

Shepherd Sends Three to National Conference

The Shepherd University chapter of Phi Alpha Theta history honor society sponsored three students to the national bi-annual conference held in Philadelphia, Pa. from January 4-6.

President Michael Strauss, Martinsburg; vice president Tiffany Fleet, Middletown, Md.; and member in good standing Samantha Lomb, Sharpsburg, Md., were nominated to attend the conference. Dr. Sally Brasher, chapter advisor, accompanied the group.

Strauss presented a paper on the theft and destruction of the Revenue Cutter Service (now Coast Guard) ship Caleb Cushing at the hands of the Confederate privateers. Lomb presented a paper on the formation of worker-run factory committees in 1917 Russia and the role they played in the Bolshevik rise to power. As the official chapter delegate, Fleet represented Shepherd at business meetings.

Phi Alpha Theta is a non-fraternal national history honor society open to students from any major who have at least 12 history credits, a 3.1 GPA in history courses, and a 3.0 GPA overall. The group regularly sponsors speakers on a variety of historical topics, conducts fundraisers, and sends students to the regional academic conference.

New member inductions are held fall and spring semesters. Shepherd students interested in applying to Phi Alpha Theta should contact Dr. Brasher at sbrasher@shepherd.edu or visit her office in White Hall. Applications will also be available from the organization officers.