

Crystal Flame Award

History:

The Community Benefits Committee was adopted in June 2005 by the NEC with the purpose of determining and presenting the Crystal Flame Award. The Crystal Flame Award may, at the discretion of the NEC, be presented to a deserving chapter in Delta Theta Chi Sorority that gives a special outstanding service to its community.

This service should be a project or effort by a chapter that goes above and beyond the ordinary community service efforts of others and serves to hold high the torch of learning for others to see by and in turn see Delta Theta Chi.

The first award was presented to the Kansas Beta Chapter at the 2005 National Convention in Oklahoma City for its work on the 2004 Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure where the chapter had 100% participation and was also recognized for its work to educate women about breast cancer and early detection by the National Susan G. Komen for the Cure organization.

Guidelines:

- 1. The Literacy and Community Benefits Committee will be a combined committee with one Chairperson.**
- 2. The committee members will be the same for Literacy and Community Benefits. The Chair will advise them of the guidelines for the award.**
- 3. The Crystal Flame Award will be awarded at the discretion of the NEC based on nominations received from individuals, chapters or provinces.**
- 4. Nominations must be submitted on the official nomination a form.**
- 5. Nominations should be for a specific project that goes beyond the ordinary community service efforts.**

- 6. Nominations should highlight the specific project or service provided.**
- 7. The Chair of the Community/Benefits Committee will send a letter and nomination forms asking for nominations for the Crystal Flame Award the month of February in the year of National Convention. Committee members will be responsible for “reminding” chapters and provinces of the award deadlines.**
- 8. Nominations should be sent directly from the submitter to the NEC Coordinator/Chair.**
- 9. A copy of each nomination will then be distributed to the NEC members at the Pre-convention NEC meeting. The NEC will have final selection on the nomination that is most deserving of the Crystal Flame Award.**
- 10. A traveling trophy will be awarded at each National Convention to the chapter whom the NEC finds most deserving. Recipient of award will keep the trophy for two years to display at Founders Day, rush events, and chapter meetings as it chooses.**
- 11. Prior to the next convention the NEC/coordinator/Chair will request the return of the traveling trophy from the Province President or Chapter President holding the award to be able to present it to the next recipient.**