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CELEBRATING SISTERHOOD

It is amazing to me that a whole year of magazine issues has gone by already! This summer issue marks not only my one-year anniversary as Editor of the magazine but also concludes our theme of "History, Leadership, Together." Through this theme, we have explored the Gamma Phi Beta Museum, become knowledgeable about drug issues impacting college campuses and seen the fulfillment that comes with being a Gamma Phi Beta in the "Queens of The Crescent" and "Founders Day" articles.

In contemplating the essence of this theme with Brenda Dunn Rickert (AZ), the Nominating Chairwoman, it became readily apparent that the common element present in "History, Leadership, Together" is sisterhood. As defined by *Webster's Dictionary*, "sisterhood is the state of **being a sister**, an association of **women united** in a common interest, work, creed; a belief or **feeling of unity, cooperation** among women." Based upon this definition, I cannot think of a more fitting way to conclude this theme than with the articles in this issue.

As the final feature article in support of this theme, "Gamma Phi Beta Fun" offers a glimpse of interests Gamma Phi sisters share with each other and of the enduring friendships and commitment held so dear. Additional articles show how sisterhood begins with the initiation of both collegiate and alumnae members.

While our theme is ending, the celebration of Gamma Phi sisterhood continues!

Warm regards,

Paula Wallace
Paula Wallace, Editor

DON'T FORGET TO SEND US ...

Your Convention highlights! The fall issue is devoted to Convention coverage so send your stories and pictures right away!

Your submission for the feature in the 2003 winter issue, "Women in History." This article will highlight the contributions women - and especially Gamma Phis - have made in their community and professions.

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CONGRATULATIONS!

You are a Gamma Phi Beta volunteer.

Did you know that you are one of the 44% of our nation's adults who give of their time and talent to people, causes and organizations? In your case - to Gamma Phi Beta.

The total number of adult volunteers in this country is 83.9 million, giving an average of 3.6 hours per week; totaling more than 15 billion hours each year! At an estimated value of a volunteer's time at \$15.40 per hour, that equates to an economic impact of over \$240 billion per year that volunteers contribute to their chosen service or cause. (Averages and estimates were taken from Giving and Volunteering in the United States 2001, published by Independent Sector, a non-profit, nonpartisan coalition of more than 700 national organizations, foundations, and corporate philanthropy programs, collectively representing tens of thousands of charitable groups in every state across the nation).

You are part of a truly wonderful and greatly appreciated service to Gamma Phi Beta. To be more specific, our Sorority has over 1,000 volunteers, giving more than 170,000 hours a year to our programs and projects, at collegiate and alumnae chapters, regional training and leadership conferences, International Headquarters and Convention. You give of your time and talent on a daily, weekly, monthly, and yearly basis. Whether you are advising, mentoring, managing, leading, supervising or assisting, your contribution stands strong against the background in today's environment of organizational volunteerism.

Studies have shown people who do volunteer work and help others on a regular basis have a healthier outlook on life. They are more inclined to be go-getters, and consistently report being happier. As Gamma Phi women, you not only emanate those characteristics, but you bring loyalty, integrity, friendship and enthusiasm to all that you endeavor to return to the Sorority. You are loyal to our founding ideals, you volunteer and model with integrity by living our Creed, you give friendship to those you touch and you bring enthusiasm to your volunteerism that keeps alive the joy of sisterhood that shines on all Gamma Phi Beta members everywhere.

On behalf of International Council and International Headquarters staff, we are grateful for your support. Quite simply, Gamma Phi Beta continues on its successful path because of you.

Now, since summer has arrived it is your time to relax, to reflect and to regenerate - time to sit under that shade tree with a good book, go to the beach with family or friends, walk barefoot in the grass, do summersaults or take time to smell a carnation. It's your time to rest - thank you, Gamma Phi Beta volunteer.

Vicki C. Read
Vicki Carlson Read
International President



Haven't had a chance to read the whole issue of *The Crescent* yet, but loved the cover. I glanced through and found that my name was spelled wrong. I know it's confusing since it is pronounced FARve.

Camille Cestone Favre
Beta Gamma

Camille,
Our sincere apologies for the misspelling of your last name.

I just was reading my recent *Crescent* and I saw the article on the young woman who carried the torch. I thought you might be interested to know that I skated in the Opening Ceremonies and also was the flower sweeper supervisor for all the figure skating events. It was an awesome experience and it was worth all the hundreds of hours of rehearsal and practice and training.

Katie Head (Moose)
Beta Gamma '90

I am so impressed with the cover of *The Crescent*! The old photos in collage form were so neat to look at and really displayed what a history GPB has! Is there anyway an old picture could be featured in each issue?

Krissy Venzke,
Gamma Pi '94

CORRECTIONS

Spring 2002 issue

In the last issue of *The Crescent*, the following two pictures were run with the wrong captions. Below are the same pictures with the corrected captions. *The Crescent* staff apologizes for the error.



Columbus, OH alumnae at their Founders Day.



Reno alumnae celebrate Founders Day.

CRESCENT CLIPS

CONGRATULATIONS to newly formed Crescent Circles:

- Flagstaff Crescent Circle
- Clear Lake Crescent Circle

... **RE-ORGANIZED** Ames Alumnae Chapter,
now known as the Central Iowa Alumnae Chapter.

... **RE-ACTIVATED** chapters:

- Auburn Alumnae Chapter, installed May 13, 2002 (originally chartered in 1963).
- Platteville Alumnae Chapter.

The following alumnae groups have changed status:

- Salem Alumnae Chapter to Salem Crescent Circle.
- Piedmont-Triad Alumnae Chapter to Piedmont-Triad Crescent Circle.

CELEBRATING ANNIVERSARIES:

- Albuquerque and Memphis Alumnae Chapters celebrating their 50th anniversary this year!
- Milwaukee and the San Francisco Alumnae Chapters celebrating their 100th anniversary this year!

CONGRATULATIONS!



Senior Celebration at Texas A&M University/Commerce (ΓΖ).

What's after Senior Celebration? Why SisterLink of course!



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Have you forgotten to send in your \$25.00 International Alumnae Dues?

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- Leadership and training materials
- Installation of new collegiate & alumnae chapters
- Regional conferences
- Convention programming for alumnae and collegians
- Operating funds
- Publication and distribution of *The Crescent* magazine
- SisterLink - Gamma Phi Beta's Global Resource Network
- Development and maintenance of the Gamma Phi Beta website



DON'T DELAY.

Use the envelope in this issue to send your dues in today.

CAMPUS CLIPS



■ Many college age women are not meeting their recommended daily intake of calcium according to the National Institutes of Health. Women between the ages of 19 and 50 should be consuming at least 1000 milligrams of calcium each day, but many are getting about half that amount, or the recommended daily intake for a toddler. Dieting plays a role in this lack of calcium, as many women believe that dairy products are fattening. It is particularly important for college women to get enough calcium because by age 21, women acquire 98% of their skeletal masses.

■ This year's college graduates are fearful of the impact of the current economic climate on their post undergraduate futures. According to a recent survey by Gradschools.com, the class of 2002 are anxious about a variety of issues including: not finding a job after graduation; not being admitted to graduate school; the inability to pay off student loans; and being laid off from post-college jobs. Many students expressed a desire to balance meaningful work with other aspects of their lives.

■ An overwhelming majority of parents would support an initiative that would require colleges to offer students no-alcohol spring break alternatives according to a study by the American Medical Association. More than 90% of parents who answered a survey are opposed to "drink up, party down" advertising that links spring break with alcohol consumption and targets underage students. Some marketing presents a general party image, while other advertising directly ties spring break fun to binge drinking.

■ Two thirds of high school juniors would prefer to attend a college that offers students moderate social behavior rules defined as observing reasonable limits and avoiding extremes in behavior on and off campus. The National Research Center for College and University Admissions surveyed 1.2 million high school juniors and found that just more than 21% would like to go to a school that observes minimal campus regulations and close to 12% of the class of 2003 want a college that offers conservative policies that include no smoking, drinking, or drugs as well as separate male/female living arrangements. The survey also found that 18.5% would like to play basketball on campus and 17.9% would most likely join a sorority or fraternity.

When the idea of writing a series of drug articles was first suggested, it seemed only appropriate to focus on club drugs - hence the articles in the Fall 2001 and Winter 2002 issues. Exploring topics to address in the spring issue, I turned to Dr. Kelly M. Smith, Director of the Drug Information Center and Associate Professor of Pharmacy Practice at the University of Kentucky Chandler Medical Center. In the true sense of Panhellenic spirit, Dr. Smith, a member of Zeta Tau Alpha, has been an excellent resource throughout this series, freely sharing her knowledge of pharmaceuticals and their use and misuse on the college campus. Based upon her experience with collegians, she suggested expanding the scope of the series to include information about prescription drug abuse.

Dr. Smith's suggestion to consider prescription drug abuse begged the question, why? Abuse of prescription drugs has not received the same media attention as club drugs. Is it really that big of a concern? The answer is YES!

WHO ABUSES PRESCRIPTION DRUGS?

"The number of people who abuse prescription drugs each year roughly equals the number who abuse cocaine - about two to four percent of the population," according to Dr. Howard Chilcoat of the Johns Hopkins University School of Public Health and Hygiene in Baltimore. Dr. Chilcoat also identified these notable trends.

- Caucasians are more likely to abuse prescription drugs than any other racial or ethnic groups.
- People between the ages of 18 and 25, are more likely than any other age group to begin abusing prescription drugs.
- Girls within the age range from 12 to 17, are more likely than boys to begin prescription drug abuse. Otherwise, the rate of abuse by women and men is similar.
- Girls in the 12 to 17 age group, typically choose stimulants and sedatives over other prescription drugs.

Additional gender differences cited in other studies suggest that women are more likely than men to be prescribed an abusable prescription drug. Also, women are almost two times more likely than men to become addicted to sedatives and anti-anxiety drugs. Abuse of opioids has the same rate of addiction for both men and women.

WHAT ARE PRESCRIPTION DRUGS?

The drugs most frequently prescribed to address a variety of medical conditions, and the drugs most commonly abused, fall into three classes: opioids, central nervous system (CNS) depressants - including sedatives and tranquilizers, and stimulants.

Opioids are prescribed to relieve moderate to severe pain. Illegal use of these drugs occurs because of their euphoric effect. Opioids can cause drowsiness and, in higher doses, depress respiration posing a serious - if not fatal - medical condition to the user. Illegal usage has grown substantially. Since 1996, emergency room visits for abuse of the opioids, oxycodone and hydrocodone, have increased by 252% and 66%, respectively.

CNS depressants can be divided into two different categories: barbiturates and benzodiazepines. Barbiturates treat anxiety, tension

and sleep disorders. Like barbiturates, benzodiazepines also manage anxiety. Both of these drugs are commonly used to control seizures as well. Additionally, benzodiazepines help alleviate acute stress reactions and panic attacks.

As prescribed, the medical benefit of these drugs is a drowsy or calming effect for the patient. From the abuser's perspective, CNS depressants are desired to offset the unpleasant effects of illicit stimulants, to reduce anxiety, and to simply get "high."

Gamma Phi Beta Drug Series:

PRESCRIPTION

BY PAULA WALLACE | Editor

Symptoms of abuse mimic alcohol inebriation: slurred speech, mild euphoria, disinhibition, relief of anxiety, and sleepiness. Higher doses can cause impairment of memory, judgement and coordination, irritability, as well as paranoid and suicidal tendencies. Similar to opioids, an overdose depresses the respiratory center in the brain and can be fatal.

