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NMCC chapter of Alpha Beta Gamma inducts eight new members

Aroostook County - Aroostook County - The Aroostook County chapter of Alpha Beta Gamma at Northern Maine Community College has added eight new members to the ranks of the International Business Honor Society.

At a recent induction ceremony at NMCC, students, faculty, staff, and family members of the inductees joined in welcoming the newest members to the Delta Kappa Chapter of ABG.

“It is always a pleasure to induct new members, recognizing that each of them has earned academic distinction and will pledge to support their college, their community and the international goals and principles of Alpha Beta Gamma - scholarship, leadership, and cooperation,” said instructor Pam Crawford, who serves as NMCC ABG faculty co-advisor along with fellow instructor Dan Hotham.

Joining the organization are Ben MacDonald of Ashland; Angela Howe and Tracy Johnson of Caribou; Sandra Albaugh of Limestone; Philip Gray of Mars Hill; and Christopher Grass, Kristina Kenneson, and Jessica LeVasseur of Presque Isle.

As part of the induction ceremony, attendees heard from guest speaker Scott Carlin, a 1980 graduate of NMVTI, a forerunner of NMCC. Carlin, of Mapleton, is the owner of Star City, Mars Hill and Hillside IGA stores in Central Aroostook.

In giving advice to the inductees, Mr. Carlin frequently reminded them of the power of positive thinking. “Life is a roller coaster. There are inevitably unexpected ups and downs. Always be prepared for the deep dips. With positive thinking, you can ride them out.” Carlin also admonished “Always do well. Do what you do best. Somebody's always watching you - so that opportunities arise when you least expect them.” Carlin concluded his remarks by reminding the audience to “keep your priorities straight - family first, job second. Changes will always affect our lives, but thinking positively in addressing them will help ensure your ultimate success.”

Alpha Beta Gamma was established in 1970 to recognize and encourage scholarship among two-year college students in business programs. The organization provides leadership opportunities, forums for the exchange of ideas and the stimulation of interest in continuing academic excellence.

The ABG International Business Honor Society is the sole business honor society for accredited junior, community and technical two year colleges.

Since its founding, over 58,000 students from accredited community, junior, and technical colleges have been initiated in the Society.

ABG is a member of the Association of College Honor Societies, and an affiliate member of both the American Association of Community Colleges (AACC) and The Association of Canadian Community Colleges (ACCC).

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Eight Northern Maine Community College students were officially welcomed into the campus chapter of Alpha Beta Gamma, the honor society for business students in two-year colleges, during a ceremony on March 29. New members inducted were (left to right): Sandra Albaugh, Kristina Kenneson, Christopher Grass, Philip Gray, and Tracy Johnson. Other new members who were unable to attend the ceremony are: Ben MacDonald, Angela Howe, and Jessica LeVasseur.