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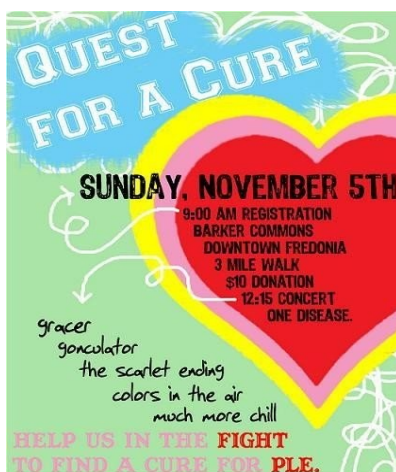
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Quest For A Cure Walk – Success!

by Laurie Hughes

What happens when you have local musicians, three SA Groups, 23 Greek Sisters, a generous community and one inspirational young man? A Quest for a Cure happens.



Despite the cold weather, over 60 individuals walked a 3.5 mile course to raise money for PLE. "Protein Losing Enteropathy (PLE) is a rare complication in children with congenital heart disease. This disease attacks the immune system. Currently, at the moment there is very little research on this disease. Fredonia knows of this disease because of one special young man. Taylor Gladd 15, a cousin of Fredonia State Student Lyndsay Williams(Photo Left)has been living with this disease since his birth.

With the support of many local organizations, businesses and campus clubs, Quest for a Cure went into effect. The walk took place November 5th, 2006 at 10am sharp. The whole event took months of careful planning and close teamwork. Committees were formed to take care of things such as planning water stations, publication and fundraising. Fredonia Rescue and Fredonia Police were called to be on watch for crowd control and emergencies. Seven SA groups and two local businesses donated supplies. Two informational door to doors took place with the hope to spread information about the disease and to encourage people to take part in this worthy cause.

At 10:00am on November 5th, Gillian Gladd, Taylor's older sister spoke about her younger brother and thanked all for coming. The Percussion Guild kicked off the walk at 10:30, and we were off. Many ΣAI sisters were stationed around Fredonia offering walkers water and orange power-aid. 23 sisters participated in some way, 14 walked, seven coordinated functions, and seven helped organize it. With the help of sound services, a benefit concert was put on afterwards, along with a bake sale and crafts. The entire event was a success and 2,000 dollars were raised. The Delta Lambda chapter is extremely proud of sister Lyndsey Williams for undertaking this massive project, and for all sisters involved.

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ΣAI Sisters Laurie Hughes, Megan Geblein, Aurora DePaul, Jodie Koplin and Danielle Smith participated in the walk.



Lyndsay Williams and Gillian Gladd.

Dancin' the Night Away: ΣAI Costume Ball

by Danielle Smith

Each October, the Delta Lambda chapter hosts a themed dance for students at the White Inn in Fredonia, NY. Going in a completely different direction this year, participants were encouraged to dress up as a famous or historical musician. Costumes ranged from well-known musicians such as John Lennon and Marilyn Monroe, to opera stars, classical composers and recent pop artists. The dance was held on October 21st at 8pm, so everyone enjoyed the halloween costume aspect.

Prizes were awarded to the most authentic and funniest male and female, which included a Phi Mu Alpha Brother dressed as Cher, an A.J. (Backstreet Boys) impersonator, and the entire MIT class, whose outfits all coordinated. It was a great night and a successful fundraiser.

Caroling to Spread the Holiday Cheer

by Danielle Smith



Members of Phi Mu Alpha (Rho Chi) and Sigma Alpha Iota (Delta Lambda) visited alumni members' houses in the Fredonia area to carol. They entertained their audiences with carefully prepared 4-part harmonies of popular carols and Christmas songs. A holiday party was held afterwards and Secret Santa gifts were exchanged.

Sister Recitals

Four talented sisters gave their graduation recitals this semester. Jessica Daniluk, soprano, sang an arrangement of "Somewhere Over The Rainbow". Megan Geblein, oboe, ended her performance with a touching encore with Teryl Mertzis, who also gave a recital of her own. Maura Schiller, an excellent flautist, wowed the audience with a difficult piece by Jolivet.

After each performer was finished, the rest of the sisters serenaded her with "The Rose of SAI" and presented a single red rose.

Welcome New Sisters!

On Tuesday, November 14th, we welcomed nine wonderful women into our sisterhood:



**Bonnie Bubala' Deeds
Emily 'Alma' Ford
Carlee Sunshine' Fransisco
Kristen Iliana' Johnsen
Kari Philomena' Johnson
Terri Charis' Kennedy
Meghan Pepin' Koch
Cassi Thalia' Olin
Nicole 'Athena' Weigelt**

We are glad to have so many new faces, as well be saying goodbye to quite a few of our older members at the end of this semester.

Upcoming Events

Valentine's Day Candy Sale: February 8th - 14th
Kristen Johnsen's Recital: March 4th at 1pm (Diers)
Danielle Smith's Recital: March 31st at 6pm (Rosch)
American Music Concert: April 21st(?) at 8pm
Aurora DePaul's Recital: April 22nd at 12n (Diers)
Laurie Hughes' Recital: April 28th at 2pm (Rosch)

Initiation Ceremony: TBA
Senior Commitment: TBA
End Of The Year Banquet: TBA