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Finding the Right Balance

Gamma Phi Beta for Life!



What does that phrase mean to you? It's the theme for Gamma Phi Beta's alumnae programs this biennium and if it doesn't describe your Gamma Phi Beta experience, let me challenge you to find a way to reconnect with our sisterhood so that it does. Whether you are a recent grad or a long-time member, there's a Gamma Phi Beta sister looking for your friendship, your support, your example or your laughter and fun.

Many of my personal mentors are featured in this issue—women I know and love, have long admired and still seek to emulate—our past International/Grand Presidents. For them, Gamma Phi Beta for Life has

meant service at the highest level to each of us and our organization, as well as lives well lived in service to humanity, utilizing their Gamma Phi Beta leadership gifts in organizations like Amigos de las Americas, the Junior League, the National Council on Youth Leadership or toward advancing important causes like women's health. For us, their example challenges each of us to do more.

Read about nine young women who are embarking on a year of experiences that will solidify their understanding of Gamma Phi Beta for Life... our Collegiate Leadership Consultants. Their enthusiasm and positive outlook are contagious and they will leave their mark on each chapter they visit and inspire others to follow in their footsteps.

This issue is also about finding balance in our lives and for many of you reading this, achieving balance meant stepping back from Gamma Phi Beta for a bit. We want you to come "home" again, to reconnect and rediscover what Gamma Phi Beta means for you.

To Life! Gamma Phi Beta for Life.

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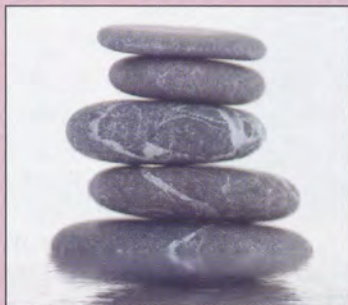
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It's a mad, mad world and navigating commitments can be tough. Learn how to keep your life in balance on page 8.

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Spotlight On | Linda Wardhammar



his past spring, the Association of Fraternity Advisors (AFA) appointed Linda Wardhammar

(Alma College) as its Executive Director, only the third in the organization's 30-year history. Founded in 1976, AFA exists to enhance its members' abilities in creating fraternal experiences that positively impact students and communities. A veteran of student affairs, Linda will oversee the Association's operations, while working closely with the AFA Executive Board, staff and volunteers to fulfill the mission and vision of AFA.

"The breadth and depth of Linda's higher education and association management experiences made her an exemplary candidate," commented AFA President Kyle Pendleton. "Her genuine leadership style is evident in her commitment to the personal and professional development of AFA's diverse membership."

Linda is a graduate of Alma College, where she was president of the Epsilon Beta Chapter while it was a colony. After receiving her Master's Degree in College Student Personnel from Bowling Green State University, Linda began her career in higher education, holding positions at Milliken University, Delta Phi Epsilon International Sorority and Saint Louis University. Her involvement with AFA began 18 years ago; she served as AFA President in 2002.

"Linda has the knowledge and ability to continue the direction AFA has chosen. Her many professional accomplishments have prepared her for this exciting opportunity, and we are so proud to call her a Gamma Phi Beta sister," said Betty Quick, Gamma Phi Beta Panhellenic Affairs Vice President and Chairman of the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC).



AFA Executive Director, Linda Wardhammar

Q&A WITH LINDA WARDHAMMAR

Q: Kyle Pendleton has described your leadership style as "genuine." What does that phrase mean to you and how would you characterize your leadership philosophy?

A: I have found myself in leadership roles as a result of my commitment to an organization rather than out of any purposeful plan or specific aspiration to achieve such positions. My leadership style and my philosophy are grounded in my dedication to the goals of the organization and in my enjoyment of working with others to achieve them.

Q: Do you have any "leader heroes"—men or women who have inspired you in your career?

A: My earliest mentor was a doctor that I worked for after college, doing administrative and insurance

clerking work. It was "just a job," but it ended up being a very significant experience for me. Before realizing he wanted to be a doctor, Dr. Haley obtained his undergraduate and master's degree in engineering, and then landed a great job with a big engineering firm. He became an inspiration to me in that not everybody knows exactly who/what they want to be right away. His story helped me realize that I had time to figure things out, and it was then that I started contemplating a career in student affairs.

