welcome the newest chapter of **Pi Delta Phi**, Chapter #359 XI OMEGA at West Chester University in West Chester, Pennsylvania. XI OMEGA was installed on April 13 by our Northeast Vice President, Dr. Eileen M. Angelini. The Chapter Moderator is Dr. Anne-Marie Moscatelli.

Univ. of West Chester: http://www.wcupa.edu/\_academics/sch\_cas.flg/default.asp

If you held a new member initiation ceremony this semester, we invite you to send a photo and a brief description of your event to be included in our next Newsletter: send your news to our Editor Dr. Karen Renick (renick@callutheran.edu).

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New Required Overall G.P.A. to Begin Sept. 1, 2012: At its 2011 meeting at Scripps College, the **Pi Delta Phi** Executive Board voted to increase the required overall G.P.A. from 2.8 to 3.0 for

candidates at colleges and universities that use a plus (+) and minus (-) grading scale (e.g. B+, A-, etc.) If your institution does NOT use plus and minus grading system, contact the National President for additional details on the new required overall G.P.A

#### National Pi Delta Phi Day, November 8, 2012:

The Executive Board is pleased to announce the first National **Pi Delta Phi** Day, to take place annually on the first day of National French Week
(sponsored by the AATF). In 2012, National **Pi Delta Phi** Day will take
place November 8. All current and alumni members are encouraged
to wear their **Pi Delta Phi** pins to school or to work on November 8.
Chapters of **Pi Delta Phi** are also encouraged to organize any activities,
perhaps jointly with National French Week plans, that help to promote
French, and to recognize and to celebrate the Society and the cultural and
literary contributions of the French-speaking world.

Mark your Calendars: **Pi Delta Phi** National Convention, 2013: The next **Pi Delta Phi** National Convention will take place in 2013 during the annual conference and convention of the South Central Modern Language Association (SCMLA) meeting in New Orleans, Louisiana, Oct. 3–5 at the Hotel Monteleone. Part of the Executive Board's annual meeting will be open to faculty moderators, and current and alumni members to stop by and to visit with members of the Executive Board. We also hope to sponsor a conference session and perhaps to arrange for a cash bar during one night of the conference. If you're planning to attend the conference, we hope to see you there.

#### Guidelines for Pi Delta Phi Chapter Websites and Social Networking Groups:

- 1. Please make sure that your chapter webpage, or Facebook® or other social networking group clearly displays your chapter Greek letters or school name, and does not simply state "Pi Delta Phi" which can potentially cause confusion with the National website or official Facebook fan page. For example, consider using a variation of: Pi Delta Phi (MU ALPHA), or Pi Delta Phi, Augustana College Chapter.
- 2. You may use Pi Delta Phi images (e.g. key) for your chapter website or Facebook® group, as well as on initiation programs or chapter meeting agendas that you might create and print. Unless, however, permission is granted by the Executive Board, chapters may not use the Pi Delta Phi name or any of its images on products that they wish to create and to sell (e.g. t-shirts, mugs, etc.).
- 3. Please do not copy and post information or lists from Pi Delta Phi publications or the National website that is likely to change or to be updated, such as: the constitution and bylaws, history of the Society, list of the members of and contact information for the Executive Board, the complete chapter list, etc. Rather, create a link to the National website so that your visitors can access the most current information.
- 4. Should students wish to create their own Facebook® or other social networking group, we suggest that the Chapter Moderator serve as one of the group's administrators so that over time, student administrative responsibility of the group can be assured.
- 5. Please do include a link to the National Website: www.pideltaphi.org

#### 2011 Joseph Yedlicka Summer Scholarship Recipient:

Editors Note: Because there was a formatting problem with several italicized words that were inadvertently deleted in Rebecca's thank you letter, printed in the Fall 2011 Pi Delta Phi Newsletter, we are reprinting it in its entirety.

#### Rebecca Frandsen



"Pour le bon vivant": My Experience in Aix-en-Provence, France As I sit here on my couch in Michigan trying to reflect on my experience in Provence this summer, I find it incredibly difficult. Not just the horrible writer's block I happen to have in describing such an amazing city as Aix, but emotionally strained as I long to be back within that world. All that can truly come to me are images from my stay in Provence. The things that I can still close my eyes and feel, such as: the strength of le mistral chasing away all the clouds in the sky, the sound of les cigales making their daily summer song, the smell of fresh

baguette wafting from all the boulangeries, the beautiful range of colorful fruits, vegetables and flowers at the market by the Hôtel de Ville, the melancholic strains of a lone accordion player, the bustling shops and cafés on the Cours Mirabeau, the ever flowing fountains that could be found around every corner and, of course, the slow, carefree attitude that all the people of Provence share. Bien sûr, that is definitely what I learned most from my experience and what I miss the most – how to take time to fully enjoy life like the Provençal people do.