Stimulants are intended to treat narcolepsy, a sleeping disorder, and attention-deficit/hyperactivity disorder by enhancing brain activity, raising blood pressure, and elevating heart rate and respiration. This category of drugs may also be used to control weight loss and manage depression that has not responded to other treatments.

These drugs are abused because of their stimulant characteristics similar to cocaine. The short-term effects of abuse include nervousness and insomnia, loss of appetite, nausea and vomiting, headaches, changes in heart rate and blood pressure. Repeated and prolonged abuse exacerbate these symptoms and increase their severity to the point where the user can suffer from paranoia, malnutrition, tremors, convulsions, severe headaches, and irregular heartbeat and respiration that may be profound and life-threatening.

WHERE ARE PRESCRIPTION DRUGS OBTAINED?

Illegal possession of prescription drugs is readily available through many avenues. Scamming health care professionals is one

method. The scam is perpetrated by seeking medical attention for a false condition, using a number of different doctors and pharmacies - a practice called "shopping," and/or forging prescriptions. The Internet also provides easy access to pharmacies that do not follow the required protocol in filling prescriptions.

Some prescription drug users who have a legitimate use for the drug may either give or sell the drug to someone else. With the significant mark-up of prescription drugs on the black market, selling them can be very tempting. It can also earn the seller jail time. For instance, dealing or distributing Ritalin is a serious felony under federal law. The state law in Indiana carries even stiffer penalties in this area, citing the transfer of one or two Ritalin tablets from one student to another student on school grounds as dealing in a controlled substance in or on school property. This is considered a Class A felony, in Indiana, carrying a prison term of up to 45 years and a fine of up to \$10,000.

ON DRUGS

An Investigative Report

WHEN ARE PRESCRIPTION DRUGS ABUSED?

For some, the abuse of drugs was never intended. These individuals legitimately took a prescribed drug and as they continued treatment discovered they had become drug dependent.

Others attribute the hurried, pressured lifestyles that many Americans lead to the increase in the abuse of stimulants. An emerging trend is the abuse of Ritalin by college students as well as teens and adults who are attempting to manage demanding school and/or work schedules. Illegal use of prescription drugs also occurs when people "want to feel better" or "have a good time."

HOW ARE PRESCRIPTION DRUGS TAKEN?

When used illegally, the prescribed pills or capsules are crushed for snorting or dissolved and boiled for injection. These drugs are also taken orally, usually with some alterations to enhance the effect of the drug.

Furthermore, prescription drugs may be taken with alcohol and/or mixed with street drugs. According to CNN, mixing prescription drugs with street drugs is a new trend, earning its own name, "pharmacological roulette." This trend has become apparent in high schools and colleges, marked by the death of a college student who may have been mixing various prescriptions with other drugs.

WHY PRESCRIPTION DRUG ABUSE?

"While prescription drugs can relieve a variety of medical problems and improve the lives of millions of Americans, they can be dangerous, addicting - and even deadly - when used non-medically. An estimated nine million people aged 12 or over reported using stimulants, tranquilizers or opioids for non-medical reasons in 1999. Of those nine million, four million reported current, or past month, use." *Director Dr. Alan I. Leshner, National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), Press release April 10, 2001*

These statistics point to an epidemic that has been obscured from public view. It has not received the same attention as other illegitimate drug usage because abuse of prescription drugs is difficult to determine. Seeing prescribed medication in a medicine cabinet provides an air of legitimacy to the use of that drug, making it difficult to assess abusive behavior. Furthermore, with the prevalence of legally prescribed drugs, diversion from the intended user can occur easily.

CLOSING COMMENTS

Despite the difficulty of determining prescription drug abuse, there are some warning signs that can alert you:

- doctor/pharmacy shopping;
- dosage determined by the user at excessive levels and/or irregular intervals;
- preoccupation with using and obtaining the drug;
- return of original medical complaint when drug is not taken; and
- withdrawal symptoms when drug abruptly discontinued.

If addicted, SEEK MEDICAL ASSISTANCE. In becoming familiar with the stories of survivors, each one had to have medical help to become drug free safely. While the decision to recover was a personal choice each survivor had to make, the assistance and support of others - whether family and/or friends - was a critical element in their success.

This is the final installment in the Gamma Phi Beta drug series. I have learned a lot in researching and writing each article of this series. Above and beyond the factual information, this series made me think about how societal issues, as well as personal choices and responsibility impact America's drug problem. I hope this report, and the series overall, served as a learning opportunity for the reader as well - generating your own reflections and questions as well as encouraging dialogue with those you most care about.

WANT MORE INFORMATION?

- www.drugabuse.gov
- www.health.org
- www.nida.nih.gov
- www.prescriptionabuse.org
- "Prescription Drug Abuse - The Hidden Epidemic" by Rod Colvin.

GAMMA FUN BETA

"Girls just wanna have fun!" Whenever I hear Cyndi Lauper belt out these lyrics of her mid 80's punk rock song, I'm reminded of my Gamma Phi sisters and the fun we've had. Over the years my idea of fun and entertainment has not really changed from the chapter house to the living room. Hanging out, talking, listening, laughing and truly enjoying one another...these are my warm memories of sisterhood!

I have a unique bond with six of my Gamma Kappa sisters, and as we get together every year, I am always guaranteed a weekend of fun and sisterhood. Our friendship started in college where we shared our daily lives with one another. I have found it a challenge to develop close, meaningful relationships as an alumna, and part of that challenge is not being able to spend quality and quantity time with sisters. Between work schedules, family obligations and volunteer responsibilities, it can be difficult to create and sustain meaningful friendships.

When life was not quite so hectic and stay-at-home moms were the norm, Gamma Phi Betas gathered throughout the country on a regular basis, not just for meetings, but also for fun and games. The game of choice was bridge. Bridge was introduced to the American scene in the 1890's. No doubt, our sophisticated and highly educated sisters

at the turn of the century began playing this game in college and at alumnae meetings. In 1925 Harold S. Vanderbilt's revised rules turned auction bridge into contract bridge, today's most popular version. From that time through the '70s, bridge soared in popularity.

The stories I have heard about the friendships developed over the bridge table melt my heart. Monthly and bi-weekly bridge games with sisters laughing, eating (always), displaying their competitive nature, and most importantly discussing Gamma Phi Beta, their work, their families, their health, and their dreams. Most amazing are the number of years that these groups have been together. Some of our active bridge groups have been together for over 50 years. With many of our groups, the members have changed over the years. As Barbie Chadwick, Collegiate Vice President, and Nashville bridge player comments, "Throughout all that change (in members), our group remained solid over the past twenty years." Some of our metro alumnae chapters have more than one bridge group, with Denver's leading the Sorority hosting three bridge clubs.

Celebrating bridge groups, we recognize Albuquerque; Arlington, TX; Atlanta; Balboa Harbor;



Top picture: June Fowler Heger, Lois Fedder Forthaus, Betty Little Marting, Shirley Wolfarth Bauer, Helen Griffiths Kaiser, Nita Kinnear Raby and Peggy Miller Reynolds - members of the "Night Bridge Group" in St. Louis, MO, since the early 1950s.

Bottom picture: The "Night Bridge Group" still going strong in 2002!

Cleveland West; Colorado Springs; Denver; Glendale, CA; Houston; La Jolla; Milwaukee; Naples; Nashville; Pasadena; Peoria, IL; Philadelphia North; Phoenix; San Diego; Seattle; South Bay, CA; St. Louis; and Washington D.C. (Information obtained from annual Alumnae Chapter President's report).


Times change and a new, but old, game has become extremely popular with a number of organizations. I'm referring to the game of dice, luck and prizes-the game of bunco. This game has been around even longer than bridge, having been introduced in 1855 during the Gold Rush.

Bunco is a simple, almost mindless rolling of the dice game allowing lots of interaction and 'talk time' during the game. Because the game is effortless, very social and highly adaptable to many audiences, it is ideal entertainment for all ages. Throughout Gamma Phi Beta land, we are beginning to see bunco tables filled with alumnae and collegians playing side by side. What a great opportunity for our 18-year-old member to interact with our 50-year member! Bunco is appearing on alumnae annual programs and who knows, maybe we'll start seeing

monthly bunco groups-similar to that of our bridge groups.

Don't wait to start a bridge or bunco group! For bridge information I would refer you to a bridge-playing member or to a bridge web page. For bunco, the alumnae department distributed a bunco PACEletter in the fall of 2001 to all alumnae group presidents. There are also bunco web pages on the Internet. Whatever your game or means of entertainment, find the time to have fun with each other and enjoy the uniqueness of the Gamma Phi Beta sisterhood.

MORE GAMMA PHI BETA FUN!

Editor's Note: More ways Gamma Phis enjoy their sisterhood are captured in the pictures and story that follow. Do you also detect some multi-tasking? The New York City Alumnae and Atlanta Southern Crescent Alumnae Chapters are not only enjoying each others' company but also serving as leaders in their community by combining fun with philanthropy. See the President's Perception in this issue for some amazing statistics on volunteerism. 



Alumnae from California State University/Fullerton (ΔΔ) at one of their book club meetings. They've been meeting for over 2 years!



California State University/Long Beach (ΓΗ) sisters at a Monday night meeting.



NYC Alumnae join together to help raise money for breast cancer research at a recent run/walk.

142 YEARS OF GAMMA PHI BETA FUN

BY ROBERT P. CLARK

It's hard to believe, but two fast friends in San Antonio have given a combined 142 years of service and devotion to Gamma Phi Beta.

Still extremely active, 97-year-old Virginia Rutledge Stark and 84-year-old Cathryne G. Melton have been the backbone of the San Antonio Alumnae Chapter since it was chartered back in 1946.

Both are native Texans and were initiated at Alpha Zeta (University of Texas) - Virginia in 1925 and Cathryne in 1937, a total of 142 years since they became Gamma Phis.

Cathryne, a former province alumnae secretary, has served as president of the chapter several times and is the perennial treasurer. Even more importantly, she is the planner and chief executor of the chapter's activities.

Cindy Whitehurst Rostek (Alpha Zeta), alumnae chapter president, readily acknowledges this. "Cathryne is absolutely what makes this chapter go," says Cindy. "She's unbelievable." Says Cathryne: "Cindy is young and pretty and vivacious and can appeal to the younger ones. But she has all on her plate she can handle."

So it is Cathryne, tall, athletic, still high-spirited and popular with everybody, who plans the meetings, prepares the chapter newsletter, keeps in touch with International Headquarters, and makes things happen. And happen they do. "At Founders Day," she notes, "We had 34 people from 17 different colleges. It's certainly a varied group, and a great group."

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MORE GAMMA PHI BETA FUN!



Joan Houghton (O) and Cele Eifert (BA) of the Atlanta Southern Crescent Alumnae Chapter help clean up the "tot lot" the chapter adopted in Peachtree City, GA.



Former Collegiate Leadership Consultant (1994-95) Tracy McDonald Swartley (N) celebrates her marriage to David Swartley (ΣΦΕ) with sisters from nine different chapters of Gamma Phi Beta!



St. Louis University (IT) sisters visit the Magic Kingdom for Spring Break.

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"She alone has kept up the alumnae chapter," says Virginia of Cathryne. "The alumnae chapter is Cathryne. If it weren't for Cathryne, we wouldn't have anything."

Virginia has been the hostess for meetings and Christmas parties in her home and for luncheons at the San Antonio Country Club. She helps prepare the newsletter for mailing and is a much-admired inspiration to the chapter.

"When Virginia is host for the Christmas party, says Cathryne, everybody wants to come. She adds: Often, when I call people to see if they're coming to one of our luncheons, they say, 'Is Virginia coming?' I don't mean they don't come if she doesn't; but it's icing on the cake if she does."

