

Mu Phi Epsilon—Alpha Zeta Chapter

Project Linus!

On Sat. October 1st, the Alpha Zeta chapter was able to, yet again take part in Project Linus at Grove United Methodist Church here in Radford. As many of you know, Project Linus is a national service organization that brings together members of the local community for a day of making blankets for hospitalized children. The majority of the chapter was

able to come support this fantastic philanthropy and as a whole, we made nineteen blankets! This event is such a fun way to serve our community and the Alpha Zeta chapter will continue to participate in Project Linus for as long as we can!

Join us

for the next Project Linus event scheduled for February 2017!

Written by: Katie Metzler



Above: Becky Schwab and Megan Humphrey making some blankets!

Left: Alpha Zeta chapter volunteers at Project Linus!

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Mu Phi Halloween Info Party!

This year, we have started to host information parties to bring everyone together mid-semester including potential candidates for the upcoming semester. Our first one on October 29th, was Halloween themed filled with lots of candy and fun decorations. We all met in the theory room and it was filled with streamers, balloons, and candy galore.

Katie Metzler, and Kasen Donald both brought their dogs for even more fun! As a fraternity, we played many rounds of Werewolves of Radford with many deaths and ghosts not knowing that they cannot speak!! All around, it was a fun event to continue to reach out to our possible candidates for the next semester. The Alpha Zeta Chapter looks forward to this becoming a regularly held

event each semester.

Written by:
Becky Schwab



Above: Potential candidate Mae Leroy plays with Rhodey!

November 2016

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Schedule of Events

- 11/4 Progressive Dinner @ 6 pm
- 11/5 MT Pancake Breakfast 8-10
- 11/7 MT Open Mic Night @ 7 pm
- 11/9 Opera Workshop @ 7:30 pm (Members involved)
- 11/11-11/13 Nutcracker @ 7:30 pm and 3 pm (Members involved)
- 11/12 Adam McAllister Friendsgiving @ 3 pm
- 11/13 Mu Phi Concert- Music To Do! @ 6 pm
- 11/15 Percussion Ensemble Concert @ 7:30 pm (Members involved)
- 11/16 Symphonic Band Concert @ 7:30 pm (Members involved)
- 11/17 Missy Caton Senior Recital @ 7:30 pm
- 11/19-11/26 Radford University Thanksgiving Break

Upcoming Events:

12/1 Info Party (Flannel and Bonfire) @ 7 pm

12/2 Kayla Short Senior Recital @ 7:30 pm

12/9 St. Andrews @ 7:30 pm

12/2-12/3 Madrigal Dinner @ 7:30 pm

12/4 Alumni Dinner @ 2pm

12/15 CP @ 6 pm

Opera Roanoke performs *South Pacific*!

On October 7th, three Alumni, Alpha Zeta members participated in Opera Roanoke's production of *South Pacific*. Molly Cox (Mu Zeta) sang in the chorus as well as covered Bloody Mary. Zach Helms (Mu Theta) sang in the chorus and performed the role of McCaffrey. Adam McAllister (Mu Delta) performed the role of Luther Billis. His performance was reviewed as a "tour de force performance!" The production was well put together and show cased each of their talents! The production was considered a triumph!



Top: Alumni Molly Cox, understudy to Bloody Mary



Bottom: Alumni Zach Helms as McCaffrey



Top: Alumni Adam McAllister as Luther Billis

Written by: Adam McAllister

RU Choral Ensembles Concert

On October 20th the RU Choral Ensembles gave their first concert of the 2016-2017 academic year. Not only was this the opening concert for the RU choirs it was also the first concert conducted by the newly appointed director of choral activities, Dr. Meredith Y. Bowen. After over 30 years of directing, the RU choirs David Castonguay retired in Spring 2016 with his wife Lois to move to a beautiful farmhouse in Vermont. Many thought that Mr. Castonguay's successor would have some big shoes to fill and much to prove, luckily, Dr. Bowen has gone above and beyond that call-

ing. Dr. Bowen came into the school year with such positive energy and a clear vision for the future of the RU Choral Ensembles. For her first concert, Dr. Bowen decided to program the concert around the subject of global warming, climate change, and global preservation.