Both of my classes at the Institute of American Universities in Aix-en-Provence were centered on this region in France. Learning about where I was living through literature and ancient archaeology from professors that were born and raised in the region showed the pride with which these people have for their homeland. With many excursions to nearby towns like Manosque and Arles, I learned not only of historical dates, sculptures, and novels but also experienced firsthand the culture described in my classes. Even in the academic setting at school, my professors appeared to run class in a Provençal manner; they were always very open with their stories, welcoming with different viewpoints, and understanding when we could not comprehend what was being explained. These classes not only furthered my knowledge of Provence and the French language but also the interactions between teachers and students in France.

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Before going to France, I expected that the bulk of my learning would take place in the classroom. However, I feel that I learned the most from my interactions with other French people, particularly my host family. My host family was very understanding and nurturing which really pushed me to grow in my use of the language. Living with my host, I was able to experience all aspects of cultural differences. Although this lead to some interesting conversations explaining what each of us are accustomed to, these were never hostile but took the form of learned discussions from both ends. Most times these discussions turned into ones of philosophy and the telling of, as my host dad Fred would say, "les choses pour le bon vivant". These talks about life and all its little quirks brought to light a very important truth: no matter where you are from or what language you speak, we all strive to have the best life we can, incorporating what has been presented to us to make it a good life. For me, my experience in Aixen-Provence, France this summer was definitely a portion of my life that I will never forget - une chose indispensable dans ma bonne vie.



#### Yedlicka Summer Scholarship Winners 2012

Robert Briwa is one of two winners of a Joseph W.Yedlicka six-week summer scholarship to the Institute for American Universities in Aix-en-Provence. A native of upstate New York, he is the son of Anne S. Briwa. Robert is in his junior year at the State University of New York College at Geneseo, where he is completing degrees in French and Geography. While maintaining consistently

excellent academic performance and working as a teaching assistant for the Geography Department, he also provides community service in the form of volunteering at a local hospice home, assisting at track meets and local 5K fundraisers, and pitching in at the town library's annual book sale. He has been described as "an enthusiastic and inquisitive young man" with a "keen interest in the world around him." Robert is especially pleased to be going to Aix because of his desire both to hone his linguistics skills and to explore some of the geographic and archeological attractions of southern France.

**MU IOTA** moderator Dr. Beverly J. Evans of Geneseo's Department of Languages and LIteratures nominated Robert for this scholarship. Her departmental colleague Dr. Kodjo Adabra and Dr. David Aagesen of the Geography Department likewise furnished letters of support.

Robert Briwa has also recently been named to Phi Beta Kappa. He is definitely most deserving of this honor and, by the way, is still absolutely on top of the world about our support for his trip to France.



Ann-Marie Knecht, daughter of Joseph and Deborah Knecht, has been selected to receive one of our two Joseph W.Yedlicka scholarships to the Institute for American Universities in Aix-en-Provence, where she will be enrolled for six weeks this summer. A junior at Rockhurst University in her home state of Missouri, Ann-Marie is studying French and Education with the goal of becoming a French teacher. As secretary of the university's French Club, she has contributed to the preparation and annual celebration of Rockhurst's annual

World Cultures Day. In addition, she tutors her peers at the Gervais Learning Center and sings in the choir. Already a recipient of the Lakas Award, a writing scholarship at her institution, Ms. Knecht intends to become certified to teach English as well as French and hopes to be accepted into the French government's Teaching Assistantship program following graduation. Afterwards, she will seek a teaching position in the United States.

Ann-Marie was nominated for this scholarship by **MU EPSILON** moderator, Dr. M. Kathleen Madigan, with a supporting letter from French instructor Claudine Evans, both of the Department of Classical and Modern Languages at Rockhurst.

