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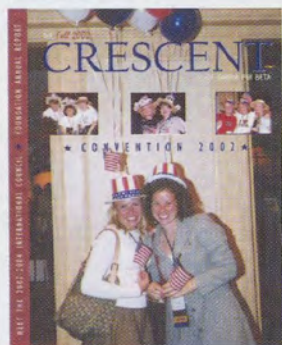
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Middle: Local Committee members Joan Braitsch (BA) and Milissa Rhodes (ΔP) sporting their carnation hats.

Right: Sarah Francisco (Ξ), Autumn Hansen (Ξ) and Lyndsey Bean (BΣ) are ready for a day of fun.

THE VIRTUE OF VALUES

Welcome to our celebration of Gamma Phi Beta's 70th International Convention! Held in Washington D.C., June 26-30, 2002, this event truly was "History in the Making." I invite you to peruse this issue to learn about the historic decisions made at this Convention and enjoy the many time-honored traditions of Convention captured in various articles and pictures throughout this issue.

While Convention is most definitely the focus, another strong theme is apparent in the articles submitted for this fall issue: a reference to values. Given the world events over the past year, this reference to values is not surprising. For Gamma Phi Betas, the values of love, labor, learning and loyalty serve as the core of the Sorority's existence. Embracing and living these values is the goal of every Gamma Phi Beta member. So, it stands to reason, that as *The Crescent* staff reports on the Sorority's biennial Convention - a tradition that epitomizes the true being of Gamma Phi Beta - that the real story is about values.

When reading the Convention Highlights feature, you will learn about the members' historic decision to collaborate with Camp Fire USA. To celebrate and commemorate Gamma Phi Beta's commitment to camping, the magazine will feature articles about the Sorority's commitment to its international philanthropy through the summer 2003 issue. Also, in the next issue, look for the feature article about Gamma Phis who have gone above and beyond in contributing to their profession and community. Should you have any contributions for either feature, please send them to TheCrescent@gammaphibeta.org.

With this issue, the Sorority not only celebrates the 70th International Convention, but also the founding of this wonderful organization. Happy 128 years to Gamma Phi Beta! This year, many collegiate and alumnae chapters also mark special anniversaries of their installation. Please join me in congratulating these chapters at this significant time in their history:

120 Years

Beta, Univ. of Michigan

80 Years

Alpha Epsilon, University of Arizona

110 Years

Syracuse Alumnae Chapter

60 Years

Indianapolis Alumnae Chapter

100 Years

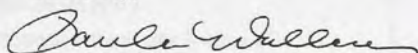
Kappa, U. of Minnesota/Minneapolis
San Francisco Alumnae Chapter
Milwaukee Alumnae Chapter

50 Years

Beta Pi, Indiana State University
Albuquerque Alumnae Chapter
Memphis Alumnae Chapter

Before closing, I would like to recognize Kristyn Wiggin Golberg (Sigma, University of Kansas). She has served as the Member News Editor of *The Crescent* for the past eight years. Other commitments have called upon her time, so she will be vacating this position effective this issue. Kris has been an invaluable member of *The Crescent* staff and we will miss her!

Sincerely,



Paula Wallace, Editor

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KEEPING OUR PROMISES

Two important considerations in every question of conduct are: does the situation involve us personally; and what is our responsibility to others who might be affected? We can never be certain whether we will influence other people. However, we can determine if our actions are a hindrance or a help to them. The important issue is how we conduct ourselves.

Today we find ourselves in a society that is changing more rapidly than ever before. Technology, our socioeconomic structure, our family structure, and our business culture are examples of areas that have changed dramatically over just the past few years. Each of those changes has created, and continues to create its own ripple effect in our attitudes and behavior. The truth is that in our hurry-up society, we have gradually been letting go of traditional values. Many of these are Gamma Phi values, as found in our ritual.

Are those values relevant in today's society and within our Sorority? Yes, I believe so. For values still play an important role in uncovering the ideal self and that was the ultimate vision of our founders. It remains important for us today in order to reach our full potential. Whose responsibility is it to teach values to our new members and remain true to those values? The responsibility belongs to each of us. Whether we realize it or not, we are always teaching values. However, today, we must put more of a conscious effort into that teaching. The values we impart to our new members today, consciously or unconsciously, will have a major impact tomorrow on Gamma Phi Beta, the Greek system, society and all of us as leaders. If we continue to leave the teaching of Gamma Phi Beta's ritual to chance alone, we, as a Sorority, risk losing an integral piece of our culture.

This is a time that requires a special kind of courage, for today the Greek system and Gamma Phi Beta are being challenged by growing accounts of inappropriate behavior, which do not reflect the founding principles of any of the fraternal organizations. Gamma Phi, like other Greek groups, is values-based. The shift from that strong foundation to more party-based organizations has changed our image and hampered appropriate recognition for our worthwhile academic, community and leadership achievements.

As Gamma Phi Betas, we have made promises to each other and our Sorority. We have a shared understanding of our ritual and its teachings. The values we learn from these teachings provide the foundation upon which many of our promises are made. We make commitments to our family, friends and sisters every day, which are based on our declarations or promises about what we will do. In our busy lives, and being influenced by the ever-changing environment of our society, it becomes easy to fall short of "doing what we say we will do." And this is what shapes our character and our credibility. Our actions become the evidence of our commitment to the core values that influence every action of our membership.

So, as we approach our Founders Day this November 11, let us reflect on the promises those four founders made, and kept, in 1874. Then we might ask ourselves, "Are we living up to our promises made yesterday and today and will we abide by the promises we make tomorrow?" Let us not forget, the integrity of our Sorority. Our membership, relies on keeping our promises.

Vicki C. Read
Vicki Carlson Read
International President



Dear Crescent Staff,
THANK YOU for using our submission to *The Crescent*! I received my copy today and was just tickled to see pictures of our members in the magazine. It's such a thrill. Thank you for all your hard work. It's another terrific issue! I hope you all had fun at Convention!

In IIKE,
Trina Fox
Detroit Metro Alumnae Chapter

Hello,
I enjoyed the most recent issue of *The Crescent* magazine. I just wanted to point out that on the "Celebrating our beginning and lifelong commitment" picture pages, members of the University of Georgia (Delta Upsilon) were shown with alumnae at a Founders Day Luncheon, but the caption said they were members from the University of California/ Santa Barbara (Delta Psi). Just letting you know!



Members of the University of Georgia (ΔΥ) at a Founders Day luncheon with alumnae.

Thanks!
Jenny O'Keefe
Delta Upsilon, '02

I just wanted to write *The Crescent* to express thanks to the Kansas City Alumnae Chapter. Those ladies of Gamma Phi sent the Beta Chi chapter at Wichita State University a wonderful donation to help send us to Convention. We really want them to know how much their gift meant to us and how much easier it will be for us to attend Convention 2002. As most of the collegians are only freshman and sophomores, we are really excited to attend our first ever Convention! Once again, thanks so much to the Kansas City Alumnae Chapter for making that possible for us.

Love in IIKE,
A Very Grateful Sister
Beta Chi Chapter, Fall 2000

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CRESCENT CLIPS

FYI ...

The following group has changed status: Northeast Texas Alumnae Chapter to Northeastern Texas Crescent Circle.

Newly formed Crescent Circle: Green Mountain Crescent Circle (VT)

ALUMNAE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

Have you ever thought about how you can make a difference in Gamma Phi Beta without leaving your home? You can pay your annual dues to the Sorority or you can recommend women for membership. Both of these are tenets of membership and make an enormous difference in the Sorority.

Alumnae involvement with sorority recruitment has always been an important part of Gamma Phi Beta's success. Now more than ever, alumnae support can significantly impact recruitment results nationwide. Whether you live near a collegiate chapter or not, you still have the power to make a difference to Gamma Phi Beta.

Reference Forms help chapters become acquainted with potential members before recruitment begins. Filling out Reference Forms alerts chapters to outstanding potential members they may otherwise miss.

Simply take a few moments to write a letter of endorsement or use the "official" Reference Form #38 (found in the spring edition of *The Crescent* or by visiting the Gamma Phi Beta website, www.gammaphibeta.org). Send the completed endorsement to the Area Reference Chairwoman (ARC) for the chapter the potential new member would attend.

It's not too late to make a difference this year. Below is a list of collegiate chapters that will be going through deferred Formal Recruitment next term.

Chapters With Deferred Recruitment

Alpha	Beta Phi	Epsilon Beta	Epsilon Tau
Delta	Gamma Epsilon	Epsilon Gamma	Epsilon Phi
Epsilon	Gamma Pi	Epsilon Delta	Zeta Epsilon
Alpha Nu	Delta Iota	Epsilon Eta	Zeta Iota
Alpha Xi	Delta Kappa	Epsilon Iota	Zeta Omicron
Beta Epsilon	Delta Mu	Epsilon Mu	

The Legacy of Gamma Phi Beta

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The Legacy
of
Gamma Phi Beta



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CAMPUS CLIPS



❖ With widespread Internet access, college librarians saw a decline in library use in recent years. According to the Association of College and Research Libraries, in 1999-2000, students at the country's top research

libraries checked out fewer materials and utilized librarian's services less than they had in a decade. To combat the problem, 50 institutions have added coffee shops and cafes inside their libraries to attract more students and faculty. Besides added library use, these "Latte Libraries" include other bonuses: the coffee shops make money; students don't have to leave for a study break; and faculty are using the facility to meet students in an academic space with a nice atmosphere.

❖ Ohio University has changed its judiciary system to allow for the anonymous reporting of hate crimes. Students who want to report an incident to the university, but would prefer to remain unidentified, can now do it by telephone or by visiting one of 12 campus offices. According to Janice Edwards, student affairs associate vice president, this enables the university to use this information in their statistics and research to gain a more accurate reflection of campus activities and conditions. However, according to students, drawbacks include allowing perpetrators to go unpunished and it does not offer a deterrent to future hate crimes.

❖ The University of Virginia's honor committee is examining the institution's 160-year-old honor code, as well as its role in shaping opinion of the honor code itself. They are revamping a video that is used to introduce freshmen to the honor system. The new video uses celebrity alumni and current students to relay a broader discussion focusing around the ideal of honor, rather than expulsion being the only sanction for a range of violations. The honor committee is also addressing some of the drawbacks of the honor system in the new video, including students who feel uncomfortable initiating a case that would result in another student's dismissal.

❖ In an effort to compete with the growing demand for students' time, money and interest, today's college Greek organizations are making many efforts to distance themselves from the stereotypes of wild parties and bad behavior according to the St. Louis Post-Dispatch. In the late 1980's, membership in Greek organizations peaked, but numbers have fallen as much as 30% in the past decade. This decline can be attributed to a variety of factors, including new ways for students to connect with each other, nicer residence halls that overshadow aging Greek houses and a shifting student population. To combat this problem, sororities are showcasing their positive contributions to campus and community, advertising their high grade point averages and marketing themselves as organizations for academically minded students.

Meet the...

2002-2003 Collegiate Leadership Consultants!

After weeks of training at Gamma Phi Beta International Headquarters and at Convention 2002, our new group of Collegiate Leadership Consultants (CLCs) are ready to hit the road.

Throughout the academic year, you will find these women living out of a suitcase, flying weekly, traveling to unfamiliar destinations, submitting reports to International Headquarters, communicating with a campus Panhellenic advisor and serving as a positive role model for Gamma Phi Beta Sorority. Their mission is to conduct leadership and officer training, guide chapters in self-assessment, facilitate workshops, assist with recruitment and provide support to new and challenged chapters. This is the life of a Gamma Phi Beta consultant.

Sound like a lot of work? It is. However, each consultant who has traveled for our Sorority agrees that it was one of the best experiences of her life. Being a consultant provides a woman the opportunity to build her confidence, meet new people, help others and be self-sufficient, as well as add miles to her frequent flyer accounts.

Take a moment to meet this year's consulting team of six young women who will bring their vast amount of skills, knowledge and luggage to chapters across North America.

Coming soon to

❖ by Lottie Nilsen | Assistant Editor



NAME: Erika Drake

SCHOOL: California State University/Fullerton (ΔΔ)

POSITIONS HELD: President, Public Relations Vice President and Panhellenic Delegate.

MAJOR: Communications/Public Relations

TERRITORY: Pennsylvania including resident consultant for extension at Pennsylvania State University/Altoona.

Erika has been greatly influenced in her life by her family and God. The importance of family has been impressed upon her since childhood and religion has been central in her life. She enjoys meeting new people, learning about other people's perspectives and sharing her own experiences.

Erika is looking forward to experiencing cultural differences during her year as a CLC. She wants each of the chapters she works with to be successful in their own ways and she hopes to help the sisters she works with build self confidence and social skills.

