

## Membership Matters

**Topic:** Membership Shoe-In

**Source:** The International Membership Committee 2008-2010 of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

The Chi State Membership Committee received this information from the International Membership Committee 2008-2010. It comes from Irene Kasai of California, who is the Southwest Regional Representative on the 2008-2010 International Membership Committee.

Here is the text of her message about Membership Shoe-In.

The challenge is a two-pronged approach: challenges for Chapters, and a challenge for the Chi State Organization.

### **Chapter Challenge**

Recognition at the 2010 International Convention in Spokane, Washington, July 2010, will be given to **all chapters** who accomplish 1, 2, or all 3 of the following:

- Maintain the number of members in their chapters from January 2009 through May 2010; this means that the total number of members stays the same though the individual members themselves may change. For example, if a member transfers to a new chapter, then your number will be reduced by 1, so you will need to find a new members or reinstate a former member.
- Increase the overall number of members in your chapter in the same time frame as above. For example, if you initiated 5 new members, and all your former members maintain their membership, your total number will reflect an increase of 5 members.
- Add a member from an educational environment not currently represented in your chapter. For instance, you may invite a new member from a school who has no current member in your chapter. Or you may invite a professor from the local college, and she will be your first member from that institution.

### **State Organization Challenge**

In addition, the 2008-2010 International Membership Committee challenges all state organizations to install at least one new chapter or reinstate a dissolved chapter. All state organizations who achieve this goal will receive recognition at the 2010 International Convention.

**Note from Chi State:** Read the International *ΔΚΓ News* bulletin (March/April 2009 issue, page 3) titled "Why a Shoe?" for more details.