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Taylor McClerin is this year's winner of the Pi Delta Phi summer scholarship to spend five weeks studying French language and francophone literature and civilization at the language school of the Université du Québec in Chicoutimi. Born in Charlotte, NC, Taylor reports that a "wiley decision to be rebellious" sparked his desire to understand other cultures and languages through the study of French. At present, he is in his fourth year at the University of North Carolina Asheville, majoring in French and Biology. Described as

a "dedicated Francophone," Mr. McClerin has participated wholeheartedly in activities of the French Club and the **ETA PSI** chapter. This immersion experience in Québec will enable him to develop further his oral communication skills and to expand his knowledge of francophone cultures. He is interested in applying to enroll at the *deuxième cycle* level in France after completing his undergraduate degree.

Taylor's extracurricular pursuits include membership in a working group of the Active Students for a Healthy Environment (ASHE) that focuses on responsible eating and on bringing more local and sustainable food to the campus and community.

Recommended by chapter moderator Dr. Cathy R. Pons and Dr. Sandra C. Malicote, both of the Department of Foreign Languages at Asheville, as well as by Dr. H. David Clarke of the Biology Department. He is the son of Dan and Sharon McClerin.



Andrew Sweeney, a junior at Kansas State University is a double major in French Education and Vocal Music Education. He is also this year's recipient of the Joseph W. Yedlicka Scholarship to study at the American University of Paris (AUP) during the months of June and July 2012. Son of Cabot and Betsey Sweeney, he was born in South Carolina and grew up speaking Swahili in Tanzania, East Africa, where he lived with his family from ages 2 to 11. Extremely

active in campus choral groups and other musical activities, even serving as an officer of the student chapter of the American Choral Directors Association, he likewise devotes himself to ministry work on campus and in the community. He describes himself as having "a real passion for other countries, cultures and languages, as well as music and singing" and as being thrilled to have the chance to study at the AUP for seven weeks thanks to this scholarship.

Nominated by Professor and Head Dr. Robert Corum and Dr. Claire L. Dehon of Kansas State University's Department of Modern Languages and Dr. Julie Yu, Co-Director of Choral Studies, Andrew is looking forward to what he terms this "once-in-a lifetime opportunity."

#### A note from Andrew Sweeny:

Dr. Fish,

I just wanted to take a few minutes to write you personally as the **Pi Delta Phi** President and commend Dr. Evans to you. As the **Pi Delta Phi**Yedlicka scholarship recipient to Paris for this summer, I have been ever so blessed to work with her. As I've moved ahead with planning for this summer and securing accommodations at the university and in Paris, the game of logistics via e-mail with American University of Paris has been frustrating and very difficult (if not seemingly impossible to me) to maneuver. Yet, Dr. Evans has been an absolute lifesaver in the midst of all of this; I would absolutely be frantic if it were not for her aid as Executive Director. Even if there are questions that she does not have the answer for, she faithfully blazes a trail to the solution, whether that entails calling Paris, e-mailing a predecessor or relying on the wealth of knowledge she possesses.

As a student, and as a scholarship recipient, I want to show my deepest gratitude for her hard work and priceless aid in helping me get "n'importe quel" logistic figured out. She is doing an excellent/superior job as **Pi Delta Phi** Executive Director in working with scholarship students like me, something that my communication with American University of Paris has made me not take for granted.

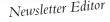
Please pass along this e-mail to those who would benefit from such feedback. Many times people who do a great job are not formally (genuinely) recognized; her reliability, hard work and priceless aid is deserving of such recognition.

Warmly,

Andrew

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Grand' Merci from the Newsletter Editor Each year I again wholeheartedly thank each and every contributor to the PI DELTA PHI Newsletter, for without you there would be no news: the Summer Scholarship recipients whose unique personalized thank you letters recreate their unforgettable summers in francophone areas and encourage others to persevere in their studies of French; the individual chapters themselves, each constantly adding new members and lending their time and efforts to promoting French and francophone studies; the diligent and dedicated chapter moderators, some of whom have served the organization for over twenty years; the student chapter officers with their enthusiastic reports of field trips to films, concerts, and all things francophone; and those without whom you would not receive these pages: my departmental assistant Anna McCree, the layout staff in the university's graphics services, the printers in their publications department; and the bulk mailers with whom final arrangements are made for labeling and mailing to each chapter moderator a set of more than three hundred newsletter copies. Ultimately, the PI DELTA PHI Newsletter that you receive is the result of the combined efforts of individuals like you. I personally am indebted to all contributors, and ask that you continue to send newsworthy material to us to make the Newsletter even better. Merci infiniment. Kasen Renick Newsletter Editor





BETA chapter of University of Southern California held their induction ceremony on March 27th, 2012.

