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THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE

■ **THERE ARE CLOSE TO** 1.5 million nonprofit organizations in the United States. They span a wide spectrum of mission areas, resources, values, history and stakeholders. Serving on a board (or Council, as it is in Gamma Phi Beta) of a nonprofit organization involves serious obligations, but can yield great personal satisfaction. Serving on Gamma Phi Beta's Council provides an opportunity to contribute time and talent to further the Sorority's mission and programs, which are aimed at developing women to their fullest potential. It is also a responsibility that requires teamwork, time and attention, as well as accountability. ■ **IN ADDITION TO** having responsibility for the Sorority's legal and ethical obligations, Council shoulders the responsibility of providing guidance to the organization by managing and leading the other volunteers as they work for the betterment of the Sorority. Somewhat like a for-profit business that answers to its shareholders, Gamma Phi Beta is "owned" by the membership and as a volunteer "member-driven" women's organization, Council represents the interests of the membership. Also, as a nonprofit with paid staff, Council members work directly with staff in fulfilling the support services of the Sorority, whether that involves such activities as assisting with the development of the budget, developing new operational guidelines, approving new vendors or producing communication pieces. And, as partners with the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation, Council supports its philanthropic endeavors to enhance Sorority programming. ■ **IN ITS GOVERNANCE ROLE,** Council fulfills its responsibilities by acting as a collective body to ensure that Gamma Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. fulfills its legal and financial responsibilities and its obligations to the membership. It maintains its fiduciary responsibility, makes strategic decisions, ensures the organization is accountable to its constituencies, protects the Sorority's reputation, and endeavors to ensure a smooth transition of leadership. At all times, Council members stay informed about the operations of the organization, show undivided allegiance to Gamma Phi Beta's welfare and remain faithful to its mission. ■ **NOT ONLY DO COUNCIL MEMBERS** provide the governance of the Sorority described above, but they manage and give leadership to the organization by supervising their respective departments, work on committees and task forces within the Sorority and fraternal world, volunteer their service to local chapters, serve as ambassadors to the various "publics" and serve as members of the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation. ■ **AS A CORPORATION,** Gamma Phi Beta is governed by bylaws that set the direction for the Sorority's election process. The election of Council members takes place at Convention each biennium with officers serving no more than two consecutive terms in the same office. To learn more about how you can be part of the process and contribute to your Sorority turn to page 15 of this magazine. ■ **YES, SERVING ON COUNCIL** involves serious obligations, but great satisfaction is derived from the fact that service has been given and an important contribution has been made to Gamma Phi Beta's continued excellence.

Vicki C. Read

Vicki Carlson Read
International President

THE POWER OF ONE ... THE STRENGTH OF MANY

■ THE POWER OF ONE WOMAN can be strengthened by the support of many. The determination to run a village, the dedication to improve a village and the compassion to help others are compelling when the vision of one is supported by many. The power of Marcene Larkin's (Wichita State) dedication to help the impoverished villages of Guatemala is contagious and with the help of her alumnae chapter, the Naples Alumnae Chapter, she was able to send them 250 Spanish textbooks, 3,000 vitamins, 300 baseball caps, 200 toothbrushes, 500 pairs of shorts, 150 pairs of socks and 300 pairs of shoes. Marcene traveled to Guatemala with the Airline Ambassadors, an organization whose mission is to help children in need and to provide ordinary people the opportunity to travel and make a difference. Marcene observed the strength of the women in the village of San Antonio, Guatemala, who worked together to provide food and water for their families within their means. This is her story...

"There was no dock, so I jumped off the edge of the small boat and my friend Hope followed me. Ten other women with Airline Ambassadors jumped on shore, and the driver handed over the wheelchairs, school supplies and items for the clinic. Near us in the clear water of the San Antonio village, women were washing clothes on volcano lake rocks as they had done for hundreds of years.

"On top of the mountains across the lake, I could see smoke rising from one of the volcanoes. The night before, I saw the red lava oozing down the mountainside. While crossing the lake, remnant of volcanoes from 80,000 years ago, I felt the hot water between the rocks from deep below. The rich volcanic soil grows luscious crops for the Mayan people to sell, while they mainly eat corn. On the bank sat a native woman with deep lines in her face. She sat shucking green onions in the shade of a big tree.

"On the way up the hill to the school, we stopped at the village water pump where the women and children were filling their colorful jugs. Two girls with big brown eyes and chocolate hair were smiling, shyly, at the well. I watched the women and children as they placed the colorful jugs on their heads to carry them back to their gray concrete

homes. A young girl about 8 years old was carrying a live red rooster on her head. I was fascinated with the colorful head roll they used to carry things on their heads.

"A small, thin woman was carrying her child in a sling while carrying a

basket on her head. The woman's tenderness showed her love for the child. A tall, young woman with a strong, straight back passed us as she carried twelve pieces of wood on her head that she had collected and tied in a bundle this morning. She was returning to her home to build a fire in the pit inside the house to cook the daily pot



Co-op group making beads.

of corn to make tortillas.

"The village had four women's co-op groups in which the women make beautiful beaded jewelry, woven fabrics, ceramics and embroidered goods. They use bold colors that accent their stark surroundings.

"Today, we were delivering a wheelchair to Carlos, a teenage boy with cerebral palsy. This simple gift will change his life. After blowing soap bubbles with Carlos, we left for the clinic.

"The clinic was a stark room with a table, bowls for water, and two cabinets. The aides, not the doctors or nurses, make the hour-long boat ride across the lake once a week to see if anyone is in need. We brought the clinic vitamins with folic acid to lower the high rate of birth defects in the village.

"We also visited the barren school, to deliver a zip lock bag filled with paper, crayons, markers, scissors and trinkets to

give to each child. The literacy rate in the village is 34%. We gave each child a toothbrush and I demonstrated 35 times, one on one, how to brush teeth. The school had no water so we used our own spit.

"Returning home, this trip woke me like an alarm clock to realize my life of abundance and to notice the similarities that people of different cultures share. I adopted Meribel, an eight-year old Ladino godchild, through Vamos Adelante, a non-profit organization. The first thing

the organization did for Meribel was to give her a good pair of shoes to protect her feet from the parasites. They will also help Meribel's mother and siblings with hygiene and food. The focus of Vamos Adelante is to motivate the people to work together on their community's

priorities. The villagers are put in charge of the projects, so they become self-sustaining."

Airline Ambassadors and Vamos Adelante were both created by the vision of a woman who wanted to make a difference. With the help of several others, they have realized their dream. Visit www.airlineambas.org or www.vamosadelante.org. ■



Guatemalan mother with her children.



Guatemalan school girl with Marcene listening to the cat puppets.

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With Suitcase in Hand ...

by Angela White (Colorado State) | Associate Editor

Gamma Phi Beta is proud to present the 2003-2004 collegiate leadership consultants (CLCs)!

Who is a collegiate leadership consultant? She is a dynamic, outgoing and dedicated leader. She is a sister, friend and counselor.

The 2003-2004 collegiate leadership consultants will use their own experiences and weeks of training at International Headquarters and Leadership Development Institute to work with chapters across the States and Canada. They will train chapter officers and advise chapters in areas including: leadership development, chapter programming, membership recruitment and alumnae relations; and they will provide support to new and challenged chapters. Each consultant will arrange workshops and nearly 20 meetings per visit.

This year, two CLCs are residents at Texas A&M/College Station for the fall colonization. They represent Gamma Phi Beta as our public relations team and recruitment experts. They will educate the new colony using *Crescent Values: The Complete Sister Program for Lifetime Education, Leadership and Service*.

So, with suitcase ~ or suitcases ~ in hand and a laptop in the other ~ the CLCs arrive!



NAME: Abby Wike

SCHOOL: Boston University (Δ)

GAMMA PHI BETA POSITIONS HELD: membership vice president (2 terms)

MAJOR: Film and Television, English minor

Abby is excited for the experiences she will encounter as a CLC, especially for the opportunity to travel and to be a part of the development and growth of the Sorority. In fact, her favorite Gamma Phi Beta memories involve recruitment. "Recruitment is always the best time to bond with your sisters and to share your

Gamma Phi pride," she said.

Aside from her involvement in Delta chapter, Abby kept busy in several campus activities and organizations. She was a member of the university's community service organization and the ballroom dance team, and she produced several documentaries on her campus. Abby worked as a wedding coordinator at Marsh Chapel, where she served as a student host. In addition, she received a scholarship to study abroad in London and, while there, interned with a freelance documentary company. Upon Abby's return, she served as a study abroad program peer advisor. She was a charter member of the Boston University/Los Angeles Internship Program, where she interned for E! Entertainment Television. Abby is from Lancaster, Pennsylvania.



NAME: Cara A. Muccino

SCHOOL: Arizona State University (BK)

GAMMA PHI BETA

POSITIONS HELD:

risk management chair, GARRP chair, assistant Panhellenic Delegate and Panhellenic Delegate

MAJOR: Business Marketing, minor in Communications

"Along my travel
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about being creative

Jamie Ham

"What you can receive from any life experience is always based on the effort and dedication that you put into it. Don't hope that things will happen - make them happen," believes Cara. She is eager to see new places, to challenge herself, and to meet new sisters from across the country as a CLC. Convention 2002 was a turning point in Cara's Gamma Phi Beta life, where she discovered her passion for the organization and her desire to become a collegiate leadership consultant.

Cara's parents have been an incredible influence and inspiration in her life. She admires her mother's career achievements and her father's caring nature and dedication to his family and friends. She grew up in Scottsdale, Arizona.



NAME: Jenna Venema

SCHOOL: University of Nebraska/Lincoln (II)

GAMMA PHI BETA POSITIONS HELD: activities chair, Homecoming chair, Greek Week chair, Panhellenic Delegate and president

MAJOR: Communications Studies, minor in Psychology

The love and support of Jenna's parents are the foundation in her life that she credits for her success. In addition to Gamma Phi Beta, she is a member of: the Chancellor's Senior Honorary Innocents

Society, Omicron Delta Kappa Society and Order of Omega Greek Honor Society. On campus, she was active in: the Chancellor's Leadership Class, Arts & Sciences Student Advisory Board, New Student Enrollment Orientation Leader, University Ambassadors, Student Election Groups and a Teammates Mentor.

Jenna will always remember Convention 2002, which she attended with seven other chapter members. Together they relive the memories of dancing, dining, late night chats with each other, and winning the Mary A. Bingham Award, Gamma Phi Beta's top collegiate chapter honor. She is excited to meet the outstanding women of Gamma Phi Beta from all over the country and get to know their chapters. She approaches each day with the Scout's motto: Always be prepared. She adds, "As long as I am prepared, I can be flexible as well, making the second part of my motto - go with the flow. Preparation and flexibility make life so much easier." She is from Fremont, Nebraska.



NAME: Kathryn Bruggencate
SCHOOL: University of British Columbia (AA)
GAMMA PHI BETA POSITIONS HELD: Gamma Phi Beta sports officer, University of British Columbia (UBC) Panhellenic Vice President of Finance, UBC Panhellenic Extension Committee Co-Chairwoman, UBC Panhellenic President, Greek Representative on the UBC Alcohol Policy Reform Committee
MAJOR: Integrated Science with emphasis in Neurobiology/Biopsychology

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 2003 CLC

Kathryn's mother is the most influential person in her life. She has overcome hardships and setbacks Kathryn would have thought insurmountable. "Her advice and encouragement has helped me to set my personal limits very high, strive to achieve those goals, and overcome my own obstacles," Kathryn said.

Kathryn was active on her university campus as the assistant director for the University of British Columbia (UBC) Intramurals Program, a member the UBC Scuba Diving Club and Red Cross Club, choreographer for the Totem Park Residence Musical and a volunteer for several organizations. Kathryn worked as a research assistant in the UBC Visual Cognition Lab this past academic year.

Kathryn is looking forward to meeting the women in the chapters she will visit and having the opportunity to share ideas between chapters. After traveling as a CLC, she plans to attend medical school. Her family lives in Calgary, Alberta, Canada.



NAME: Michelle Sotak
SCHOOL: Northwestern University (E)
GAMMA PHI BETA POSITIONS HELD: president and recording secretary
MAJOR: Political Science with an emphasis in Science in Human Culture

Michelle is excited to travel for the Sorority, to see new places, and to meet Gamma Phis across the country. Meeting all of the wonderful

alumnae and collegians at Convention 2002 made a lasting impression on her.

As a leader, Michele believes, "You must be the change you wish to see in the world" (Ghandi). Besides her involvement in Gamma Phi Beta, Michelle was active in several other campus organizations. She served as the co-captain and treasurer of the women's club ice hockey team, she was on the executive board of the Suitcase Party philanthropy, and was on the Homecoming committee.

Michelle worked in a research laboratory focusing on the neurobiology of Alzheimer's disease. Her supervisor at the laboratory was a great influence on Michelle. She showed her that it is possible to balance a career and family and still accomplish all of your goals.

After her year as a CLC, Michelle hopes to pursue a graduate degree in public health or health policy. Her family lives in Eldersburg, Maryland.



NAME: Melissa "Mo" Kieffer
SCHOOL: Jacksonville University (EZ)
GAMMA PHI BETA POSITIONS HELD: financial vice president, house manager and president for two years
MAJOR: Marine Science, minor in Psychology

Mo is enthusiastic about her responsibilities as a CLC; and she is excited to meet new sisters. She treasures every moment with her sisters of

Epsilon Delta, such as attending Convention 2002, initiation and transitioning her office as president to her Little Sister. She is looking forward to starting this new level of involvement with Gamma Phi Beta.

Mo approaches life with this inspirational quote: "On the road to success, you can be sure of one thing - there is never a crowd on the extra mile." In addition to Gamma Phi Beta, she was also active on campus with Student Orientation and Varsity Crew. Over the summer, she competed in sprint triathlons. Mo grew up in Stone Mountain, Georgia.