She would like each chapter to have the successful experience she had at California State University/Fullerton. Erika believes that self image and a lack of self confidence are important issues facing college-age women.

During her time at California State University/Fullerton she was a member of their Women's Division I Soccer team. Erika lives in Fullerton and she will attend law school at Chapman University next year.



NAME: Jamie Hampton

SCHOOL: Southeast Missouri State University (ZΔ)

POSITIONS HELD: President, Panhellenic Delegate, Public Relations Vice President on Panhellenic Council.

MAJOR: Interior Design/Architecture and Marketing

TERRITORY: Southwest including Southern California, Texas, Oklahoma, Arizona and Colorado.

Jamie has benefitted the most from her relationship with her mom and dad. They have been very involved in her life and have always supported her in what she does. As a Gamma Phi, Jamie's experience at Convention 2002 was important because she was able to see first-hand how alumnae are committed to the organization.

Jamie describes herself as optimistic, enthusiastic and organized. She believes that young women have a lot more to worry about today than in previous generations. Jamie hopes to help chapters be the best they can be by making the most of their opportunities. "The more you get involved, the more you get out of it," she said.

Jamie also served her campus as a recruitment counselor. Her family lives in Troy, Illinois.



NAME: Jessica Jewell

SCHOOL: Albertson College of Idaho (ZΞ)

POSITIONS HELD: charter member, PACE Chairwoman and New Member Educator.

MAJOR: Politics and Economics

TERRITORY: Western Midwest including Nebraska, Iowa, North Dakota, Minnesota, Kansas, Missouri, Louisiana and John Carroll University.

Jessica's mother and grandfather have been most influential in her life. "They have always encouraged me to put my best foot forward and hang on," she said. "If it's something I believe in, go for it!"

As a charter member of the Zeta Xi chapter, Jessica found this to be helpful advice. For her, forming a Gamma Phi Beta chapter was an exciting experience that moved very fast. Jessica and her sisters had to learn how to be a chapter, as well as how to be Gamma Phis at the same time.

campus near you ...

Jessica sees herself as positive, enthusiastic and outgoing. She believes she has the ability to see two sides to any story. Coming from Albertson College of Idaho, with a population of 800 students, Jessica is looking forward to sharing her experience with small schools, as well as participating in the development of larger chapters.

According to Jessica, there are a lot of issues facing college women including time management, depression, eating disorders, peer pressure and the stress of school in general.

Jessica was active on campus as a student ambassador, Homecoming Chair and captain of the cheerleading squad. Her family lives in Hailey, Idaho.



NAME: Kristy Keefe

SCHOOL: University of Wisconsin/Oshkosh (UP)

POSITIONS HELD: President for two years.

MAJOR: Psychology

TERRITORY: Northeast, including Massachusetts, New York, Virginia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia and Florida.

Kristy cites three people as being influential in her life. First, her late father played a huge role in Kristy's life. He taught her the importance of education, including continued lifetime education and finding value in the task at hand. Professionally, Kristy says that her professor Dr. Susan McFadden, who is the head of the psychology department at the University of Wisconsin/Oshkosh, exemplified being a caring teacher. Finally, Kelly Brunner, Gamma Gamma chapter alumna and Province Collegiate Director, is a role model in Gamma Phi Beta who graciously devotes her time and energy to her sisters.

Kristy believes that taking the initial step to get involved with something is the scariest step. However, "Once you plant that seed, you receive more back than what you put in," she said. "Gamma Phi Beta is a place for inspiration to reach higher goals and standards for oneself."

In leadership roles, Kristy tries to be caring and understand the difficulty of life. Her strengths include finding the positive side of a difficult situation and being a good listener.

Kristy was honored by her campus as Homecoming Queen and Greek Woman of the Year. She was very active on her campus, where she played major leadership roles in the Order of Omega; Psi Chi, the Psychology honorary society; and CARE (Campus Awareness and Relationship Education). She spent part of Summer 2002 in Belize studying Black Howler Monkeys. She resides in Oshkosh.



NAME: Meghann McKee

SCHOOL: University of North Dakota (AB)

POSITIONS HELD: Panhellenic Delegate and Panhellenic Membership Recruitment Chair.

MAJOR: Communication major and Psychology minor

TERRITORY: Eastern Midwest including Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Indiana, Kentucky and Ohio.

Meghann's mother has influenced her by teaching her to take care of herself and to be

honest, independent and hard working.

She considers herself a good communicator and finds that skill crossing over into success with both internal and external chapter communication. She enjoys recruitment, she is detail oriented and one of her best assets is her ability to problem solve. She hopes to parlay these talents into helping chapters strive to be better. She looks forward to bringing even the best chapters up a notch.

Meghann finds that body image, eating disorders and personal safety are all issues facing college women. "Just learning to deal with life can be hard. Things are more complicated," she said.

Meghann worked as a reporter and member of the marketing team for Studio One, the student television program at the University of North Dakota. She is from Hazen, North Dakota.



NAME: Nike Roe

SCHOOL: Valparaiso University (ZI)

POSITIONS HELD: Member Education Vice President and Assistant Financial Vice President.

MAJOR: Political Communications Major with a Spanish Minor

TERRITORY: Northwest and West including Idaho, Washington, Oregon and North and Central California.

"My mom has always been a model of a strong woman," Nike says of the person who has influenced her most. "She has always been someone to look up to." From the Gamma Phi Beta standpoint, Nike admired the older members in her chapter. She found them compassionate, smart and caring, all things she hopes to role model in her year as a CLC.

Nike hopes to bring her enthusiasm for sisterhood to the chapters she visits. She wants Gamma Phis to know that no matter where they go, sisters will be there for them. She also wants chapters to use her as a resource and her personal challenge is to be a model Gamma Phi.

When it comes to issues facing college women: "It's a struggle to find who you are and how you fit. You're learning so much about yourself and it's a struggle to come into one's own," she said. "Finding that path isn't always the easiest thing."

Nike was also a student senator and orientation assistant and worked as an intern in Washington DC. She grew up in Iowa City, Iowa. ☐



Love, Labor, Learning, Loyalty

Meet your newly elected 2002-2004 International Council

The talented and dynamic women who will serve as members of your new International Council reflect the commitment of Love, Labor, Learning, and Loyalty that we all share and hold close to our hearts. As members of the Sorority's governing body and partners with the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation, they have dual responsibilities. One is to the department which they manage: setting priorities for successful outcomes and recruiting/retaining volunteers to implement that department's goals. The second responsibility is fulfilling the obligations of a member of International Council. These include:

- **Legal:** exercising prudent judgement; keeping accurate records; attending meetings, prepared and well informed
- **Financial:** approving budgets; exercising stewardship; being accountable
- **Planning:** developing and monitoring a strategic plan; evaluating activities and measuring change
- **Decision Making:** being visionary in their thinking; considering all aspects/areas of the Sorority in setting and reviewing policies
- **Public Relations/Marketing:** communicating internally as advocates for the programs, services, and leadership opportunities that the Sorority offers and, externally, as ambassadors for the Greek system and Gamma Phi Beta

Discover how the professional backgrounds, community involvement, and Gamma Phi Beta experience have prepared them to serve in the top leadership of the Sorority. Meet your 2002-2004 International Council ...



Read

Vicki Carlson Read

Alpha Epsilon, University of Arizona
International President

Gamma Phi Beta Leadership: Gamma Phi Beta Leadership: International President (2000-2002); Foundation Trustee-International Council Representative (2000-2002); Membership Vice President; Strategic Planning Committee; Director of Membership; Acting Director of Collegiate Extension; Assistant Collegiate Vice President-Rush; International Rush Consultant; Province Collegiate Director-Province XI; Tucson Alumnae Chapter Treasurer and President; Alpha Epsilon-Recruitment Advisor, Chapter Advisor, HCB Grounds Committee Chair.

Other activities: Vice President/Director of Seminars, MESA International, Inc-Management Consulting Firm; NPC National Presidents' Committee; Outstanding Advisor, University of Arizona; Soroptimist Business Women, Tucson; Fundraising Chair, Multiple Sclerosis, Austin, TX; Classroom Teacher.

Personal: Vicki lives in Tucson and is married to Bruce, a management and tax consultant. They have two daughters: Tamara, who is starting the Chantilly Tea Room and Gift Boutique in Tucson; and Kari, who is married and has two young children. She has traveled around the world and lived overseas for a number of years. Vicki enjoys gardening and sailing.

Sandra Biegelman Burba

Beta Epsilon, Miami University (Ohio)
Alumnae Vice President

Gamma Phi Beta Leadership: Director of Alumnae Extension; Director of Alumnae Operations; PAD III; Presenter, Regional Leadership Conferences and Conventions; President and Vice President, Cleveland Alumnae Chapter; President, Cleveland Alumnae Panhellenic Association; Executive Board Member, Cleveland Alumnae Panhellenic Association;

Delegate, Cleveland Alumnae Panhellenic Association; Greek Woman of the Year, presented by Cleveland Alumnae Panhellenic Association; Loyalty Award and Merit Roll, Gamma Phi Beta Sorority.

Other activities: Coordinator and buyer for Solon Spirit Store; Chairperson, Solon Public Schools PTA; Chairperson of Board, Solon Stars Swim Team; Voting Delegate at House of Delegates for USA Swimming Inc.; Girl Scout Leader and Outstanding Girl Scout Leader, Solon, OH.

Personal: Sandy lives in Solon, Ohio with her husband, Chris, three children and black lab, Blackjack. Her son, Mike, is a junior at Xavier University majoring in accounting and marketing. Sandy's daughter Ginny is a sophomore health science major at Ohio State University and a member of Alpha Omicron Pi. Gwen, her youngest daughter, is a senior in high school. In her spare time Sandy enjoys gardening, boating, traveling and cooking.

Barbara "Barbie" L. Chadwick

Alpha Theta, Vanderbilt University
Collegiate Vice President

Gamma Phi Beta Leadership: Collegiate Vice President (2000-2002); Director of Collegiate Chapter Development; Chapter Development Coordinator, Epsilon Lambda Chapter; Chair Strategic Planning Task Force on Finance Review, on Structure of Collegiate Leadership Consultant Program; Finance Committee, Panhellenic Drug Education Consortium; New Chapter Director; Province XIV Collegiate Director; Alpha Theta, House Corporation Board and chapter advisor; President, Nashville Alumnae Chapter; Merit Roll, Gamma Phi Beta Sorority.

Other activities: Development Consultant; Director of Development, Tennessee Humanities Council; Membership Manager, KLVX-TV, WDCN-TV; Chairwoman, Autographing Colonnade, Southern Festival of Books; Middle Tennessee Advisory Committee.

Personal: Barbie is single, lives in Nashville and works as a



Burba



Chadwick



Fundraising and Development Consultant. She currently has two clients—one in arts and culture (specifically literature and literacy) and one in social services. She has three cats, Bob, Ziggy and Marley, all about a year and a half old. She is an avid gardener (her garden is bigger than her house) and she is a member of the Perennial Plant Society of Nashville. Outside of gardening, Barbie enjoys listening to Blues and reading. She is a member of the Women's National Book Association.

Annabel Jones

Psi, University of Oklahoma
Financial Vice President

Gamma Phi Beta Leadership: International Financial Advisory Board; Province IX Financial Director; Convention Resolutions Committee-Six Weeks New Member Study; Psi Chapter House Corporation Board, ARC Chair, Chapter and Rush Advisor; Norman, Oklahoma Alumnae Chapter; Tulsa, Oklahoma Alumnae Chapter; Outstanding Greek Woman, University of Oklahoma.

Other activities: Assistant General Counsel, Samson Investment Company; University of Oklahoma College of Arts and Sciences Board of Visitors; Junior League of Tulsa; Board of Directors, Child Abuse Network, Tulsa, OK; Leadership Tulsa.

Personal: Annabel's mother and two sisters are also Gamma Phi Betas from Psi Chapter. She also has five Gamma Phi cousins. She enjoys reading, walking, travel, family and friends. If the Oklahoma Sooners are playing football (home or away), it is almost a guarantee that Annabel is at the game - she loves those Sooners!

Krista Spanninger Davis

Beta Gamma, Bowling Green State University
Member-at-Large

Gamma Phi Beta Leadership: Director of Collegiate Operations-Midwest; Extension Presentation Team Member, John Carroll University; Strategic Plan Task Force-Chairwoman of Appointed Officers for Structure Committee; Member, Resolution #6 (New Member Program) Committee; Facilitator, Something of Value Program, Miami University; Province III Collegiate Director; President, Columbus Alumnae Chapter; New Member Educator Advisor, Alpha Nu Chapter.

Other activities: Member, Steering Committee of Olentangy Local Schools Continuous Improvement Plan; Educator, Olentangy Local Schools; President, Olentangy Teachers Association; Camp Director, Camp Invention; Member, Junior League of Columbus.