"They're both gems and role models," adds Cindy Rostek. "They're close friends and really sisters; and they really care about the rest of us."

Virginia and another Gamma Phi sister started an alumnae group in San Antonio in the early 1940s. "But pretty soon I didn't have time to fool with it much," she says, "so it just kind of dwindled away." By 1946, the group was rejuvenated and Virginia and Cathryne were charter members, with Cathryne as its first president.

Things have changed since then. The original chapter dues were \$1 a year, Cathryne recalls, and members busily sold labels and postcards to raise money. There were monthly meetings with speakers. Now the monthly meetings are gone. There are two major luncheons a year, plus a Christmas party and the informal "Lunch Brunch" - the first of every

month, come if you can, with no reservations necessary. And the younger members, in touch by e-mail, go to dinner on "Girls Night Out."

Gamma Phi Beta is, and has been, a beacon in the lives of Virginia and Cathryne and the sisterhood they love so much.

Says Virginia: "It has furnished me with the best friends - true friends.

They're all so sweet to me. I have never done as much for Gamma Phi Beta as it has done for me."

Says Cathryne: "When I came to San Antonio as a young woman, knowing nobody but my employer, I had a ready-made circle of friends. It was a comforting feeling, and it was especially comforting to my parents, back in the Valley. It has been a life-long association - not just four years. Sometimes my family can't understand why I can't do this and I can't do that; because we're going to have a luncheon, or whatever, and I have to do this or that. They can't understand, but Gamma Phi Beta is a very vital part of my life. And it always will be."



Virginia Rutledge Stark and Cathryne G. Melton of the San Antonio Alumnae Chapter with Jiggs.

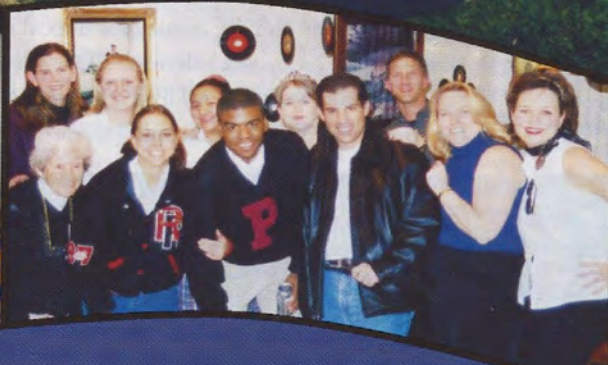
Editor's Note:

... excerpts from an article written by Robert P. Clark

Mr. Clark, husband of Jeanne R. Clark (Alpha) of San Antonio, Texas, has written several articles which have been published in *The Crescent*. Mr. Clark is a former Editor and the past president of the Society of Newspaper Editors. Our grateful thanks to Mr. Clark for capturing the loving message of sisterhood, characterized by the commitment of Virginia R. Stark and Cathryne G. Melton, and sharing it with our readers.

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.



Gettysburg College (ΓΒ) sisters at a local softball tournament. ■ Sisters at Oklahoma City University (ΟΟ) welcome each other back after summer vacation. ■ IH staff, spouses and friends joined Denver alumnae at their annual Murder Mystery Party. The 50's Theme Party, "Murder on the Grill," was hosted at the home of Denver Alumnae Chapter President, Vonda Bryant (ΕΙ). ■ These Oklahoma State University (ΒΨ) sisters had a great time participating in a David's Bridal Show. ■ Karen Mone-Svilich (ΕΙ) with her future legacy, Shelby Elizabeth, born on Dec. 21, 2000.

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Alpha Syracuse University

Sisters from Syracuse University kicked off their spring semester by hosting their annual Easter Party with the children from a local charity organization. A chapter retreat, Parent's Weekend and a spring formal kept these girls busy.

Beta University of Michigan

Six new members joined the chapter at the University of Michigan. A Big and Lil' Sis event helped these newest members feel welcome. The sisters, fully clad in animal prints, enjoyed a "jungle" date party at a local club.

Epsilon Northwestern University

Forty-two new members joined the chapter at Northwestern University. The sisters took part in many fun and exciting things ... a formal in downtown Chicago, a date party at the ESPN zone, dance marathons, retreats and movie nights just to name a few.

Eta University of California/Berkeley

Eta sisters welcomed 15 new members after spring recruitment. The chapter took part in many philanthropical events this semester including sewing pillows and socks for a local charity organization, volunteering at the March of Dimes, making over 60 picture frames for children at a local hospital and collecting clothing for a food and clothing bank. Date nights, Parent's Weekend and other social events made this semester a busy and productive one!

Theta University of Denver

The sisters at the University of Denver held a Valentine's Day flower and candy fundraiser for Heartland Camp. The chapter hosted a dinner for local alumnae and planned their spring semi-formal.

Xi University of Idaho

The women of Xi chapter are proud to share the news that their chapter was top in grades for the seventh consecutive semester with a cumulative grade point average of 3.36. As a chapter, the ladies are constantly active throughout the campus and volunteer their time to many different organizations. The chapter had its largest turnout ever at their Spaghetti Feed and was able to raise over \$300 for Camp Hodia. They also continued the tradition of the Triad Mardi Gras dance with Alpha Phi and Alpha Gamma Delta in celebration of their common founding at Syracuse.

Omicron University of Illinois

This past semester the Omicron chapter held its first annual prom dress drive for the Glass Slipper Project, a not-for-profit organization helping Chicago students that cannot afford prom attire. The chapter collected over 90 prom dresses, shoes and accessories making the drive a huge success. With the help of the University of Illinois Greek system, these women hope to continue the dress drive as a tradition for years to come.

Pi University of Nebraska/Lincoln

The sisters at the University of Nebraska/Lincoln held their seventh annual French Toast Feed. All proceeds benefit Equitherapy and The American Cancer Society. Each member was responsible for raising \$100 towards this project.

Rho University of Iowa

Over 40 of the University of Iowa sisters took part in a 24-hour dance marathon to raise money for a local children's cancer hospital. All enjoyed a Valentine's Day formal. Greek Week, raising money for the Children's Miracle Network and planning for Mom's Weekend are keeping these sisters on the move!



Some of the dance marathon participants from the University of Iowa (P).



Sisters at Syracuse University (A) at one of their date parties.



Iowa State University (Ω) Varieties Champions!

Sigma University of Kansas

The sisters at the University of Kansas are putting their singing and dancing talents to use as they compete in the annual Rock Chalk Review program. This all-university program raises money for the United Way. The sisters have a goal of 1,976 hours of community service to compete for the Gold Award for this program as well. The Adopt-A-Park, Adopt-A-Family and blood drive programs have all benefited from this commitment. The chapter received six awards at Greek Recognition Night and the sisters planned an all-house spring retreat.

Psi University of Oklahoma

After the most successful recruitment in OU's history, the sisters of Psi chapter have been busy integrating themselves into the community with various service projects. Many of the new members passed out homemade valentines to children at the J.D. McCarthy Center. They also volunteered their services to such programs as Special Olympics and Habitat for Humanity. The sisters are currently organizing a team to participate in Race for the Cure. The chapter looked forward to watching their new members in Sooner Scandals while preparing for Legacy Night and Mom's Weekend.

Omega Iowa State University

Iowa State sisters looked as though they were straight out of Cairo as they took part in a varieties program with an Egyptian theme. Greek Week and taking part in the 80th VEISHA parade brought out the enthusiasm of this chapter.

Alpha Alpha University of Toronto

University of Toronto sisters have been volunteering at a local homeless shelter. The chapter hosted their annual St. Patrick's Day pancake breakfast to raise money for children in Ghana. After welcoming three new sisters, the chapter is now planning their Carnation Ball this spring.

Alpha Epsilon University of Arizona

The sisters of AE have been very busy the past few months. The members attended an all-house retreat at an Arizona

Diamondback Spring Training game where they enjoyed sun, food and sisterhood on the lawn of the ballpark. More than 45 sisters helped raise over \$3,500 in the Greek Bowl for Kids Sake to benefit Big Brothers Big Sisters of Tucson. An Easter egg hunt and brunch were also held for the alumnae and their children.

Alpha Lambda University of British Columbia

Sixteen sisters from the University of British Columbia hit the road. These sisters took a road trip to visit many chapter houses in the United States. A barbeque to kick off Greek Week, philanthropy projects and taking part in other Greek fundraising events kept these sisters quite busy.

Alpha Upsilon Pennsylvania State University

Searching for Prince Charming and the perfect dress was the spring formal theme for the sisters at Penn State. Parent's Weekend, a skiing philanthropy and taking part in Spring Week made this semester a memorable one.

Alpha Chi College of William and Mary

Sisters at the College of William and Mary are proud to announce earning the highest Greek GPA as well as the highest Greek GPA ever on their campus this past semester. The chapter enjoyed a Mardi Gras date party, a golfing philanthropy and taking part in Sigma Chi Derby Days.

Beta Alpha University of Southern California

A Mother/Daughter Tea at the Ritz Carlton kicked off the semester for the sisters at the University of Southern California. A Valentine's Day card-making philanthropy helped to brighten the spirits of the children at a local hospital. The chapter closed their semester with their annual spring luau.

Beta Gamma Bowling Green State University

The sisters of BG have been busy with the annual Co-ed Twister philanthropy which made over \$1,000, the Fuzzie Volleyball Tournament and the BG 32-hour Dance Marathon that raised over \$300,000. The chapter was honored to initiate the new members of the John Carroll chapter (ZO). To finish off the



Sisters from Minnesota State University/Mankato (ITII).



Rachel Freeman and Katie Schober, Indiana Univ. (BΦ) Sing songleaders.



University of Colorado/Boulder (BP) sisters at the Spagammi Philanthropy benefitting Cheeley Children's Burn Camp.

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semester, the Crescent Ball formal and spring philanthropy fashion show were both a success. Proceeds were donated to a memorial fund for six deceased BGSU students.

Beta Kappa Arizona State University

Sisters at Arizona State University packed this semester with many philanthropies, date parties, sisterhood events and spring recruitment. Eleven new members joined the chapter this spring. A Father/Daughter Weekend was a blast with everything from hot dogs to basketball. A Mother/Daughter Weekend is now in the planning stages.

Beta Lambda San Diego State University

BA sisters started out their exciting semester with a successful spring recruitment. The chapter also enjoyed Preference, an all-house retreat, and two fraternity philanthropies. The women are proud to have three members on Panhellenic. They ended their semester with Greek Week; the Crescent Ball; and their second annual philanthropy, Crescent Bowl, which raises money for Camp Reach for the Sky.

Beta Omicron Oklahoma City University

Sisters at Oklahoma City University took first in the float and lip sync competition during Homecoming. The chapter welcomed their newest members with a Big/Lil Week. Spring Sing and a Crescent Ball made this spring semester a big hit.

Beta Rho University of Colorado/Boulder

The sisters at the University of Colorado/Boulder enjoyed a spring retreat following recruitment. The chapter hosted their annual Spagammi to benefit a local burn unit. Over \$5000 was raised. Mom's Weekend, Songfest, Greek Week and a formal are keeping these sisters busy this spring.

Beta Upsilon Kansas State University

The sisters at Kansas State University celebrated 45 years on campus with a fun-filled weekend in April. Alumnae were invited to take part in the festivities. A house tour, a formal dinner, dancing, silent auction and slide show made this weekend a big hit. The sisters raised money for a local children's organization and enjoyed Mom's Weekend.