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WHY BE A CLC?

Being a collegiate leadership consultant is a once in a lifetime experience. It is an excellent opportunity to sharpen and further develop professional skills. It is a chance to share your strengths and experiences gained from Gamma Phi Beta. Collegiate leadership consultants help collegiate members develop their abilities, provide International Council with on-sight evaluation of issues and trends, and further the ideals and purposes of the Sorority.

If you are a senior and have chapter/campus leadership experience; willingness to see new places and make new friends; and a desire to strengthen Gamma Phi Beta, ask your chapter president or contact International Headquarters for an application.



Many thanks to the 2002-2003 CLCs:
 Kristy Keefe, Jamie Hampton and Nike Roe

by Elizabeth "Betty" Ahlemeyer Quick (Indiana) | NPC Delegate

■ GPB ALUMNAE TO BE FEATURED AT WPI CONFERENCE

by Barbara Wessel (Syracuse)

Fundraising consultants, Kay Sprinkel Grace Beaumont (California/Berkeley) and Barbara Missert Wessel (Syracuse), spoke at the Women's Philanthropy Institute's conference in Greenwich, Connecticut on September 22, 2003. The one-day conference, entitled *The Joy and Influence of Giving*, focused on how women can lead and influence philanthropic action in their communities.

In 1992, the Women's Philanthropy Institute (WPI) was created at the University of Wisconsin in response to the realization that its alumnae controlled significant wealth but were largely absent in its donor rolls. WPI programs and services focus on women's relationship with money, their capacity for giving, the motivations that inspire them to give, and the barriers that hold them back. The organization was launched as a separate corporation in 1997, and is headquartered in Rochester, Michigan. Kay and Barbara are members of WPI's Board of Directors.

Believing that an affiliation with WPI will help unleash the philanthropic power of sorority alumnae, the National Panhellenic Conference Foundation Board of Trustees voted to become an institutional sponsor of WPI at its April 2003 board meeting. In addition to welcoming sorority alumnae and sorority foundation development staff to its conferences, WPI will also assist sorority foundations privately in areas

ranging from board development to staff training to fundraising programs. The NPC Foundation has also arranged for each member group's foundation to receive *WPINews*, which is published quarterly.

Barbara Wessel is a



Barbara M. Wessel

member of the NPC Foundation Board of Trustees, and serves on its development and finance committees. You may contact her at Barbara@wesselassociates.com for more information about WPI and the NPC Foundation.

■ GAMMA PHI BETA PANHELLENIC AWARD

The Gamma Phi Beta Panhellenic Award was developed in 1990 to recognize College Panhellenics that develop a program to promote Greek life on campus and in the local community. The award is presented at Regional Panhellenic and Greek conferences. All College Panhellenics are encouraged to apply. Applications are available on the **Gamma Phi Beta Web site**, in the awards packet sent by the Regional Greek conferences and from contacting Gamma Phi Beta International Headquarters. Due dates for the applications are as follows:



Kay Sprinkel Grace Beaumont

■ For the **Mid-America Greek Council Association (MGCA)** and the **Northeast Greek Leadership Association (NGLA):**

January 9, 2004

■ For the **Southeastern Panhellenic Conference (SEPC)** and the **Western Regional Greek Leadership Conference (WRGL):** January 16, 2004

■ For the **Southern Greek Leadership Conference (SGLC):** October 17, 2003

■ NPC BIENNIAL MEETING

The National Panhellenic Conference Biennial Meeting was held at the Marriott Rancho Las Palmas Hotel located in Rancho Mirage, California on October 10-11, 2003. Gamma Phi Beta's NPC Delegate, Betty Ahlemeyer Quick, was installed as the 2003-



Betty Quick

2005 Secretary of the Conference at the Banquet on October 11. Betty formerly served as Treasurer of NPC (2001-2003) and will become Chairman of NPC, the next position in the NPC rotation, in 2005.

■ NPC FOUNDATION MEETING

The National Panhellenic Conference Foundation met October 12-13 following the National Panhellenic Conference Biennial Meeting at Rancho Las Palmas

Hotel in Rancho Mirage, California.

Barbara Wessel, NPC Foundation Trustee, has been elected Vice President of the National Panhellenic Conference Foundation. She assumed her position on October 13, 2003. Since its creation in 1995, the National Panhellenic Conference Foundation has provided grant funds to support the development and implementation of qualified NPC programs that address health, safety, education, leadership, and other issues facing women in today's society. Through the implementation of such programs, the Foundation continuously promotes values, ethics and leadership in members of women fraternities (www.npcwomen.org).



WHAT IS NPC?

The National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) is the coordinating organization for 26 women's fraternal organizations. NPC was established in 1902 by seven women's fraternal organizations in order to ensure cooperation, promote ethical behavior and establish uniform procedures. This is done through the Unanimous Agreements. Gamma Phi Beta is very proud to have been a founding member.

The NPC Mission Statement is: The National Panhellenic Conference supports its women's fraternities by promoting values, education, leadership, friendships, cooperation and citizenship.

NPC supports the mission statement by providing services to the 26 member groups, 630 College Panhellenics and 200 Alumnae Panhellenics.

Each member group has one delegate and three alternates. Each delegate and alternate serve on at least one NPC Committee. The two largest committees are the Alumnae Panhellenic Committee and the College Panhellenic Committee. The members of these committees serve as Area Advisors to Alumnae and College Panhellenics. They are resources for information about NPC policy and procedures and work with member groups, Panhellenic officers, Greek advisors, parents and others with questions about NPC.

Have you logged on lately?

After two years of in-depth conference calls to brainstorm priorities and distinguish the unique audiences of Gamma Phi Beta's Web site, Sorority volunteers and International Headquarters staff were prepared to unveil the new look and enhanced features of the site.

by Angela White (Colorado State) | Associate Editor

On June 21, the newly revised official site, www.gammaphibeta.org, was presented at Leadership Development Institute (LDI). International Council (both 2000-02 and 2002-04), several volunteers, and IH staff demonstrated unyielding commitment throughout the Web site reconstruction project. Internet Consulting Team Chairwoman Tammie Benyk and Strategic Plan Committee member Corinne Martinez have been dedicated to the project and worked effectively with each department for site content. The new features will provide better services to all members.

SO, HAVE YOU LOGGED ON LATELY?

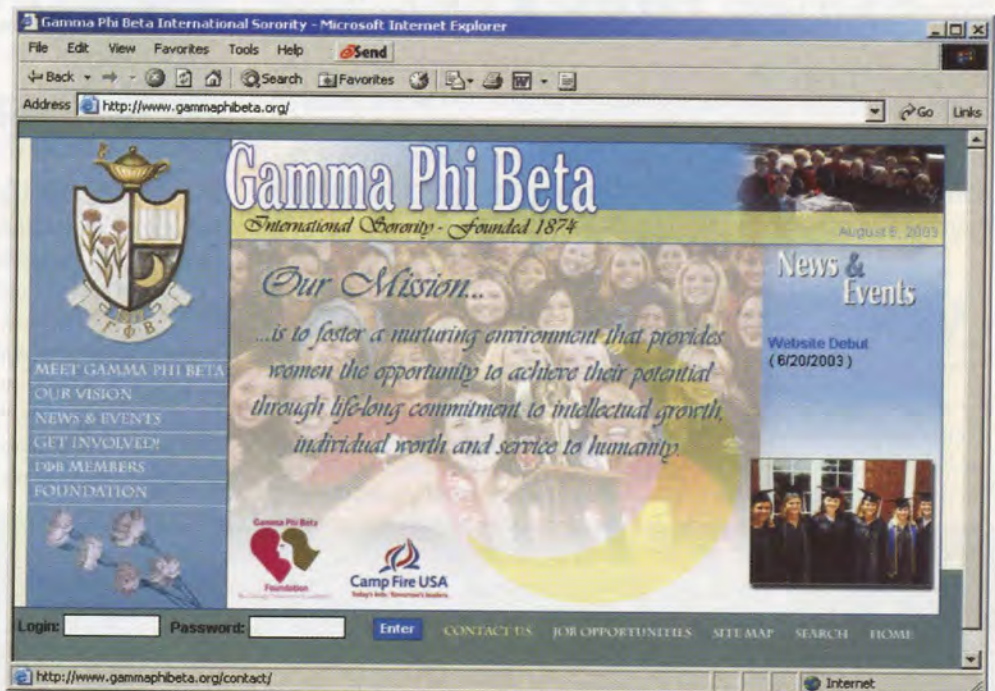
Home Page

Gamma Phi Beta's Web site promotes a positive public image for the Sorority focusing on our mission, vision, history and values. The homepage displays a brief overview of who we are through the images that depict $\Gamma\Phi\beta$. Notice the pictures on the bottom right of the screen that fade into the next, representing the benefits gained from a lifelong commitment to the Sorority. The improved site provides an arena to share our philanthropic endeavors and affiliation with Camp Fire USA. The site also illustrates our dedication to developing women as leaders with a strong emphasis on scholastic achievements.

Meet Gamma Phi Beta

This section offers an in-depth look at who and what is Gamma Phi Beta. View our history, collegiate and alumnae chapter map and fun facts. Who are prominent Gamma Phis? Search for a member in our "Prominent Gamma Phi Betas" where you will find the names of remarkable women in career fields ranging from athletics to entertainment to politics to science. Look through the $\Gamma\Phi\beta$ photo gallery to see photographs from various Sorority events.

The parent's area shares what their daughter's commitment is and what the benefits are of Gamma Phi Beta membership. Details



about the process of becoming a member at the collegiate and alumnae level are also described in this section.

Our Vision

Gamma Phi Beta Sorority is dedicated to building competent leaders, instilling the value of philanthropic activities and promoting intellectual and individual growth through education. "Our Vision" details our commitment to these ideals through leadership development programs. Learn why $\Gamma\Phi\beta$ selected camping as its philanthropy, and the importance of camping for girls.

News & Events

With new collegiate leadership consultants, a new colony at Texas A&M, and surpassing our fundraising goal for Camp Fire USA - the news is ever changing! Now you can stay current on all Gamma Phi Beta happenings. View press releases about $\Gamma\Phi\beta$'s latest goings-on; read past issues of *The Crescent*; and access the media kit complete with our mission, vision, values, images and chapter list. Look for

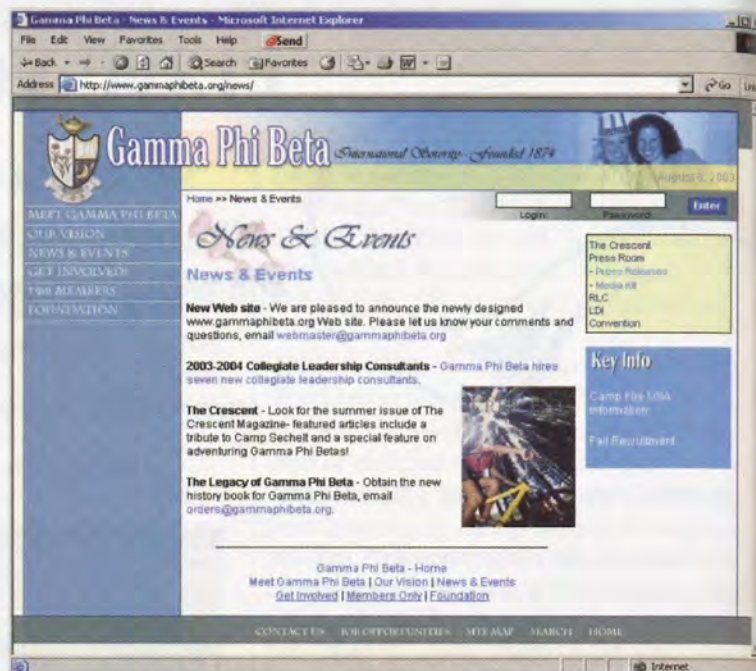
information about all-Sorority events: Leadership Development Institute, Regional Leadership Conferences and Convention. With an added feature that allows members to register online, registering for these events has never been easier. You can register for Convention 2004: *Our Time to Shine* starting in the beginning of 2004.

Get Involved!

Are you an alumna who has lost touch with Gamma Phi Beta? Are you looking for ways to get involved with the Sorority? "Get Involved!" helps Gamma Phis participate at all levels. Alumnae members can find an alumnae group in their area and seek volunteer opportunities such as: chapter advisor, house corporation board officer and member, province collegiate director and more. Another way to get involved is by making a secure donation online to the Foundation to support leadership development programs for the Sorority, camping opportunities for girls, and financial aid for members' education and special needs.

Gamma Phi Beta Members

"ΓΦΒ Members" is an interactive area for members to share ideas about Gamma Phi Beta and life issues. Members can list chapter events and access resources to conduct the business of the Sorority and chapter offices. Once logged in to the member area of the site, members can access their record and update profile information, login information and employment information. View all chapter events and share local chapter events by adding to the calendar. Chapter officers will save time with the new feature that allows forms to be downloaded and submitted online. This will help eliminate late submittals and keep chapters current on efficiencies. Shopping for Gamma Phi Beta items and supporting the Sorority's licensed vendors



has also become much easier. Purchase all of your ΓΦΒ needs, including ritual equipment, chapter equipment, merchandise and more. Partners are listed, as well as temporary insurance for recent graduates and a credit card application.