Personal: Krista resides in Galena, Ohio, with her husband, Jim, and two children. Jim is a software consultant for PeopleSoft, and Krista is currently taking a break from teaching elementary school to be a stay-at-home mom. Andrew recently turned six and is beginning Kindergarten

this year. Katie is three years old and began preschool in the fall. As a family, they enjoy downhill skiing in Holiday Valley, New York, in the winter as well as family bike rides in a nearby state park. Krista also loves to read in her spare time.

Diane Soderstrom Goff

Xi, University of Idaho
Membership Vice President

Gamma Phi Beta Leadership: Membership Vice President (2000-2002); Director of Collegiate Recruitment; Intensive Care Rush Coordinator; Legacy Ad Hoc Committee; Province XIII Collegiate Director; International Rush Consultant; International Collegiate PACE Chairwoman; Extension Supervisor; Collegiate Leadership Consultant; Loyalty Award, Gamma Phi Beta.

Other activities: Language Arts and Math Substitute Teacher; Alzheimer's Association Fundraising Chairwoman; Multiple Sclerosis Fundraising Chairwoman; Montessori School of Beaverton Silent Auction; Art and Literacy teacher and volunteer, McKinley School.

Personal: Diane's husband Rick, a Sigma Nu, and two sons Matthew and Kevin are supportive of her role as Gamma Phi Beta's Membership Vice President. They live in Beaverton, Oregon, where she substitute teaches. Diane enjoys reading and gardening in her spare time, and volunteering at church and in her sons' schools. She also enjoys traveling, both personally and for her Gamma Phi Beta position.

Elizabeth "Betty" Ahlemeyer Quick

Beta Phi, Indiana University
National Panhellenic Conference Delegate

Gamma Phi Beta Leadership: National Panhellenic Conference Delegate (1992-2002); Alternate National Panhellenic Conference Delegate; NPC Treasurer; NPC College Panhellenics Committee Chairwoman; NPC Area Advisor for College Panhellenics; Chairman of eight NPC College Panhellenic Consulting Teams; Province VI Collegiate Director; member of three House Corporation Boards; Terre Haute Alumnae Chapter Vice President; Chapter Advisor and Rush Advisor, Indiana State University; President, Terre Haute Alumnae Panhellenic.

Other activities: Elementary teacher; President, Constitution Village Society; President, University of Alabama in Huntsville Women's Club; Vice President and Treasurer, PEO; Co-Chair, Constitution Village Follies Productions.

Personal: Betty is married to Jerry and they have two sons, Patrick and Andrew. She has been a teacher, a private reading tutor and she owned a business. Her hobbies include collecting antiques, reading, traveling, participating in community activities and Gamma Phi Beta. Volunteering is an important part of her life and she believes doing something for others is one way to say "thank you" to those who have helped her. ■

SOMETHING OF VALUE

NPC Programming Making a Difference

Something of Value was developed by National Panhellenic Conference representatives alarmed at growing incidences of alcohol related problems on campuses across the nation. The program enables young women in the Greek community to work together to change behaviors and norms and develop an action plan designed to eliminate or decrease their risk-taking behavior.

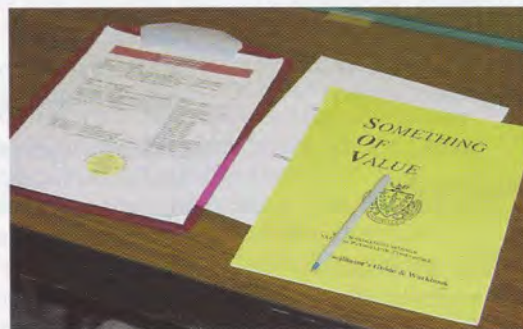
The first program was presented at Pennsylvania State University in 1995. Since that time, the program has been refined and presented on 74 campuses, 10 Conventions/leadership schools and seven regional conferences. It is scheduled on seven more campuses in the fall of 2002 and at all four Greek regional conferences in the spring of 2003.

Gamma Phi Beta supports *Something of Value* by providing two of the 13 volunteer NPC Team Leaders, Margaret West Pape, Psi, NPC 1st Alternate Delegate and Linda Daniel Johnson, Alpha Theta, NPC 3rd Alternate Delegate, and two of the 14 NPC attorneys, Patricia Crowley, Epsilon, PCD VIIIc and Judi Abbott McMahon, Gamma Eta, PMD.

On February 8-9, 2002, *Something of Value* was presented at Texas A&M University in College Station, Texas for the 11 NPC chapters on that campus. It was one of eight campuses benefiting from the presentation during the spring of 2002.

The campus Panhellenic sponsors each *Something of Value* program. Panhellenic executive officers commit to full participation in the weekend. Each individual chapter participates by sending 11 chapter officers and representatives and their chapter advisor. Every national group on campus supports the collegiate chapter by sending a national representative to campus for the weekend program.

A popular component of the program is an abbreviated mock trial held on Saturday morning, facilitated by an attorney and using College Panhellenic officers as witnesses while chapter members in attendance act as jury members. Common subjects of the "trial," which always involves a civil lawsuit brought by a member or her parents, are alcohol abuse, underage drinking, hazing and failure to follow risk-management procedures.



Texas A&M collegians enjoy their small group experience with Barbara Probst, $\Delta\Gamma$ national representative.

Equally important are the Saturday afternoon small group sessions in which like officers from each chapter on campus are grouped together to identify and discuss campus specific risky behaviors and develop a plan to address these behaviors. For many, it is surprising to learn that all of the chapters struggle with similar behavior issues. It is also empowering to realize that by working together chapters have a much stronger impact. Small group sessions end with a segment on building confrontation

skills to deal with sisters who place the chapter members in difficult or uncomfortable situations.

After Texas A&M University's *Something of Value* weekend, participants volunteered to make a difference in their chapter by:

- Speaking up about consequences and liabilities to everyone
- Offering more opportunities for non-alcoholic functions
- Encouraging other chapter members to hold their sisters accountable
- Caring more about the chapter's welfare
- Looking at my chapter to see what I can do to change it
- Serving as a positive role model
- Standing up for what is right

To find out more about bringing *Something of Value* to a campus or to support the program financially through the NPC Foundation, contact the NPC office at (317) 872-3185 or npccentral@npcwomen.org.

❖ by Linda Daniel Johnson | NPC 3rd Alternate Delegate



Keli Bottles ($\chi\Omega$), Texas A&M Univ. Panhellenic president, thanks Linda Johnson ($\Gamma\Phi\beta$), SOV Team Leader, for a great weekend.



MEMBER NEWS

Read about what Gamma Phi Beta collegiate and alumnae chapters are doing to have fun, help their communities and impact everyone and everything around them.

University of Puget Sound (ΓΕ) new members are excited to meet their family and receive their pillows on the night of big sis revealing.



Tricia Beelman (ΑΔ) and Tracy Hatley (ΑΔ) at Convention 2002.



Kris Baack (Π) and Anne Layton (ΑΤ) at one of the Convention Business Sessions.



Juanita Carrizales (ΖΑ) and Audrey Gonzalez (ΖΑ) at the Convention Foundation Luncheon.



Two Gamma Phis have a blast at the Foundation Luncheon on Thursday.

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Alpha Syracuse University

The sisters at Syracuse University hosted their annual Easter Party for the children of a local Catholic charity organization. The event was a success complete with an Easter egg hunt, games and egg coloring. Parents' Weekend and the spring formal were equally noteworthy. The chapter is proud to report receiving the Most Improved Chapter and the Most Outstanding Chapter Advisor awards at the recent Greek award ceremony.

Francisco radio station WILD 94.9FM, Noah's Bagels, Starbuck's Coffee, the Golden State Warriors, and many other local companies and organizations. Affiliated and non-affiliated Berkeley students eagerly participated in the event, including Malik, former star of MTV's "The Real World." The chapter was extremely proud of the event's success, raising almost \$1,000 for the Berkeley Food and Housing Project!



Syracuse University (A) sisters celebrate at Mother/Daughter Revealing Night.

Beta University of Michigan

Sisters at the University of Michigan enjoyed many activities in Greek Week and took sixth place overall in the very fierce competition. Saying goodbye to the seniors was difficult but the chapter enjoyed reminiscing over the highlights of their last four years.

Eta University of California/Berkeley

Last spring, the Gamma Phi's at U.C. Berkeley took second place in an All-Greek Philanthropic Dance Marathon and conducted a campus-wide event to raise funds for the Berkeley Food and Housing Project. Choosing to stage their own version of MTV's "Singled Out" dating show, the Eta chapter garnered sponsorships from San

Theta University of Denver

Two sisters from the University of Denver are making headlines with their new "Slip on Pocket." The Slip on Pocket is a garter with pockets which is designed to be worn under garments to discreetly hold credit cards, licenses, lipstick and money. Their product is featured in the September issue of Woman's Own Magazine.

Lambda University of Washington

Last fall quarter Lambda had an all-chapter grade point average of 3.36. Gamma Phi Beta was ranked first in grades above the other 15 sororities on the University of Washington campus. In addition to scoring well



Seniors at Southern Methodist University (AΞ) celebrate rite of passage during Senior Celebration.

above the all-undergraduate and all-women average, 48 members were included on the Dean's List. These women also accomplished first in grades winter quarter with an all-house grade point average of 3.37. The chapter participated in and raised over \$6,000 for the GREAT STRIDES walk, benefiting the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Congratulations to sister Julia Kusian who was mentioned in a recent edition of Time Magazine! Lambda chapter wishes good luck to their 19 members who graduated in 2002.

Sigma University of Kansas

Community service has been a focus for the sisters of the Sigma chapter. At a spring 2002 co-sponsored mud volleyball philanthropy and weekend car wash with neighboring

fraternities, the girls raised over \$1500 in donations. Spring 2002 graduation at the University of Kansas gave Gamma Phi Beta seniors extra opportunities to celebrate their honors and accomplishments as students and sisters. The chapter is working



Members of Tau chapter at the Colorado State University Greek Awards.

on KU's annual Rock Chalk Revue production which will take place in the first part of 2003.



University of Kansas (Σ) sisters from the 1998 new member class at graduation in front of the ΓΦΒ house.

Alpha Upsilon Pennsylvania State University
After the summer apart, Alpha Upsilon jumped back into action as they prepared to welcome their New Member Class after participating in the large and long fall recruitment at Penn State. The University's formal recruitment that all of the sororities participate in begins on September 5 with an Orientation and lasts until September 23 when the women are extended bids. After handing out their bids, Alpha Upsilon spent the next couple of weeks getting to know the women who will become their sisters and showing them all the wonderful aspects of Alpha Upsilon and Greek life.



Sisters from College of William & Mary (AX) say farewell for the summer.

Alpha Chi College of William and Mary
After finishing up a great spring semester, the sisters at William and Mary were ready for a fun and relaxing summer. Sisters traveled all over the world including Ecuador, England, Italy, Africa and Australia. All were ready for fall recruitment on their return. This semester is already busy with an overnight retreat, an annual philanthropy, Moonball, a new member formal and Homecoming on the docket!

Beta Alpha University of Southern California
The sisters at the University of Southern California are planning for their fall recruitment. The chapter was honored with the award for Excellence in Risk Management as well as for their new member programming, alumnae relations, recruitment and campus involvement at the University's Greek award ceremony last spring.

Beta Delta Michigan State University
In spring 2002, the Beta Delta chapter continued their strong tradition of success in Greek Week by teaming up with Sigma Phi Epsilon and Delta Tau

Delta. The team of three organizations recorded the highest attendance of all participants and together they won first place, giving Beta Delta chapter back to back championships. The week consisted of Field Day, MTV Fundraising Night, Battle of the Bands, Beat the Greeks and songfest competitions. Greek Week raised thousands of dollars for Special Olympics, United Way and other local charities. The team supported Special Olympics with over 97% attendance.

Gamma Epsilon University of Puget Sound
The sisters of the Gamma Epsilon chapter had a successful spring, receiving the Greek Campus Involvement and Spirit Award for planning, organization and participation in campus activities. The chapter is looking forward to recruitment and local philanthropic activities this fall.

Gamma Pi Minnesota State University/Mankato
This chapter had a great spring semester where they were involved with Special Olympics, Greek Week and a Dance Marathon for Children's Miracle Network. These 35 women put in over 650 community service hours over the course of the year. They are kicking off the fall semester with Welcome Week; helping the freshmen move in; and attending all events to make recruitment week greater than ever. They plan to take the title of Homecoming Champions once again. They also have plans to hold monthly alumnae events to strengthen the bonds with previously active members of Gamma Pi.



Sisters from Texas A&M University/Commerce (ΓΖ) take a minute to relax after preparing for formal recruitment.