Beta Phi Indiana University

Sisters at Indiana University took first place in the Indiana University Sing competition. Singing, dancing, choreography, plot and costumes put the spot light on these sisters and their many talents! Thanks to Rachel Freeman and Katie Schober, song leaders, for a job well done.

Beta Psi Oklahoma State University

Sisters at Oklahoma State University are ecstatic for sister and chapter president, Holly Bacon, who recently won the Miss Oklahoma State University pageant. She will go on to compete in the Miss Oklahoma pageant. The chapter is preparing for Greek Discovery Day, a campus-wide event to allow upcoming freshman to go through a trial day of recruitment.

Gamma Beta Gettysburg College

The sisters at Gettysburg College held their annual softball tournament, For the Love of Lori, this fall in memory of their past president Lori Moll who passed away from Leukemia. It was a huge success and all proceeds were donated to the National Leukemia and Bone Marrow Foundation.

Gamma Epsilon University of Puget Sound

The sisters of Gamma Epsilon had a successful spring recruitment welcoming 20 new members. Big sisters were revealed, generating excitement throughout the chapter. The sisters worked closely with their local philanthropy, Faith Homes, planning



The Gamma Phi chapter at Auburn University (ΓΦ).



Beth Taimi and Kelsey Weidkamp from the University of Puget Sound (ΓΕ) at formal recruitment.



Sisters from Texas A&M University/Commerce (ΓΖ).

events to help comfort young women. Gamma Epsilon's Spring Mystery dance was a huge success, and the sisters look forward to future events.

Gamma Zeta Texas A&M, Commerce

Sisters at A&M/Commerce raised \$2,800 at their annual fundraiser. Proceeds benefited both the Boys and Girls Club and The American Cancer Society. An all-house retreat, a crush party and welcoming their newest members were enjoyed by all.

Gamma Kappa University of Nebraska/Kearney

This year, the sisters of ΓK developed a new philanthropy: after school tutors at a nearby elementary school. One group was assigned a "study buddy" at the school and the other group went to a separate building and worked with upper elementary and middle school children offering their friendship and support. The chapter felt this would be a fun new philanthropy and a good way to make a difference in the community.

Gamma Pi Minnesota State University/Mankato

The sisters at Minnesota State University/Mankato hosted several black belts at a recent PACE program. The sisters learned how to defend themselves in case of an attack. A formal, Greek Week, dance marathon and Special Olympics were all planned this spring.

Gamma Tau St. Louis University

The women of ΓT love to go anywhere and everywhere together! This spring, they enjoyed a Mardi Gras themed crush party and a mock wedding. At their second annual sisterhood week leading up to their spring retreat, they enjoyed movie night, pizza dinner, daily lunches and a kickball tournament. At their spring retreat, the women competed against each other in a three-legged race, wheel barrel race and a pie-eating contest.

Gamma Phi Auburn University

Sisters at Auburn University welcomed seven new members this spring. Valentine's Day carnation sales, Derby Days, Greek Sing and Greek Week, formals and Parent's Picnic are keeping these girls quite active!



New initiates from the Univ. of California/Irvine (ΔH) celebrate with their New Member Educator, Kami Ishii, after Initiation.



Sisters from Oakland University ($\Delta \Omega$) at the Detroit Metro Founders Day.



Univ. of California/Santa Barbara ($\Delta \Psi$) sisters enjoyed a trip to "The Price Is Right." Their shirts read: Gamma Phi Beta Barker Beauties in Training!

Gamma Psi University of Northern Iowa

University of Northern Iowa sisters enjoyed many fun and productive events. Parent's Weekend, formal, volunteering at the Humane Society, socials, raising money for a local camp, helping at the Special Olympics and taking part in a blood drive made this semester a memorable one.

Delta Delta California State University/Fullerton

Nine new members joined the chapter at California State University/Fullerton. The sisters held a retreat at a local park and took part in a Panhellenic Walk-A-Thon. The chapter was very proud of receiving the Most Improved Scholarship Award on campus and are now preparing for fall recruitment exercises.

Delta Eta University of California/Irvine

Sisters at the University of California/Irvine had numerous events - a Toga Dinner, Crescent Ball, Big/Lil Sis Ice Cream Social, beach clean-ups and initiating their ten newest members - that kept them RUNNING!

Delta Theta California Polytechnic State University

The sisters at California Polytechnic State University held their annual "Foosbrawl" tournament to raise money for the AIDS Support Network. Ten other Greek organizations took part. The chapter installed their newest officers and planned a spring formal, Greek Week and numerous mixers.

Delta Lambda University of California/Riverside

Congratulations to Jasmine Banuelos, crowned UC/Riverside's Homecoming Queen; Amanda Walker, first runner up for the Miss Lothian pageant; and Kristina Schuster, Delta Queen 2002. The $\Delta \Lambda$ chapter took first place in the Mock Tail competition this year. The sisters are looking forward to Sports Week, a special PACE activity, Parent's Day and the Multiple Sclerosis Walk.

Delta Pi Illinois State University

A semi-formal and a sisterhood sleepover kicked off the semester for the sisters at Illinois State University. The chapter is again hosting their annual Camp Week Philanthropy and planning their spring formal.

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Delta Upsilon University of Georgia

The sisters at the University of Georgia held their annual formal at a local country club. The sisters also hosted a carnival to raise money for the Make A Wish Foundation.

Delta Psi University of California/Santa Barbara

A Casino Night fundraiser was a big hit for the ΔΨ sisters. Many wonderful prizes, including a trip to Las Vegas, were raffled off. The chapter took part in a Greek social to become better acquainted with other Greek members. The sisters had a blast at their "Let the Good Times Roll" date party.

Epsilon Beta Boise State University

The sisters of Boise State welcomed their newest members to the chapter. The Big Brother/Big Sister Easter Egg Hunt was a big hit. All sisters were looking forward to their year-end formal.

Epsilon Delta Creighton University

The sisters at Creighton University welcomed 40 new members! Many parties, Greek Week, senior week and a sisterhood retreat were all slated for this spring.

Epsilon Epsilon Union College

Throw-a-Pie-at-a-Gamma-Phi kicked off the spring for the sisters at Union College. All proceeds benefited the Make A Wish Foundation. The sisters also volunteered at a local children's center and soup kitchen. The chapter took part in a Walk for Breast Cancer and raised \$350 for the victims of the September 11 tragedy.

Epsilon Eta Bridgewater State College

The women of Epsilon Eta had a great start to their spring semester with a successful recruitment. Later they enjoyed the opportunity to meet sisters of local chapters at a province gathering. The sisters are keeping busy as they continue to plan

events. They are currently organizing the details for one of their main philanthropy events of the year. They are also looking forward to their retreat in the near future.

Epsilon Iota Christopher Newport University

The sisters at Christopher Newport University welcomed 18 new members following spring recruitment bringing the house total to 59. They are noted as the largest and fastest growing sorority on campus. The sisters enjoyed their annual "mystery" dinner to raise money for the Special Olympics.

Epsilon Lambda University of Alabama

The sisters at the University of Alabama welcomed four new members to their chapter this spring. All enjoyed a chapter retreat, workshops, parties and Parent's Weekend. The sisters held their annual Teeter-Totter-A-Thon to benefit a local camp.

Epsilon Nu Chapman University

The EN women spent the spring attending Greek events on campus and planning two fundraisers. Airbands and a lip sync contest were planned with the local Pi Kappa Alpha chapter to benefit Children's Hospital of Orange County. The event raised \$2,000. Gamma Fest, the chapter's fundraiser for their local philanthropy, Camp del Corazon, was held on April 5. Events coming up at the end of the school year include Greek Week, their annual Crescent Ball, Greek Awards, the chapter's anniversary and Senior Celebration.

Epsilon Omicron University of California, Santa Cruz

Twenty-five sisters from the University of California/Santa Cruz took part in a recent government meeting to show support for Greek organizations. The chapter hosted an all-sister sleepover, attended a salsa-dancing PACE and welcomed nine new women to their house.



Sisters at Union College (EE) at a walk for breast cancer this fall.



University of San Diego (EI) members after Preference Night.



Texas A&M Univ/Corpus Christi (ZA) sisters at Homecoming.

Zeta Beta University of Virginia

Twenty-five new members joined the sisters of Zeta Beta. Valentine's Day was celebrated with a date party and a Mardi Gras party was also planned. The chapter is planning for their Just for Kicks philanthropy. All proceeds will support the I Have A Dream Foundation.

Zeta Epsilon Duquesne University

With the help of four local businesses, the sisters at Duquesne University raised over \$1,000 to benefit the Leukemia Society. This Cut-A-Thon was such a huge success; the sisters hope to extend the event for an extra day next year.

Zeta Zeta Coastal Carolina University

Coastal Carolina sisters received the 2002 Homecoming Spirit Award at the University. The chapter has now adopted the Special Olympics as their local philanthropy.

Zeta Iota Valparaiso University

The sisters at Valparaiso University held their annual Mr. Valpo contest to raise money for their local philanthropy. This event was again a huge success and raised nearly \$2,000! The chapter will host another philanthropy event at a local nursing home.

Zeta Kappa University of Southern Indiana

The sisters of ZK took first in Most Spirit at Homecoming. Their enthusiasm, banners and creativity took the cake! A

March formal and preparing for their Lip Sync annual philanthropy to benefit Camp Riley kept these girls busy.

Zeta Lambda Texas A&M University/Corpus Christi

The sisters at Texas A&M/Corpus Christi celebrated Homecoming with a day-long gala titled "Fryday Fiesta." The sisters showed their spirit by wearing Gamma Phi shirts and attending a basketball game with their best friend. The chapter installed new officers and assisted sisters at Southern Methodist University during their spring recruitment.

Zeta Mu St. John's University

The sisters at St. John's were busy with Greek Week activities, PACE programs, a Mother's Dinner, and taking part in many community and philanthropic events were just a few of the activities in which these sisters took part.

Zeta Nu University of Detroit/Mercy

The sisters at the University of Detroit/Mercy welcomed seven new sisters. The chapter took part in Greek Week, a Mother/Daughter tea, Senior Celebration and a Crescent Ball. The sisters are planning to participate in the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life Walk this May.



Illinois State University (ΔΠΙ) sisters enjoy a sleepover.



Andrea Morrison, Chelsie Ditz, Cathy Bizon and Christine Slupek at their "A Night in the Amazon" date party at the University of Michigan (B).



Congratulations to the new members at Bowling Green State University (BG).



Christopher Newport College (EI) sisters pose with their new members after Bid Day Spring 2002.



Univ. of San Diego (EI) sisters at an all-house retreat in Orange County, CA.



Sisters from the University of Alabama (EA) enjoy a chapter retreat at a local comedy club.

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ARIZONA

The PHOENIX alumnae are looking forward to Convention and upcoming fall events. Their focus will be on increasing membership and offering more social events including Thursday get-togethers.

CALIFORNIA

The DIABLO VALLEY alumnae enjoyed a Founders Day brunch with the sisters at the University of California, Berkeley. A wonderful meal, skits, a tour and a ceremony made this a memorable event for all.

The PASADENA alumnae kicked off their first meeting of 2002 with a "White Elephant" sale. The alumnae gathered their old knick-knacks, antiques and other items and put them up for sale. The fun event raised \$375 which will be applied towards the chapter's philanthropy efforts.



New York City alumnae at a holiday event.



Diablo Valley alumnae celebrate Founders Day.



Pasadena alumnae enjoying their White Elephant Sale.



Detroit Metro alumnae at a fall event.

