Dear Students,

As you may be aware, last spring, Carson-Newman University established its first **national honor society for first-generation students, Tri-Alpha.** Carson-Newman was awarded the Delta Psi Chapter.

Alpha Alpha Alpha (Tri-Alpha), recognizes the academic achievements of first-generation college students.

To qualify:

* you must be a current degree candidate at Carson-Newman University,
* who has completed at least three full-time terms of study (minimum 30 credit hours), at least one of which must have been at Carson-Newman University,
* who has an overall GPA of at least 3.2 in all coursework, and
* who comes from a family where neither parent nor any legal guardians earned a bachelor’s degree.

Faculty and staff who were first-generation college students will also be invited to join our organization, to help mentor first-generation students.

The next Induction Ceremony is scheduled for April 13, 2023 at 7:00 p.m.Your one-time dues payment of $15.00 gives you lifetime membership in Alpha Alpha Alpha. You've shown incredible success here at Carson-Newman University - **celebrate your success with us at Tri-Alpha**! Also, if you would like to purchase a cord to wear at commencement, the cost is an additional $20.

Please complete the attached application form along with the $15 dues (Cash or check only,) and return it to Annemarie Spain in the Student Success Center (#210, second floor of the library) by March 1, 2023. Thank you, and please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Annemarie Spain

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