She chose pieces highlighting nature in different aspects, students performed "eco-friendly" poetry, and she even went "green" by doing away with paper programs and creating a digital copy

of the program that could be accessed by anyone with a smartphone. The students commented that they felt relaxed and excited for the concert in a way that they had not felt in a long time.

Many students also stated that there was a renewed sense of unity between all of the singers and between the singers and their new director. The three choirs, Madrigal Singers, Women's Chorale, and University Men's Chorus, performed with confidence and were extremely entertaining to

watch. The three choirs also performed several pieces all together, adding to the sense of unity between performers. It was an incredible opening performance by all and we are expecting to see great things in the near future from Dr. Bowen and the RU Choral Ensembles.

Written by: Katie Metzler



Above: Members Tim Smith, Katie Metzler, Zoë Jones, and potential member Charlotte Bucy after their successful concert!



Above: RU Choral Ensembles

RU Honors Recital!

On October 12th, Kayla Short and Alex Lyons performed on the Honors Recital at the Covington Center. Kayla and Alex were performing with four other wonderful musicians during this concert. Kayla and Alex represented Mu Phi Epsilon and the Radford Music Department well in this performance. The recital was well attended by the department and Mu Phi Epsilon members. Congratulations to Kayla and Alex on their performance of passion and musicianship!

Written by Alex Lyons

Where Are They Now—Mu Beta Class

Sara Slone-Smith

Sara Slone Smith- Mu Beta- Graduated Spring 2013
 Education: Since graduating from Radford University, Sara has earned her Master's Degree in Music Education graduating from Kent State University in the Fall of 2015. Work: Sara began as the Choral Director, as well as the Guitar and Piano Instructor at Giles High School in 2014. Since starting at GHS, she has gotten involved with the marching band as the Color Guard instructor, and has begun and teaches a Dual Enrollment Music Appreciation class through New River Community College. Personally, Sara lives with her husband, Christopher Smith (Mu Alpha Class) in Pembroke, VA with their two dogs, Graham Cracker and Daisy Ray, as well as their cat, Oscar. They were married in June of 2016 after meeting at Radford in 2009.



Ashley Day

Ashley Day is currently living in Northern Virginia and loving life! She recently accepted a new job as a mental health technician and is beginning the process of becoming a licensed clinical social worker. Things are going great and she is getting excited for Fall and the holiday season! She missed Mu Phi and hopes all is well!

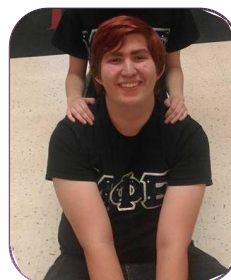


Mu Phi Happenings

As mentioned in last month's newsletter, Kristin Calhoun had recently been married. Here are some of the pictures from those memorable moments.



The Wind Symphony had their performance on October 5th with Megan Humphrey, Heather Eisinger, Alyssa Klinksiek, Alex Lyons, Christie Simmons, Becky Schwab, Kayla Short, Emily Surface, it was a great job done by all



Tim Smith was accepted into the Young Artist Apprentice Program at Opera Roanoke!

Alpha Zeta



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Music, Friendship, and Harmony!

We're so excited and we can't wait to see our alumni at Alumni Dinner! It's going to be awesome!!!

No, but seriously it really is.

Just a reminder to all alumni! If you know of any MPE alumni that are not on the email list and/or that are not part of the Facebook page PLEASE, PLEASE let me know!!! I really want to make sure that all alumni are as involved as possible! Thank you all for your continual support and active participation!

ATTENTION! THE FALL
2016 ALUMNI DINNER
WILL BE DECEMBER
4TH AT 2PM AT GROVE
UNITED METHODIST
CHURCH!