

A new banner and shiny jackets with fraternity letters were revealed, toasts and speeches were made, and friends cheered on in celebration. The individuals were installed and the fraternity was officially extended to UNC. The night ended, but it was only the beginning of what is a new era in Asian Greek life at Carolina.

Pi Alpha Phi was originally founded in 1926 based on the foundations of brotherhood, academic excellence, leadership, philanthropy, and Asian awareness. UNC students Hans Choe, Tuan Le, Kenny Lee, Ben Mappen, Danny Nguyen, Kirtesh Patel, Sang Shin, and David Yu established Pi Alpha Phi at Carolina in 2003 hoping to carry on these same pillars.

This year, the newly crossed Alpha Class has added eight brothers to the fraternity. Since its founding at UNC, Pi Alpha Phi has started to make an impact on campus and in



the community.

As part of its goals of service to the community, Pi Alpha Phi recently has volunteered for Ronald McDonald House and the Durham Rescue Mission.

During the week before Valentines, several brothers worked to raise money for Ronald McDonald House by operating a valentine-making booth. Ronald McDonald provided a vast array of supplies for the creative minded. People of all ages stopped by the booth to make a valentine for their loved ones, while at the same time donating one dollar to the charity for every valentine they made.

In the fall semester, charter class brothers spent an afternoon at the Durham Rescue Mission. The mission is a shelter for battered women and children. Brothers planted several dozen trees and bushes in the courtyard to enhance the facilities' appearance. The brothers hoped to create a nicer atmosphere to convey a safer environment.

Pi Alpha Phi is also looking forward to participate in Relay for Life in April along with several planned



Pi Alpha Phi strives to serve its campus and community.