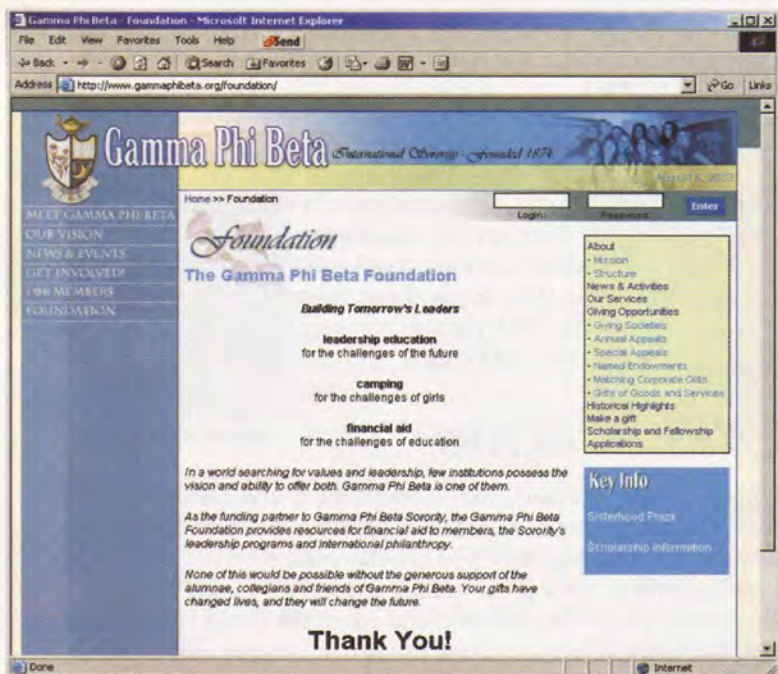
SisterLink searches are now available online. If you have not already signed up, you can register online to start benefitting from this unique networking program of Gamma Phi Beta Sorority. Members can share information on the message boards. The message boards are an interactive area where members can add a topic for discussion or contribute to current topics.

Foundation

The Gamma Phi Beta Foundation is dedicated to helping members achieve their potential by providing financial support for leadership development programs, philanthropic activities and individual educational and personal development pursuits.

Gain an in-depth knowledge of the Foundation and how it supports the Sorority in this section. Also, view Foundation news and events, historical highlights and giving opportunities. The Foundation is a great resource for our members, so go see how you can benefit from and support the Sorority's funding arm.

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GAMMA PHI BETA COLLEGIATE AND ALUMNAE CHAPTERS ARE HAVING FUN, HELPING THEIR COMMUNITIES AND IMPACTING THE WORLD AROUND THEM.

■ GAMMA WISCONSIN/MADISON

Gamma chapter sisters raised more than \$1,000 for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation with their spring philanthropy, Hugs, Slaps and Kisses. They also participated in Humorology, an event that supports Camp Heartland, an organization that helps children affected by or infected with HIV/AIDS. The chapter placed first in Sigma Alpha Epsilon's philanthropy, Paddy Murphy, and members were paired with Sigma Phi Epsilon in Relay for a Cure, a benefit to fight cancer. Dad's Weekend featured dinner, dancing and a pool tournament.

■ SIGMA KANSAS

Sigma chapter collegians collected 1,000 teddy bears from fraternities and sororities



Syracuse sisters hold up The Hilton Cup, presented by the Office of Greek Life & Experimental Learning. The award signified overall excellence.

and elementary and middle schools to donate to Children's Mercy Hospital in Kansas City in memory of a chapter member's friend. The chapter joined forces with Delta Chi to host Spring Fling for the Lawrence Boys and Girls Club, where they face-painted, decorated cookies, took pictures with the Easter bunny and held an egg hunt.

■ OMEGA IOWA STATE

The Omega chapter received the Presidential Award, the highest possible, at the Vespers Ceremony. They built a float for VEISHEA, themed

"Focusing on Imagination," and placed second in the large division. The chapter achieved the highest GPA amongst all sororities for the second semester in a row. Two new members were initiated in April after informal recruitment, and the chapter started early preparations for fall recruitment.

■ ALPHA BETA NORTH DAKOTA

Alpha Beta chapter held its annual philanthropy, Mega Spegas, to raise money for children with diabetes, and hosted a spring parents formal.

The chapter took first place in Sigma Chi Derby Days and in the Greek Week Lip Sync contest, and placed second overall during Greek Week.



Wisconsin/Madison sisters during Dad's Weekend.

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C O L L E G I A N S



Three Iowa sisters after Delta Chi's Mud Volleyball philanthropy.

■ ALPHA EPSILON ARIZONA

Arizona sisters enjoyed a spring retreat, and look forward to fall activities, including recruitment and homecoming.

■ ALPHA IOTA UCLA

Alpha Iota members held their annual Homerun Derby, a benefit for Camp Laurel, and participated

activities. They prepared for fall recruitment by participating in several workshops and said goodbye to 30 graduating seniors.

■ BETA ALPHA SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA

Beta Alpha sisters held PACE activities on safety and self-defense, and hosted a scholarship dinner during which professors and advisors inspired them with words about preparing for the future and appreciating sisterhood. The chapter ended the year with its annual farewell luau for graduating seniors.

■ BETA KAPPA ARIZONA STATE

Arizona State sisters said goodbye to 21 graduating seniors at the end of the year. The chapter's new member educator developed a plan to help make new members feel welcome and get to know others in the chapter during their new member period. Under the new plan, appointed leaders will guide new members through this period to build stronger bonds and educate new members.

■ BETA MU FLORIDA STATE

Florida State Gamma Phis, paired with Phi Gamma Delta and Phi Kappa Sigma, raised



Sisters at Penn State said farewell to graduating seniors during Senior Night.



Southern California sisters at their Spring Invite.

more than \$10,000 at a dance marathon to benefit their school's philanthropy. Three members made the cheerleading squad, and two others received Gamma Phi Beta Foundation scholarships.

■ BETA SIGMA WASHINGTON STATE

After a stressful week of final exams, Beta Sigma sisters had a blast at Alpha Gamma Delta's annual dance, Forget Your Finals. They look forward to fall recruitment and Homecoming Week with Phi Kappa Theta.

■ BETA RHO COLORADO/BOULDER

Beta Rho chapter held its annual spaghetti dinner philanthropy fund-raiser, Spagammi, and donated \$3,375 to Cheley Children's Hospital Burn Camp.

The chapter participated in Greek Week, placing fourth in Songfest, and honored graduating

seniors during Senior Celebration.

■ BETA OMEGA NORTHERN ARIZONA

Beta Omega sisters finished the year with their annual philanthropy, Gamma Phi Golf. The event benefits the local multiple sclerosis group and Camp Fire USA.

■ GAMMA MU MOORHEAD STATE

Moorhead State Gamma Phis had a great time at their Crescent Ball, and celebrated sisterhood during Senior Celebration Week.

■ GAMMA PI MINNESOTA STATE/MANKATO

Gamma Pi sisters participated in several philanthropic events, including a highway cleanup, dance marathon for the Children's



Kansas sisters at Southwest Junior High School collecting stuffed animals for Children's Mercy Hospital.

in other philanthropic events such as a dance marathon, Derby Days and Spring Sing. Sisters danced the night away at the Crescent Ball, held on a yacht that circled Newport Beach, and honored graduating seniors at a senior dinner. The chapter is proud to have the second highest sorority GPA for the second consecutive quarter.

■ ALPHA CHI COLLEGE OF WILLIAM & MARY

Sisters at William & Mary enjoyed sisterhood and philanthropy



Graduating seniors from UCLA attended Senior Celebration brunch with the Beverly-Westwood Alumnae Chapter.



The sisters of Colorado/Boulder.

Miracle Network and volunteering for the Special Olympics. They received the Chapter of the Year Award at the annual Greek Awards, and were named Greek Week champions.

■ GAMMA TAU ST. LOUIS UNIVERSITY

Gamma Tau sisters spent quality time together at a bowling alley during their spring retreat, and placed second in Greek Week. There were tunnels, slides and dancing at the spring formal, and

sisters kept busy volunteering in soup kitchens and a campus-wide blood drive.

■ DELTA ETA CALIFORNIA/IRVINE

University of California/Irvine collegians held their annual philanthropy, Gammie Grand Prix, where all Greek chapters participated in a scavenger hunt and raced go-karts. Everyone enjoyed a "blast from the past" at the decade-themed crush party, and the chapter ended the year with a weekend retreat in the mountains to relax and strengthen sisterhood.

■ DELTA IOTA PURDUE

Purdue Gamma Phis participated in campus events, including Theta Chi Spring Rally to benefit Big Brothers/Big Sisters and Relay for Life for the American Cancer Society. The chapter was paired with Alpha Gamma Rho for Grand Prix, placed first in sorority intramurals, and



Texas A&M/Commerce sisters won the Kappa Sigma Powder Puff football tournament as well as first place overall in Kappa Sigma Week.

raised money for the chapter's Parents Club at the Mom's Day luncheon and auction.

■ DELTA PSI CALIFORNIA/SANTA BARBARA

Delta Psi chapter received awards for the best new member program and chapter excellence at the Greek Awards ceremony. Lindsay Cooper,

former chapter president, was named Greek Woman of the Year.

■ EPSILON BETA ALMA COLLEGE

Epsilon Beta sisters ended the year with a philanthropy event, completion of the chapter's Web site and Senior Celebration.

■ EPSILON ETA BRIDGEWATER STATE COLLEGE

Epsilon Eta sisters had a successful spring recruitment and enjoyed participation in philanthropic events. They are looking forward to their philanthropy ball in the fall.

■ EPSILON MU LOYOLA

Epsilon Mu chapter concluded testing of the Sorority's

new program, *Crescent Values: The Complete Sister Program for Lifetime Education, Leadership and Service*, and look forward to implementing the program next year.

■ ZETA BETA VIRGINIA

Zeta Beta collegians kicked off the spring term with their annual philanthropy event, Just for Kicks, a soccer tournament open



Valparaiso sisters performed and won the university's song fest.

to all University of Virginia students to benefit the I Have a Dream Foundation. They also hosted the Mother-Daughter Tea, and chapter members said goodbye to graduating seniors during Senior Celebration. The chapter completed the year with a formal and a reception for alumnae who returned for the university's reunion weekend.



The University of Oklahoma selected three Psi seniors as finalists for Homecoming queen in October 2002. Standing with OU president and former US Senator David Boren are Lindsay Rayburn, Boren, Erin Rapp and Allison Connolly. The three were the only Greek women among the five finalists.

■ ZETA DELTA SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE

Southeast Missouri State sisters raised more than \$800 for Camp Fire USA at their annual philanthropy, Moonball, a volleyball tournament. The chapter won second place in three fraternity philanthropies and, for the fourth consecutive time, received the first place GPA award during Greek Week.

■ ZETA KAPPA SOUTHERN INDIANA

Zeta Kappa held its annual Lip Sync philanthropy and raised \$1,300 for Riley Children's Foundation, a non-profit organization that sends physically challenged children

to camp. The chapter won Best Overall during Greek Week, and received the Greek Chapter Excellence award for the fourth year in a row. Senior Week included a slide show, gifts, prophecies, senior wills and a dinner to honor graduating seniors.

■ ZETA LAMBDA TEXAS A&M/CORPUS CHRISTI

Zeta Lambda sisters were busy with philanthropic events this year, raising \$2,300 for Camp Fire USA. They achieved the top GPA of all sororities on campus for the semester.

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Alabama sisters at the University's Sorority Date Auction.

A L U M N A E

■ ARIZONA

The **PHOENIX** Alumnae Chapter recently inducted new officers at its Installation Tea. The spring was busy with sisterhood dinners, bowling nights and assisting with the Arizona State recruitment workshops.



Phoenix alumnae at a sisterhood event.

■ CALIFORNIA

LA JOLLA alumnae collected pennies-a-day as a summer fund-raiser, and attended a San Diego Panhellenic fund-raiser in August.



Beverly-Westwood alumnae at the Senior Celebration brunch for UCLA seniors.

Members of the **BEVERLY-WESTWOOD** Alumnae chapter held a Senior Celebration brunch for Alpha Iota (UCLA) seniors. This event culminated a year of renewed activities with the UCLA chapter. The alumnae group and collegiate chapter enjoyed dinners together throughout the year; and the alumnae provided study snacks for the collegiate chapter during finals.

■ FLORIDA

The **NAPLES** Alumnae Chapter had strong attendance at the

February Panhellenic luncheon to raise money for scholarships awarded to eight high school seniors.

■ IOWA

CENTRAL IOWA alumnae collected clothing and personal care items for ACCESS, a shelter for battered women. Last spring they welcomed recent Iowa State graduates to alumnae status and spent an afternoon at the Butterfly Gardens in Ames.

■ MICHIGAN

DETROIT METRO Alumnae Chapter members met for Lunch Bunches, and participated in the Race for the Cure last spring. Over the summer, they conducted an officer retreat, formed a quilt club and met for Coffee 'N Carnations.

■ MISSOURI

The **ST. LOUIS** Alumnae Chapter relived and shared college memories at its Dine With Your Decade dinner. Sisters sat with others who attended college during the



Detroit Area alumnae participated in the Susan B. Komen Race for the Cure in June.



Central Iowa alumnae enjoy the Butterfly Garden in Ames.



Seventeen alumnae from Iowa State traveled near and far to meet up for a fun girl's weekend in Las Vegas.

same decade, which ranged from the '30s to 2000s. Some dressed for their decade, and all shared composites, party pictures and scrapbooks.



The Evansville Alumnae Chapter and area collegians celebrated the chapter's 47th year with appetizers, salads and cake.

■ NEVADA

The **LAS VEGAS** Valley Alumnae Chapter held its annual dinner and silent auction, Spring for Philanthropy. Through it, more than \$1,300 was raised to benefit the Nike House, a residential home for at-risk adolescent females.

