Congratulations to our newest Order of Omega initiates for the Theta Pi Chapter:

**Undergraduate Members:** Camilla Lane, Diego Valenzuela, Lauren Batman, Anissa Holland, Kaleb Watson, D Germain, Antonia Kincaid, Jessica Loza, Alexandra Jarman, Lucas Johnson, Emery Olarte, Ashleigh Cannata, and Robert Benton

**New Honorary Members:** Tacquice Wiggan-Davis, David Walton, Elizabeth McRea, and Cyndy Caravelis

If you have any members of your organization being recognized in huge ways, let us know so we can celebrate them!
"A problem is a chance for you to do your best." - Duke Ellington

MAJOR HIGHLIGHTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

NEW MEMBER EDUCATION

The New Member Education PowerPoint and Training are now available on the GSED Branch Engage page. This must be completed by all new members from this semester, and those who didn't complete the training last semester, by November 15th at 5pm.

HALLOWEEN COSTUMES

GSED would like to remind everyone to keep their masks on, maintain 6ft distance, and do not gather past the 10 and 25 person limits. Additionally, please refrain from wearing any costumes that exhibit cultural appropriation and/or are inappropriate. People’s cultures are not costumes we get throw on one day a year for our own entertainment.

ADVISOR ENGAGE ACCESS

If any chapter advisors would like to obtain access to their chapter’s Engage page, they need to email Shelby (sgerwin@wcu.edu) saying so. She will then fill out a request for a guest WCU Log In account, and will give you the username and password information once it is completed.

SPRING SEMESTER INFORMATION

Spring 2021 will start with the first day of classes being on Monday, January 25th. CPC Formal Recruitment will be January 20-24. IFC Recruitment Week is still being discussed.

ELECTION REMINDER

Please provide GSED with a list of newly elected officers once your elections are completed.

COVID SELF REPORTING

If you go off campus and test positive for COVID-19, or you are self isolating because you came into contact with someone who tested positive for COVID-19, please utilize the self reporting tool on the WCU Website found here:

https://home.my.wcu.edu/student/Pages/COVID-19-Self-Reporting.aspx

STUDENT ENGAGE USAGE

Starting this week, GSED Staff began spot checking chapter Engage pages for roster accuracy, advisor information accuracy, service hour input, event usage, photo/video content, and officer position accuracy. If your page is not up to date with the R&R required information, you will have a meeting set with the GSED Staff to talk about repercussions moving forward.
"There are three things I've learned never to discuss with people: Religion, Politics, and The Great Pumpkin." - Charles Schulz

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UNC GREEK/COVID TOWN HALL INFO

The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services is sponsoring a town hall on Monday, November 2nd from 11am-12pm via Zoom. This is to learn more about how fraternity and sorority students can do more to fight COVID-19 by leading in their communities. If you would like to attend, please register at the link below:

https://forms.office.com/Pages/ResponsePage.aspx?id=3IF2etC5mkSFw-zCbNfGWF_pSvLJOxPr802rJaflvlU(MJVRTFVaqOtazUWMIvTUI4OTBCRzROWiQOCN0PWcu

OPERATION CHRISTMAS BOX

The Jackson County Department of Aging has provided GSED with information about another community service opportunity!

Operation Christmas Box 2020 is happening for homebound elderly residents in the community who will not have much of a Christmas this year due to COVID.

Four ways to help:
1. Gift wrap a 12x12 box or reusable basket of similar size and fill it with some suggested items
2. Give a gift bag filled with small personal items for men and women who need a visit and a remembrance gift
3. “Play Santa” and deliver the gifts
4. Give a monetary donation

Suggested items include batteries, dish soap, toilet paper, tissues, scarves/gloves, canned fruit or meat, lotions, shampoo/soap/hand soap, pasta, socks, lip balm, blankets, toothpaste and brushes.

Please put the boxes/baskets on the metal shelf in front of the building at 100 County Services Park, Sylva BEFORE November 20, 2020

Questions? Call 828-586-5494

CATAMOUNTS CARE

GSED would like to remind you that all students, faculty, and staff must be wearing their masks, physically distancing, washing their hands, and doing what they need to in order to keep everyone safe. You should not be gathering in groups of more than 10 people indoors and 25 people outdoors, unless specified capacity regulations allow more people.

DATE REMINDERS

- November 1: NPHC Etiquette
- November 2: CPC PNM Forum
- November 4: Virtual CPC Night
- New Member Education: due 11/15 at 5pm on Engage and will be opened soon
- Last Day of In Person Classes is 11/20

MENTAL HEALTH REMINDER

Please be monitoring yourself throughout these last few weeks of the semester. Ask for help when you feel you need it and do what you need to in order to ensure you are taking care of yourself <3