March 2, 2002 marked the installation of the SACRAMENTO VALLEY Alumnae Chapter. The chapter already boasts 49 members. The alumnae took part in a Panhellenic luncheon to benefit scholarships for local collegiate sorority women. They are now looking forward to a Parents-Alumnae Weekend and "The Race for the Cure" walkathon.

COLORADO

DENVER alumnae were honored to have Denver Area Panhellenic President, Floy Louise-Senior (Alpha Xi Delta), as their guest speaker at this year's Founders Day Celebration held at the Denver Zoo. IH staff, spouses and friends joined the alumnae at their annual Murder Mystery Party. The alumnae also shared a spaghetti networking dinner with Theta collegians and participated in Ritual ceremony at their Annual Business/Ritual Meeting in February. They also had a Spring Salad Luncheon and Game Day in April. The chapter is especially proud of their many members who work as volunteers and officers at both the local and international levels, in addition to those who work at International Headquarters.

FLORIDA

Thirty-six alumnae gathered at the Naples Sailing and Yacht Club for the Installation Ceremony of the NAPLES AREA Alumnae Chapter. International representatives, Cathy Simon and Jean Daily, joined the celebration.

TALLAHASSEE AREA alumnae continue to be strong supporters of the sisters at Florida State University. Their efforts were instrumental in the recent chapter house renovation. The alumnae

also sponsored two Tallahassee Alumnae Panhellenic scholarship awards. Several members will be attending Convention this summer in Washington, D.C.

ILLINOIS

The CHICAGO NORTHWEST SUBURBAN Alumnae Chapter is proud to welcome their new executive board. The chapter had a great fundraising year and donated \$950 to the Girl Scouts. Five members from this chapter will be attending Convention.

KANSAS

Congratulations to Terrie Webb Huntington, Sigma, 1968, as she launches her campaign to run for the 25th District Kansas House of Representatives. The focus of her campaign is to promote better education for the children of Kansas.

WICHITA STATE sisters and alumnae thanked and recognized the Jabara family for their generous donation to renovate the chapter room in memory of Donna Jabara Baker. Donna was an outstanding member of the Sorority and of the Wichita community. The Donna Jabara Baker Chapter Room was officially donated at Founders Day celebrations.

MICHIGAN

The DETROIT METRO Alumnae Chapter started "Coffee and Carnations," an informal gatherings used for sisters to come and enjoy time together. This past fall, the chapter celebrated Founders Day with both Oakland University (ΔO) and University of Detroit Mercy (ZN) and plan on attending their upcoming Senior Celebrations. At their Founders Day celebration, the chapter raised \$125 to purchase a brick for the Sisterhood Plaza. To learn more about the Detroit Metro chapter, visit their website at www.geocities.com/gammaphibetadmac.

MINNESOTA

The DULUTH alumnae celebrated Founders Day last November and honored 75-year member Helen Carlson Bray, Kappa, '25. Helen has been a member of the Duluth Alumnae Chapter for the past 45 years.

MISSOURI

The ST. LOUIS alumnae held their first ever Gamma Phi Beta Symposium. Career and Life Transitions was the topic and attendees ranged from college students to retirees. A panel discussion followed the keynote speaker's address.

NEW YORK

The NEWYORK CITY alumnae enjoyed ceramic painting, bowling and a Revlon Run/Walk. The chapter has selected a delegation to attend the upcoming Convention.

OHIO

The DAYTON alumnae toured the office of a non-profit professional counseling center for women in their city. As a donation, the members brought new journal books and emergency baby needs such as formula and diapers.



Members of the Lambda Seattle Corporation Board at their annual Christmas luncheon.



Members of the Greenville Area Alumnae Chapter, installed on February 10, 2002.



Sacramento Valley alumnae addressing invitations for installation.



Puget Sound alumnae celebrate with Shelly Simmons Russell and Wendy Blair Chudner at their baby shower.

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OREGON

Many alumnae from the UNIVERSITY OF OREGON attended this past year's Homecoming. This was quite a celebration as it marked 100 years of Greek life on the University's campus.

SOUTH CAROLINA

The GREENVILLE AREA Alumnae Chapter was officially installed on February 10, 2002. The chapter has already had an active agenda including an afternoon tea, a holiday party and a wine and cheese gala. The alumnae are now collecting proceeds to donate to a local women's shelter.

TEXAS

The HOUSTON alumnae met over delicious soups, salads and reviews of their favorite books. The alumnae enthusiastically welcomed the newest collegiate chapter to Texas A&M. Special thanks to Nancy Chuoke Enright (AZ) for all of her work in making the Sorority name strong in Texas.

It was quite a reunion for many alumnae who had graduated from SOUTHWEST TEXAS STATE UNIVERSITY. Sixty-three sisters gathered to reunite and spend the weekend with one another. Attendees ranged from charter initiates of 1968 to the last initiates from the late 1990's. Songs, dinners, lunches and a memorial service made this wonderful weekend complete.

WASHINGTON

PUGET SOUND alumnae stepped in and did whatever was needed during recruitment at the University of Puget Sound. The alumnae enjoyed "painting the town" at a local pottery center and donated their time to a local organization assisting victims of domestic violence.



Thirty-six sisters at the Installation of the Naples Area Alumnae Chapter, January 11, 2002.



University of Wisconsin/Madison alumnae celebrate the upcoming wedding of Jacqueline Petersen DeRousse.



Members of the Tallahassee Area Alumnae Chapter at their Panhellenic luncheon.



Alumnae from Wichita State University at their Founders Day celebration.



Duluth alumnae at their Founders Day celebration.

zeta omicron

INSTALLATION

John Carroll University | University Heights, Ohio

Our newest Gamma Phi Beta chapter, Zeta Omicron, at John Carroll University, was installed on April 13, 2002. The challenging journey to that glorious day did not come easily. The road to success consisted of hard work, perseverance, strong leaders, and bright women. We all put in a lot of work - collegians, alumnae, and international officers. We would not have succeeded without the combined efforts of these women.

John Carroll University is a small Jesuit university of about 4,000 students in Cleveland, Ohio. Gamma Phi Beta received the privilege of going onto the campus by affiliating with a local sorority in October 2001. The charter class was initiated on December 4, 2001. Recruitment was February 6-10. Reaping the benefits of their labor, Zeta Omicron invited 21 women to become Gamma Phis - the largest new member class on campus!

As the resident Collegiate Leadership Consultant at John Carroll, I had the honor of getting to know and work with 31 amazing women who strived to be their very best everyday. They were positive role models on campus - involved, intelligent, curious, fun and caring. These women were exemplary. They not only learned to live by the Sorority's Creed but to believe in it.

During the time I spent at John Carroll University, I made many friends and acquired new sisters as

well. I saw a group of women, bound by friendship, grow into a circle of sisterhood. Leaders emerged and encouraged the chapter to really grow and stretch their wings. Women extended friendship to new members and our Panhellenic sisters. I was awed by the strength I saw coming from this circle of sisters. I have the utmost respect for the women of Zeta Omicron, who went through a year of many ups and some downs and came out on top, proud of themselves and each other.

The culmination of Zeta Omicron's year of dedication was the Installation Banquet held April 13, 2002 at Landerhaven in Cleveland, OH. Over 200 people attended, including parents,

friends and alumnae. Honored alumnae present were Vicki Read, International President, Cory Tice, New Chapter Director, Brandy Saffell, Extension Coordinator, Lisa Peterson, Membership Department Consultant 2001-2002, and many of Zeta Omicron's advisors.

The defining moment at the banquet was the presentation of the charter by Vicki Read to Jen Marian, the chapter president, and the women of Zeta Omicron. Pride and happiness filled the room as all recognized the accomplishments of this group of women. Congratulations and continued success to Zeta Omicron - Gamma Phi's newest sisters!



Top: The newly installed Gamma Phi Beta chapter at John Carroll University (ZO). **Lower left:** Lisa Peterson and Lisa Dill, 2001-2002 Collegiate Leadership Consultants, with International President Vicki Carlson Read. **Lower right:** Lisa Dill with Brynn Allio and Andrea Restivo, two charter members of the Zeta Omicron chapter.



GAMMA PHI BETA FOUNDATION

Building Tomorrow's Leaders

GAMMA PHI BETA FOUNDATION RECEIVES \$600,000 FROM BEQUEST

The Foundation was notified in April of this year of a \$600,000 bequest from the estate of the late Elizabeth M. Harrington (H), a California Gamma Phi Beta alumna. This is only the latest example of how Gamma Phi sisters can make a gift that has lasting impact on the leadership development, educational and philanthropic programs that make up Gamma Phi Beta's services to women and girls.

You, too, can leave a legacy: remember your "little sisters" in your will, or with a planned gift to the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation through your estate plan. Gifts to the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation from loyal alumnae, their families and friends make it possible for the Foundation to enrich the lives of more women and girls every year.

Here are three stories of "little sisters" whose lives have been touched by the generosity of Gamma Phi Beta alumnae - in particular, through planned gifts which have built endowments, so that the benefits of their generosity can continue in perpetuity.

JULIA

Julia is from a small town in Oklahoma. She graduated magna cum laude from Oklahoma State University, where she held several leadership positions as a member of the Beta Psi chapter of Gamma Phi Beta. Julia then came to International Headquarters to receive training as a Collegiate Leadership Consultant (CLC) for the Sorority. As a CLC she spent the 2000-2001 school year traveling to chapters throughout North America, living in chapter houses, interacting with Gamma Phi undergraduates, listening to their concerns and aspirations -- and passing on to them the leadership skills and core values that will enrich their collegiate and alumnae lives.

In 2001 the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation awarded Julia the Ruth Seeler, M.D. Fellowship for study at the University of Oklahoma College of Medicine, where she is now completing her first year. The Foundation is proud to have helped support - in Julia's words - "the educational goals and dreams of Gamma Phis!" This support was acutely important to Julia in meeting the steep costs of medical school; and it was possible only because of gifts to the Foundation from loyal Gamma Phi alumnae.

CARLA

A bright eighth grader has been taking care of her father and her younger sister since her mother died eight years ago. Recently her

father suffered a mild stroke, so the household responsibilities have increased for the girls. The family lives in a small one-bedroom hotel room on a street frequented by drug dealers and prostitutes. The girls never go out after dark and spend most of their time indoors, even during the day.

This eighth grader had never been to a summer camp. She had learned of the adventure from a cousin who had gone the previous year, and she longed to have the same experience. She loves all living creatures and dreams of being a veterinarian some day. Because of alumnae who gave to the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation, she was able to attend a camp. She enjoyed an outdoor environment, made new friends, and experienced being close to adult women who cared about her and made sure she had a special time at camp.

KELLY

A young Gamma Phi was beginning her senior year of college in the Midwest. But a chain of events had plunged her family into a health and financial crisis. Her mother had donated a kidney to her father - who then suffered a heart attack immediately after surgery. Medications to prevent rejection of the transplanted kidney had side effects, necessitating a hip replacement. It is not likely that the father will ever return to work. The family had sold their home and moved into a small condo to cover medical bills and future emergencies.

Our determined collegian stayed at home during the summer to care for her parents and her younger sister. In the fall she washed dishes at the Sorority house in return for free board, and gave up her position on the varsity swim team. But she still needed additional funding for her final year of college. Finally, with the help of a \$1,000 grant from the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation, Kelly, who has shown exceptional perseverance and leadership, has been able to complete her education.



The Gamma Phi Beta Foundation is proud to support those Gamma Phi women who will step up to the daunting trials of the post-September 11 world. There are so many other ways the Foundation would like to nurture tomorrow's leaders. A gift from

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you, through your will or trust, will help us immeasurably in that effort. There are many ways you can plan your estate to benefit yourself, your loved ones and your little Gamma Phi sisters.