■ NEW MEXICO

Members of the **ALBUQUERQUE** Alumnae Chapter welcomed a Camp Fire USA representative to a chapter meeting, where they learned more about the organization and its partnership with Gamma Phi Beta. The chapter supports Camp Fire USA with funds raised from its jalapeno pepper jelly project. Alumnae also enjoyed a summer salad luncheon

and installation of officers.

■ TEXAS

Over the summer, the **BRAZOS VALLEY** Crescent Circle hosted Crescent State Day, an event created as part of the Texas Initiative at Texas A&M/College Station, home of Gamma Phi Beta's newest colony. Alumnae were given a packet of visitor



Columbia alumnae enjoy dinner with the 2002-2003 Extension Team after a winning presentation. Gamma Phi Beta will colonize at USC/Columbia in 2004.

information, and held a brief meeting about the extension and chapter house construction. Afterwards, they toured the campus and various sites, including the Bush Presidential Library.

The **SAN ANTONIO** Alumnae Chapter's Girls Night Out was held at chapter President Lisa Fairell's house. The group filled 60 exam-week goodie bags for sisters at Texas A&M University/Corpus Christi.

Members of the **NORTHERN HOUSTON** Alumnae Chapter met for their annual trip to Galveston, where they spent the



Peninsula alumnae celebrated Mildred Whiteman Moseley's 100th birthday.

ALUMNAE

weekend shopping, eating and catching up on news. They also held a garage sale, and look forward to welcoming the new colony at Texas A&M/College Station.



■ WASHINGTON

Members of the **PUGET SOUND** Alumnae Chapter welcomed alumnae initiate Kyla McLeod, and enjoyed many sisterhood activities during the spring and summer. They toured the Museum of



LEFT: Over Memorial Day weekend, several Wisconsin/ Madison alumnae gathered to celebrate the wedding of their sister, Colleen Blaney Horwitz.

LEFT: University of Kentucky alumnae gather in Frankfort, KY to celebrate Libby Chenault's recent completion of her PhD from the University of North Carolina.

Glass, met for an afternoon of pottery painting and formed a team of runners and walkers for the Puget Sound Area Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure.

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OUT & ABOUT

■ NOMINATING PROCESS

Convention 2004 is less than a year away and the nominating process for candidates for International Council and for the 2004-2006 Nominating Committee is underway! It is our time to shine at Chicagoland and we are looking for qualified "shining" stars of Gamma Phi Beta. Each member of the Sorority has a responsibility to ensure that the Nominating Committee has information on qualified candidates. You can nominate a member in the following ways:

To nominate a member for an International Council office:

- Submit a Prospect Form listing suggested members for individual offices;
- Submit a Candidate Information Form (#47a) for an office you would like to be considered for slating;
- Submit a Candidate Endorsement Form (#47b) for a member who wants to be considered for slating for an office.

To nominate a member for the 2004-2006 Nominating Committee:

- Submit a Prospect Form;
- Submit a Candidate Information Form (#47c)
- Submit a Candidate Endorsement Form (#47d)

All forms will be available on the Gamma Phi Beta Web site at www.gammaphibeta.org; or they may be requested from Nominating Committee Chairwoman Frances R. Griffin; 830 Warwick Rd., Deerfield, IL 60015 or fr.griffin@comcast.net. All forms must be submitted to the nominating chairwoman by the specified deadlines:

- The Prospect Form must be received no later than December 1, 2003;

- All Candidate Information Forms and Candidate Endorsement Forms must be received no later than February 1, 2004.

There is an old German Proverb that says, "The best is good enough." Give the Nominating Committee the best candidates and information possible!

■ GET YOUR 2003 ΓΦΒ ALUMNAE DIRECTORY TODAY!

If you have not ordered your Gamma Phi Beta International Sorority Alumnae Directory 2003 and would like to do so, it is not too late! Contact Harris Publishing at 800.877.6554, please refer to Gamma Phi Beta Directory.

■ NATIONAL COLLEGIATE ALCOHOL AWARENESS WEEK

It's not too late to plan for this year's National Collegiate Alcohol Awareness Week (NCAAW)! Greeks play an integral role in the issue of campus alcohol awareness. Whether you choose the traditional third week of October (19-25, 2003) or have year-round events. The Inter-Association Task Force on Alcohol and other Substance Abuse Issues (IATF) coordinates resources and information for the week: check out www.iatf.org for details, planning guides and information. Below are the "Top 10" things fraternities and sororities can do:

1. Sponsor a health and safety message banner contest between organizations.
2. Sponsor a mocktail contest between campus organizations.
3. Host the "ideal" party with a theme (alcohol free with proceeds going to prevention agencies).
4. Have a fraternity and sorority participate

together in a safety workshop using an interactive program like "Alcohol 101 Plus" or AlcoholEdu.

5. Coordinate the NPC "Day of Dialogue" program and bring together campus community groups and individuals to focus on improving behaviors surrounding the misuse of alcohol.

6. Place ads in newspapers supporting the campus-wide prevention events and social norms promoting positive behavior.

7. Have members attend already-planned campus events.

8. Ask an attorney to host a mock trial for a DUI case using students as defendants, witnesses and the jury.

9. Have a 5K or 10K run/walk to raise awareness about student health and/or raise money for a local prevention agency.

10. Volunteer to do community service projects with local agencies.

■ FUND RAISING GOAL SURPASSED

Gamma Phi Beta International Sorority raised \$28,510 for Camp Fire USA during the 2002-2003 academic year through local and national efforts. The annual goal of \$25,000 was surpassed by 14%. Gamma Phi Beta collegiate and alumnae chapters held fundraisers to help send girls to camp. Approximately 114 girls were granted camp scholarships. Compared to last summer, three times as many girls were sent to camp.

Chapters with the largest contributions were Bradley University, \$2,400; University of California/Santa Barbara, \$1,500 and Purdue University, \$1,150. Many chapters also held events and supported local councils with time and energy. Congratulations Gamma Phis!!

CRESCENT VALUES: The Complete Sister Program

by Angie Dimit (Illinois) | New Member Program Coordinator

"...The crescent stands for growth; our Sorority then stands for growth, and we, its members, must show growth in knowledge, wisdom, power, womanliness, year by year, or we are not living up to our chosen symbol. From the hour of her first wearing of the pin, the true Gamma Phi is striving to be each day a little bigger, a little broader, a little gentler ... a little more near the perfect woman."

Sara Preston Finley (Minnesota/Minneapolis), 1912
The Legacy of Gamma Phi Beta, p. 30

When the programming project was unveiled at Convention 2002, it was called the *Complete Sister Program*. After soliciting and receiving extensive feedback from both collegians and alumnae, it was decided that we needed a name that would reach both our internal and external audiences.

After a year of creative dialogue, Sara P. Finley's quote seemed to bring it all together! **Crescent Values** emphasizes the significance of the crescent to our sisterhood and represents the foundation on which our programming is based. All sessions have been written to reflect our values, Mission Statement, Creed and

LOVE

**** Individual Worth ****

- ▶ Good Character
- ▶ Self Esteem
- ▶ Self Respect
- ▶ Honesty
- ▶ Integrity
- ▶ Personal Development
- ▶ Self Empowerment
- ▶ Self Image

LABOR

****Service to Humanity****

- ▶ Contribution to Gamma Phi Beta
- ▶ Contribution to the Community
 - ▶ Contribution to Philanthropic Endeavors
- ▶ Contribution to NPC and local Panhellenic
- ▶ Activities and Interest

LEARNING

****Intellectual Growth****

- ▶ Lifelong Learning
- ▶ Academic Achievement
- ▶ Continued Education
- ▶ Professional Development

LOYALTY

****Lifetime Commitment****

- ▶ Financial Responsibility
- ▶ Stay Connected
- ▶ Time, Talent, Treasures

continual evaluation and review to insure that our members receive relevant, timely information for current topics of interest or concern.

The curriculum was built to allow chapters to adapt sessions to fit their individual needs. Chapters will have a course catalog listing all of the session topics from which to choose. Each session includes a script for the presenter to use in communicating the objectives; however, she may prefer to modify the script to better fit her presentation style. A chapter may choose to use a collection of sessions at a retreat; present a session at a regularly scheduled meeting; repeat annually

"OUR FOUNDERS FELT STRONGLY ABOUT STANDARDS AND VALUES AS THEY DEVELOPED THE FOUNDATIONS OF OUR SORORITY. I FEEL THAT THE *FOUR CORE VALUES* WERE DEVELOPED WITH CARING AND CONCERN FOR OUR HISTORY. THE *FOUR CORE VALUES* WILL BETTER DEFINE TO ALL WHAT GAMMA PHI BETA HAS VALUED FROM ITS BEGINNING." Margaret West Pape (Oklahoma), NPC 1st Alternate Delegate

Standards of Membership.

Our programming project began with a simple vision: to go back to "basics" and focus on the core values and the standards of membership upon which the organization was founded. Our goal was to develop values based sessions that offered experiential, collaborative learning to enable our membership to be actively engaged in their own education and personal development. In addition, it was critical that we establish a system that allowed for

or semiannually; or offer different sessions each year. The priority is that each chapter has what it needs to address the issues on its campus and among its members.

Training and communications are important aspects of implementing this new programming in our collegiate and alumnae chapters. The **Crescent Values Program** will be phased in over a five-year period. We are committed to helping the chapters understand how it works and to supporting all advisors and

"I AM VERY EXCITED ABOUT THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CRESCENT VALUES PROGRAM. I THINK IT WILL BE A GREAT PROGRAM FOR ALL OF OUR MEMBERS."

Suzanne Lehman (University of Rochester), PCD VIIIb

international officers who work directly with the chapters. Currently, 24 new sessions have been developed for the New Member Curriculum, Initiated Member Curriculum, Senior Curriculum, and Alumnae Curriculum. As programs were written, virtual teams comprised of members from various departments reviewed them, and successful beta testing of our New Member sessions was completed at three chapters and at Regional Leadership Conferences. Deferred recruitment chapters will present the New Member Program in the spring of 2004. Fall recruitment chapters will present in the fall of 2004.

The programming team recognized the need to review current PACE sessions, understanding that some of them may not be applicable to today's college student. All programs will be updated and modified to insure their relevancy. When the Crescent Values materials are finalized and distributed, they will provide specific guidance as to how PACE and the Crescent Values curriculum complement and support one another.

Another significant opportunity arose as this project evolved.

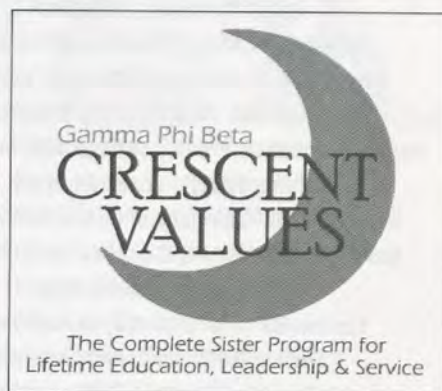


Sigma Mu sisters loved being part of the beta testing of the Crescent Values Program.

Collectively, we realized that the Five Standards of Membership needed "re-packaging." As we analyzed all of the tools and terms that are used throughout our Sorority, it was apparent that we have many different ways of identifying the characteristics we

seek in our new members, establishing expectations of our existing members, projecting our brand to the outside world, and linking our past to our present.

We felt it was important to draw a connection between all of these important elements so that in any phase of membership, four significant characteristics would resonate. With the quadrant illustration, we are attempting to group them together and establish that connection. Consequently, the **Five Standards of Membership** are now the **Four Core Values**, based on the values in our Mission



"THE CORE VALUES ARE REALLY WHAT GAMMA PHI BETA IS ALL ABOUT. I THINK THE PROGRAM PULLS TOGETHER IN A WAY THAT ALL DEPARTMENTS CAN BENEFIT FROM. THIS UNITY IS THE WAY GAMMA PHI BETA IS MOVING TOWARD."

Molly Noren (Nebraska/Lincoln), PFD XV

Statement and our Creed.

We are enthusiastic about the **Crescent Values Program** and proud of the extensive collaboration that has been integral to its development. As an organization, we are committed to successful training, implementation, and continuous assessment of this new programming project. All of our departments are working together in this new endeavor! We treasure the values upon which the Sorority was founded and are confident that the utilization of the **Crescent Values Program** will benefit our membership. ■

"THE CRESCENT VALUES PROGRAM WILL ALLOW GAMMA PHI BETA THE OPPORTUNITY TO CHARGE INTO THE FUTURE WHILE MAINTAINING OUR INDIVIDUALITY. THE FLEXIBILITY OF THE PROGRAM IS AMAZING."

Aimee Hays (Cal State/Fullerton), PAD IX, X, Regional Volunteer Recruiter, Region 6



ORDER OF THE CRESCENT

Five Crescents signifying excellence in all areas

- Theta** University of Denver
- Xi** University of Idaho
- Psi** University of Oklahoma
- Alpha Chi** College of William and Mary
- Beta Alpha** University of Southern California
- Beta Omicron** Oklahoma City University
- Gamma Gamma** University of Wisconsin/Milwaukee
- Gamma Tau** St. Louis University
- Delta Lambda** University of California/Riverside
- Delta Psi** University of California/Santa Barbara
- Epsilon Beta** Alma College
- Epsilon Gamma** University of San Diego
- Epsilon Nu** Chapman University
- Zeta Iota** Valparaiso University

LOYALTY LEVEL

Four Crescents in four out of five areas

- Gamma** University of Wisconsin/Madison
- Pi** University of Nebraska/Lincoln
- Omega** Iowa State University
- Alpha Delta** University of Missouri
- Alpha Iota** University of California/Los Angeles
- Beta Delta** Michigan State University
- Beta Epsilon** Miami University
- Beta Upsilon** Kansas State University
- Beta Psi** Oklahoma State University
- Gamma Eta** California State/Long Beach
- Gamma Mu** Minnesota State/Moorhead
- Gamma Rho** University of Wisconsin/Oshkosh
- Gamma Psi** University of Northern Iowa
- Epsilon Iota** Christopher Newport College
- Epsilon Omicron** University of California/Santa Cruz
- Zeta Beta** University of Virginia
- Zeta Delta** Southeast Missouri State University
- Zeta Kappa** University of Southern Indiana
- Zeta Lambda** Texas A&M University/Corpus Christi
- Zeta Pi** Penn State University/Altoona
- Zeta Xi** Albertson College of Idaho

Epsilon Gamma sisters at the University of San Diego.