MU EPSILON chapter of Pi Delta Phi at Rockhurst University inducted seven new regular members and four honorary members, including National President of AATF (American Association of Teachers of French) Ann Sunderland (red jacket) on February 18, 2011. The ceremony included readings in French, including a poem from Quebec, and a poem composed in French for the occasion by our "poet laureate," Dr. Patricia Cleary Miller.

They also celebrated the following national scholarship winners, who are future French teachers: Ann-Marie Knecht, Pi Delta Phi scholarship to study this summer in Aix-en-Provence and Ami Keating, American Society of French Academic Palms (ASFAP) to study this summer at the Sorbonne (University of Paris).



MU EPSILON From left to right: Beth Wood, Cyprienne Simchowitz, Janet Fisher (Honorary Members); Emily Williams, Tyler Perkins, James Fister, Ami Keating, Michael Cottam, Laura Hartman, Hillary Desneux and John Bayer (Regular Members)



The **MU EPSILON** scholarship winners; Ann-Marie Knecht (left) and Ami Keating (right)

**ZETA CHI** chapter at California Lutheran University (CLU)—located in Thousand Oaks, CA--in conjunction with the CLU French Club, has been busy during the 2012 spring semester. They have hosted various events in the past two months. They began by taking part in the CLU involvement fair where they shared information regarding activities with several new students and consequently were able to spread awareness about their mission. The first significant occasion of the semester involved a French Club Social where numerous students engaged in conversation with French transfer students. They enjoyed food while listening to French rap. Another gathering was for the purpose of creating French valentines for students. They offered free valentine cards that displayed English on one side of the heart-shaped cutout with a French translation on the other. Each of the recipients received a card accompanied by a rose in the campus mailbox on Valentine's Day. Needless to say, this event was a great success and very popular among students as well as staff. Their next event was entitled Cocoa avec Coco because they screened the movie Coco avant Chanel while participants enjoyed a hot cup of cocoa accompanied with some fondue! All of them were extremely excited regarding the rest of their scheduled events including their annual Fête des Crêpes April 18th. Because of each Phi Delta Phi/French Club activity, the CLU community has expanded its knowledge of francophone culture.

The **ZETA CHI** chapter initiation was held on Monday, April 23 at 5:30 pm in the CLU Scandinavian House, and played an integral part in the university's annual Festival of Scholars. David Lundberg, Caitlin Skelly and Tracey Thompson were inducted as membres réguliers, and all three read poems. David presented "J'ai appris" by an anonymous author, Caitlin read "La Courbe de tes yeux" by Paul Édouard and Tracey chose "Harmonie du soir" by Charles Baudelaire. After the ceremony, initiates and guests were treated to a wide variety of French cheeses, followed by decorative fruit salads, LU petit écolier cookies, mounds of chocolat truffles and other delectable delights.

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French Club and **Pi Delta Phi** members from **ZETA CHI** smile for a group photo at the fondue party in Grace Hall at California Lutheran University on February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012.



**ZETA CHI** initiates from left to right: David Lundberg, Tracey Thompson, and Caitlin Skelly



**ZETA CHI** members and guests at the April 23 initiation on the CLU campus. From left to right (back row): Dr. Rainer Diriwaechter, Professor Lisa Loberg, David Lundberg (new member), Dr. Russell Stockard, Caitlin Skelly (new member), Dr. Sheridan Wigginton, Rhonda Yancey, Alyssa Milne, and Melissa Leman-Coco; (front row): Instructor Clarice Hammet, Jessica Weaver, Tracey Thompson (new member), Vicky Delmas, and Lauren Osga.

THETA PSI chapter of Pi Delta Phi held their initiation ceremonies at Morgan State University in Baltimore, Maryland, on March 29, 2012. Three new student members were inducted: Elisette Bikandou, Christian Kaméni, and Zianab Sankoh. The ceremony was conducted by Dr. Carleen S. Leggett (Chapter Moderator and Past Vice-President for the Southeast Region), assisted by Dr. Helen H. Harrison (Acting Chair of the Department of World Languages and International Studies). Graduating seniors received Pi Delta Phi graduation cords, in addition to their certificates and pins. The three initiates also received gifts of French art books. Two of the students-Ms. Bikandou and Mr. Kaméni--were presented special certificates of achievement for high averages in their French studies. Following the initiation ceremony, attendees enjoyed refreshments including French-style grape juice and French and Belgian cookies.