You may find that such a planned gift brings tax benefits, for you and for your heirs. And it will give you the security of knowing ahead of time how your assets will be used - and by whom.

AND PLEASE LET US KNOW!

Once you've decided to include the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation in your estate plans - through a will, trust, charitable annuity, or gift of life insurance - be sure to notify the Foundation! We want to thank you, and recognize you as a member of our Tau Epsilon Pi Society. And even more important: your legacy can inspire others to do the same, so that the number of such carefully planned gifts will multiply, touching more and more lives.

MAKING YOUR GIFT

For gift purposes, please include the Foundation's legal name, "the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation, an Illinois not-for-profit corporation currently having its principal office in Englewood, Colorado." The Foundation's Internal Revenue Service 501(c)(3) tax identification number is 75-6026984.

For information or assistance contact Bonnie Payne or Clyde Dawson at the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation: 303.799.1874, bpayne@gammaphibeta.org or cdawson@gammaphibeta.org.

FOR THE CHALLENGES OF YOUTH — SPECIAL CAMPING

This summer the Foundation will be sponsoring girls at over 50 different camps through the help of 47 collegiate and alumnae chapters. Thanks for your support and have a great summer!

NEXT TIME YOU HAPPEN TO BE
IN **COLORADO**, BE SURE TO STOP BY
INTERNATIONAL HEADQUARTERS AND
VISIT THE **SISTERHOOD PLAZA**.

FOR THE CHALLENGES OF EDUCATION — FINANCIAL AID

This past academic year the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation, through the support of many loyal donors, was able to provide financial aid to 53 women. Every year the Foundation succeeds in reaching new goals to further the future of Gamma Phi Beta. Heading into the 2002-2003 year will be no exception with awards of 67 scholarships and fellowships to the following recipients.

SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

Jaclyn Binder (Σ)	Kristie Nikoietich (BA)
Renee Boone (AΞ)	Corina Oliver (BK)
Abigail Booth (Ψ)	Sandra Pfeiler (P)
Tara Braun (EB)	Andrea Rebman (P)
Ashley Brooks (EΨ)	Robyn Reinke (ZΔ)
Jennifer Bunnaw (ZΔ)	Kirsten Saunders (Π)
Katherine Dankleff (Π)	Alison Sellie (AB)
Melissa Davis (AE)	Kathryn Simmons (AE)
Brooke Dummit (ZΓ)	Lauren Sloan (AE)
Leslie Eller (Ψ)	Ashley Sloan (Σ)
Emily Fagen (BY)	Ashley Smith (BY)
Sarah Goldstein (Σ)	Tonya Southam (ΓM)
Sara Hernandez (Σ)	Dara Southard (EΘ)
Cassandra Hicks (Σ)	Christina Stacy (BP)
Blair Izard (Σ)	Sarah Stanley (EΔ)
Aubrey Jennings (AΔ)	Ariane Steyaert (BK)
Erin Karshner (AN)	Ann Walsten (BY)
Kisha Kelsey (ΓΦ)	Megan Walz (EN)
Katie Kuhn (BY)	Jennifer Weaver (Σ)
Ashley Kwait (Σ)	Jamie Wilkinson (Π)
Stephanie McPheter (BY)	Michele Wisor (P)
Abby Medler (P)	Anne Woolwine (Σ)
Kathryn Mihulka (AB)	Deidra Young (EM)
Jennifer Morgan (BK)	

FELLOWSHIP WINNERS

Jennifer Beyland (B)	Marcie McClintic (AN)
Cathrin Boaz (H)	Ramona Sarsama (AN)
Jean Cunningham (ZK)	Quincy Struve (Λ/H)
Cher Dallal (H)	Jennifer Swenson (Σ)
Laura Fehemann (BX)	Heather Wade (E)
Tonie Garza (H)	Julia White (BΨ)
Lindsay Herrell (Λ)	A. Caitlin Whitwell (H)
Emily Hsu (H)	Janell Wilson (ΓΓ)
Sarah Kippenbrock (Π)	Alicia Young (ΔE)
Kristin Kruse (Π)	

Learn more about how our members and our friends participated in supporting all aspects of the Foundation this year in the fall issue of *The Crescent*, available October 2002.

SPREAD THE **SISTERHOOD** THROUGH THE **ALUMNAE** **INITIATE** PROGRAM

WHAT IS IT?

Gamma Phi Beta's Alumnae Initiate (AI) program is an amazing way to grow our membership.

This unique program allows our members to invite women into membership after college. They become an alumna upon initiation and can immediately become part of the alumnae chapter.

As a member, always be on the lookout for women looking for places to volunteer their time. Create friendships. Have Fun. Make a Difference. They could be your very own mother, sister or daughter. They could be your neighbor, or a friend from the gym or playgroup. A woman, for one reason or another, who didn't have the opportunity to join a sorority. Maybe they didn't attend college. Maybe there weren't sororities at her school. Whatever the reason, invite them to be part of a special event and see how your chapter can grow!

2001 proved to be a year of growth in our AI program. The two chapters featured here have had excellent success. Could yours be next?

SUCCESS STORIES

For the past two years, the Atlanta Alumnae Chapter made a conscious effort to recruit potential alumnae initiates. They recognized the value of the program and implemented a structured plan with an officer managing it. Here is what Julie Dunn Cappello, chapter president, had to say about their five new Alumnae Initiate Candidates.

"Through our newsletters, e-mail and personal communication we have asked our members if they know of someone who would be interested in becoming a Gamma Phi Beta and, if so, we have invited them to our casual events so they could get to know our members and we could get to know them. We even invited them to Founders Day as the guest of their sponsor (who paid for their meal) so they could see the larger scope of Gamma Phi Beta. Since our Founders Day included collegians from Delta Upsilon (120 in attendance) and Delta Omicron, as well as alumnae, it was a great event for them to attend and experience.

Our candidates vary tremendously in interest and age - one is the mother of a Gamma Phi. Another is a former member of the local sorority at UNC Asheville (which eventually became a Gamma Phi chapter) and another is one of my childhood friends who never

pledged a sorority in college but feels a real connection to the women of our Atlanta chapter. Each has something unique to offer our chapter and we have really enjoyed the experience of getting to know each of them."

This success doesn't just happen. Kim Lovelace, the Program Coordinator, was an Alumna Initiate at Texas Tech before moving to Tallahassee to attend graduate school. She currently works at

Georgia Tech in student affairs. Since Kim knows first-hand what the alumna initiate experience is like, she is uniquely qualified to manage the program. It is obvious she has done a tremendous job of communicating with the prospective members and planning the details of the program.

The Boise, Idaho Chapter also implemented the program and they have nine new Alumnae Initiate candidates. The chapter president shared this insight:

"Our success story happened a little by accident! I wish the officers could claim all the credit, but in reality two of our

alumnae - June Smith and her daughter, Shelly, sort of jump-started the process by researching the AI program and recommending eight women. Another woman was recommended shortly thereafter from a different alumna, bringing our total to nine. Our chapter was a little hesitant at first, but June and Shelly were persistent. We are all glad for that. We ended up with six fabulous initiates this past fall and will initiate two more this spring, and one next fall at Xi Chapter in Moscow, Idaho."

These chapters have taken the Alumnae Initiate program and found that sharing Gamma Phi Beta, sharing the opportunity, is a terrific way to not only grow their chapter but also their circle of sisters. The Alumnae Department challenges each of you to help grow the sisterhood. Identify those women who would enjoy the camaraderie of Gamma Phi Beta. The spirit of volunteerism. Those who want to promote our mission statement. Who knows, your friend may be the next International President!

HOW DO I GET STARTED?

International Headquarters can provide all the materials needed. There are special packets for candidates as well as officer information and all the paperwork necessary to implement a successful program. E-mail alumnae@gammaphibeta.org or call 303.799.1874 to request these packets or for more information.



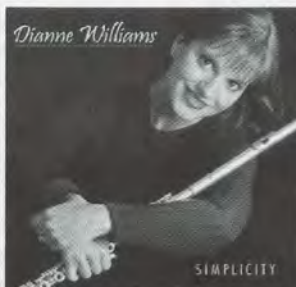
New alumnae initiates Cheryl Runyan, Solveig Smith, Laurie Braun, Kathy Gregory, Miren Eiguren and K.C. Smith.

ALPHA NU ALUMNA RELEASES DEBUT ALBUM

Flutist Dianne Frank Williams ('93), an alumna of the Alpha Nu chapter at Wittenberg University, released her debut CD recording entitled, *Simplicity*. The album features many well-known melodies performed on the flute, alto flute, and piccolo melodies such as "Amazing Grace," "Clair de Lune" and "Ode to Joy" set to a contemporary instrumental accompaniment. The CD also includes "All Through the Night," a melody Williams learned through Gamma Phi Beta.

Williams states, "Every one of the melodies on this album reflects specific events or memories from my life. 'All Through the Night' reminds me of the friendships I gained through Gamma Phi Beta and the many great times I shared with my sisters. Gamma Phi Beta has played such an important role in my life, so I just had to somehow pay tribute to it on this recording. 'All Through the Night' is dedicated to all of my sisters and to a network of truly extraordinary women."

For more information about Dianne Williams or to hear sound clips from *Simplicity*, visit her website at www.diannefrankwilliams.com.



Dianne Frank Williams

THE MANY LEGACIES OF JEANNE BEAUDRY

Do you remember this picture? It ran in the last issue of the magazine, in the Founders Day feature. Here's more information about the beautiful carnation painting shown in this picture.



50-year members of the Seattle Alumnae Chapter at their Founders Day celebration.

In 1990, Susan Lundrell, the interior designer selected to oversee the remodel of the Lambda Chapter House, commissioned Jeanne Beaudry (Alpha, 1935), a local artist and alumna, to paint a piece of art which would be placed over the fireplace and serve as the focal point of the living room and house.

With Jeanne's painting, Susan exceeded her objective of having a focal point and had a "piece de resistance" that touched Gamma Phis and others on campus. "A Pi Phi once told me that when

she passed by the Gamma Phi house at night and the lights were on inside, she was absolutely captivated by those flowers!" The painting is so compelling that Jeanne's granddaughter, Kea Beaudry (Λ) became a legacy when she went through recruitment and saw her grandmother's work at the chapter house.

In studying "this work of art, you will become aware of the explosion of a multitude of colors and textures, which reflect the characteristics and personalities that reside within these walls of Gamma Phi Beta, now and in the past. Yet, with all these unique personalities, we remain as one, as you see this painting is one ... Jeanne Beaudry is a gifted artist who has

given us a priceless gift ... Thank you, Jeanne Beaudry!"

Excerpts from presentation given by Carol Koehler (Λ), Lambda Alumnae House Manager, at Lambda Chapter's Founders Day 2001 celebration.



Jeanne Beaudry

FINDING A FRIEND IN THE MOST LIKELY OF PLACES

My name is Melissa Rosenthal, and I'm writing to tell you about the wonderful support a Gamma Phi alumna showed me recently. I just graduated from Bradley University where I was a member of the Beta Eta Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta. I am now attending Syracuse University law school, and to help with the expenses of law school, I am working as the house mom for Kappa Alpha Theta. Since the Alpha chapter of Gamma Phi is right down the street, I decided to stop by the other day. I was greeted at the door by Gamma Phi alumna, Gene O'Brien. Gene gave me a tour of the house, and made me feel right at home! When Gene took me into the chapter room, I almost cried. It's something I think every Gamma Phi should see. It took my breath away, and the way in which the room is arranged brought back wonderful memories of my own initiation.