The participants in Songfest prepare outside the Beta Delta chapter house before their performance. The theme of this year's Michigan State University Songfest was "Legends."

Gamma Tau St. Louis University
The Gamma Tau sisters had a great spring. They were awarded two of the highest honors at the annual Order of Omega Greek Awards Banquet: The Most Distinguished Chapter Award and The Best Chapter President Award for graduating senior, Katie Hanson. Other chapter events included a Tacky Prom, Parents' Weekend, a spring formal and a farewell to the seniors with a Rite of Passage. After a relaxing summer off, the girls could not wait to get going again with fall recruitment.



Sisters at Minnesota State University/Mankato (ΓΠ) at their formal.

Gamma Psi University of Northern Iowa
The girls of the Gamma Psi chapter had an awesome spring semester that included volunteering at the Special Olympics, picking up trash for Adopt-A-Highway, and participating in a fundraising event for St.

Jude Children's Research Hospital. They also began fundraising for a new house with magazine sales. Greek Week was success especially since they won Powder Puff football and came in first in many Greek Olympic events. The chapter moved forward on plans for Rally Week and fall formal recruitment.

Delta Epsilon Texas Wesleyan University
The Delta Epsilon chapter worked hard all summer getting ready for recruitment in August. Thanks to the Alpha Xi chapter, who graciously let them borrow their beautiful house for a weekend, Delta Epsilon was able to make final plans for recruitment. The sisters were looking forward to yet another successful recruitment.

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Delta Eta University of California/Irvine

The sisters of Delta Eta were thrilled with the success of their fourth annual Gammie Grand Prix fundraiser that raises money for an oncology foundation. The sisters invited other Greek chapters at the University to



Alyssa Marks, Carrie Newton, Stefanie Oliveira and Lauren Shears at Delta Eta's Annual Gammie Grand Prix Philanthropy, May 15, 2002.

take part by racing go-karts. The sisters also welcomed five new members to their chapter last May. This wonderful event was followed by a spring retreat in Palm Springs.

Delta Kappa Lehigh University

The sisters from Lehigh University made quite a showing with their newest members at the recent Greek Week competitions. Congratulations to sister Genevive Jones who took home the crown at Lehigh's "Sweetheart" competition. The chapter honored many members at a recent scholarship dinner and said a sorrowful goodbye to graduating seniors.

Delta Pi Illinois State University

The members of Delta Pi chapter had an exciting spring semester! Annual Camp Week was a big success with money raised going to help underprivileged children from other countries. At Formal, awards were given out and everyone had a wonderful time. The chapter was looking forward to fall recruitment.

Delta Sigma Florida Institute of Technology

Last spring, this chapter won the President's Trophy for most outstanding sorority at Florida Tech; the Greek academic award for highest Greek-letter chapter GPA; the Greek Philanthropy award for most outstanding service by a sorority; Greek Week 2002 (fourth



Sisters from Texas Wesleyan University (ΔΕ) enjoy a night out.

year in a row); and Rosemarie Somma, chapter president, was named Greek Woman of the year.

Delta Upsilon University of Georgia

The sisters at the University of Georgia said goodbye to their graduating seniors. While the seniors had jobs to look forward to, the rest of the sisters were busy planning for fall recruitment. The chapter had a weekend in July to clean up the house for fall recruitment. The sisters were looking forward to welcoming new members into the Sorority.

Delta Omega Oakland University

Sisters at Oakland University proudly welcomed eight new members last spring. The chapter raised over \$600 for a local humane society. The sisters are now busy planning for their upcoming "Throw a Pie at a Gamma Phi" event to raise money for the Make A Wish Foundation. Other events included attending the Pink Carnation Ball, planning for formal recruitment and saving to purchase a chapter house.

Epsilon Epsilon Union College

This chapter broke out their dancing shoes for an incredibly successful Spring Formal held at the Crown Plaza in Albany, New York. Over 200 students were transported by bus for the evening of fun that included stir-fry chefs and pasta at dinner. The DJ did a terrific job of taking requests and playing good music all night long. At the end of the night, the buses were loaded with sore feet from dancing, smiles on everyone's faces and memories from a wonderful night.



Members at Union College (EE) at their Spring Formal.

Epsilon Kappa California State University/Chico

These women had a fabulous turnout and a great time at their alumnae weekend last spring. The active chapter put on a beautiful day and close to 80 alumnae traveled far and wide to come to the event. This was an impressive turnout for a chapter that is just over 10 years old. The chapter is looking forward to a successful 2002-2003 year.

Epsilon Sigma Morehead State University

The sisters at Morehead State held their annual Kid's Karaoke fundraising event. The chapter was extremely pleased to raise over \$700 which was donated to a local charity. The sisters are now planning their ultimate frisbee philanthropy this fall. Last spring, the sisters of Epsilon Sigma initiated



Epsilon Kappa sisters at California State University/Chico had a great time on Alumnae Weekend.

five new members. They also gave bids to three other girls at the end of the semester who will be a part of the fall new member class. They had the annual philanthropy project in February, Kids Karaoke, with all proceeds going to DOVES, a domestic violence shelter. Epsilon Sigma was named Intramural Champion of all sororities for 2001-2002 at Morehead State. They had numerous mixers and finished the year with a Spring Formal on April 13 and a finals week Senior Celebration, where the chapter said goodbye to over 15 members.

Epsilon Tau University of Rochester

The Epsilon Tau chapter raised over \$2,000 at their annual Throw-A-Pie event in April. The day included sisters and special guests



Sisters at the University of Rochester (ET) at their annual Throw-a-Pie event in April.

getting hit with hundreds of pies to support their local philanthropy, Hillside Children's Center.

Zeta Beta University of Virginia

The sisters at the University of Virginia enjoyed a beautiful spring filled with fun and celebration. Festivities included the annual Mother-Daughter Tea, Senior Celebration in the Gardens, a "Just for Kicks" soccer philanthropy tournament, an



Whitney Spivey, Jessica Sacks, Corinna Grenfell, Liz Levy and Bre DiGiammarino, all Zeta Betas at the University of Virginia, at the 2002 Foxfield Races.

initiation ceremony at the University's chapel, a spring formal and a day of races. June found several sisters hosting alumnae during a reunion weekend.

Zeta Delta Southeast Missouri State University

The women of Zeta Delta were extremely busy in Spring 2002, participating in numerous philanthropies as well as Greek Week. The chapter earned first in grades for the Spring 2002 semester, an honor they have received for two consecutive years. In



addition, Zeta Delta finished second overall in intramurals. All members looked forward to the excitement of fall recruitment and welcoming new members to the chapter.

Zeta Epsilon Duquesne University

The sisters of the Zeta Epsilon chapter ended the 2001-2002 school year with sad farewells and happy hellos as they said

goodbye to a wonderful group of seniors and welcomed 17 new members. The new school year started with the annual fundraiser that benefits The Children's Institute of Pittsburgh. Also, the sisters hope to have their first annual Father-Daughter day. Plans for this inaugural event include spending the day relaxing with their fathers and catching a Pittsburgh Pirates game.

Zeta Kappa University of Southern Indiana

For the third year in a row, the Zeta Kappa chapter was crowned Sorority of the Year in 2002, while also receiving honors for outstanding alumnae relations and financial planning. The girls were also recognized for their incredible spirit and service to the University with the Spirit of the Eagle award. Zeta Kappa had a successful spring Lip Sync philanthropy, with money raised going to Camp Riley, a camp for children with physical disabilities. The girls closed out the year with the highest GPA, topping both the all women's and all university average.

Zeta Xi Albertson College of Idaho

The members of Zeta Xi welcomed their new members during a very successful spring Inspiration week. The chapter had a busy spring, including attending many campus events, and sponsoring an Ultimate Frisbee

Tournament, which raised money for kids with leukemia to attend summer camp. Albertson Gamma Phis also began planning recruitment and held their annual awards banquet. The Zeta Xi chapter would like to congratulate their recent graduates.



Our newest chapter, John Carroll University (ZO), at their Installation Banquet.

Zeta Omicron John Carroll University

A big welcome to the Zeta Omicron Chapter of John Carroll University! The sisterhood already boasts 52 wonderful members and the installation event was celebrated with

sisters, alumnae and family alike. Special thanks to Lisa Dill, Lisa Peterson, Cory Tice, Stacey Smith and Megan Scheatzle for their efforts in making this dream possible. We look forward to upcoming news, events and celebrations from this newest chapter.



Albertson College of Idaho (ZE) sisters at their Inspiration Week bonfire.



The women of the Zeta Delta chapter at Southeast Missouri State University proudly show the awards they received at Convention.

The eight new members from Winter recruitment of the Oakland University ($\Delta\Omega$) Gamma Phi Beta chapter.

ALUMNAE

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CALIFORNIA

BAKERSFIELD alumnae came together during the holiday season to collect toys and gifts for tots. The group also enjoyed a holiday dinner night out and a barbecue in June to kick-off the summer.

Members of the newly reorganized BEVERLY WESTWOOD Alumnae Chapter met to celebrate with a "Kick-off" luncheon at the home of Beth Jones. New members are wel-



Alumnae celebrate the reorganization of the Beverly Westwood Alumnae Chapter.

come and the group is currently putting together their plans for the 2002-2003 year.

The alumnae of the ORANGE COUNTY Crescent Circle have been and continue to be

instrumental in conducting the musical affairs of a local philharmonic society. This is one of over 30 committees working to bringing musical enrichment to more than 250,000 school children in Orange County.



Christine McLeod, Gamma Phi Beta Pasadena Alumnae Chapter; Therese Miller, Mt. Wilson Vista Girl Scouts Council; and Debby Downey, Gamma Phi Beta Pasadena Alumnae Chapter.

Continuing the tradition of the Gamma Phi Beta Sorority's international philanthropy of supporting camping for girls, the PASADENA Alumnae Chapter presented a donation of \$600 to the Mt. Wilson Vista Girl Scouts

Council on June 17, 2002, at the Mt. Wilson Vista Council's office in Arcadia. The Pasadena Alumnae Chapter donated \$300, which it had received in proceeds from a "white elephant" sale the members had earlier this year, along with a \$300 in matching funds the chapter received from the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation.

In April, a group of 14 young alumnae from the SACRAMENTO VALLEY chapter met to play bunko. This meeting was especially



The South Orange County Crescent Circle has been instrumental in bringing musical enrichment to over 250,000 school children in Orange County.

fun as many reunions occurred. Members attended Delta Chi's Parents/Alumnae

Weekend in May, where they held their first and very successful fundraiser. Gamma Phi Beta related baskets donated to the alumnae chapter were put up for bid in a silent auction. In May, members participated in the Race for the Cure walkathon, the Sacramento Alumnae Panhellenic philanthropy.

The chapter sponsored a Senior Celebration/Rites of Passage for graduating seniors with 32 women in attendance. This chapter had four members attend Convention in Washington, D.C.

FLORIDA

The DAYTONA BEACH AREA Crescent Circle enjoyed a Founders Day and Candle Ceremony with seven members in attendance at a local golf club. Congratulations to Kathy Harn who was just inducted as the President of the local Panhellenic Alumnae Association.



Bakersfield alumnae enjoy summer with a barbeque bash!

The GREATER FORT MYERS Alumnae Chapter was pleased that four out of the five Panhellenic scholarships were awarded to members last year!

Congratulations to Kristen Appleby, Beta Mu; Allison Conner, Beta Mu; Alyson Robben, Beta Mu; and Julie Garrison, Delta Sigma. The chapter made a contribution of \$630 plus matching Foundation funds to scholarships for young girls.



ILLINOIS

The CHICAGO Alumnae sisters meet monthly for informal dinners and devote all of their fundraising efforts to the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation's camping effort. They

also work closely with the Epsilon collegians by serving on the House Corporation Board and as advisors. Sally Erikson Lewis, member of the Chicago alumnae group and Beta Eta sister presented a Golden Crescent pin to her pledge mom, Barbara Work Hagenson, to recognize Barb's 50



Daytona Beach Area Crescent Circle celebrates Founders Day.



Chicago alumnae and Epsilon members at the North Shore Panhellenic Luncheon.



The Chicago Alumnae Chapter members celebrate the anniversary of their re-chartering during a Saturday cookout. They have done this annually since 1978.

years of membership in the Sorority. Barb and Sally are also celebrating 50 years of friendship. They met each other in the summer of 1952 when Barb served as Bradley University college counselor at a downtown Chicago department store. The special bond of sisterhood has continued through the years with visits, theater dates and frequent correspondence between Clinton, Iowa where Barb lives and Chicago where Sally resides.

