Delta Omega Gators

Beta Upsilon, University of Florida Newsletter

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Save the Date! 2017 Annual Chapter Meeting

The Beta Upsilon Chapter of Delta Omega will be holding its Annual Meeting on Thursday, August 31, 2017 at 5:30 PM, in CTRB 2161 on campus. We will be holding elections for President-elect and both Member-at-Large positions. Please send nominations to victoria.hunter@ufl.edu

2017 Induction of New Members

On April 26, 2017, 19 new members of the Beta Upsilon Chapter were honored during a banquet at the Sweetwater Branch Inn.

Dr. Michael Lauzardo of UF College of Medicine was recognized as the 2017 honorary member and also served as the keynote speaker. Delta Omega also recognized Wendy Resnick of UF Health Shands with the Delta Omega Public Health Champion Award. Thank you to all members, special guests, family, and friends who joined us to celebrate the new inductees!

Honorary Inductee
Dr. Michael Lauzardo

Faculty Inductees
Dr. Joe Bisesi
Dr. Anthony Maurelli
Dr. Susan McGorray

Alumni Inductees
Dr. Van Brass
Johanna Pringle
Dr. Steven Smith
Dr. Elizabeth Wood

Student Inductees
Dr. Donna Carden
Dr. Makyba Charles-Ayinde
Aleksandra Gasparova
Hsiaochu Hsu
Kelsea LeBeau
Cara McDonnell
Haley Rademacher
Laura Ramirez
Karen Restrepo
Brittney Roth
Akemi Wijayabahu

FPHA Annual Education Conference

There’s still time to register for the Florida Public Health Association (FPHA) Annual Education Conference in Orlando, FL! This year’s conference will take place at the Florida Hotel and Conference Center, July 26-28, 2017. The theme for this year’s meeting is “The Power of Collaboration”.

To become a member of FPHA or register for the conference, visit http://www.fpha.org/
Spring Service Project

We had a wonderful time participating in this year's UF Project Makeover to revitalize and enhance Stephen Foster Elementary School in Gainesville for our Spring Service Project. Beta Upsilon chapter had 10 volunteers who donated their Saturday morning and transformed the outdoor basketball court with their hard work. In addition to volunteering, a number of members contributed to our children's book drive. Thank you to everyone who donated; because of your generosity, Beta Upsilon was able to donate over 150 books to the students at Stephen Foster Elementary!

Careers in Public Health Panel

In March 2017, the Beta Upsilon chapter partnered with the UF Undergraduate Public Health Association (UPHA) to host a professional panel on career paths in the field of public health. Our panelists included Dr. Cindy Prins, Cailin Wetzel, Sarah Catalanotto, and Dr. Donna Carden.

Member Highlight

Dr. Helena Chapman

Beta Upsilon member Helena Chapman, MD, PhD, MPH, (PhD in Public Health/One Health, Fall 2016) successfully completed her dissertation research that examined the "knowledge-action" gap among healthcare workers regarding adherence to tuberculosis infection control measures in the Dominican Republic and Cuba. In Spring 2017, she worked on the "Veterans and Agent Orange: 11th Biennial Update" consensus study as a Christine Mirzayan Science & Technology Policy Fellow at the National Academies of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine.