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2009 Awards

Baehr Award

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The Baehr Award is given annually to the active chapter/colony producing and displaying the best scrapbook. The award was named for William Baehr, a former Kansas State University professor of library science and National Historian, who realized the importance of preserving chapter histories.

The scrapbook should be brought to the 2010 National Convention for the Awards Committee or their representatives to evaluate and judge. All pictures that appear in the scrapbook should also be placed on a CD for the Awards Committee to keep. The scrapbook (not website or internet capability) should include at least one picture of each member of the chapter/colony and a caption to include their name, hometown, and major along with a descriptive comment about the activity in the picture. The pictures should not display alcohol or any activity that is not appropriate. The scrapbook prepared in this manner is an effective recruitment tool (for viewing by parents and prospective members) and can be viewed by alumni when they visit the chapter/colony. Websites or other internet capabilities are important to have and maintain; however, the purpose of the Baehr Award is to produce and display the best scrapbook to assist in maintaining the chapter/colony histories.

Additional suggestions to produce a winning scrapbook include the following:

- Index your scrapbook - suggested headings are an index page, membership, scholarship, social, spiritual, alumni activities and recruitment.
- Number your pages.
- Scrapbook covers should be colorful and attractive. Don't make the book too big or too small.
- A liberal use of pictures with captions is encouraged (avoid alcohol or other inappropriate activities).
- News clippings or articles pertaining to your chapter/colony activities should be included.
- Original artwork makes a top-notch scrapbook stand apart from everyone else's. Imagination is the key.
- Think of your scrapbook as a biography of your chapter's/colony's activities and accomplishments.

Applications and supplemental materials are due January 16th, 2010, at registration for the National Convention.