KANSAS

On July 14, the WICHITA Alumnae chapter gathered for a meeting to discuss the agenda for the upcoming semester. It included a tour of the chapter house to see all of the beautiful



New York alumnae Sue Bloch, Gretchen Oostenink, Pat Mahan and Joan Marso with collegiate chapter president Sarah Osowski (EE), at their annual visit to Union College.

renovations; a review of the "wish list" from the chapter and a possible Capital Campaign; an update on the chapter's activities; discussion of alumnae events and programming ideas; and an outline of recruitment plans for the chapter and alumnae groups. They all had a great time and had many wonderful ideas to help their group grow.

NEVADA

LAS VEGAS VALLEY alumnae enjoyed a scrap booking party as well as a barbecue in the spring. Founders Day luncheon plans are now in the works for this fall. The alumnae invite any and all alumnae to join them in their upcoming festivities.



Greater Kansas City alumnae with Panhellenic Woman of the Year, Betty Hailey Crooker (Σ '57 - center, white skirt), at the Annual Panhellenic Brunch.

NEW YORK

Successful teamwork at UNION COLLEGE is an annual event. Each spring Sue Bloch, PCD; Gretchen Oostenink, PMD; Pat Mahan, PFD; Joan Marso, chapter advisor; and Sarah Osowski, chapter president meet for sisterhood, bonding and fun. They also share accountability for chapters, brainstorm, set goals, and find solutions to chapter challenges. Meetings are held with executive boards and particular offices, such as standards and social, as well as special PR and MEVP departmental meetings. They highly recommend these planning sessions to all international officers and members.



Detroit Metro Alumnae Chapter met at the Woodward Ave. restaurant for a new alumnae mixer to welcome the recent graduates to their chapter.

TEXAS

HOUSTON alumnae celebrated the installation of their new officers with a potluck dinner in April. The chapter has decided on "Building Sisterhood in Texas" as their theme for the upcoming year. They are now looking forward to actively participating in the colonization of Texas A&M University, College Station. Anticipating an exciting year, meeting dates have been set and will include a Saturday brunch, bunco games, Founders Day celebrations, a book review and an ornament exchange.

The bonds of sisterhood proved strong as 63 sisters from the GAMMA CHI chapter at Southwest Texas State University gathered near campus for a reunion weekend last February. Weekend highlights included remembering old friends and chapter songs, lunches, dinners and a memorial service honoring the chapter's eight deceased members. Plans are already underway to make this reunion a biennial event!



The women of Province 10a show their patriotic spirit at the Confirmed Conventioneers dinner.



Syracuse alumnae held a senior supper for graduating seniors.

WASHINGTON

Alumnae in PUGET SOUND have had a busy spring with weddings, baby showers and philanthropy projects. The chapter welcomed 26 new members in May, all graduates from the University of Puget Sound. June found the group racing in a local breast cancer fundraiser. Monthly summer gatherings made way for a fun-filled and productive fall.



Dallas alumnae and Southern Methodist University (A&E) collegians share the joy during their annual senior celebration in April.



Delta Omicron alumnae, with alumna initiate, Karen Fritz-Johnson, at their April 6 initiation.

ORDER OF THE CRESCENT

Five Crescents signifying excellence in all areas

- Theta** University of Denver
- Xi** University of Idaho
- Pi** University of Nebraska/Lincoln
- Omega** Iowa State University
- Alpha Nu** Wittenberg University
- Gamma Kappa** Univ. of Nebraska/Kearney
- Gamma Tau** St. Louis University
- Delta Delta** California State Univ/Fullerton
- Delta Lambda** Univ. of California/Riverside
- Epsilon Gamma** University of San Diego
- Epsilon Nu** Chapman University

LOYALTY LEVEL

Four Crescents in four out of five areas

- Gamma** University of Wisconsin/Madison
- Alpha Beta** University of North Dakota
- Alpha Iota** Univ. of California/Los Angeles
- Alpha Xi** Southern Methodist University
- Beta Alpha** Univ. of Southern California
- Beta Eta** Bradley University
- Beta Kappa** Arizona State University
- Beta Lambda** San Diego State University
- Beta Omicron** Oklahoma City University
- Beta Rho** University of Colorado
- Beta Sigma** Washington State
- Gamma Rho** Univ. of Wisconsin/Oshkosh
- Gamma Psi** University of Northern Iowa
- Delta Mu** Rutgers State University
- Delta Tau** Colgate University
- Delta Psi** Univ. of California/Santa Barbara
- Epsilon Beta** Alma College
- Epsilon Delta** Creighton University
- Epsilon Epsilon** Union College
- Epsilon Sigma** Morehead State University
- Epsilon Psi** Univ. of North Carolina/Asheville
- Zeta Delta** Southeast Missouri State Univ.
- Zeta Iota** Valparaiso University
- Zeta Kappa** University of Southern Indiana
- Zeta Xi** Albertson College of Idaho
- Zeta Omicron** John Carroll University

Gamma Phi's at Texas Wesleyan University (ΔE) after winning 1st place in Greek Week!

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International Gamma Phi Beta is pleased to share the 2001-2002 results of the **Order of the Crescent**, an incentive and rewards program for collegiate chapters. Read on to learn what level of recognition your chapter received for the 2001-2002 academic year - and discover how the **Order of the Crescent** can help every Gamma Phi Beta chapter be the best it can be.

HERE'S WHY:

Every Gamma Phi Beta collegiate chapter deserves recognition for its accomplishments. All chapters will receive recognition annually in *The Crescent* and biennially at our international Convention.

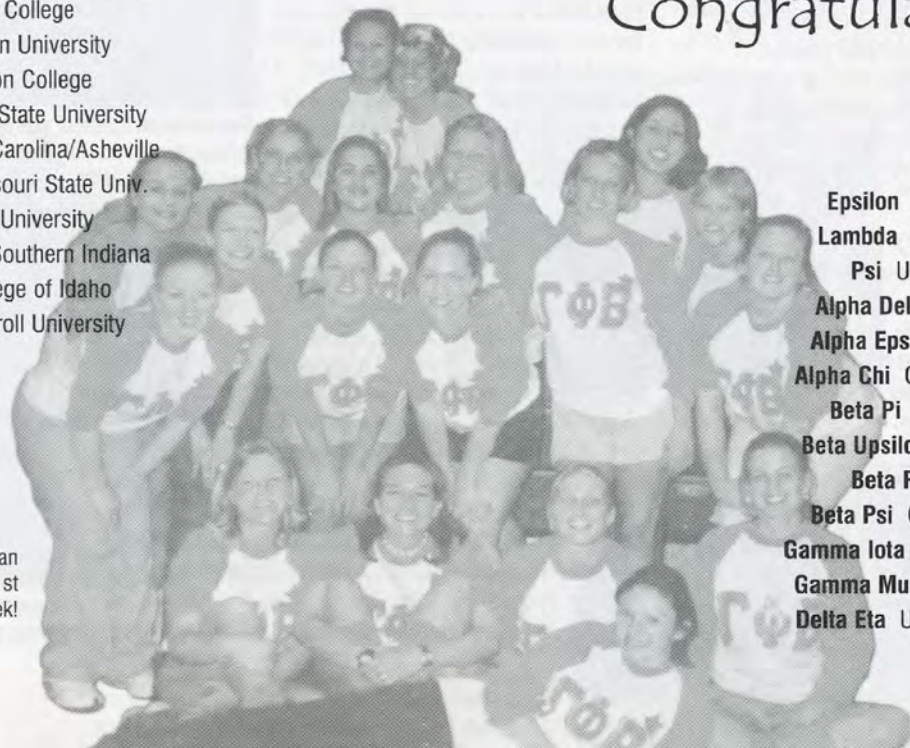
Structured to conform with Gamma Phi Beta's "Criteria for Chapter Excellence," the program is an opportunity for chapters to share their success. It is also a wonderful goal setting tool.

HERE'S HOW IT WORKS:

The **Order of the Crescent** recognizes chapters for excellence in each of the five areas of "The Criteria for Chapter Excellence." The five areas in the "Criteria for Chapter Excellence" are:

recruitment	risk management	member education
finance and efficiency		scholarship

Congratulations to



- Epsilon** Northwestern University
- Lambda** University of Washington
- Psi** University of Oklahoma
- Alpha Delta** University of Missouri
- Alpha Epsilon** University of Arizona
- Alpha Chi** College of William and Mary
- Beta Pi** Indiana State University
- Beta Upsilon** Kansas State University
- Beta Phi** Indiana University
- Beta Psi** Oklahoma State University
- Gamma Iota** Midwestern State University
- Gamma Mu** Moorhead State University
- Delta Eta** University of California/Irvine

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Province's Collegiate Chapters

Contact your Province Collegiate Director, New Chapter Director or Chapter Development Coordinator for more information on the **Order of the Crescent**, the "Criteria for Chapter Excellence" and how your chapter can achieve the highest possible level of recognition. Your progress will be tracked. (Refer to the Greek-Letter President's Book for more information on the "Criteria of Chapter Excellence.")

HERE'S WHAT IT LOOKS LIKE:

Love Level

One crescent signifying excellence in one area

Labor Level

Two crescents signifying excellence in two areas

Learning Level

Three crescents signifying excellence in three areas

Loyalty Level

Four crescents signifying excellence in four areas

Order of the Crescent

Five crescents signifying excellence in all five areas

Please review the Fall 2003 issue of *The Crescent* when we will announce the level your chapter received for the 2002-2003 academic year. We hope to see your chapter's name in the **Order of the Crescent!** 📖

Following chapters ...

EL
three areas

- Delta Pi** Illinois State University
- Delta Chi** California State/Sacramento
- Epsilon Theta** Clemson University
- Epsilon Iota** Christopher Newport College
- Epsilon Kappa** California State University/Chico
- Epsilon Mu** Loyola University
- Epsilon Omicron** Univ. of California/Santa Cruz
- Zeta Beta** University of Virginia
- Zeta Gamma** Sonoma State University
- Zeta Theta** Pepperdine University
- Zeta Lambda** Texas A&M/Corpus Christi
- Zeta Nu** University of Detroit/Mercy

Syracuse University (A)
seniors at their Spring
2002 Formal.

LOVE LEVEL

One Crescent in any area

Nu University of Oregon

Alpha Alpha University of Toronto

Alpha Tau McGill University

Alpha Omega University of Western Ontario

Beta Delta Michigan State University

Beta Mu Florida State University

Gamma Phi Auburn University

Gamma Omega Univ. of Wisconsin/Platteville

Delta Iota Purdue University

Delta Omicron Southern Polytechnic University

Delta Upsilon University of Georgia

Delta Omega Oakland University

Zeta Zeta Coastal Carolina University

Zeta Eta Lander University

LABOR LEVEL

Two Crescents in any two areas

Alpha Syracuse University

Beta University of Michigan

Omicron University of Illinois

Rho University of Iowa

Sigma University of Kansas

Tau Colorado State University

Alpha Lambda University of British Columbia

Beta Gamma Bowling Green State University

Beta Epsilon Miami University

Beta Omega Northern Arizona University

Gamma Beta Gettysburg College

Gamma Gamma University of Wisconsin/Milwaukee

Gamma Epsilon University of Puget Sound

Gamma Zeta Texas A&M Commerce

Gamma Eta Cal State University/Long Beach

Gamma Pi Minnesota State University/Mankato

Delta Epsilon Texas Wesleyan University

Delta Theta California Polytechnic State Univ.

Delta Kappa Lehigh University

Delta Phi California State Univ/Bakersfield

Epsilon Alpha LaSalle University

Epsilon Zeta Jacksonville University

Epsilon Eta Bridgewater State College

Epsilon Lambda University of Alabama

Epsilon Pi George Mason University

Epsilon Tau University of Rochester

Epsilon Phi Bentley College

Zeta Alpha Eastern Washington University

Zeta Epsilon Duquesne University

Zeta Mu St. John's University

Alpha Epsilon Chapter (University of Arizona)
 Alpha Epsilon House Corporation Board
 Alpha Stationery (Custom Imprints)
 American Girls dba Pleasant Company
 Angelus Pacific Company
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 Chicago Northwest Suburban Alumnae Chapter
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 Dayton Alumnae Chapter
 Delta Chi Chapter (California St. Univ/Sacramento)
 Delta Lambda Chapter (U. of California/Riverside)
 Delta Pi Chapter (Illinois State University)
 Denver Alumnae Chapter
 Denver Nuggets
 Denver Tech Printing Inc.
 Disneyland Resorts/Nancy Preston Schellhase
 Doncaster Fashions/Mary Earl Spencer
 Jo Ann Fanning Durham
 Eastern Virginia Alumnae Chapter
 Edelman Public Relations Worldwide/Bridget Klein
 Elena's/Caroline Moose
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Express Design Group (greekgear.com)
 Julie Campbell Fein
 Fort Collins Alumnae Chapter
 Jan Freese
 Juliet Funt
 Gamma Rho Chapter (Univ. of Wisconsin/Oshkosh)
 Gamma Tau Chapter (St. Louis University)
 Doris Bird Gorden
 Beverly Smith Gosnell
 Raja Gosnell
 Hyatt Hotels & Resorts/ Ruth Ann Morse Gray
 Frances Rea Griffin

Crystal Gateway Marriott Hotel
 Corinne Martinez
 Masters of Design
 Rene' Matz
 Peggy Glover Mauter
 Laura Taylor McMurray
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 Reno Alumnae Chapter
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 Sacramento Valley Alumnae Chapter
 San Diego Alumnae Chapter
 Susan Sassaman Designs
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 South Bay Alumnae Chapter
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2002 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

Washington D.C. ✦ June 26-30, 2002

✦ by Lottie Nilsen | Assistant Editor

From registration and the Opening Dinner to the Closing Ritual at the Pink Carnation Banquet, more than 700 Gamma Phi Beta sisters had the opportunity to experience "History in the Making" at Convention 2002 held June 26-29 at the Crystal Gateway Marriott in Washington, D.C. Gamma Phi Beta's 70th Convention offered something for every sister from those attending their first convention to 50+ year members who had so many ribbons attached to their name tags that they needed to grow a few inches just to accommodate the rainbow that showed off their pride and devotion to Gamma Phi Beta.

