

Alpha Chi Rho - Phi Eta Chi Colony
The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey

What have we been up to since our re-establishment?

Since its re-establishment on September 12, 2011, the Phi Eta Chi Colony at The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey has made a tremendous impact on campus. Brothers have helped immensely with various organizations to make a difference on and off of campus. Starting with Stockton's annual Day of Service which is very important to the school's community, we worked with Circle K International: a collegiate and university community service, leadership development, and friendship organization. Brothers of the Phi Eta Chi Colony worked together as well as alongside others performing tasks such as making peanut butter and jelly sandwiches for the homeless, creating greeting cards for soldiers at war, and decorating door hangers for the elderly.

Starting early Fall 2011, we hosted our first major event on Stockton's campus "Pie a Crow for MD". For one dollar, people in attendance at Stockton's homecoming carnival could throw whipped-cream pies at a Brother of their choice. Three hundred dollars was raised, and the proceeds went to the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Our first rush week began in early fall as well. After a week of various events such as dodgeball, basketball, and information meetings, the Phi Eta Chi Colony gave six bids to postulants of the Beta class. During their postulant period, the Beta class hosted a 5k walk/run for the longevity organization. They also raised money for the Colony while completing thirty hours of community service as a whole. The Beta class completed their postulancy period in early November, and it should be noted that every member of the Beta class's GPA increased during that period, which is a trend we hope to continue. The Colony collectively raised six hundred and seventy dollars in the Fall, and they continued to stay involved on campus by attending other organization's events and college events held by the college.

Currently, the Phi Eta Chi Colony is still very active on campus, and it is continuing to hold events to further promote the positive changes our organization is bringing to the school. Recently, the Brothers were involved in a road cleanup for the Atlantic County Utilities Authority and also held an event for the American Cancer Society at a local bowling alley. The bowling event gathered a great turnout from friends and other fraternities, and the Colony raised five hundred and fifteen dollars in one night. Our goal is to obtain our charter and be recognized as an official Chapter of Alpha Chi Rho by the end of this semester.