Order of the RECOGNIZING EXCELLENCE

Gamma Phi Beta International Sorority is pleased to announce the **Order of the Crescent** for the 2002-2003 academic year. The **Order of the Crescent** is an incentive and rewards program for collegiate chapters designed to help every Gamma Phi Beta chapter be the best it can be.

International Gamma Phi Beta believes every Gamma Phi Beta collegiate chapter should excel in at least one area and deserve recognition for its accomplishments. All chapters receive recognition annually in *The Crescent* and biennially at International Convention.

Structured to conform to Gamma Phi Beta's "Criteria for Chapter Excellence," the program is not only an opportunity for chapters to share their success, but is also a wonderful goal setting tool. The "Criteria for Chapter Excellence" was developed to provide a blue print for our collegiate chapters for determining the areas in which they are meeting expectations and the areas in which they need improvement. The five areas in the "Criteria for Chapter Excellence" are recruitment, risk management, member education, finance and efficiency, and scholarship. Chapters receive a crescent for each area of the "Criteria of Chapter Excellence" in which they excel. **The Order of the Crescent** recognizes chapters for achieving excellence.

LEA
Three Crescents

- Alpha** Syracuse University
- Beta** University of Michigan
- Eta** University of California/Berkley
- Lambda** University of Washington
- Nu** University of Oregon
- Rho** University of Iowa
- Alpha Beta** University of North Dakota
- Alpha Epsilon** University of Arizona
- Alpha Nu** Wittenburg University
- Alpha Xi** Southern Methodist University
- Beta Eta** Bradley University
- Beta Lambda** San Diego State University
- Beta Rho** University of Colorado
- Beta Sigma** Washington State University
- Beta Phi** Indiana University
- Beta Omega** Northern Arizona University
- Gamma Kappa** University of Nebraska/Kearney



Crescent

OB'S COLLEGIATE CHAPTERS

The **Order of the Crescent** recognizes chapters for excellence as follows:

Love Level

One crescent signifying excellence in one area

Labor Level

Two crescents signifying excellence in two areas

Learning Level

Three crescents signifying excellence in three areas

Loyalty Level

Four crescents signifying excellence in four areas

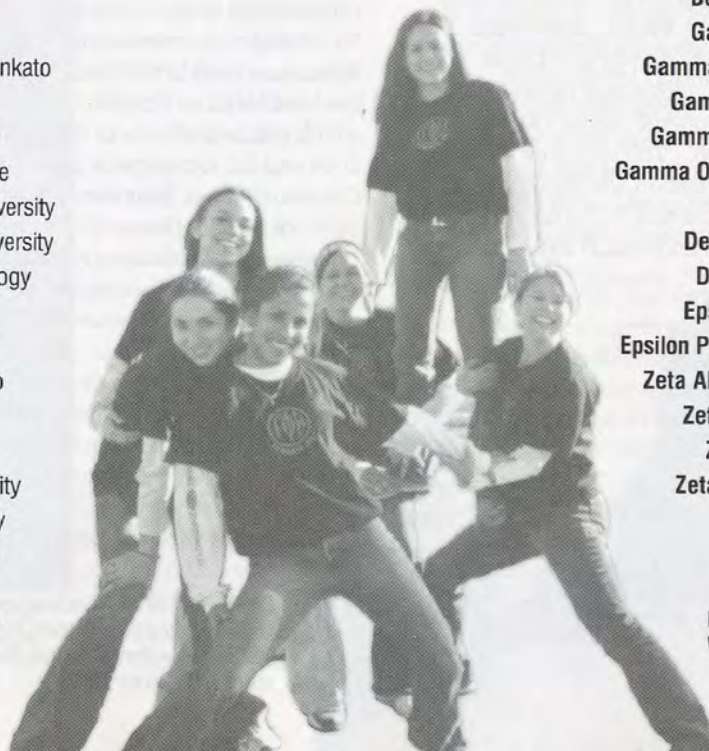
Order of the Crescent

Five crescents signifying excellence in all five areas

*Congratulations to the
following chapters ...*

e areas

Gamma Pi Minnesota State University/Mankato
Gamma Phi Auburn University
Delta Delta California State/Fullerton
Delta Eta University of California/Irvine
Delta Theta California Polytechnic State University
Delta Omicron Southern Polytech State University
Delta Sigma Florida Institute of Technology
Delta Tau Colgate University
Delta Upsilon University of Georgia
Delta Chi California State/Sacramento
Delta Omega Oakland University
Epsilon Zeta Jacksonville University
Epsilon Sigma Morehead State University
Zeta Gamma Sonoma State University
Zeta Zeta Coastal Carolina University
Zeta Theta Pepperdine University
Zeta Omicron John Carroll University



LOVE LEVEL

One Crescent in any area

Kappa University of Minnesota
Omicron University of Illinois
Alpha Tau McGill University
Alpha Omega University of Western Ontario
Beta Kappa Arizona State University
Beta Mu Florida State University
Delta Epsilon Texas Wesleyan
Delta Kappa Lehigh University
Delta Phi California State/Bakersfield
Epsilon Delta Creighton University
Epsilon Epsilon Union College
Epsilon Eta Bentley College
Epsilon Kappa California State/Chico
Epsilon Lambda University of Alabama
Epsilon Mu Loyola University
Epsilon Tau University of Rochester
Epsilon Phi Bridgewater State College
Zeta Eta Lander University

LABOR LEVEL

Two Crescents in any two areas

Epsilon Northwestern University
Sigma University of Kansas
Tau Colorado State University
Alpha Alpha University of Toronto
Alpha Lambda University of British Columbia
Alpha Upsilon Penn State University
Beta Gamma Bowling Green State University
Beta Pi Indiana State University
Beta Chi Wichita State University
Gamma Beta Gettysburg College
Gamma Epsilon University of Puget Sound
Gamma Zeta Texas A&M Commerce
Gamma Iota Midwestern State University
Gamma Omega University of Wisconsin/Platteville
Delta Iota Purdue University
Delta Mu Rutgers State University
Delta Pi Illinois State University
Epsilon Theta Clemson University
Epsilon Psi University of North Carolina/Asheville
Zeta Alpha Eastern Washington University
Zeta Epsilon Duquesne University
Zeta Mu St. Johns University
Zeta Nu University of Detroit Mercy

**Beta Chi sisters at
Wichita State University.**

Leadership Development Institute (LDI) 2003 could not have had a more relevant theme - Team Gamma Phi! Almost 100 Gamma Phi Beta volunteers gathered at the Hilton Denver Tech South, June 19-22, 2003. Attendants focused on developing team spirit and utilizing change to continue to be leaders on college campuses and within our communities.

by Fran Lapham (Kansas State) | Director of Leadership Development
& Rebecca Beardslee (Denver) | Managing Editor

Educating officers is one of the top priorities for Gamma Phi Beta. Alumnae who have attended LDI view this educational training opportunity as an excellent support structure that helps them grow in their volunteer capacity as well as sustains them personally. Volunteer alumnae leaders commit countless hours in mentoring, coaching and advising collegians and collegiate chapters. LDI offers support and opportunities to share ideas among the group. Friday morning's program commenced with Gamma Phi 101. International President Vicki Carlson Read (Arizona), presented various aspects of nonprofit and Greek organizations and revisited the mission, vision and values of the Sorority. The history of the programs offered, as well as our commitment to camping, were reviewed. The structure of the organization was also reviewed and task forces are in place to handle such issues as finance, badge recovery

and the nominating process. The newly revised Web site (see Web site feature story, pages 9-10) debuted with additional functions, such as calendar, member forums and more. Members can now utilize technology to communicate, learn more about collegiate and alumnae chapters, and enhance the image of Gamma Phi Beta to prospective members.

The management team at International Headquarters presented department responsibilities and information about International Headquarters, staff duties, who to contact and how IH can best support the membership. Seventeen staff members service the entire membership.

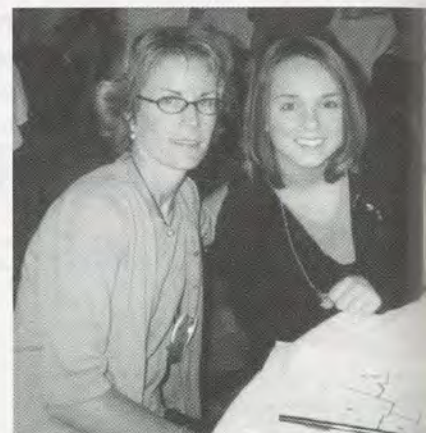
Crescent Values: The Complete Sister Program for Lifetime Education, Leadership and Service was introduced as the new values-based programming for all stages of membership. Volunteers were briefed on the New Member Program which will be available to deferred recruitment chapters in spring 2004 and fall recruitment chapters in fall 2004. The complete **Crescent Values Program** will be rolled out during Convention 2006 for all collegiate and alumnae chapters to utilize. The "All Collegians," "Graduating Senior" and "Alumnae" sessions are currently being revised, based on feedback from many sources, and will be further tested by several Gamma Phi Beta collegiate chapters this fall.

A presentation on the proposed new volunteer leadership structure was introduced. It would be based regionally and contain a team of officers, each specializing in a specific area of Sorority life (alumnae, collegiate, financial, membership, programming, Panhellenic, philanthropy, and public relations). Each team would support the alumnae groups, collegiate chapters and house

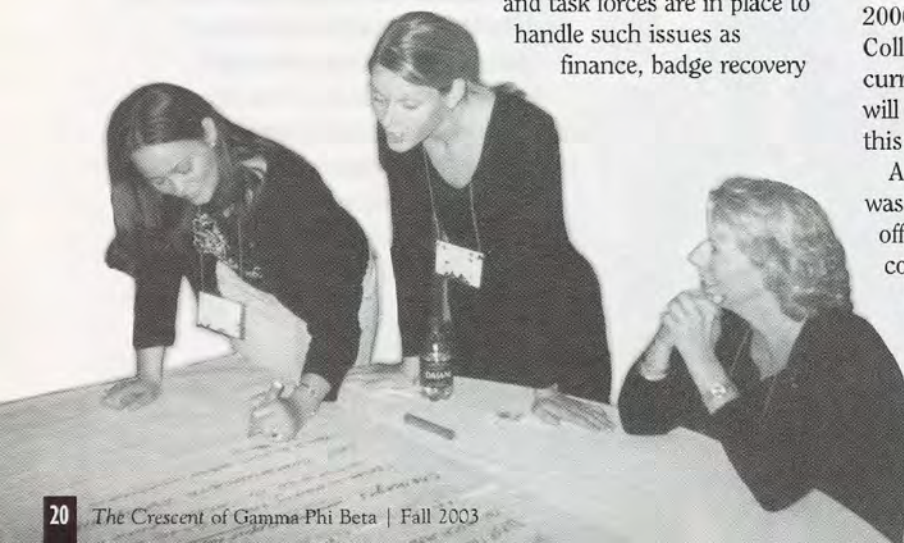
Lori Biesen (Wisconsin/Madison), province collegiate director Vb, Megan Smiley (Washington State), director of collegiate operations - midwest, and Harriett Cogan (Indiana), philanthropy chair brainstormed ideas during a workshop.

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Province financial director XV Molly Noren (Nebraska/Lincoln) and 2003-2004 CLC Jenna Venema (Nebraska/Lincoln) take a break from workshops.



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corporation boards in that region. Developed by the Structure Task Force, it will be implemented by a special team at a time yet to be determined. The structure is designed to provide for greater alumnae/collegiate interaction, enhance regional teamwork, improve communication, empower local decision-making, and simplify the chain of command, thus improving the service provided to our members and chapters. Teams would be cross-trained and have many more resources to help members. Chapters would have a group of individuals with a variety of skills and areas of expertise to assist for all aspects. "This new interdisciplinary approach was designed to help our chapters function more efficiently and to effectively bring decision-making closer to the local level," said L'Cena Brunskill Rice (Southern California), Structure Task Force chairwoman.

The Philanthropy Committee met and continued to brainstorm ways to enhance the Gamma Phi Beta and Camp Fire USA collaboration. Harriett Bedwell Cogan (Indiana State), new philanthropy chairwoman, and former philanthropy chairwoman, Julie Wright (Wittenberg), had valuable insight into the direction and tasks that need to be completed. L'Cena, who also serves as Gamma Phi Beta

Foundation Chairwoman, and Bonnie Payne, Foundation Executive Director, attended on behalf of the Foundation. The committee discussed how to best educate chapters on ways to become involved with Camp Fire USA. A marketing brochure and poster were presented, which all collegiate and alumnae groups will have for recruitment. The Canadian role in Gamma Phi Beta's camping philanthropy was also discussed and options for a Canadian collaboration were suggested. Grace Lin (Vanderbilt), Financial Aid Committee member



Susanne Eckert Newbauer, Aimee Hays (Cal State Fullerton) and Suzanne Higgins Lee in their Hawaiian garb.

and Canadian Initiative team member, provided insight from Canadian chapters. Nike Roe, 2002-2003 collegiate leadership consultant, participated on the committee and offered a valuable collegiate perspective. Ann Cibula Zultner (Purdue), director of tax matters, assisted the committee in examining the issues surrounding gifts and procedures. The team looks forward to hearing more about new marketing concepts, procedures for tracking donations, and ways to incorporate Camp Fire USA into recruitment.

