



Fall 2009



2009 Conference Wrap Up

The Annual Conference is the signature event for our association, and we strive each year to make it more valuable to all our members personally and professionally. Our thanks to all those who helped make PFA's 2009 annual meeting in Tampa Bay a historic event. There was a record attendance, up by over 15% from

recent years. Those fraternal and associate members not in attendance were relatively few, but still sincerely missed. We hope to see **all** of you in **2010 at the Lexington Hyatt**. The footer of this email contains information on those volunteers (pictured left) elected to serve on the **PFA Board of Directors**.

From the PFA President

Greetings from your PFA Board of Directors! Our new year is off to a great start. Following our successful annual meeting in Tampa Bay we have been busy at work serving the needs of our members. Most of the things we have accomplished so far have been administrative – securing a management agreement with the Executive Director, securing new dates for our 2010 meeting to better meet the needs of our members, renewing our insurance coverage and getting our various committees set up. The committees are eager to get started and several have already started meeting via conference calls. Each committee has a purpose, task(s), members, and chair. For more information on each, please visit the [Committee Link](#). A letter from the Member Services committee is attached here with request.

The next focus will be to update the information on the website. Please take a moment to go to <http://www.profraternity.org/> to update your contact information.

Like all of our organizations, PFA is successful because of our volunteer members. PFA would like also like to take a moment to thank our officers from last year that have rolled off the board – Jonny Ramsey and Mary Anne Moore. Jonny served as Director 2005-2007 and Treasurer 2007-2009. An oversight was made at the PFA meeting that the Board would like to take steps to rectify. Outgoing Past President Mary Anne Moore was inadvertently not recognized for her work with the Board. The Board gratefully acknowledges Mary Anne's many years of service to the PFA.



A special plaque will be given to Mary Anne that thanks her for her years of dedicated service to the Professional Fraternity Association. Mary Anne has held a position on our Board for the past seven years.



She was a Director 2002-2003, Treasurer 2003-2005, Secretary 2005-2006, President-Elect 2006-2007, President 2007-2008 and Past President 2008-2009. In addition to her duties with PFA, Mary Anne has served as Alpha Omega Epsilon National Foundation's Director of Finance since 2004, served on the Alpha Omega Epsilon Sorority's Board of Directors for 8 years – of which 4 years were as International President. This plaque will be presented to Mary Anne with our gratitude.

On behalf of the members of the Professional Fraternity Association we **thank you**. We hope that you enjoy this issue of PFA Today.

Fraternally,

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New Associate Member Services

2009 has brought the PFA several new associate members joining many long-time loyal associates. We wish to take this opportunity to highlight just a few who focus on specific services of value to

you.

PFA has two new associates [Favor & Company](#), and [Willis HRH](#) who join longtime associate member [MJ Insurance](#) in offering **liability and property insurance** to our member organizations. You are encouraged to contact these PFA members to meet your insurance needs.

Similarly, we have two new associates [GIN System](#) and [YourMembership.com](#) who join longtime associate [Celect.org](#) (formerly Chapter Communications) in providing chapter/national **websites and online communications/member directory**. All offer superior products tailored to our communities.

[Herff Jones](#) serves as Official Jeweler to many PFA organizations. In addition to jewelry, Herff Jones also offers quality regalia items such as **honor cords, ceremonial robes, stoles, certificates** and covers as well as **awards**. Founded in 1920, Herff Jones has built its reputation on "Quality Without Compromise". For more information, email [Ann Hardin](#) or [Nancy Mancuso](#).



If you know of vendors who offer goods, services, or products that would be valuable to other PFA member fraternities, you are encouraged to forward their contact information to the PFA Executive Director. We thank all our associates – old and new – and encourage you use them for all your needs. All [Associate members are on the PFA website](#). Many thanks to all our Associates!

Member Inquiry/Assistance Needed

Marena Gammons of Alpha Chi Sigma has inquired if any PFA members have experience with **Blackbaud's NetCommunity**. If you have any familiarity with this product, she would like to speak with you briefly. Please [email Marena](#) or phone her at 1-800-Alchemy.

Fraternal News



Construction continues on [Delta Sigma Pi's](#) \$1.2 million headquarters addition and renovation. A cornerstone laying ceremony was held in late September, in conjunction with a leadership retreat for our new board and regional vice presidents. The full construction project is now slated for completion in February. Over 200 engraved bricks have been sold, raising over \$60,000 toward the project. Some were purchased by PFA members—**thank you!!**

[Phi Alpha Delta](#) Law Fraternity, International is launching a National Mock Trial Competition for Law School Chapters. The event will take place March 5-6, 2010 in Las Vegas, Nevada at the William S. Boyd School of Law, UNLV. The event promises to be one of P.A.D.'s signature events!

[Theta Tau](#) launched its newly designed website and online membership directory this fall. At its 2009 Leadership Academy, the following were inducted into the Theta Tau Alumni Hall of Fame: **Ross H. Bryan**, Zeta 1933, **Jack Goodrum**, Rho 1944, **Tom Kirchner**, Chi 1972, and **Spence Titley**, Gamma 1951. Brothers Bryan and Goodrum were inducted posthumously, and Brothers Kirchner and Titley were present for induction for contributions to their profession (in wireless technology and geological engineering respectively).

2012 Request for Proposals

The Executive Director is soliciting proposals for the 2012 Annual Conference. Please use the [2012 RFP form](#) here for more information on proposal requirements.

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