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MyEdu Partnership by Jaime Sutton

I would like to introduce myself as the point of contact at MyEdu as we move forward with our partnership involving PFA member organizations. If you are not familiar with us, please refer to the [July 29 Joint Press Release](#). I serve as the Director of Campus Rep Programs and am excited to grow our program and our relationship with PFA members across the country.

Thus far, I have enjoyed working with Mike Abraham to jump start our internship program to meet the needs of PFA, MyEdu and all associated organizations. My goal in reaching out to you, as the executive team members of these organizations, is to give you someone within MyEdu to work with in order to brainstorm possible strategies, organize an action plan and ultimately begin reaching out to interested students. We have worked with the PFA Headquarters to develop a complete [Internship Packet](#) and list of [Target Schools](#) to facilitate the application process. The packet includes: Job Description, Position Payouts, Applicant Submission Instructions, and Faculty Advisor Recommendation Form. The internship program is also on the agenda for the 2010 Annual Conference.

By developing this connection I hope to start a dialogue with each of you to learn about your organization and what you hope the students gain from a MyEdu internship as a campus representative. We can discuss the qualities that we normally look for, the initiatives that we set forth and the goals of the program.

As you want to help grow the skills and experiences of your student members, we too want to develop future leaders through this partnership. I urge you to reach out to me at your earliest convenience so we can get started.

Please find my contact information below, and feel free to reach out at any time. I look forward to hearing from all of you soon and moving forward with this opportunity.

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2010 Annual Conference

The Conference is just days away, and we look forward to sharing fellowship, fun, and education with one another at the [Hyatt Regency Lexington](#). **A record attendance is expected.**

Please visit www.profraternity.org for conference information including the **"final" agenda**. Please note that the Executive Director will be away and PFA headquarters will be closed from September 5-17.



Call for Nominations

A Nominating Committee has been appointed and hereby issues its call for nominations to the PFA Board of Directors for the 2010-11 year. Elections will be held at the 2010 Annual Conference in Lexington. If you wish to nominate someone, including yourself, please contact Nominations Chair [Shelley Weinstein](#) or 818/788-5757. Nominees must have written support from their fraternity and submit a Board [Nomination Form](#), but you are encouraged to contact the Nominations Committee even before doing so. In addition, no two individuals from the same discipline or fraternity shall serve concurrently as Directors at Large.

IRS offers filing relief to small charities ...courtesy of Bob London, AFW

The IRS has instituted a one-time relief program for small nonprofit organizations at risk of losing their tax-exempt status because they failed to file an annual return for the last three years.

The IRS on July 26 posted a list of at-risk organizations [online](#) that must file returns by Oct. 15, 2010 or lose their tax-exempt status. The list may be incomplete, the IRS said, and organizations should verify they have filed returns for 2007, 2008 and 2009 to avoid being at risk. **A cursory review of that online list does include chapters of some PFA groups.** There is a separate list for most states in excel and pdf format posted.

Two types of relief are available for small exempt organizations – a filing extension for the smallest organizations required to file a Form 990-N, or e-postcard; and a voluntary compliance program for organizations eligible to file the Form 990-EZ. In addition to filing their delinquent forms, eligible organizations must pay a small compliance fee. The relief announced this week is not available to larger organizations required to file the Form 990 or to private foundations that file a Form 990-PF.

New Associate Members

The PFA is pleased to welcome its newest associate members

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PhiredUp <http://phiredup.com/>

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Please be sure to welcome them (and all our loyal associate members) to PFA and visit their exhibit at the 2010 Annual Conference.

Sigma Alpha Convention

Sigma Alpha is taking over TEXAS! The Sigma Alpha Sorority National Convention is held every October for collegiate and alumni members, all with the common interest of career placement in agriculture and natural resources. Our members and alumni will be taking tours of the area and listening to great speakers who focus on the future of professional agriculture careers. Breakout sessions this year will include personal finance, agricultural policy, and career networking.

Held for the first time this year, in conjunction with the convention, a Industry Networking & Career Fair will provide a setting where industry professionals can meet and network with prospective clients and potential employees.

With more than 200 collegiate and alumni members of Sigma Alpha expected to attend, this group represents over 8,000 members excelling in agriculture from across the nation. Sigma Alpha is a professional agricultural sorority that promotes scholarship, leadership, service and fellowship among its members. We are dedicated to the motto "Women Excelling in Agriculture".

For additional information, please direct questions to Convention Coordinator Sara Sparks at sarasparks@sigmaalpha.org

Fraternal News

[Alpha Kappa Psi](#) concluded its most successful year in the history of the fraternity with 6,365 new initiates and 3,405 registrants for the Principled Business Leadership Institute. Alpha Kappa Psi also chartered 12 collegiate chapters this year bringing the number of active collegiate chapters to 216.

[Rho Pi Phi](#) welcomes its new brothers in Nu Chapter in Toronto. Through the efforts of PSC Neil Katzman and many Rokeah Alumni members we have a student chapter in Toronto, and plans for another in Waterloo, Ontario. Congratulations to our newest chapter and to all who made it possible.

[Theta Tau](#) installed its newest chapter at the Florida International University on July 24. From August 5-8, its 2010 National Convention was held at the Denver Grand Hyatt at which its Chi Chapter at the **University of Arizona** was recognized as best for the 2008-10 biennium. Lambda Gamma (pictured) at **Clemson**



University was recognized as the most improved chapter (comparing 2008-10 to 2006-08). Also recognized were **Sagid El-hillali** of **VCU** as Outstanding



Student Member for the 2009-10 school year and **Doug Wager** of the **University of Toledo** as the Convention's Outstanding Delegate. At the Convention's Opening Dinner the following were inducted into Theta Tau's Alumni Hall of Fame: **Buzz Arnold** (Arkansas 1965), **John Dealy** (Kansas 1958), **Chester Lee** (Columbia 1970), and posthumously **Maxwell Thurman** (NC State 1953).

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