



Student Life & Academic Services
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LSU Residential Life wins regional and national NHHR awards

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The LSU Department of Residential Life was recognized for winning two regional awards and one national award at the National Residence Hall Honorary (NRHH) Induction Ceremony on April 24, 2008. Nik Clegorne, Residence Hall Association (RHA) Advisor, and Training and Development Coordinator with the Department of Residential Life, was a regional winner of the Advisor of the Month, Herget Hall Community was a regional winner of Community for the Month, and Sleep in a Box was a national winner of Educational Program of the Month.

Clegorne was recognized for being an advisor that truly loves his work and takes a personal interest in the students under his supervision. His significant contributions included redeveloping the RHA constitution, streamlining RHA executive meetings to make them more effective, and his outstanding commitments of time and energy to students, RHA's members and executive staff.

Herget Hall Community was awarded for their excellence in developing and implementing programs that promoted and fostered a sense of community. From taking personality tests to learn about each other, movie nights, study groups, social activities, to Herget Idol, where they sang songs to each other, March was a record-setting month of programs within Herget Hall.

Sleep in a Box was an innovative new program that helped raise public awareness of the 1.35 million homeless children, and raised over \$4,000 for homeless charities. Participants designed and built their own personalized cardboard box, ranging from Tiger Stadium to the White House, and then spent a night sleeping in their box. The event also featured two formerly homeless youth who gave their testimonies of what it was like to be a homeless youth. Sleep in a Box competed against 3,000 other programs nationally.

The NRHH is the recognition branch of National Association of College and University Residence Halls (NACURH). Residence hall students are nominated to NRHH for outstanding service and leadership, and those that are inducted reflect the top 1% of residence hall leaders. LSU's NRHH chapter recognizes new members and inducts new ones each year, and participates in community services and activities alongside RHA.