Convention 2002 offered a schedule packed with thoughtful speakers, important business sessions, learning opportunities and excellent meals. While there was not much sleep to be had, there were lots of chances to meet sisters from all around the world. Most significantly, it was a chance to see a slice of Gamma Phi Beta history!

SEE HISTORY

Convention couldn't have been held in a more important, exciting and relevant city in 2002. Just as the United States Constitution and Bill of Rights are committed to the support of each American, Gamma Phi Beta's mission is to foster a nurturing environment that provides women the opportunity to achieve their potential through life-long commitment to intellectual growth, individual worth and service to humanity. These are qualities valued by the Sorority's International Council and membership as well as the top executive leader of the United States.



LEFT: The Wednesday night Business Session.

RIGHT: International President, Vicki Carlson Read, at the Confirmed Conventioneers Dinner.

RIGHT: Gamma Phis show off their patriotic souvenirs.

LEFT: Ginny Harris Hammond, Phyllis Donaldson Choat, speaker Krista Ritacco, Bonnie Payne and L'Cena Rice.

BELOW: Members get ready for the flag processional during the opening business session.



SEE HISTORY IN THE MAKING

Laina Bush (Alpha Theta, Vanderbilt University), Convention 2002 Chairwoman asked in her welcome "What could be a better place for Gamma Phi Beta's representatives to gather together to determine the future of our Sorority than the home of this country's governing bodies?" Sisters who attended Convention answered that question by voicing their opinions and deciding on a new philanthropic collaboration; electing the Sorority's governing body; embracing new programming; recognizing Gamma Phis who have made major contributions to the Sorority and communities where they live; and committing to the future of Gamma Phi Beta by donating to the Foundation and supporting Sorority fund raisers.



Convention 2002 came at a dynamic period in United States history, when each sister had to learn to overcome the events of 2001 and look to the future. This idea was never more present at Convention 2002 than at the opening business session when an American Flag that had flown over the US Capital in honor of Gamma Phi Beta that day was hand delivered by an Eagle Scout. Every sister in the room cheered because as Gamma Phi Betas remember the heritage of this organization, they also recall the heritage of the United States.



Camp Fire USA

In support of the Sorority's international philanthropic focus, the Convention body voted to collaborate with Camp Fire USA, furthering Gamma Phi Beta's efforts to develop resiliency in girls through camping. Camp Fire USA National CEO, Stewart J. Smith, spoke at Friday morning's Philanthropy Breakfast. His personal charisma and enthusiasm for Camp Fire USA persuaded many attendees to vote affirmatively about working with one of the nation's leading not-for-profit youth development organizations, serving over 650,000 participants annually. Camp Fire USA is headquartered in Kansas City, Missouri. It is over 90 years old and provides all-inclusive, coeducational programs in hundreds of communities across the United States, offering youth leadership, self-reliance, after school groups, camping and environmental education and child care.

In his speech, Stewart spoke of his experience of being orphaned at a young age. When deciding the fate of him and his brothers, an adult referred to the Smith children as "throw-away kids." This judgment impacted him in every aspect of his life. Proving that person wrong led him down a path that eventually put him at the helm of a national organization that works to ensure no young person is a throw-away child. During a question and answer session that followed Stewart's speech, Marta Brown (Delta, Boston University) offered to stand in as his mother if he had not already filled that spot, to which he replied, "I'd be proud to call you mom."

Complete Sister Program

The Member-at-Large Department proudly unveiled the new "Gamma Phi Beta Complete Sister Program" that was developed during the biennium. Members at Convention enthusiastically embraced the updated programming concept. Each of the programs reflect Gamma Phi Beta's core values. Programs are flexible and designed to meet the needs of sisters throughout all phases of their membership:

RIGHT: International President, Vicki Carlson Read, with Foundation Chairwoman, L'Cena Brunskill Rice.

BELOW: Convention attendees do their part by donating books to Reach Out and Read.



Vicki Read with Stewart J. Smith, Camp Fire USA National CEO.



new members, collegians, seniors, and alumnae.

Award Winning Gamma Phis

At both the Awards Dinner on Thursday evening and the Pink Carnation Banquet on Saturday night, Gamma Phi Beta took the opportunity to recognize the achievements of chapters and individuals who have done more than has been asked of them.

The Thursday night Awards dinner brought lots of smiles as many awards were bestowed to alumnae and collegians alike. Although her schedule kept her away at the last minute, Congresswoman **Jennifer Dunn** (Lambda, University of Washington) was honored for her outstanding work in the United States House of Representatives.



The newly elected 2002-2004 International Council: Elizabeth "Betty" Ahlemeyer Quick, NPC Delegate; Krista Spanninger Davis, Member-at-Large; Barbara "Barbie" Chadwick, Collegiate Vice President; Sandra Biegelman Burba, Alumnae Vice President; Diane Soderstrom Goff, Membership Vice President; Vicki Carlson Read, President; Karen Blackman, Sorority Executive Director; and Annabel Jones, Financial Vice President.

Notable award winners at the Saturday evening festivities were **Barbara Missert Wessel** and **Marilyn Smith Swift Tennity**, both from Alpha chapter at Syracuse University. Barbara was recognized with the Honor Roll Award for her extensive contributions to the Sorority and the Foundation. Marilyn was given the Philanthropist Award by Foundation President L'Cena Brunskill Rice (Beta Alpha, University of Southern California). Marilyn was recognized for her generous contributions to Gamma Phi Beta, as well as to the community at large.

Also that evening, the following women were presented Carnation Awards by International President



Honor Award recipient, Barbara Missert Wessel with her husband David.



2002 CARNATION AWARD WINNERS (L to R): Mary Elizabeth "Betsey" Bayless, Kay Sprinkel (Beaumont) Grace, Cinda Keating Lucas, Ann McDaniel, Christine Shelly, Deanell Reece Tacha, Rosemary Thomson, and Magnes Wessel.



Juliet Funt, Keynote Speaker



Diane Goff, Membership Vice President, Krista Hanna PMD IV and Alumna Initiate Sponsor, and Leah Myers one of the newest members of Gamma Phi Beta, initiated at Convention.

Carnation Award at the Opening Business Session on Wednesday night. Ann spoke of her amazing experiences as a journalist, traveling around the world covering many beats including national affairs and politics.

Two more sisters, **Mary Elizabeth "Betsey" Bayless** (Alpha Epsilon, University of Arizona) and **Deanell Reece Tacha** (Sigma, University of Kansas) were recognized as Carnation Award winners in 2002, but they were unable to attend Convention.

Foundation Success

A truly historic moment for the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation was the announcement that sisters had given more than \$60,000 in donations at this Convention - far surpassing prior Conventions.

Other Fund Raisers Making History

Many sisters took advantage of seeing history in the making by visiting the enhanced Convention Boutique and Product Showcase. Convention 2002 offered quality merchandise from several licensed vendors that greatly improved the selection of Gamma Phi Beta merchandise. With their purchases from licensed vendors, members not only enjoyed their new Gamma Phi Beta memorabilia, but also supported the international

Vicki Carlson Read (Alpha Epsilon, University of Arizona). Each of these sisters has shown a great amount of character and integrity to accomplish extraordinary things:

Kay Sprinkel Grace (Eta, University of California/Berkeley), **Cinda Keating Lucas** (Beta Eta, Bradley University), **Christine Shelley** (Alpha Theta, Vanderbilt University), **Rosmary Clinebell Thomson** (Beta Eta, Bradley University),

Mary A. "Magnes" Welsh (Gamma Alpha, Memphis State Univ.).

In addition to the Carnation Winners on Saturday night, **Ann McDaniel** (Alpha Theta, Vanderbilt University), vice president of the Washington Post Company and former managing editor of Newsweek Magazine, was presented the



Five time Confirmed Conventioneers celebrated their Conga Line entrance in grand fashion with t-shirts, their five pink carnations and huge smiles! There were almost 30 of them!



Current and former Financial Vice Presidents at Convention 2002. Pictured are Annabel Jones (2002-2004), Frances Rea Griffin (1988-1992), Gloria Swanson Nelson (1974-1978), Joanne Callis Roman (1998-2002), Mary Jane Hipp Mithos (1978-1982) and Mary Nelson Nicely (1972-1974).

RIGHT: Children from Camp Fire USA joined members on Friday at the Philanthropy Breakfast.

BELOW: Gamma Phi Beta raised \$1,000 for Comfort Zone Camp. The check was presented by L'Cena Rice and Dr. Ruth Seeler at the Foundation Luncheon.



organization. Royalties from their purchases went towards the programs and services offered by the Sorority to all its members.

The Alumnae Boutique, making a successful return after a six-year hiatus, provided another shopping venue for Gamma Phi Betas and a fund raising opportunity for industrious alumnae groups. Vonda Bryant (Epsilon Iota, Christopher Newport College), chairwoman of the Alumnae Boutique, oversaw the development of this feature that was added after Convention 2000. "The combination of sisterhood, organization, flexibility and a well-rounded group of alumnae chapters are just a few of the attributes which made the 'goal of excellence' achievable for Resolution #2000-8," Vonda said.

If they were looking to purchase Gamma Phi Beta clothing and accessories from the Convention Boutique or the fun and eclectic assortment of merchandise available at the Alumnae Boutique, sisters had no trouble with one of their favorite past times: shopping. Both Boutiques were very successful, including a Friday night "Midnight Madness Sale" that had women lining up outside the doors.

PLAN TO PARTICIPATE

Whether its sisters having a great time at Convention, or Gamma Phi Beta membership taking advantage of plans unveiled at Convention, everyone benefits from four incredibly intense days in which the Sorority's official business - and fun - takes place.

At the Confirmed Conventioneers dinner on Friday night, sisters had so much fun with the traditional conga line and dancing that the disc jockey asked if he could join us in Chicago in 2004! The videographer said he had never seen so much enthusiasm and energy from a group that did not drink any alcohol. There were



ABOVE: CLCs from previous years gathered for a picture at the Confirmed Conventioneers Dinner.



LEFT: 10 time Confirmed Conventioneers drew attention in their specially-made blue shirts.

group of women our Convention brought to Washington, DC. Sisters' enthusiasm and energy spilled into the city as many enjoyed specially arranged "Washington by Night Tours" via very comfortable buses.

Sisters donated hundreds of books to Reach Out and Read, an organization that promotes literacy by making books a routine part of pediatric care. They had the opportunity to buy the new history book, "The Legacy of Gamma Phi Beta: Love Labor Learning Loyalty." Through the sales of the Gamma Phi Beta commemorative poster, members raised money for Comfort Zone Camp, an organization that helps children grieve

RIGHT: Collegians have a blast during Confirmed Conventioneers.

BELOW: Convention Alumnae Boutique volunteers.



RIGHT: Past and present members of the Financial department, some of whom are celebrating their fifth year, have a great time at Convention.

BELOW: Having attended the most Conventions, these Gamma Phis enjoy the view from the front of the conga line.



the loss of a loved one through a special camp experience.

Members listened to thoughtful and articulate speakers. Keynote speaker Juliet Funt addressed negative images in our society that hinder success in women. Krista L. Ritacco (Beta Rho, Univ. of Colorado/Boulder), who works in the West Wing of the White House with the Communications, Speechwriting, Media Affairs, Global Communications and Press Departments, spoke about her experiences in politics.

While Convention 2002 was a learning experience for every sister who had the privilege of attending, it also benefits the women who were not able to be there. The new "Gamma Phi Beta Complete Sister Program" and the Sorority's new philanthropic collaboration provide opportunities for the entire Gamma Phi Beta membership to participate in important activities.