Gene really made me feel welcome, and eased some of my tensions about being so far from home and being in charge of another sorority house (especially since I am just barely out of college). Two days after I visited Gene, she called to check on me. Gene came over to the house, and we spent more time together. It is such a relief to me to know that I have someone here in New York that I can trust and already feel comfortable calling if I get into trouble. All of this is proof that there is nothing stronger than the bonds of Gamma Phi sisterhood.

Love in Ilike,

Melissa E. Rosenthal (BH)

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.

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

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

Spring issue – January /
Fall issue – July /

Summer issue – April /
Winter issue – October /

Alpha *Syracuse University*
1931 Barbara "Bobbie" Lewis

Gamma *Univ. of Wisconsin/Madison*
1925 Mary Campbell Butts
1934 Evelyn Bernice Emerson Keenan

Delta *Boston University*
1927 Frances McDuffee MacKay

Epsilon *Northwestern University*
1933 Mary Le Cron Foster
1960 Martha "Judy" Allen George

Zeta *Goucher College*
1936 Evelyn Cole Dell

1942 Elizabeth Ahrens Forslind
1942 Phyllis Humphrey Remaklus
1950 Barbara Nicholson Hicks

Omicron *University of Illinois*
1950 Joanne Herschbach Dilsaver

Pi *University of Nebraska/Lincoln*
1939 Ruth Jane Lavender Robichaud
1945 Lois Johnson Hayes

Rho *University of Iowa*
1984 Kelli Hamilton Puk

Sigma *University of Kansas*
1923 Barbara Becker Dunscomb

1939 Maxine Ronk Ellis
1954 Carol Massey Kister Lambert

Alpha Zeta *University of Texas*
1926 Elizabeth Cravens Worthington
1942 Margaret Swett Henson

Alpha Eta *Ohio Wesleyan University*
1931 Nancy Arbogast Faust
1938 Betty Culp Wood

Alpha Theta *Vanderbilt University*
1933 Catherine Moore Pilley
1954 Mary Prichard Marsh

Alpha Iota *Univ. of California/Los Angeles*
1940 Helen Rupert Dooley

Alpha Xi *Southern Methodist University*
1930 Eulalia Thomas White
1945 Evelyn Males Bourland

Alpha Pi *West Virginia University*
1930 Frances Fisher Stalnaker
1971 Mildred Bailey

Alpha Rho *Birmingham Southern College*
1939 Mary Collins Smith

Alpha Upsilon *Pennsylvania State Univ.*
1935 Dorothy Marquardt Freitag
1940 Margaret Lams Babcock

Alpha Phi *Colorado College*
1949 Donna Wolf Steigerwaldt

Alpha Chi *College of William & Mary*
1951 Frances Franklin Batchelder

Alpha Psi *Lake Forest College*
1935 Dorothy Stein Hodgkinson

Beta Beta *University of Maryland*
1951 Eleanor Crezee Haddaway

Beta Gamma *Bowling Green State Univ.*
1944 Virginia Cole Vescovi

Beta Delta *Michigan State University*
1959 Harriet Jones Kochensparger
1960 Barbara Morrow Parres

Beta Zeta *Kent State University*
1954 Gail Comstock Skinner

Beta Theta *San Jose State University*
1948 Jane Kessler Brownnton

Beta Mu *Florida State University*
1950 Clelia Lancaster Grider

Beta Omicron *Oklahoma City University*
1957 Mary Schirmer Bryan

Beta Upsilon *Kansas State University*
1957 Maxine Cronk Ulrich

Delta Omega *Oakland University*
1988 Gwendolyn Pelc Meyer

Epsilon Delta *Creighton University*
1992 Lisa Marshall

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.

Eta *University of California/Berkeley*
1925 Elizabeth Sheafe Ames
1932 Mary Dovell Long
1946 Mary Bonar Van Kleeck
1971 G. Kathrine Green McKenzie

Theta *University of Denver*
1940 Margaret "Peggy" Turtle Steck
1947 Shirley Stacy Higdon

Kappa *Univ. of Minnesota/Minneapolis*
1936 Alice Gortner Johnson
1946 Ione Norby Reinertsen

Lambda *University of Washington*
1926 Julia Fowlkes Merville
1931 Ina Paddock Morthland
1936 Gwendolyn "Gwen" Ruge Port
1951 Joan Lashbaugh McFee

Mu *Stanford University*
1925 Katharine Clemons Snitjer
1935 Beth Lazear Hitchcock
1938 Priscilla Hatch Collins

Nu *University of Oregon*
1930 Dorothy Harbaugh Eward
1937 Alice Swift Smith
1941 Ann Howard Swink
1943 Marjorie Junor Bolliger

Xi *University of Idaho*
1929 Jean Tedford Jacobs
1931 Susan Malcolm Frazier
1935 Mary Wickes Bellas
1939 Marjorie Johnston Ashenbrenner

1923 Inez Porta Todd
1926 Laura Mellette Ide
1928 Kathryn Moore Coen
1940 Marjorie Siegrist Ebling
1944 Marjorie Cooper Laybourn

Tau *Colorado State University*
1952 Joanne Lohse Binkley

Phi *Washington University*
1926 Christine Chapin Rapp
1951 Carolyn Quayle McMullin

Chi *Oregon State University*
1931 Ione Riley Henriksen
1944 Suzanne Nelson Backstrom

Psi *University of Oklahoma*
1941 Alice Reynolds Pratt
1944 Helen Chambers Neal

Omega *Iowa State University*
1934 Virginia Schutter Voss
1942 Patty Park Johnson
1943 Rachel Wiegman Fabens
1945 Lucy Greving Dierks
1956 Carolyn DeJong Clinton

Alpha Gamma *Univ. of Nevada/Reno*
1926 Romayne Foley Hoagland
1932 Madelyn Miller Secoy
1944 Genevieve Johns Yasmer
1952 Jean Giffin Glass

Alpha Delta *Univ. of Missouri/Columbia*
1923 Esther Platt Bristol

VIRGINIA FORSYTHE VINT (AA)



When the Dallas Alumnae Chapter created an award to honor Virginia, it was properly named the Virginia Vint Pride And Commitment Award. Virginia entered the University of Missouri as a junior where her membership truly became a passionate interest in her life surpassed only by her love for her husband, Edward, and son, Bob. Virginia's commitment to service also extended to her church, Lakeview Christian Church, where she served as Treasurer for many years.

Virginia's Sorority involvement was extensive including significant leadership roles: Dallas Alumnae Chapter President and International Council Alumnae Vice President. Within the Foundation, Virginia and Edward endowed the AE chapter memorial garden and established the Virginia Forsythe Vint Fellowship. Under the auspices of this fellowship, the Foundation awarded \$5,075 during the 2000-2001 fiscal year.

Virginia was a true "confirmed conventioneer," continuing to attend several Conventions even after her debilitating stroke in 1982. Virginia inspired all who knew her to a high standard of pride and commitment.

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

Frances Appleby Andrews (E '23)
Elizabeth Geehan

Sarah Armstrong (mother of Nona Armstrong Minami - Δ '44)
Hawaii Alumnae Chapter

Mildred Florine Bailey (ΑΠ '71)
Barbara Tucker Bucy

Marion Baumann (K '29)
Jane Fair

Ruby Cullins Best (ΓΑ '58)
Vada Baird

William Bott (husband of Alana Bott - ΑΠ '69)
Sandra Rettke-Nauman

Kathryn Moore Coen (Σ '28)
Sue Ann Fagerberg
Greater Kansas City Alumnae Chapter

Helen Rupert Dooley (ΑΙ '40)
Mary Ann O'Neal

Susan Dreisbach (sister of Marjory Shupert - T '54)
Ruth Seeler
Sandra Rettke-Nauman

Marjorie Siegrist Ebling (Σ '40)
Jean Bailey Knox
Harriette Smith McVay
Joyce French
Greater Kansas City Alumnae Chapter
Jane Tinklepaugh
Lynne Clawson
Pamela Peffer
Ada Fuller Baumgartner
Robert and Betty Busler
Catherine Campbell Dunmire
Mary Ann Johnson
Sue Ann Fagerberg
Norma Keck
W.C. Hartley
Tom and Betty Hocker

Dorothy Harbaugh Eward (N '30)
Dorothy Harn

Rachel Wiegman Fabens (Ω '43)
Greater Fort Myers Alumnae Chapter

Janet Hawes Foley (Σ '43)
Lynne Clawson

Elizabeth Ahrens Forslind (Ξ '42)
Bruce Forslind

Eleanor Crezee Haddaway (BB '51)
Helen Leary
Diana Lillevig

Leslie Dion Heublein (BA '75)
Wendy Woltd

Rebecca "Becky" Hilger (B '99)
Theta Chapter of Alpha Phi Sorority
Linda Sullivan (Director of Student Programs - University of Michigan)

Kyle Hohn (husband of Lauren Eglon Hohn - ΒΠ '91)
Sandra Rettke-Nauman

Robert Hovey (husband of Mary Ellen Fluke Hovey - ΒΔ '45)
Parna LaZelle Joyce

Joanne Walt Kennedy (ΑΙ '44)
Mary Alice Kuni MacInnes

Janet Puthuff LeBlanc (ΒΑ '50)
Charlotte Lester

Barbara Barott Lentz (ΑΓ '50)
Lynne Clawson

Mary Dovell Long (H '32)
South Orange County Crescent Circle

Irmgard Zeltmeisl Lowe (E '16)
Jeannien Ludwig

Elaine Lynch (E '36)
Rachel Harris Shackleton Morrison

Mary Katherine Prichard Marsh (ΑΘ '54)
Carol Marsh Claus

Carol Massey Kister Lambert (ΑΔ '54)
Sue Grossman Weimer

Joan Lashbaugh McFee (Λ '51)
Jeannine Kallal
Ann Balzer Rothrock

Margaret Tumlin McIntosh (ΒΑ '49)
Charlotte Lester

William G. & Floence Missert (parents of Barbara Missert Wessel - Α '59)
Ruth Seeler

Wilson Morgan (brother of Genie Street - ΑΙ '62)
Sandra Rettke-Nauman

Margaret Elizabeth Newton (ΑΖ '38)
Vada Baird

Stephen Joseph Parker (father of Nina Parker Ebner - ΒΑ '72 and Janet Parker Whitcomb - ΓΗ '66)
Delta Eta House Corporation Board

Chrystine Walker Peterson (ΑΕ '30)
Mary Hargraves

Bob Pralle (father of Penny Pralle - Π '60)
Sharon Witt Dunham

Father in law of Betty Quick (ΒΦ '61)
Vicki Read

Ruth (Jane) Lavender Robichaud (Π '39)
South Orange County Crescent Circle

Bill Sheldon (brother of Jeannine Kallal - ΒΕ '58)
Tucky Hobbs
Melba Spurrier
Barbie Chadwick
Krista Davis
Mary Knaup
Adra Cheek
Shellie Hodges
Laura Mayville
Terrie Huntington
Sally Erikson Lewis
Jeannine Kallal
Alumnae Department

Alice Swift Smith (N '37)
Eleanor Swift Putnam
Salem Alumnae Chapter

Frances Fisher Stalnaker (ΑΠ '30)
Barbara Tucker Bucy

Jean Simpson Taylor (Φ '35)
Gladys Myles

Inez Porta Todd (Σ '23)
Donna G. Logan
Lynne Clawson

Helen Holbrook Tunstall (ΑΧ '40)
Marion Hastings
Cecelia Bouma
Dorothy W. Tessier
Mid-Maryland Crescent Circle

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SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

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.