Several other topics were discussed at LDI, including ritual, the State of the Sorority, campus trends and the Foundation. Susanne Eckert Newbauer (Georgia), director of volunteer recruitment, and Suzanne Higgins Lee (McGill), volunteer recruitment coordinator, led Friday's lunch, "Today's Volunteer Needs," which featured a Hawaiian theme.

Team jerseys, hotdogs and Cracker Jacks complemented the Saturday night ballpark barbecue sponsored by International Council. Members donned jerseys to support favorite teams, munched on popcorn, and most importantly, recognized each volunteer for her years of service to Gamma Phi Beta. The chronologic slide show started with our newest volunteers and finished with volunteers with the longest service. It was clear from the program just how important and vivacious this group of women can be. International Council members were festive with a talk track that had been scripted for the sports theme. The Alumnae Department spent much time and energy on this night. The centerpieces had been handcrafted with pennants indicating Team Gamma Phi Beta. Throughout LDI weekend Gamma Phi Betas proved the Sorority continues to attract strong leaders, volunteers and members.

"When I saw the number of years that some [volunteers] have given and are still giving, it made me want to do even more so I can be amongst such stellar Gamma Phi volunteers! It is nice to be recognized for doing something you love. LDI as a whole made me even prouder to be a Gamma Phi," said Cecilia "Cele" Hoffman Eifert (Southern California), alumnae extension coordinator.

Special thanks to everyone's hard work and effort in completing a successful LDI! ■



Helen Law (Washington University), SisterLink chairwoman; Susanne Newbauer; and Sandy Burba (Miami), Alumnae Vice President, sport their favorite team gear at the ballpark barbecue.

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Hope for a Cure

Every three minutes a woman is diagnosed with breast cancer. One in eight women will develop breast cancer during her lifetime. She is your mother, daughter, sister and friend.

by Angela White (Colorado State) | Associate Editor

The lives of many sisters have been touched by breast cancer. Three courageous women who remained positive, active and tenacious, share their stories from their first-hand experience with the disease.

Adra Mason Cheek

Today you might find Adra Mason Cheek (Oklahoma City) gardening, helping Gamma Phi Beta chapters or simply enjoying life. You would never suspect that 5 years ago, Adra was fighting to live, battling both cervical and breast cancer in two separate occurrences. Adra was diagnosed with cervical cancer after her annual exam and started treatment immediately. She had a radical hysterectomy to remove the cancer. After the recovery period of six weeks housebound, Adra was cancer-free.

A year and two months passed and Adra, an accountant, was busy working to meet the April 15 tax deadline. She had felt a lump in her breast but ignored it until after the deadline, when she was scheduled for her annual exam. Although no history of cancer had been identified in her family, Adra suspected she had breast cancer. A specialist discovered the lump was 6 centimeters. The lump had developed within the year and had progressed beyond the early stages of cancer. The stages of cancer are used as a scale to define the advancement of a woman's breast cancer and the higher the stage, the more serious the cancer. Stages depend on the size of the tumor, the spread into axillary lymph nodes, and any sign of metastasis. Early stages labeled, Stages 0-1, have symptoms including the size of the tumor (up to 2 cm) and that it has not spread into the axillary lymph nodes or metastasized. In Stage 2, the tumor can be larger than 5 centimeters and will have spread to axillary lymph nodes at a small size or be a large sized tumor with little or no spread, that has not metastasized. Stage 3 can be any size and has spread to the axillary lymph nodes or to the skin or chest walls, but has not metastasized. In Stage 4, the tumor can be any size and may or may not have spread to axillary, but has spread to other body organs.

Adra opted to begin chemotherapy before surgery to minimize the size of the tumor for removal, on her doctor's recommendation.



Adra Mason Cheek



Colorado State sisters at Lydia Dody's Race for the Cure, October 2002. Firefly, the clown, is an alumna and breast cancer survivor.

After six treatments over a three-month period, the tumor was gone, but 70% of the lymph nodes tested positive for cancer. Following chemotherapy, Adra had a lumpectomy, a less invasive surgery that removes only the cancerous area of the breast and some surrounding tissue. After the surgery, she had 60 days of radiation therapy to destroy cancer cells that remained in the breast region.

Doctors then recommended a stem cell transplant (a three-step procedure that begins after cancer has been treated) to reduce the chance of recurrence by 70%. Adra had numerous tests before the surgery to ensure her blood was pure. First, Adra's stem cells, blood cells that can regenerate themselves into any of the different sorts of blood cells in the body and encourage cell growth, were removed from her body and frozen. Following the extraction and freezing, she received lethal doses of chemotherapy for three days to wipe out any minute cancer cells. In the last step, the stem cells were injected through an intravenous drip. It takes two to four weeks before the cells or marrow find their way through the bloodstream to the bone marrow to start reproducing new blood cells. With her immune system defenseless, she had to live in sterilized conditions.

Adra lost her hair twice, and the chemotherapy treatments destroyed the lining of her esophagus, causing severe dehydration. Committed to her survival and living her life to the fullest, Adra was determined that breast cancer would not change her life. Gamma Phi Beta served as a source of strength and helpful distraction during the treatment. She continued to volunteer as financial advisor, HCB treasurer and province collegiate director. She encourages those with breast cancer to live their lives as normally as possible.

Adra believes that positive thinking and following medical advice given by her doctors were critical to her recovery. "You don't have to look very far to find someone in a more difficult situation than you are," she said. Adra feels lucky to have had the incredible support of her husband, sister, daughters and friends. Adra celebrates seven years free of cervical cancer and five years free of breast cancer.

Marcy Hubbard Thomas

Marcy Hubbard Thomas (Stephen F. Austin State University) was only 24 years old when she was first diagnosed with breast cancer. Even though there was no family history of breast cancer, Marcy was adamant in scheduling her annual exams. Her doctor found the lump in Stage 1. After her lumpectomy, Marcy underwent chemotherapy, enduring six months of drugs administered every three weeks to destroy cancer cells. Six weeks of radiation followed to destroy remaining cancer cells. She experienced side effects common to many breast cancer patients, including losing all of her hair and weight gain. Looking back, she realizes that those effects are very temporary in the big picture of life and survival was the most important outcome.

Merely three years later, after an emotionally and physically arduous fight against the disease, Marcy found another lump in her breast at the

age of 27, through a breast self exam (BSE). She knew what to expect and anticipated her hair loss. To ease the loss, she had her hair cut short and then later shaved her head. Due to low blood count levels, Marcy had to make extra trips to the hospital. Exhaustion affected her daily life. Her employer understood her situation and allowed her to create her schedule dependent on how she was feeling and allowed flexibility to alleviate stress.

In her second diagnosis, Marcy opted for a mastectomy (surgical removal of the entire breast and underarm lymph nodes) with immediate reconstructive surgery. Fortunately, due to Marcy's awareness of the importance of early detection, both occurrences were found in the early stages. Her chance for survival was higher, as it is easier to treat cancer when it is found early on. Marcy is celebrating her sixth year cancer-free.

Her faith and the support of her wonderful friends, family and support groups helped her through her battle against breast cancer. Typically the youngest in her chemotherapy sessions, Marcy found encouragement through lifting the spirits of older women who were also receiving treatments. She and her husband



Marcy Hubbard Thomas

What are we doing to help find a cure?

Losing her grandmother and mother to breast cancer has motivated **Mara Langer** (San Diego State) to take advantage of her health and help find a cure. This summer, she participated in The Avon Walk for Breast Cancer, a two-day walking marathon, and raised \$5,000. Mara maintains a positive attitude, believing that surviving has a lot to do with how you embrace the world.

"The Avon Walk for Breast Cancer was an amazing experience. Not only did I have the energy from my amazing sponsors that supported me, the strength of those I have loved and lost to guide me along, the stories and power of the survivors walking with us to make me walk stronger, but I was able to share this special experience with two of the most amazing people in my life - my cousin, Janet, and my GΦB sister, Christa Moore (San Diego State)."

Diana Hoskins (Southern California) participated in the New York City Avon Walk for Breast Cancer on September 20-21 and her sister walked on the opposite coast in Los Angeles a couple of weeks earlier. They walked to celebrate their mother's recovery from her mastectomy and six-month chemotherapy treatments. Diana admires her mother's strength and dignity through her battle with Stage 3 (advanced) breast cancer. Diana was inspired to make a difference and raised about \$2,750 with the help and support

of family and friends, including donations from her Gamma Phi Beta sisters. "It was so amazing and touching to me that the bonds of sisterhood were still strong, and that women who heard about my mom's illness went out of their way to contact me and give their support, even though years had passed since graduation. This experience has proven to me that even though our busy lives can cause us to lose touch with some friends after college, Gamma Phis really are sisters for life."

The Columbia (South Carolina) Alumnae Chapter, one of the Sorority's newest alumnae chapters, has come together to support the fight against breast cancer. More than half of the chapter formed a team and participated in the first "Ladies' Walk for Life ... Steps Against Breast Cancer," a local breast cancer research event that promotes awareness of the campaign, "Early detection means better outcomes." They wore their Gamma Phi letters proud as they made their contribution to battle breast cancer. They have also worked together to assemble treat bags for cancer patients.

The women of **Tau** chapter at Colorado State University have participated in Lydia Dody's Foundation fundraisers since fall 2001, including Race for the Cure. Numerous members from the

chapter have assisted with planning and monitoring the safety and security of the walk. They help register participants, and they provide on-site direction throughout the walk path, including supporting walkers and working water booths. A few weeks after the walk, members volunteer at the appreciation dinner/dance, serving food, drinks and hors d'oeuvres. Over half of the chapter members dedicate their time to Lydia's events. "The members of Tau have tremendously enjoyed helping and dedicating their time because it gives us a sense of community and generosity for a wonderful cause, but it is also fulfilling to have the opportunity to help a fellow Gamma Phi Beta sister, Lydia Dody," said Heather Brisso, Tau Chapter President.

"I am a volunteer for the Susan G. Komen Foundation Race for the Cure in Cincinnati, Ohio. Through my work with the Komen Foundation, I have learned about breast cancer research and I've helped raise money and awareness for it. Through sharing stories, I've learned that cancer is not necessarily a death sentence, attitude is everything when faced with cancer. Your family and friends, along with faith in yourself and a greater power can get you through even the toughest parts of your battle." - Cathi Green, Cincinnati Alumnae Chapter President

Five Steps of a Breast Self Exam

Typically, early stages of breast cancer do not produce symptoms. Early breast cancer detection is the most treatable, with a five-year survival rate of 96%. It is crucial that all women do monthly breast self examinations (BSE) and clinical breast exams starting at the age of 20. Health and medical experts recommend that all women get a mammogram on a regular basis - every year for women age 40 and over.

Step 1: Begin by looking at your breasts in the mirror with your shoulders straight and your arms on your hips.

Here's what you should look for:

- breasts that are their usual size, shape, and color.
- breasts that are evenly shaped without visible distortion or swelling.

If you see any of the following changes, bring them to your doctor's attention:

- dimpling, puckering, or bulging of the skin.
- a nipple that has changed position or an inverted nipple (pushed inward instead of sticking out).
- redness, soreness, rash, or swelling.

Step 2: Now, raise your arms and look for the same changes.

Step 3: While you're at the mirror, gently squeeze each nipple between your finger and thumb and check for nipple discharge (this could be a milky or yellow fluid or blood).

Step 4: Next, feel your breasts while lying down, using your right hand to feel your left breast and then your left hand to feel your right breast. Use a firm, smooth touch with the first few fingers of your hand, keeping the fingers flat and together. Cover the entire breast from top to bottom, side to side—from your collarbone to the top of your abdomen, and from your armpit to your cleavage. Follow a pattern to be sure that you cover the whole breast. You can begin at the nipple, moving in larger and larger circles until you reach the outer edge of the breast. You can also move your fingers up and down vertically, in rows, as if you were mowing a lawn. Be sure to feel all the breast tissue: just beneath your skin with a soft touch and down deeper with a firmer touch. Begin examining each area with a very soft touch, and then increase pressure so that you can feel the deeper tissue, down to your ribcage.

Step 5: Finally, feel your breasts while you are standing or sitting. Many women find that the easiest way to feel their breasts is when their skin is wet and slippery, so they like to do this step in the shower. Cover your entire breast, using the same hand movements described in Step 4.

Information from www.breastcancer.org.
The Komen Foundation also provides an online demonstration at: <http://www.komen.org/bse/>.

moved to Hawaii in 1999, where, as incoming president of the Honolulu Alumnae Chapter, Marcy has found incredible support in her sisters.

Having breast cancer twice has shown her that cancer does not see age, genetics or lifestyle ... it can happen to anyone. Through this experience, Marcy turned to her faith and gained a greater awareness of her spiritual and physical self. The value of health insurance and preventative care, including early detection practices and annual exams, saved her life. Marcy became active with the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation and now works in the office in Honolulu, Hawaii.

Lydia Dunham Dody

Lydia Dunham Dody's (Colorado College) life was full of activity as a successful businesswoman, a community leader and a dedicated mother of two teenage daughters. Despite a normal physical in October 2000, Lydia felt a thickening in her right breast. She further inquired, and with the support of medical professionals, she decided to go ahead with a biopsy. After the biopsy, she was diagnosed with breast cancer. She immediately searched for answers to questions about breast cancer diagnosis and treatments.