Now that Convention 2002 is over, sisters are already planning to make history with Convention 2004, which will be held June 23-27 at the Marriott Lincolnshire Resort in Chicago. Plan to participate! 🍷



Please check out our website at www.gammaphibeta.org for more information and resources:

- ★ For a complete list of those recognized at the **Awards Dinner**, the **Pink Carnation Banquet** or Barbara Missert Wessel, **Honor Roll Award Winner**, click on Event Center, then click on Convention, then go to Awards Information on the pull-down menu.
- ★ To learn more about International Council, click on Gamma Phi Beta Up Close, then click on International Council.
- ★ To order a Convention 2002 Commemorative Poster and benefit Comfort Zone Camp, click on the poster icon on the homepage.
- ★ To order a Convention 2002 Video, click on Event Center, then click on Convention, then scroll down to the order form.
- ★ To find out more about the Camp Fire USA collaboration, click on their logo located on the homepage.
- ★ To obtain a history book order form, click on the What's New link and download the order form.

DELTA OMEGA RUNS SECOND MARATHON

Ann Pampreen (Delta Omega, Oakland University), a member of the Arthritis Foundation's Joints in Motion Training team, is working toward her second marathon in two years with the group.

Ann will travel to Dublin, Ireland on October 28, 2002 to complete her personal challenge that involves testing her physical endurance as well as her ability to raise money to support the many programs and research sponsored by the Arthritis Foundation. Ann pledged to raise \$4,700 and improve on last year's finishing time of five hours and one minute.

An orthopedic nurse practitioner, Ann will be running the marathon in honor of her patients diagnosed with arthritis. "I am reminded daily to be thankful that I can painlessly perform the simplest task, such as rising from a chair or tying my shoes," she said.

Arthritis affects 43 million Americans of all ages, and almost twice as many women as men. Visit Ann's website, <http://pampreen.chariteam.com>, to learn more about her work with arthritis patients.



Ann (left) with some of her Delta Omega sisters.

GAMMA PHI ELECTED TO AMERICAN RED CROSS BOARD

Christine McLeod (Delta Eta, University of California/Irvine) was elected to serve on the Board of Directors of the San Gabriel Valley Chapter of the American Red Cross. Christine will serve for three years in that position, helping to lead the organization that is staffed by volunteers to provide relief to victims of disaster, as well as helping people prevent, prepare for and respond to emergencies.

COLLEGIATE ENTREPRENEURS FIND SUCCESS

Lindsey Scholl and Kristin Merkel (Theta, University of Denver) are young entrepreneurs who are making a name for themselves. The two juniors came up with the idea for Slip on Pocket when they were looking for a safe and convenient way to store their belongings without taking a cumbersome purse with them for social occasions. It also works well for exercising and traveling.



Kristin and Lindsey

Slip on Pocket is an adjustable garter with stretchable pockets, designed to be worn discreetly under clothing. It holds credit cards, key, licenses, lipstick and money and can be worn around arms, ankles and thighs.

When the pair started their business, they were met with a lot of criticism and doubt. They were told they did not have the experience to run a company or the perseverance to succeed. The criticism just made them work harder.

In the last several months, they have been featured in local and national publications. Several boutiques in Colorado and Florida have started carrying their product.

PACESETTERS WANTED

Are you a Pacesetter or know someone who is? Gamma Phi Beta sisters all over the world are doing research, writing books, starting their own businesses, being elected to political offices, inventing new products, or just making a difference. We want to feature you in our quarterly Pacesetter section. Send a letter about yourself or a sister and a photo to: Editor, Gamma Phi Beta Sorority, 12737 E. Euclid Drive, Englewood, CO 80111.

HISTORIAN GRATEFUL FOR OPPORTUNITY

My husband and I love to travel, and as we have traveled I have accumulated a collection of women's diaries which authors have preserved and annotated. I have been enamored with the accounts of women's lives across various eras in varied experiences—from women who have survived pioneer treks to distant terrain, to women who have stoked the stoves in one-room rural schools, to women who have sacrificed and survived in the shadow of war.

I have shared with my husband my dream that, somehow, should the circumstances ever be conducive to such an endeavor, I would cherish the chance to contribute in some small part to the preservation of women's ideas and inspirations. As I had considered how to do this, I had hoped that my chance, perhaps, would come in the context of my professional duties, as I had wanted at some point to document the experiences of women who had various communication disorders.

I am still committed to this, so perhaps at some point this will be a dream realized. However, in the meantime, I have received a wonderful opportunity from our sorority to experience women's history in the form of the study of the legacy of those four special women from Syracuse University.

I cannot conceive of any Sorority-related endeavor that could have been more informative, inspirational, or fun than to serve in the position of International Historian. So, please accept my sincere appreciation for the opportunity to be a part of the preservation of Gamma Phi Beta history and to contribute to the preparation of our newest Sorority history book. You have truly helped me to have my dream come true.

Cheryl Gunter

Gamma Xi, University of Tennessee

I just received a copy of "The Legacy of Gamma Phi Beta: Love, Labor, Learning, Loyalty" history book - it is a masterpiece!!! I have no idea how long it will take me to read it thoroughly - even a quick glance at each page is fascinating! What a proud GPB history we have! Please express our appreciation to Cheryl Gunter for a job well done as International Historian!

In IIKE,

Peggy Glover Mauter

President, Naples FL Alumnae Chapter

To obtain an order form for the new history book "The Legacy of Gamma Phi Beta: Love, Labor, Learning, Loyalty" visit www.gammaphibeta.org and click on "Here's What's New!"

The Sorority appreciates the return of a deceased member's badge, when possible, so that it might be preserved in the archives.

Alpha Syracuse University
1921 Margaret Goreth Hunt
1927 Barbara Hoyt Hills

Beta University of Michigan
1926 Barbara Wheeler Turnoch

Gamma Univ. of Wisconsin/Madison
1931 Marjorie Zinn
1940 Mary Edwards Sutton

Tau Colorado State University
1944 Freidann Parker

Phi Washington University
1924 Emilyn Arbogast Giessow
1929 Dorothy Bourne Barker
1930 Hazel Hausner Cotton

Chi Oregon State University
1926 Dorothy Besse Erickson

Alpha Iota U. of California/Los Angeles
1936 Elizabeth Evans Hyde

Alpha Lambda Univ. of British Columbia
1935 Nan Thomson Talling

Alpha Mu Rollins College
1944 Ruth McDaniel Wilson
1945 Betty Barnett Killian

Alpha Omicron North Dakota State Univ.
1934 Elizabeth Baillie Litten
1947 Carolyn Allen Cooley

Alpha Pi West Virginia University
1930 Lucille Ahern Henderson
1930 Marian Williams

Alpha Sigma Randolph Macon W.C.
1930 Mary Rush Baum
1932 Mary Louise Klauer Turner
1939 Patricia Kane Arey

Alpha Tau McGill University
1943 Barbara Graw Smythe

Alpha Phi Colorado College
1932 Bertha Maxeiner Deppe
1936 Dorothy Thompson

Alpha Omega Univ. of Western Ontario
1941 Martha Georgena Falls

Beta Alpha Univ. of Southern California
1957 Patricia Ritchie Harvey
1985 Elizabeth Sampson Smith

Beta Epsilon Miami University (OH)
1949 Janet Myers Zoll

Beta Lambda San Diego State Univ.
1949 Donna Zeglis Powell

Beta Upsilon Kansas State University
1986 Annette Walahoski Rittmaster

Beta Omega Northern Arizona Univ.
1961 Irene McWilliams Pittard

Gamma Beta Gettysburg College
1962 Nancy Ayers Gregory

Delta Delta Calif. State Univ/Fullerton
1988 Michelle Halvorsen Wakamoto

Delta Omega Oakland University
1994 Jessica Nagle Wilson

Epsilon Alpha LaSalle University
1986 Kristine Rogacz Taylor

Donations

Donations in memory of friends, sisters and loved ones may be sent to the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation at International Headquarters. If you would like a card sent to a family member or friend, please include that address. A member's name will only be listed in this section upon receipt of a confirmed death notice such as an obituary or a notification from the deceased member's family.

Epsilon Northwestern University
1918 Eleanor Bennett Buckmaster
1942 Winifred Olson Warner

Eta University of California/Berkeley
1920 Helen Roberts Mangin
1924 Eleanor Atkinson Sweigert

Kappa Univ. of Minnesota/Minneapolis
1923 Mary Staples Kennedy
1939 Marion Legler Kingsley

Lambda University of Washington
1926 Evelyn Canfield Kirk
1930 Jean Foster Radford
1943 Patricia Odland Venables
1944 Nancy Griffiths Fenton

Nu University of Oregon
1933 Dorothy Paley Kelley

Pi University of Nebraska/Lincoln
1943 Wauneta Ziegler Williams

Sigma University of Kansas
1945 Mary McClure Johnson
1946 Susan Wright Pierpont
1955 Carol Clifton Church
1956 Sara Wyman Barnum

Psi University of Oklahoma
1934 Maurine Marshall McCurtain
1936 Mary Watters Stone
1948 Hope Roach Strasner
1961 Martha Godfrey Christopher

Omega Iowa State University
1934 Genevra Hocum Kruse
1935 Ruth Deems Cooper
1939 Barbara Donald Stamm

Alpha Gamma Univ. of Nevada/Reno
1937 Maude Patterson Geertsema

Alpha Delta Univ. of Missouri/Columbia
1926 Louise Ogilvie
1931 Gertrude Walker Gibson
1941 Catherine "Kitty" Kolb Evans
1947 Eleanor McClure Story

Alpha Epsilon University of Arizona
1937 Genevieve Hagan Jasper

Alpha Zeta University of Texas
1923 Dorothy Shivers Clendenin
1937 Elouise Wagner Pennycuik
1940 Jean Ely Berry

Alpha Eta Ohio Wesleyan University
1930 Frances Rickey McMahon

Memorials received by the following dates will be included in the corresponding issues of *The Crescent*:

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Fall issue | July 1
Summer issue | April 1
Winter issue | October 1

Memorial Gifts are listed alphabetically with the person being honored in boldface type. The person making the honor gift appears in italics underneath.

Dr. Gary Aden (husband of Jeanne Schroll Aden - Beta Rho '56)
La Jolla Alumnae Chapter

Mary Meyer Bartholomew (Beta '37)
Arthur P. Bartholomew

Mary Wickes Bellas (Xi '35)
Hugh Bellas

Ruby "Boots" Best (Gamma Alpha '58)
Paula Dean

Ginny Lees Carney (Nu '40)
La Jolla Alumnae Chapter

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Sorority members and friends may make memorial gifts to the Foundation upon the death of a member or friend of Gamma Phi Beta. The Foundation notifies the family or alumnae chapter of the deceased about the gifts and lists all memorial gifts in *The Crescent*. The average memorial gift is \$35. An alumna or her family may give to the Foundation to support a specific fund or program or support unrestricted needs. Please contact the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation at 303.799.1874 for more information.

Unrestricted gifts of \$125 and greater have been given in memory of the following. In honor of these gifts, the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation will inscribe a brick in the Sisterhood Plaza.

