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philanthropy projects in the future.

With the growing number of Asian residents and Asian students in the triangle area, Asian awareness is a main concern of Pi Alpha Phi. The focus for this year according to cultural chair Greg Chang is to develop bonds of cooperation and unity between the Asian organizations of UNC. "Unity among the Asian groups is the first step in dealing with the issues," Chang said.

Chang organized an Asian-wide potluck lunch, inviting all the Asian organizations on campus to attend. Members from ASA, VSA, KASA, CUSA, Kamikazi, and alpha Kappa Delta Phi contributed with food and attendance. After the lunch, members from all the groups enjoyed participating in "ice-breaker" events.

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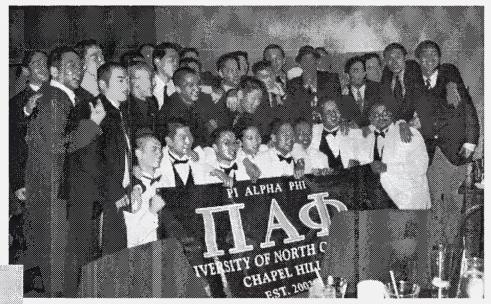
Members volunteering during Valentine's Day.

looks on to make more steps in addressing Asian issues and promoting awareness.

Academic excellence is fundamental in Pi Alpha Phi life. Academic chair Leo Cao recently implemented a plan that includes mandatory study hours and "study buddies". "Study buddies" is the pairing of one brother to another which allows the paired bros to remind and keep each other on track. Personal meetings with the academic chair are also required monthly.

Although demanding, the plan hopes to prepare the brothers of the fraternity for their careers. "The goal is to prepare us for challenges beyond higher education and maintain excellence in college academics...contrary to the stereotypes of Greek organizations we strive for academic excellence in order to show who we are through what we do," Cao said.

Pi Alpha Phi brothers work hard but also play hard. Several socials and mixers were held in conjunction with other Greeks throughout fall and spring semester. As a new organization, developing and



Members pose at the Pi Alpha Phi Installs at Spice Street.

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