During the 2011 academic year, the **THETA PSI** Chapter, in cooperation with Morgan State University's Cercle Français, presented various programs, which were open not only to students of French, but to all interested persons. These presentations included talks by Francophone natives, French games and puzzles, a holiday celebration of "Noël en France," and Francophone music programs. **THETA PSI** also participated in "La Semaine du français" and in the university's annual programs during International Education Week.



Initiation ceremonies at Morgan State University's **THETA PSI** Chapter (29 March 2012)

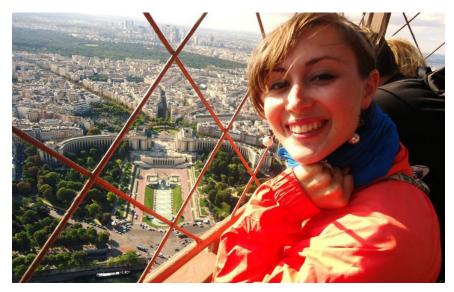
Pictured, left to right: Dr. Helen Harrison, Acting Chair, World Languages; Dr. Carleen Leggett, **THETA PSI** Moderator and Past Vice-President for the Southeast Region; Ms. Zianab Sankoh; Mr. Christian Kaméni; Ms. Elisette Bikandou

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**LAMBDA GAMMA** chapter of **Pi Delta Phi** at the University of the Cumberlands inducted 8 new members in April 2010. This is the largest number of inductees since Dr. Dennis took over the reins in 2001, so they are very excited about the future of French at UC. Congratulations also go out to new member Jared Stafford for receiving the AATF Outstanding Senior in French Award.



**LAMBDA GAMMA** From left to right: Amy Roberts, Julie Deyrup, Kristin Gotch, Jared Stafford, Ariel Robinson, Kerra Scott and Kelvin Lucas. Not pictured is new inductee Jacob Moak, who had two honor society inductions on the same day.



New member of **LAMBDA GAMMA**, Ariel Robinson enjoyed a month in France this summer, studying at the IEF in Montpellier and touring la belle France.

**LAMBDA GAMMA** also inducted two new members, Amber Hipsher and Lauren Bradley, at University of the Cumberlands. The ceremony was held April 11, 2012.



Amber Hipsher and Lauren Bradley smile with their certificates during the ceremony of chapter **LAMBDA GAMMA**.

### **LAMBDA SIGMA CHAPTER** in Washington, Pennsylvania sent the following photo.



Washington & Jefferson's chapter of Pi Delta Phi: April 20, 2011. From left to right: Dr. Sharon Taylor (Honorary member) Sean Maddock, Stephanie Brueck, Elisabeth Kress (secrétaire), Ashley Briggs (présidente), Katherine D. Bacher, Jenna Bigley, Alison Koshute, Kathryn Vanier, Matthew Yevins, Dr. Katrine Pflanze (Faculty Moderator of LAMBDA SIGMA.)

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**ZETA RHO** chapter at Georgia Southern University, initiated seven members in the fall semester of 2011, and three more in the spring semester of 2012. We felt that too often, members are initiated, and then simply list the honor on their resume, without having any cohesive activities. In an effort to change this, they began in a playful mood.

Then they planned an outing to the nearby city of Savannah, Georgia. The city finally (!) has a French restaurant in the Brasserie style. This déjeuner was followed by a walking tour led by moderator David Seaman, visiting French-related sites in Savannah, such as the house where Lafayette was hosted in 1825, and in the third photo, at the family home of Julien Green, an American from Savannah who became a French Académicien and included many scenes from Savannah in his "Dixie" trilogy about the Civil War.

The **ZETA RHO** chapter also uses part of its budget to contribute a gift to the annual French Award for honors day at Georgia Southern. The new activism of the chapter enhances the French major at Georgia Southern.



Four new **ZETA RHO** members making the Greek letters **Pi Delta Phi** with their hands.



Some of the **ZETA RHO** members seated on a banquette with an hors d'oeuvre.



A photo of five of the **ZETA RHO** members in front of the family home of Julien Green during the walking tour of Savannah led by moderator David Seaman.

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All of us from Pi Delta Phi wish you and your chapter a safe and prosperous summer, and we look forward to receiving newsworthy information accompanied by photos to insert in the upcoming Fall 2012 Newsletter.

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To recognize outstanding scholarship in the French language and literature To increase the knowledge and admiration of Americans for the

contributions of France to world culture

To stimulate and encourage cultural activities which will lead to a deeper appreciation of francophone cultures and peoples

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