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PRESS RELEASE

Shorter University Named Alpha Chi's Outstanding Chapter

SEARCY, Ark.—The Shorter University chapter of the Alpha Chi National College Honor Society recently received Outstanding Chapter of the Year honors. “The Honors and Awards Committee again faced a daunting task, selecting one chapter, among many, as the winner of the President's Cup, Alpha Chi's singular award for chapter excellence,” said Dr. Ken LaSota, chair of the selection committee. The Georgia Theta chapter is under the guidance of Dr. Kathi Vosevich, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and associate provost, and Dr. Barsha Pickell, chair of the department of Social Sciences. The chapter has been named a Star Chapter for eight consecutive years, indicating an attention to the details that strengthen a chapter and provide opportunities for members.

Shorter University's chapter was invited to the podium by National Council President Dr. David Jones, to receive the President's Cup trophy and \$200 honorarium at the closing Gala of the Alpha Chi National Convention in Portland, Oregon, on April 7. The awards gala closed the annual three-day national convention, an event featuring hundreds of scholarly presentations by Alpha Chi undergraduate and graduate members.

For the President's Cup award, each nominated chapter submits a portfolio presenting an in-depth picture of chapter engagement over the last three years. Chapter life is evaluated in many areas encompassing chapter-sponsored academically-oriented campus and community activities, scholarship and fellowship nominees, sponsors and student delegates attending conventions and making presentations, Star Chapter Awards, articles published in *Aletheia*, Alpha Chi's scholarly journal, social media and website promotion of Alpha Chi, and the number of times a chapter or a member has been mentioned in print or online media. The committee chair stated that one criterion among many helped the committee select this year's “best of the best.” The committee was drawn to the vast amount of scholarly work produced by the chapter. LaSota said, “Significantly, the President's Cup winner surpassed all challengers in scholarship and all else that it takes for an Alpha Chi chapter to be truly a stellar chapter, a President's Cup winner.”

Alpha Chi National College Honor Society invites to membership juniors, seniors, and graduate students from all disciplines in the top ten percent of their classes. Active on nearly 300 campuses nationwide, chapters induct more than 11,000 students annually. Since the Society's founding in 1922, Alpha Chi members have dedicated themselves to “making scholarship effective for good.” Alpha Chi is a member in good standing of the Association of College Honor Societies, the only national accrediting body for collegiate honor societies.

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