Only six days after her diagnosis, Lydia had a bilateral mastectomy with a simultaneous reconstruction followed by chemotherapy treatments. Currently, she is in the midst of a five year treatment of hormonal Femara, tablets that are a form of hormonal therapy, because her cancer was estrogen positive. In addition to her treatments, Lydia kept a journal and learned to visualize, meditate, set positive intention, and expect positive results. She planned to live and conquer the disease. "My spiritual commitment and consciousness grew so much during this time; my faith in God has supported me through this trying time. And, words can't say how grateful I am for the many prayers of so many people—they encouraged me, strengthened me, and assured me that I was not alone. I feel so blessed," said Lydia.

Lydia considers her experience a "gift in a nasty package"—that gave her a new appreciation for life, deeper respect and love for people, and more compassion for those who endure hardships. She was moved to reach out to help women diagnosed with breast cancer and created the Lydia Dody Breast Cancer Foundation. She believes she has been called to help women endure and improve their quality of life throughout their treatment.

The mission of the Lydia Dody Breast Cancer Foundation is to support and strengthen those touched by breast cancer by providing care, guidance, and education. The organization provides women undergoing breast cancer treatment in Larimer County, Colorado, access to complete post-diagnosis support and care they need to complement their medical treatment. The Complementary Care Program (CCP) provides payment for services such as massage therapy, acupuncture, Reiki, healing touch, individual and

family counseling, and nutritional counseling through a network of dedicated healthcare professionals.

Lydia is also the publisher and owner of Style Media Group, Inc/Style Magazine in Ft. Collins, Colorado. Her oldest daughter is a fall 2003 new member at Tau chapter (Colorado State).

Being a woman is the number one risk factor for breast cancer, however, there are several risk factors, including breast cancer gene-related, estrogen-related and lifestyle choices. Although there is no guarantee for prevention, chances of prevention can increase by changing habits in our lifestyle such as:

- Limit alcohol intake,
- Increase fiber intake,
- Eat fresh fruits and vegetables,
- Lead an active life, and
- Decrease (not eliminate) daily fat intake.

■ GAMMA PHI BETA CROWNED MISS OKLAHOMA

Kelley Scott (Oklahoma City) was crowned Miss Oklahoma 2003 on June 7, 2003. As Miss Oklahoma, she will travel to more than 350 schools in Oklahoma, speaking to more than 50,000 children about goal setting and living a healthy life, her platform for Miss Oklahoma and Miss America. Kelley has created an organization called KIX: Kids Into Exercise, which has been implemented into 16 Oklahoma schools, reaching 6,000 children. If selected Miss America, she will travel approximately 20,000 miles a month, a different city every other day, to increase awareness of and to promote KIX.

Contestants are judged primarily on the interview and on-stage question, which account for half of a contestants score in the Miss Oklahoma and Miss America pageants. Talent, evening wear and swimsuit make up the other half of the score. In Kelley's five years of involvement with the Miss Oklahoma pageant, she has received approximately \$80,000 in scholarships, making it into the top 10 two times previous to winning the title of Miss Oklahoma. She plans to start graduate school for accounting after completing her responsibilities as Miss Oklahoma.

■ ALUM WINS CHEERLEADING AWARD

On April 25, 2003, Linda Krawetz Myers (Kent State) was recognized as winner of the National High School Cheerleading Contributor of the Year award at the National Federation of High School Association's Spirit Association National Conference in Indianapolis, Indiana. She was also named the Vermont Cheerleading Coaches Association's 2003 Contributor of the Year in February. This award recognizes an individual who is not an active coach and who has made an outstanding contribution to the sport over an extended period of time. Linda retired from coaching in 1990. While coaching, she worked to establish cheerleading as a sport nationwide.

Linda started coaching her daughter's cheerleading team in November 1984. Through the course of her coaching, the team won the Vermont state championship four times and was runner-up twice. She was a founding member of the National Federation of Interscholastic Spirit Association's Advisory Board and is an

advisory member of the Vermont Principals' Association Cheerleading Committee. Linda created a safety certification program for cheerleading coaches of teams that perform stunts, which she continues to teach two times a year. She is a certified cheerleading judge for competitions in Vermont, New Hampshire and New York. Linda was also managing editor of *The Essex Reporter* newspaper and is a member of the Essex,

Vermont Selectboard (town council). Last fall Linda was re-elected to the Vermont State House of Representatives.

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Send a letter about yourself or a sister and a photo to: Editor, Gamma Phi Beta Sorority, 12737 E. Euclid Drive, Centennial, CO 80111.

IN LIKE

936 Months Young

If I had died at 12 months I would have missed a lifetime of excitement, learning and being. I would have missed the thrill of conquering riding a bike and, later, driving a car, and most of all, the breathtaking adventure of a hot air balloon ride.



I would have missed days in school, from the early years through college and on into adult education.

I would have missed knowing my mother and father and the happy childhood they created for me.

I would have missed the hundreds of friends who have offered me love and allowed me to learn a tolerance of others and an expectancy for the next time together.

I would have missed a career that brought me a fulfillment of myself where I fully learned my potential and capabilities and a satisfaction in being.

I would have missed a marriage which tested every ounce of tolerance, compromising and loving given to a person.

I would have missed the exaltation of giving birth, truly the most exciting moments of my life.

I would have missed the joy of loving three daughters and watching them grow into such independent and capable adults.

I would have missed knowing our two sons-in-law who gave me the knowledge of what it was like to have a son, and the joy of knowing a daughter's partner.

I would have missed the epitome of sensations, that of being a grandmother. How unexpected to learn one can love even more than already known. How thrilling to hear my grandchildren's laughter on the phone!

I'm glad I lived to be nine hundred and thirty-six months old and I hope to add one hundred and ninety-two more months to that total and as many more as can be given to me.

I hope to use the months well!

By Edith Sayre Batton - aka Edie Jones (Bowling Green State University)

Edie Sayre is author of the children's book series, "Look! See! It's Me!" She has had a career as a television personality, fashion coordinator and fashion writer, volunteer and mother. Edie is a member of the Naples Alumnae Chapter.



BETA University of Michigan
1930 Marion Schmidt Escallon
1933 Mary Savage Taylor
1934 Louise Sprague Lake
1937 Mary Meyer Bartholomew
1940 Doris Arner Coury
1945 E. Converse Leonard
1961 Ann Buffe

GAMMA University of Wisconsin/Madison
1915 Katherine Mabis McKenna
1919 Grace McClimons
1920 Louise Lamson
1927 Helen Howe Day
1937 Marion Randolph Murray

DELTA Boston University
1938 Marie Keefe Brader

EPSILON Northwestern University
1924 Alice Dibble Ramsey
1933 Gwendolyn Powers Whitehead
1936 Betty Hershey Barnabee
1960 Harriett Hafer Banner

ZETA Goucher College
1946 Betty Harris Pratt

ETA University of California/Berkeley
1922 Mae Leichter Edwards
1932 Dorothy Tuck Smith
1938 Jeanne Catton Ford
1943 Shirley Higgins Palmer

THETA University of Denver
1922 Bertha Osborne Smith

KAPPA University of Minnesota/Minneapolis
1950 Mary Evans
1952 Jean Christianson Wigley

LAMBDA University of Washington
1917 Dorothy Leavitt Costello
1930 Virginia Gorin Daday
1933 Dorothy Spragg O'Brien
1939 Annis Morgan Day
1942 Marian Wiley Ivancich
1942 Patricia O'Donnell King
1942 Constance Johnson Strope
1953 Sally Donaldson Reischl
1956 Bette Kunde Hagen

MU Stanford University
1940 Anna Batten Mitchell

NU University of Oregon
1952 Bettye Millsap Rife

XI University of Idaho
1910 Charlotte Tuttle Johnstun
1946 Virginia Hilmer Browne

OMICRON University of Illinois
1930 Helen Sheppley Sparks
1942 Patricia Dugan MacLellan
1942 Marilyn Rankin Ogden

PI University of Nebraska/Lincoln
1925 Grace Hall Hollenbeck
1928 Alice Clute Weaver

RHO University of Iowa
2002 Amber Huber

SIGMA University of Kansas
1924 Kathryn Brueck
1938 Florence Columbia Taliaferro
1941 Jane Harkrader Lottridge
1941 Fern Stranathan Nininger
1949 Suzanne Vanslyke Wilson

TAU Colorado State University
1949 Carol Kob Andrews

PHI Washington University
1919 Louise Brouster Young

CHI Oregon State University
1926 Helen Boyer Gill
1952 Donna Nothelfer Black

PSI University of Oklahoma
1940 Luanda Abraham Montgomery Dosser

OMEGA Iowa State University
1932 Geneva Engelmann Howell
1937 Sylvia Sorenson McHardy

ALPHA ALPHA University of Toronto
1919 Jean MacMillan

ALPHA BETA University of North Dakota
1926 Lila Argue
1938 Bernice Rustad Cunningham
1957 Rita Dezotell Brewer

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

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1931 Lois Carman Adams
1932 Dorothy Nason Fisher
1951 Beverly Myles Furman

ALPHA DELTA Univ. of Missouri/Columbia
1931 Marie Anderson Axline
1933 Mary Herndon Ward

ALPHA EPSILON University of Arizona
1928 Evelyn Smith Henderson
1931 Marian Webb Schmidt
1943 Phyllis Steen Murphy

ALPHA ZETA University of Texas
1934 Priscilla Wheelock Jordan

ALPHA ETA Ohio Wesleyan University
1925 Mary Thornton Vanpelt

ALPHA THETA Vanderbilt University
1930 Mary Bonholzer Baggenstoss

ALPHA IOTA Univ. of California/Los Angeles
1934 Marylou Lindsay Stutsman
1948 Wilma Heywood Myers
1948 Georgeanne Wherry Phillips
1950 Patricia Tilton Fleishman
1969 Barbara Gius

ALPHA MU Rollins College
1928 Eleanor Krause Slaughter
1949 Nancy Flavell

ALPHA NU Wittenberg University
1929 Martha Dunbar Stimson

ALPHA XI Southern Methodist University
1935 Ann Fisher Gardner
1947 Nancy Jourdan Terry

ALPHA OMICRON North Dakota State Univ.
1936 Grace Stewart Rack
1944 Darlene Jones Griffin

ALPHA PI West Virginia University
1932 Evah Andrick Harper
1959 Helen Selwood Young

ALPHA RHO Birmingham Southern College
1932 Inez Mason Lee

ALPHA TAU McGill University
1938 Marjorie Ewen Margesson

ALPHA UPSILON Pennsylvania State Univ.
1943 Marjorie Rude Cook

ALPHA PHI Colorado College
1939 Margaret Cochran Van Arsdale
1943 Jacqueline Polson Griffiths
1945 Turza Briscoe Pflug
1962 Caroline Jacobson

ALPHA CHI College of William and Mary
1938 Alma Strider Christian

ALPHA OMEGA Univ. of Western Ontario
1936 Blanche Cowley Wright

BETA ALPHA Univ. of Southern California
1940 Harriet McCall Stifel
1954 Margery Hansen Capps

BETA GAMMA Bowling Green State Univ.
1944 Yvonne Michels Bennett

BETA MU Florida State University
1960 Julie Gordy Gerrell
2002 Jill Allsup

BETA OMICRON Oklahoma City University
1953 Esther Wymore Fudge

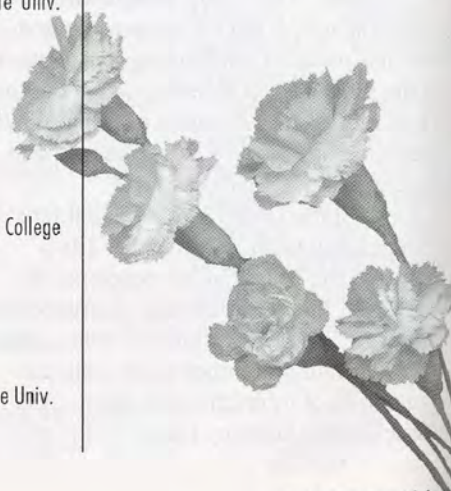
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1952 Dolores Lister Jordan
1952 Roxie Stigler Rentschler

BETA PSI Oklahoma State University
1959 Wilma Kindt Henderson
1961 Reva Benton Laughlin

GAMMA RHO Univ. of Wisconsin/Oshkosh
1971 Sara McLaren Zick

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.