Patricia Ritchie Harvey (Beta Alpha '57)
Susanne Taylor

CONGRATULATIONS

- In honor of Allison Broadstone's initiation year.
Pat and Rick Broadstone
- In celebration of Marianne Menna (Delta Omega '95) graduating from law school. *Sue, Dani and Trina*
- Congratulations to Jenn Clayton (Beta Gamma) on her engagement to Bill Mercer. *Betsy Slawinski*
- Congratulations to Kathy Harn on being selected as the President of the Daytona Beach Area Panhellenic Alumnae Association. We are so proud of you!
Daytona Beach Area Crescent Circle
- In honor of Linda Wardhammer. *Phi Kappa Tau Foundation*
- In celebration of Amber Setrakian for receiving 2002 Outstanding Panhellenic President. *Lois Kirchner Abbott*
- Congratulations to the election of the 2002-2004 International Council. *Phyllis Choat*
- In celebration of Pi Chapter winning the Mary A. Bingham Award. *Phyllis Choat*
- Congratulations to Magnes Welsh for winning the Carnation Award.
Paula Dean

BIRTHS & BIRTHDAYS

- In celebration of Gamma Eta's (CSU/Long Beach) 40th birthday party on the Queen Mary. *Linda Babcock*
- In celebration of the birth of Chandler Wesley Crownover to my cousin, Melanie Dunn Crownover. *Julie Dunn Capello*
- In celebration of Martha Terrill on her 90th birthday.
Sue Herzog Johnson
- Congratulations to Karin (EG) and Ron Rice on the birth of Nicholas' brother Alexander Matthew on 2-22-02.
Bob and L'Cena Rice
- In celebration of the birth to Helen Law of legacy Shelby.
Gloria Nelson
- In celebration of Dianne and Zach Goemer. Dianne gave birth to a legacy "Paige Caroline" on March 22, 2002.
Balboa Harbor Alumnae Chapter
- In celebration of the birth of legacy "Alexandra" to sister Karen Reuter-Rice. *La Jolla Alumnae Chapter*
- In celebration of Gloria Nelson's 80th Birthday.
Frances Griffin

SISTERHOOD

- In celebration of Kris Riske - ΔXA Inter Service Award.
L'Cena Rice
- In celebration of my Gamma Phi Beta Bridesmaids - Thanks for being part of my special day! *Natalie Muir*
- Thanks to Theodora Scott Urban for her years as our Financial Vice President. *Kent (OH) Alumnae Chapter*
- In celebration of Sandy Burba's hospitality and sisterhood.
Marita Mahan
- In honor of Sara Gilligan for her years of service as President of the La Jolla Alumnae and on her new little Legacy.
La Jolla California Alumnae group
- In celebration and thanks to Sandy Burba for her hospitality and sisterhood. *Melinda Nutter*
- In celebration of all the volunteers of the Kearney Area Alumnae Chapter. *Kearney Area Alumnae Chapter*
- In honor of my mother, Latane J. Graham, Charter Member of the Gamma Phi Chapter, Auburn, Alabama and an Alumnae Initiate.
Judy Graham
- In honor of Jeanine Kallal and her brother. *Vonda Bryant*
- In celebration of Molly Lowder. *Delta Lambda Chapter*
- In celebration of the 2000-2002 Nominating Committee.
Brenda Rickert
- In celebration of the Convention Committee. *Brenda Rickert*
- In celebration of the 2002-2004 International Council.
Frances Griffin
- In celebration of the 2002-2004 Nominating Committee.
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- In celebration of Brenda Rickert's leadership of the 2000-2002 Nominating Committee. *Frances Griffin*
- In celebration of Connie Preston for her work and fun at Convention 2002. *Frances Griffin*
- With thanks and appreciation to the 2000-2002 International Council for their leadership and work. *Phyllis Choat*
- In celebration of Gamma Alpha Mothers' Club. *Paula Dean*
- In celebration of Gaye Bricker's continued improving health!
ΓΦΒ Financial Department
- In celebration of Barbara Wessel being named to the Honor Roll.
Melinda Nutter, L'Cena Rice, Jeanine Kallal, Barbara Hurt-Simmons, Marita Mahan, Betty Jo Armagost, Cheryl Speer, Ginny Hammond, Bonnie Payne, Rene Matz

Members and friends of Gamma Phi Beta are encouraged to inform the Foundation of special events or the accomplishments of others to be listed in the "In Celebration" section of *The Crescent*. We ask that these announcements be accompanied by a gift. The average "In Celebration" gift is \$25. The Foundation notifies the honorees of "In Celebration" gifts.



The Gamma Phi Beta Foundation sincerely thanks the parents of the members listed below, who have bought Sisterhood Plaza bricks in honor of their daughters.

Since the last issue of *The Crescent*, 124 bricks were added honoring someone special.

Learn more about the Grand Opening of the Sisterhood Plaza in our Annual Report, included in this issue.

The parents of the following members have given gifts of \$125 or greater for a brick in celebration of their daughters:

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volunteering

People are the spice of life ... gamma phi beta is one of its sweetest flavors

Did you know that volunteering has been on the decline for the past two decades? Civic participation, fraternal organizations and even social groups; such as bowling and bridge, have become solitary events and sometimes played against a computer. It is starting to feel pretty lonely out here, so to quote the futurist Dr. Robert Putnam, "As we enter a new century...it is past time to begin to reweave the fabric of our communities." I know several women who have stayed connected and engaged in a very caring and trustworthy community, and that is our Gamma Phi Beta sisterhood. But why have they stayed engaged? Based on how busy most people's lives are, you have to wonder, "Why do Gamma Phi Beta alumnae get involved?" It turns out the primary reasons are friendships and fun diversions from everyday life enjoyed through sisterhood.

Surprised? Maybe not, because they are the same reasons most women join Gamma Phi Beta. We may get older, but our needs for friendship and fun never change, and who better to turn to than women with similar core values and traditions?

You do not have to be new to an area to look to Gamma Phi Beta for friends. Sandy Burba, Alumnae Vice President, volunteers because she loves keeping in touch with all the wonderful women who care so deeply about our Sorority. Sharing her talents and time is very rewarding and there is nothing better than to make a difference in someone's life.

Julie Cappello, Atlanta Alumnae President, volunteers because her time is valued and appreciated and the friendship and camaraderie comes back tenfold!

Pat Mahan, Province Financial Director, volunteers for Gamma Phi

Beta because

it has provided

many lasting friend-

ships with sisters of all age groups. Establishing a working relationship with the collegians has been a great reward for her. The department that she is a part of has brought her support, fun and lasting sisterhood.

Dawn Randolph, House Corporation Board President, volunteers because to her it is about having the ability to exercise her creative skills that she does not always get to use professionally or personally. It also helps build her social capital and stay connected to her dear Gamma Phi sisters.




Convention attendees brought books to donate to Reach Out and Read, an organization that works with pediatricians to promote literacy.

Whatever the reason ... friendships are a big reward factor most people receive from volunteering within any organization. What are some of the reasons you volunteer?

My advice to you if you are toying with the idea of volunteering for Gamma Phi Beta is to find the right fit. Alumnae organizations reflect their membership and you will be happiest in the one that best fits you. I like attending the alumnae chapter meetings because the events are fun and interesting to my current lifestyle. However, if I had three children that were on the go with soccer practice, dance and music lessons, and swim team practice, I might have a different perspective about leaving my family for a social meeting. All alumnae groups have different profiles and personalities, while some are:

- ✦ fairly homogenous and others have a wider range of interests and activities,
- ✦ comprised of one generation and others are a broad range along the life cycle, and
- ✦ able to meet during the day while others meet in the evenings or on weekends.

If you attend a meeting and do not find it to your liking, my challenge to you is reconsider. You might have just hit it on a bad night when nothing clicked, like those bad hair days we all have once in a while. At least try a second meeting before you give up all together. Or perhaps an alumnae group really is not for you and you would be happier as an advisor, house corporation board member or volunteer at the international level. Whatever the situation, please consider Gamma Phi Beta as one of your volunteer activities. As the saying goes - the more you give the more you will receive. Try it and you will see I am right! 

✦ by Susanne Newbauer | Director of Volunteer Recruitment

Calling all Chicagoland Gamma Phi Betas!

Gamma Phi Beta Convention is coming to Chicago in 2004!

Hosting Convention 2004 is a great honor and it will take a great number of Gamma Phi volunteers to make it happen.

This is definitely a team effort and we need your support in this incredible project. There are all sorts of volunteer opportunities, one just right for you!

For more information, please contact
Becky Boyd-Obarski at rboydob@aol.com.

Our Chicagoland kickoff for Convention 2004 will be a Founders Day celebration on November 10, 2002 at the Marriott Lincolnshire Resort. Join us as we celebrate 128 years of our sisterhood and build excitement for Convention 2004.

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Daddy's Day

Her hair up in a ponytail, her favorite dress tied with a bow
Today was Daddy's Day at school, and she couldn't wait to go
But her mommy tried to tell her, that she probably should stay home
Why the kids might not understand, if she went to school alone

But she was not afraid; she knew just what to say
What to tell her classmates, on this Daddy's Day

But still her mother worried, for her to face this day alone
And that was why once again, she tried to keep her daughter home

But the little girl went to school, eager to tell them all
About a dad she never sees, a dad who never calls

There were daddies along the wall in back, for everyone to meet
Children squirming impatiently, anxious in their seats

One by one the teacher called, a student from the class
To introduce their daddy, as seconds slowly passed

At last the teacher called her name, every child turned to stare
Each of them were searching, for a man that wasn't there

"Where's her daddy at?" She heard a boy call out
"She probably doesn't have one." Another student dared to shout

And from somewhere near the back, she heard a daddy say
"Looks like another deadbeat dad, too busy to waste his day."

The words did not offend her, as she smiled at her friends
And looked back at her teacher, who told her to begin

And with hands behind her back, slowly she began to speak
And out from the mouth of a child, came words incredibly unique

"My Daddy couldn't be here, because he lives so far away
But I know he wishes he could be, with me on this day

And though you cannot meet him, I wanted you to know
All about my daddy, and how much he loves me so

He loved to tell me stories, he taught me to ride my bike
He surprised me with pink roses, and he taught me to fly a kite

We used to share fudge sundaes, and ice cream in a cone
And though you cannot see him, I'm not standing all alone

'Cause my daddy's always with me, even though we are apart
I know because he told me, he'll forever be here in my heart"

With that her little hand reached up, and lay across her chest
Feeling her own heartbeat, beneath her favorite dress

And from somewhere in the crowd of dads, her mother stood in tears
Proudly watching her daughter, who was wise beyond her years

For she stood up for the love, of a man not in her life
Doing what was best for her, doing what was right

And when she dropped her hand back down, staring straight into the crowd
She finished with a voice so soft, but its message clear and loud

"I love my daddy very much, he's my shining star
And if he could he'd be here, but heavens just too far

But sometimes when I close my eyes, it's like he never went away"
And then she closed her eyes, and saw him there that day

And to her mother's amazement, she witnessed with surprise
A room full of daddies and children, all starting to close their eyes

Who knows what they saw before them, who knows what they felt inside
Perhaps for merely a second, they saw him at her side

"I know you're with me daddy." To the silence she called out
And what happened next made believers, of those once filled with doubt

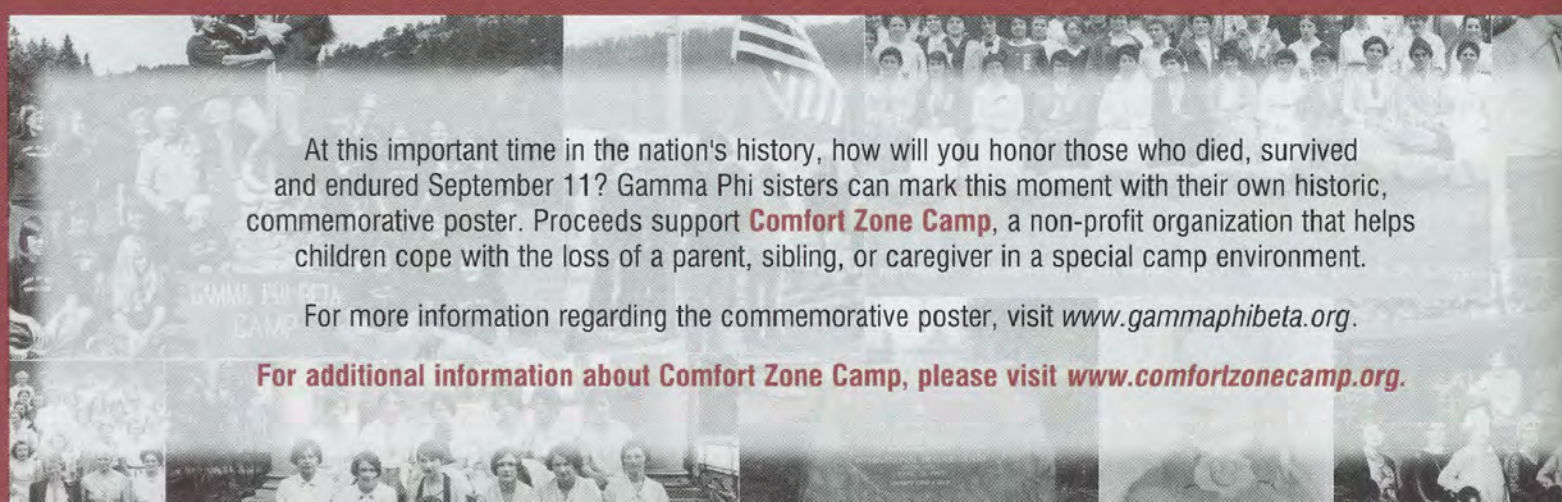
Not one in that room could explain it, for each of their eyes had been closed
But there placed on her desktop, was a beautiful fragrant pink rose

And a child was blessed, if only a moment,
by the love of her shining bright star
And given the gift of believing, that heaven is never too far



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At this important time in the nation's history, how will you honor those who died, survived and endured September 11? Gamma Phi sisters can mark this moment with their own historic, commemorative poster. Proceeds support **Comfort Zone Camp**, a non-profit organization that helps children cope with the loss of a parent, sibling, or caregiver in a special camp environment.

For more information regarding the commemorative poster, visit www.gammaphibeta.org.

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