Sarah Ellis (O '34)
Sarah Morse

Joan Lashbaugh McFee (Λ '51)
Donald McFee

Rose Chrystine Walker Peterson (ΑΕ '30)
Linda and Barbara Peterson

CONGRATULATIONS

- Congratulations to Courtenay Mercer (DM) on her engagement to Dominick Mondì. Wishing you a lifetime of happiness and love.

Dana Pelegrino

- Congratulations to Barbara Wells on her marriage to Danny D'Agostino.

Chris Slevin

- In celebration of the recent marriage of Natalie Black to Kevin Muir.

Hallie Anderson

BIRTHS & BIRTHDAYS

- In celebration of Julie Campbell Fein's big birthday.

Barbara Wessel

- In celebration of the birth of legacy Elyssa Ann to my big sister Amy (Schwartz) Daguanno and her husband Darin.

Jennifer McIntosh

- In celebration for Sebastian and Kelly (Brown) Dunne in honor of the birth of their son, Emmett Brady.

Calli Daly

Jan Pickrel

Tracy Johnson

- Happy Birthday to L'Cena Rice.

Phyllis Choat

Barbara Wessel

Rene Matz

Cinda Lucas

Sally Lewis

- In celebration of Antoinette Leonard-Sipe giving birth to her first child, Richard Lee Sipe, III on Friday, January 4, 2002 at 1:39PM, weighing 7lbs., 10ozs., and 20' long.

Antoinette Leonard-Sipe

SISTERHOOD

- In celebration of Brenda Rickert for being an outstanding Nominating Committee Chairwoman (00-02).

Kendra Bocher

- In celebration of Florida State's Beta Mu Chapter for First Place in Children's Miracle Network Dance Marathon. Way to go!

Rosemary Stone Bunn

- In recognition of Kris Riske and the honor she will receive from Lambda Chi Chapter.

Karen W. Kline

- In celebration of The Foundation's Development Committee chaired by Phyllis Choat.

Sally Lewis

- In celebration of Beta Mu "Tiger Toss" and "Line Dance" squads. You were great!

Rosemary Stone Bunn

- In honor of the following gift, the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation will inscribe a brick in the Sisterhood Plaza. For my daughter Susan E. Baird - Epsilon Xi '91

Vada Baird

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Phyllis Wetherill VanBuskirk (BΦ '95)
Harriette Smith McVay

Ed Vint (husband of Virginia Forsythe Vint - ΑΔ '36)
Jeanette Williams Nixon
Rob Nixon
Shaun Nixon

Virginia Forsythe Vint - (ΑΔ '36)
Wendy Weber
Kiki and Mark Jacob
Mary Jane Misthos
Marjory Shupert
Audrey Shafer
Marilyn Callahan
Nancy Enright
Sharon Witt Dunham
Sue Dorsey Durrett
Jeanette Williams Nixon
Rob Nixon
Shaun Nixon
Mary Jo Callahan Cater
Jeanne Swanson Beach
Judy Graham
Georgia Davis
Sally Erikson Lewis
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The Panhellenic movement began in the late 1800s when the leaders of the existing women's fraternities recognized a need for cooperation and collaboration between groups. Ironically, at that time, although all of the groups were founded in the spirit of sisterhood, there was very little sisterly feeling between the groups. They were in fierce competition with one another and considered themselves rivals rather than contemporaries.

Today, NPC supports its values-based member organizations by providing a forum for discussion of current collegiate issues and by offering an opportunity to create collegiate and alumnae programs of mutual interest that deal with academic excellence and integrity, values-based decision making, women's health and well being, and community service. The member groups of NPC also work jointly to enhance relationships and strengthen communication with colleges and universities.

The challenges of the second NPC century can only be imagined, but the appeal of its member groups - or what one historian called "a tie which unites and a circle of friends who sympathize" - continues to attract collegiate women today as it did in the 1800s.

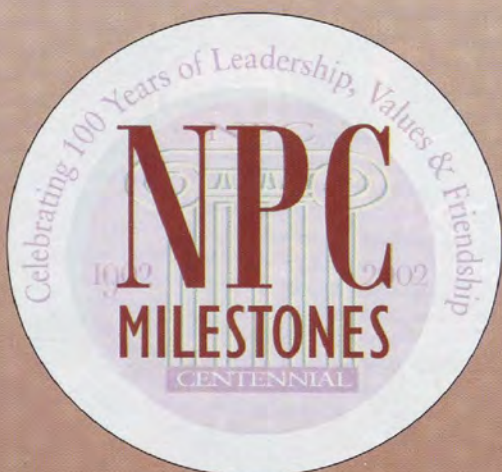
BETTY QUICK INSTALLED AS NPC TREASURER

Elizabeth (Betty) Ahlemeyer Quick (Beta Phi), NPC Delegate, was installed as Treasurer of the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) at the biennial meeting in October 2001. Like many college Panhellenic Associations, NPC rotates its leadership positions among the 26 member groups. As each group rotates into leadership their NPC Delegate serves the Conference as Treasurer for two years, Secretary for two years and Chairman for two years. Two Gamma Phi Betas have previously served as NPC Chairman: Lillian Thompson (Beta) 1912-1913, and Beatrice Locke Hogan (Nu) 1955-1957.

Betty joined Gamma Phi Beta's NPC delegation in 1984 as an alternate delegate. In 1992 International Council appointed her NPC Delegate, and she has been elected to that position in each succeeding biennium. Her longevity and vast



Elizabeth Ahlemeyer Quick



1851 The first secret society for American college women, the Adelphean Society, later Alpha Delta Pi, is founded in Macon, GA at Wesleyan Female College.

1874 Gamma Phi Beta is founded at Syracuse University, Syracuse, NY.

1882 Dr. Frank Smalley coins the word "sorority" for Gamma Phi Beta, making it the first women's society to be known by that name.

1891 Kappa Kappa Gamma extends invitations to and hosts the first meeting of women's fraternity representatives, inviting six other societies to meet in

Boston, - Alpha Phi, Delta Delta Delta, Delta Gamma, Gamma Phi Beta, Kappa Alpha Theta, and Pi Beta Phi.

1902 The first Inter-Sorority Conference (ISC) is held in Chicago. Lillian Thompson was Gamma Phi Beta's delegate to this inaugural meeting of the seven founding members of the Conference.

1905 Gamma Phi Beta influenced the structure and the direction of the Panhellenic movement with substantial contributions to the creation of the



Lillian Thompson

experience within NPC is a tremendous asset to both Gamma Phi Beta and NPC. Betty has served NPC as an area advisor to college Panhellenics, Area Advisor Coordinator, member of several NPC consulting teams and various ad hoc and study committees and most recently as Chairman of the College Panhellenics Committee for an unprecedented six years.

During her service as College Panhellenics Committee Chairman, NPC became increasingly visible to college Panhellenics with the implementation of the Alcohol Free Facility Resolution, the Alcohol Free Social Activities Resolution, development of a Membership Growth Plan Resolution, Something of Value education program, and a complete revision of the NPC Manual of Information. Betty travels extensively for Gamma Phi Beta and NPC as she regularly attends regional Greek conferences, national student personnel, university administrator and fraternity advisor meetings, in addition to regular International Council and NPC Executive Committee meetings, Conventions and conferences.

Her reputation for hard work, fairness, dedication and integrity has resulted in numerous Panhellenic friends for Betty and by association, for Gamma Phi Beta. She is well known and well respected by Greek advisors around the country as the ultimate resource for information and assistance regarding campus

Panhellenic issues, NPC recruitment and judicial policies or to resolve basic "Green book confusion. Sally Grant, Alpha Phi and current NPC Chairman, says of Betty, "Her broad and comprehensive knowledge of college Panhellenics and her professional relationships with so many of the Greek Advisors has been of great benefit to the Conference and will serve her well as she rotates through the positions on the Executive Committee."

Lissa Bradford, Kappa Alpha Theta and NPC Chairman 1997-1999, describes Betty: "Among her many virtues is one that I have never seen her forgo - fairness. In all her decisions... Betty has always fought to see that the outcome is equitable for those involved. Additionally Betty does not compromise her principles... She expects a great deal from others and much more of herself. Betty is fully dedicated to the Panhellenic idea. She knows there is strength in collaboration and power in unified action... She will make Gamma Phi Beta proud."



Members of the NPC delegation, International Council, and IH staff attended Betty Quick's installation as NPC Treasurer in October 2001 at the NPC biennial meeting in Tucson, AZ.

Those of us who serve with Betty on the NPC delegation agree with Marian Williams, Kappa Kappa Gamma and NPC Chairman 1999-2001, "NPC is truly blessed to have someone come into the executive positions with such a wealth of NPC experience. Her vast contacts ... will enable collaborative endeavors to prosper. Betty's ethical and positive leadership will move the Conference forward to new heights."

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Constitution, which was adopted at the meeting during this year. Lillian Thompson was one of two delegates to serve on the Constitution Committee.

1911 ISC approves a name change and becomes the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC).

1913 Lillian Thompson, Gamma Phi Beta, serves as Chairman of NPC. Fraternity presidents met as a group for the first time during the NPC meeting this year.

1928 NPC makes plans to distribute the NPC Manual of Information and the preferential bidding system is adopted.

1944 Gamma Phi Beta's World War II Service Project, "Bonds Buy Mercy," raises \$15 million for the purchase of hospital planes.

1957 Beatrice Locke Hogan, Gamma Phi Beta, serves as Chairman of NPC. The total number of NPC fraternities hits an all-time high with 32 members.

1973 Joining other interfraternity groups, NPC establishes the rights of all fraternities to remain single-sex organizations.



Beatrice Locke Hogan

1995 The NPC foundation is established. Betty Quick, Gamma Phi Beta, is appointed by the NPC Chairman to a position on the NPC Executive Committee, Chairman of the College Panhellenics Committee.

2001 The 57th National Panhellenic Conference kicks off a yearlong centennial celebration. Gamma Phi Beta enters NPC leadership rotation when Betty Quick is installed as Treasurer of the Conference.

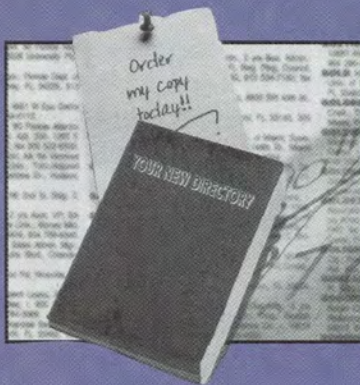
2005 A Gamma Phi Beta is installed as Chairman for the third time in NPC's history.

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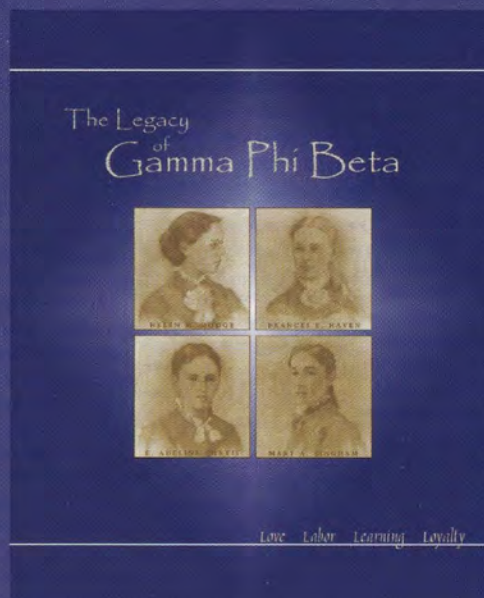
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