

Distinguished Service Award Political Awareness & Involvement

Lincoln Alumnae Chapter

Over the last few decades, the Lincoln Alumnae Chapter has engaged in sustained social action and political involvement at both the local and statewide level; such as attending Lincoln City Council and School Board meetings to testifying before their Nebraska legislature on a range of political issues. They have conducted voter registration annually and hosted election watch parties, as well as sponsored panels addressing pressing political issues such as human trafficking; while still having the time and interest to participate in Delta Day at the State Capitol. During the first half of the 2018-2019 sorority year, the chapter focused their social action activities on educating voters about issues confronting the nation, the state, and our cities in preparation for the 2018 Midterm Elections. As a part of their efforts, they hosted a Candidate Forum, which they collaborated with three vital community organizations: the YWCA of Lincoln, the Lincoln Branch of the NAACP, and the Women's Foundation of Lincoln and Lancaster County. The main objective was to provide a space where constituents/voters could interact with candidates for office and pose important questions that would inform their vote in the November election.

In addition, they sought to mobilize the vote through a sustained social media campaign via Facebook. The posts were about the candidates running for office, important dates for voter registration, the state law regarding felon enfranchisement, absentee voting procedures, important referendums on the ballot (e.g., Medicaid expansion), and operating times for the polls.



