



Beta Sigma Psi National Lutheran Fraternity
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2009 Awards

Erck Award

Chapter/Colony

School

Person Submitting Application

Phone Number

E-mail Address

The Erck Award is presented each year to the outstanding active member of Beta Sigma Psi. The award is named for the late Reverend Erck, longtime Pastoral Advisor to Delta Chapter. This award is given to a member who is a distinguished leader in church, fraternity, campus and community affairs, demonstrated in assuming leadership, sharing responsibilities, teaching, supporting, caring, and giving of himself while achieving academic excellence. The Erck Award is the committee members' favorite award to review, as they have the opportunity to observe the many accomplishments from all the nominees and the emotional impact of what it means to be a member of Beta Sigma Psi.

The Erck Foundation, the predecessor to the Beta Sigma Psi Educational Foundation, voted at its August 3, 1968, meeting to establish a yearly award for the Outstanding Collegiate Member of Beta Sigma Psi National Fraternity. A grant of \$2,000 is given to the recipient of the award each year.

Eligible nominees must be members of Beta Sigma Psi Fraternity and hold a minimum of a 2.75 grade point average on a 4.0 scale. The Awards Committee, on the basis of the nominee's chapter, campus and church activities, and scholastic achievement will judge nominations for the Erck Award. A minimum of three letters of recommendation are required, and two of the three must be from the following: Lutheran minister, chapter/colony advisor, Department Head/Professor in applicant's major field, Greek (or IFC) advisor, or the chapter/colony housemother. Other letters of recommendation may be from a current chapter officer or any other person (excluding relatives) who has known the applicant for more than five years. Nominees will be interviewed by the Awards Committee or their designated representatives; presence at the 2010 National Convention is therefore strongly recommended. The nomination package must include a ready-to-print newspaper (and *Gold Rose*) article about the nominee.

In some instances, the most qualified member may not be the most popular in the group. It is important that the nominee be approved by the chapter/colony membership and not submit the application on their own initiative. Attendance at National Fraternity and chapter events, campus activities, and honors are useful in addition to taking an active role in chapter/colony leadership positions (President is not a required office for the Erck Award winner). A photograph is requested but not required; the sole purpose of this is to allow the Awards Committee to identify the candidate from previous annual meeting interactions.

**Applications and supplemental materials need
to be postmarked by January 4th, 2010, and
mailed to the National Office (address above).**

Academic Achievement

College/University

Cumulative GPA

GPA in Major

Fraternity Offices Held

Office #1 Dates Served

Responsibilities

Office #2 Dates Served

Responsibilities

Office #3 Dates Served

Responsibilities

Office #4 Dates Served

Responsibilities

Office #5 Dates Served

Responsibilities

Interfraternity & Campus Offices Held

Office #1 Dates Served

Responsibilities

Office #2 Dates Served

Responsibilities

Office #3 Dates Served

Responsibilities

Office #4 Dates Served

Responsibilities

Campus, Church, and Community Service Activities

Scholarships, Honors, Awards, Recognition Societies, etc.

BΣΨ National Fraternity Participation/Attendance

List events or activities you attended, including dates and locations.

What do you feel is the most significant issue facing Beta Sigma Psi Fraternity? What have you done to address this issue?