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Lester Carden, Jr.
Janet Poteete

LAUREL BLAIR SALTON CLARK (Wisconsin/Madison '81)
Christine Ritger
Ruth Bredlau
Sandra Burba
Vicki Read
Linda Johnson
Diane Goff
Betty Quick
Annabel Jones

KATHRYN MOORE COEN (Kansas '28)
The Gattermeir Family

VIRGINIA WELLS CRAIG (Northwestern '39)
Joyce Dunn

PATRICIA CROWLEY'S FATHER
Betty Quick

EMERSON DETWEILER (Krista Davis's grandfather)
International Council

LUCILLE RARIG ELLSWORTH (Kansas '18)
Dee Pritchett Skie

RUTH JONES FOSTER (California/Berkeley '35)
Jane Fontius
Senior Alumnae of Sacramento, CA

JANE BENTON FRENCH (Kansas '34)
Lyman French

BARB GUIB (California/Los Angeles '72)
Maureen Rodway

J. MARY TUDOR HANNA (Kansas '17)
Dee Pritchett Skie

DOROTHY JOHNSON (daughter of Linda Johnson Lowry)
Donna Prior

MRS. JONES (mother of Judi Jones Branstetter - San Diego State '64)
Betty Kurkjian

EVELYN DAVIS JOY (North Dakota State '33)
Dianne Hornbrook

SHARON AINSWORTH LANCASTER (Northwestern '51)
Joyce Dunn

SUZANNE ALTHOUSE LODDEN (Colorado College '55)
Molly Adams
Leslie and Ed Storr
Dianne Hornbrook

ARDIS MAREK (Northwestern '34)
Rebecca Cultra

DONNA MARSH (Southern California '53)
Balboa Harbor Alumnae Chapter
Peninsula Alumnae Chapter
Shirley Hoffman
Barbara J. Johnson

KRISTIN MARX (Minnesota/Twin Cities '02)
Gamma Mu Chapter
Christine Ritger

KAY McGEARY (North Dakota State '53)
Janet A. Doerner

LOUISE MILLER MITCHELL (Illinois '32)
Margaret Blaylock

FLO UFFERMAN NORRIS (Bowling Green '51)
Dayton Ohio Alumnae Chapter

ROBERT OLDER (husband of Fredericka Hoxie Older - Michigan State '66)
Balboa Harbor Alumnae Chapter

SHIRLEY HIGGINS BLACK PALMER (California/Berkeley '43)
Carolyn Slater

BARBARA WOOLMAN PRESTON (Randolph Macon '39)
Sandra Nauman

ROENA SAWYER (Iowa '31)
William Sawyer

MARIAN WEBB ARMER SCHMIDT (Arizona '31)
Pauline Bayless

ELEANOR STODDARD SEIBOLD (Wisconsin/Madison '51)
Sally Martin

C. EDWARD SODERSTROM [Father of Diane Soderstrom Goff (Idaho) and Susan Soderstrom Dively (Idaho)]
International Council

BONNIE WOOLSEY SPICKMAN (Oregon '62)
Patricia Shaw Gaunt
Carol Miller

UNRESTRICTED GIFTS

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

LESLIE DION (University of Southern California '75)
Paula Deyoung

ADELINE (LIN) EDEN FAIN (Washington University '59)
Elizabeth (Kiki) Phillips

HELEN BOYER GILL (Oregon State '26)
Corvallis Alumnae Chapter

JOAN B KILBORNE (Northwestern University '49)
Nancy Crandall

EDWARD SODERSTROM
Diane Goff

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*. Gifts of any size are welcome; 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.

LEAVE A LEGACY

Remember the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation in your will or estate plans. For information on easy ways to support the organization you love, contact the Foundation office at 303.799.1874 or write us at 12737 E. Euclid Drive, Centennial, CO 80111. You can also get more information about planned giving options at www.gammaphibeta.org/foundation.

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■ CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Linda Daniel Johnson on your new position as International Collegiate Vice President. Good luck. **Delta Psi Chapter**

To celebrate the 25th Anniversary of the reorganization of the Chicago Alumnae Chapter. **Mary Jane Misthos**

Thanks and pink carnations to Megan Byrne Krueger, chair of last spring's 2004 Convention Fund-raiser for the Chicago Alumnae Chapter and Chicago area sisters and friends who supported it! **Sally Erikson Lewis**

Congratulations to the Chicago Alumnae Chapter on the 25th Anniversary of their re-chartering! The Chicago sisters continue to contribute to Gamma Phi Beta and the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation with their leadership, talent and love. **Sally Erikson Lewis**

In celebration of Tucky Hobbs' successful two years as president of the Greater Kansas City Alumnae Chapter. **Judith Mai Millen**

In celebration of Elizabeth Giustra, on her graduation from the University of Northern Florida and election as President of the Jacksonville Alumnae Chapter. **Jane Todd**

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SISTERHOOD PLAZA (5.1.03-7.31.03)

■ THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS CONTRIBUTED \$125 OR MORE TO THE FOUNDATION FOR A SISTERHOOD PLAZA BRICK:

In memory of Joan Kilborne (Nancy Crandall)
Tampa Bay Alumnae Chapter
Balboa Harbor Alumnae Chapter
Joyce Janowski (self)
In memory of Leslie Dion (Paula Deyoung)

Ed Soderstrom (Diane Goff)
Peggy Hart Jewell (Janis Dey)
In memory of Edith Senner Dickinson (Susan Schnackenberg and Margaret Dickinson Schnackenberg)

■ THE FOLLOWING PARENTS CONTRIBUTED \$125 OR MORE FOR A SISTERHOOD PLAZA BRICK TO BE INSCRIBED IN HONOR OF THEIR DAUGHTER (daughter is listed first):

Kimberly Baxter (Gail Baxter)
Meredith Pearse (Judy Pearse)
Kelly Pellar (Ann Pellar)
Lindsey Abbrozeze (Dominic Abbrozeze)
Katelyn Cecchini (Lynn Cecchini)
Lindsey Dixon (Katie Dixon)
Jaime Graf (Katy Graf)

Missy Chaddock (Sande Chaddock)
Allison James (Val James)
Melissa Morales (Lupe Morales)
Jenny Voss (Elizabeth Voss)
Nicole Zbikowski (Debbie Zbikowski)
Elizabeth Pratt (Diane Pratt)

In celebration of the marriage of Debbie Lindsey (Southwest Texas State) and Edward J. Robinson, graduate of Lincoln Christian Seminary College, on September 21, 2002 and to DeeAnna and Rhodi who traveled from Texas to Missouri for our wedding. "The bonds of Gamma Phi will always be a sacred treasure." **Debra Lindsey-Robinson**

In celebration of Carrie Kleifgen who received the Gold Addy for the Southern Living Cook-off Advertising Campaign Award. **Michelle Bennich**

In celebration of the wonderful collegiate members and alumnae advisors of EA, GF, AO and AY chapters for memories of challenges and rewards in Province VIIIb and to Barbie Chadwick who recruited me to be a Gamma Phi Beta volunteer; to Suzan Culver and Terri Briggs who trained me as a PCD; and to Mary Beth Carroll, Laura Mayville, Krista Davis and Adra Cheek who listened, encouraged, and inspired me along the way. **Vada Baird**

HOW TO SUBMIT

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

Congratulations to Sammy Williams (Cabe) on her recent wedding and to Ely Meade on her engagement! **Lisa, Lillian, Braelin, & Lisa**

In honor of Barbie Chadwick, for her outstanding service as Collegiate Vice President. We will miss her humor, guidance, wisdom and support.

Love your Ops team: Mary Knaup, Adra Cheek, Laura Mayville, Shellie Hodges and Megan Smiley

In honor of Marynell Dyatt Reece.
Dee Pritchett Skie

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P A R E N T D O N O R S

(5.1.03-7.31.03)

■ THE PARENTS OF THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS CONTRIBUTED \$125 OR MORE TO THE GAMMA PHI BETA FOUNDATION IN HONOR OF THEIR DAUGHTERS:

Brooke Albright	Carrie Madden
Nancy Allen	Brianne Martin
Nicole Bannister	Lindsay May
Jennifer Bausinger	Danielle Mazzaro
Amy Bell	Emily McCallum
Kristina Brunello	Ali McFadden
Emily Chingburanakit	Lacey Melluzzo
Christine Collins	Angela Miller
Molly Danielson	Vanessa Momcilovic
Jacqueline Decker	Amanda Mooney
Meagan Drake	Stefanie Neal
Sarah Fernandez	Lindsay O'Donnell
Ashley Folks	Kristin Petrides
Heather Fowlie	Bethany Rockovich
Falon Frank	Kelly Rohen
Kelly Galeska	Lauren Roth
Mary Gill	Danielle Santiago
Kristin Girouard	Taylor Schiffres
Karisa Gonzales	Lorrie Skarphol
Julie Hong	Alicia Smith
Brooke Hoppe	Elizabeth Snow
Tara Hurst	Jennifer Snyder
Deanna Jackin	Kristina Swartz
Aziza Khan	Linda Tremain
Kelley Kinney	Andrea Warm
Jenna Kocin	Jennifer Warner
Nina Kumra	Caroline Weseloh
Valerie Lohmann	Jill Weyand
Kristin Lozano	Brittany Yaggie

*Molly Noren (II) donated funds for a brick in honor of her daughter, Katelyn Noren

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International Council:

In celebration of Krista Davis and the MAL Department for six successful Regional Leadership Conferences.

In celebration of Krista Davis and the Web site Tech Team for a successful launch of the new Web site.

To honor three new Foundation Trustees: Cinda Lucas, Carolyn McEntee and Marjy Shupert.

To honor The Vancouver Camping Board and Janet Arbuckle for their dedication to camping.

In celebration of the marriage of Ashley Moravec (Penn State, 2000) to Scott George -- may you enjoy lifelong happiness.

Jennifer Dirnbauer

A special thanks to Suzanne Williams, Kristin Slaughter and Megan Smiley for your help with RLCs/NPC Department.

Betty Quick

In celebration of our legacy and all the wonderful things that have occurred involving the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation.

Georgann T. Filak

■ BIRTHS & BIRTHDAYS

In celebration of the birth of Danika Grace Miller, March 1, 2003 to Mark Miller and Stephanie Kurkjian Miller.

Betty Ragenovich Kurkjian

In celebration of Louise Baack's 90th birthday! **Kris Baack**

REMINDER:

If you would like the foundation to send an acknowledgement card, please include honoree's full address.

GAMMA PHI BETA FOUNDATION WELCOMES PAULA DEAN

Gamma Phi Beta Foundation Chairwoman, L'Cena Rice, announced in August 2003, that the Foundation Trustees had voted to invite Paula Dean (Memphis State) to serve as the Trustee Chair of the Development Committee. Paula began her first-three year term on August 1.

Paula was initiated as a member of Gamma Alpha chapter at Memphis State. She served as scholarship chairman and pledge director, among other offices, while in college. More recently, she served as president of the New York City Alumnae Chapter from 1986-1987 and as province alumnae director I from 1989-1992. Paula was a 1991 recipient of the Sorority's Loyalty award and was a founding member of the 1874 Society (of which she is a current member) and served on the Foundation Public Relations Committee from 1992 to 1994.



Paula's career has taken her around the world. She was managing director of human resources for Deutschebank and Bankers' Trust, and is the global director of human resources for Atlantic Philanthropies, a multi-national foundation dedicated to funding programs to improve the lives of disadvantaged and vulnerable people. While at Bankers Trust, Paula lived in Hong Kong for four years as the head of human resources for Asia, and traveled all over the vast continent for Bankers Trust; she also lived in London, where she was responsible for European professional recruiting.

Paula divides her time between New York City and Rockport, Texas. She enjoys spending time with her extended family and with Gamma Phi Beta sisters, traveling, the ballet, reading, old movies, and crafts. Paula adds, "I especially enjoy coaching and mentoring, in other words, I love telling people what to do."

The Gamma Phi Beta Foundation looks forward to the benefits of Paula's advice and offers its sincere thanks for her willingness to share her expertise and valuable time.

Phyllis Choat (Nebraska) served as Gamma Phi Beta Foundation Development Trustee for two three-year terms from 1997 to 2002, the maximum time allowed. We thank Phyllis for her knowledge, dedication, and warm smile.

Phyllis continues to be a hard working volunteer for Gamma Phi Beta as a member of the Foundation Development Committee, Honorary Chair of the Founders Society, and co-chair of the Foundation team for Convention 2004.



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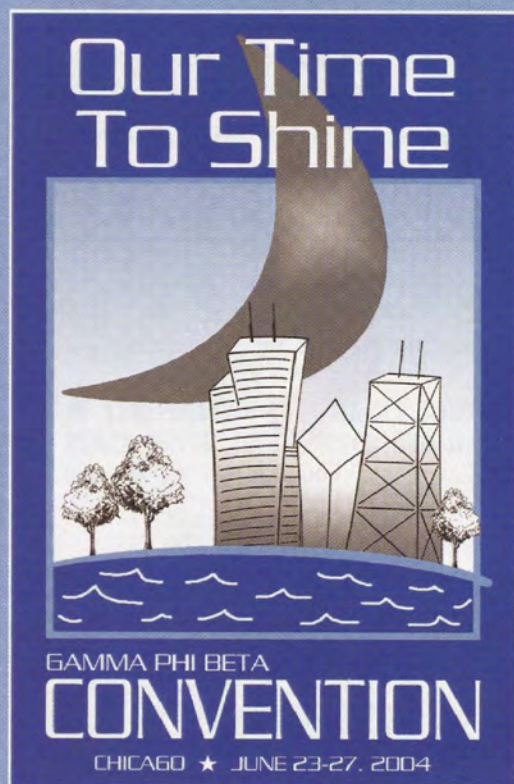
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The shining faces of Chicago Area alumnae taking a break from planning Convention 2004 at Marriott's Lincolnshire Resort. **Back Row:** Ann Hipskind Campbell (Northwestern), Becky Boyd-Obarski (Illinois), Jeannine Sheldon Kallal (Miami), Sally Erikson Lewis (Bradley), Tammie Glunz Benyk (Denver), Shannon Bradley (Nebraska/Lincoln), Elizabeth Schaffer Giromini (Southern Methodist), Heather Ray (Southern Methodist) and Linda Christensen Ray (Southern Methodist). **Front row:** Paige Stoltenberg (Wisconsin/Oshkosh), Tabitha Baines (Wisconsin/Milwaukee), Connie Cromwell Cebula (Southern California), Nancy Chase Coolley (Iowa State), Jessica Jecmen (Oklahoma City) and Megan Smiley (Washington State). **Not pictured:** Missy Panko LaBrash (Illinois), Frances Rea Griffin (Texas) and Carol Beranich Reitz (Bradley).

Schedule Highlights

Wednesday, June 23

- ★ Attendees Arrive
- ★ Registration
- ★ Dinner and Welcome
- ★ Business Session

Thursday, June 24

- ★ Business Sessions
- ★ Foundation Luncheon
- ★ Awards Dinner

Friday, June 25

- ★ Philanthropy Breakfast
- ★ Workshops
- ★ Confirmed Conventioneers Dinner

Saturday, June 26

- ★ Business Session
- ★ NPC Luncheon
- ★ Ritual/Memorial Services
- ★ Reception
- ★ Pink Carnation Banquet

Sunday, June 27

- ★ Departure

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