Q: You have a bachelor's degree in International Business from Alma College. What inspired you to go into higher education and what are the aspects you like best about it?

A: I can't necessarily point to one inspiration; I guess I realized it was an environment and a type of work

for which I had an affinity. I enjoy learning, and like that the people I've worked with in higher education are focused on others—supporting them, challenging them, helping them make the most of their experiences—and I've enjoyed the sense of community. Finally, you feel as if, in some small way, you are making a difference, which is very rewarding.

Q: Today's college student can often be overwhelmed with school, activities, work and other responsibilities. What ideas or techniques can you offer Gamma Phi Betas to help them manage their multi-faceted lives?

A: It's important to know your own strengths and limitations and make decisions accordingly. Many students say that they get more done when they are busier. For some people, that might actually be the case; for others it is simply not. There's also something to be said for quality vs. quantity. The best advice I would give is to just make conscious choices. I would also encourage women to seek support not just from friends or sorority sisters, but from a counselor at the counseling center on campus; just one conversation can really help put things in perspective.

Q: What are the most important adjustments that need to be made to improve the public's perception of sororities and Greek Life in general?

A: This is a difficult question, because even if all the efforts to create positive change were 100% effective, there would still be movies or T.V. shows that depict negative stereotypes. We have to continue to be vigilant in upholding policies and

ensuring that the events we implement do not bring disfavor to the fraternity/sorority community. When people actually meet sorority or fraternity members while volunteering, collaborating on a research project or working together in a campus office, that's when they really learn about what can be so great about fraternity/sorority life.

Q: Likewise, in your view, what are the biggest challenges that will face sororities in the coming years?

A: The biggest challenge is to positively influence the campus fraternity/sorority communities. In my years as a campus advisor, I saw very few issues that were either sorority or fraternity issues. They're all interwoven; what affects one

ty problems go away. Sorority leaders have to find ways to translate their chapter success into community progress and development.

Q: What drew you to AFA and what would you like to accomplish in your tenure there?

A: My supervisor in graduate school, Mr. Wayne Colvin, was very involved with AFA; that's when I first learned of the Association. I joined during the first month of my first job after graduate school, looking for any opportunity to expand my knowledge and resource base and do well in my new profession. I became a volunteer for AFA at my first annual meeting. What drew me to more significant roles on the executive board, finally serving as president, was the opportu-

"Sorority leaders have to find ways to translate their chapter success into community progress and development." —LINDA WARDHAMMAR

aspect of the community affects the whole community. The sorority members who celebrate their chapter being named the top chapter in the inter/national organization or on campus but ignore rampant underage drinking at the sorority or fraternity parties they attend, that another sorority is struggling to maintain membership or that the overall fraternity/sorority GPA is below the all-undergraduate GPA are missing the bigger picture. One chapter's success, while well-deserved and commendable, won't make communi-

nity to collaborate with great people on initiatives to provide helpful resources to the members and to do purposeful, strategy-driven work. I have seen the Association evolve tremendously during my 18 years of membership, and my fundamental goal as the Executive Director is to provide support to the staff and volunteers to continue this progress and help AFA achieve its goals and mission.



Emily Ambrose

HOMETOWN: Juneau, AK and Littleton, CO

CHAPTER: Beta Rho
University of Colorado

MAJOR: Communications

CHAPTER OFFICES: Panhellenic Delegate, Standards Chairwoman, Greek Life Coordinator

CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT: CU Greek Life Coordinator, Emerging Leaders Committee Facilitator, Eta Phi (Communication Honors Fraternity), Phi Beta Kappa, Order of Omega, GSA, Sexual Health Educator

COLOR: Favorite is an understatement ... I live purple.

QUOTE/MOTTO: "Follow your inner moonlight; don't hide the madness."—*Allen Ginsberg*

WHY CLC?: I am hoping that the CLC position offers me the opportunity to learn from different chapters, as well as exercise and develop my leadership capabilities. I feel so fortunate to have been chosen for the position; the caliber of women who applied was unmatched.



Shelley Barnes

HOMETOWN: Andover, NY

CHAPTER: Alpha Nu
Wittenberg University

MAJOR: Biology

CHAPTER OFFICES: President, Public Relations Vice President

CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT: Justice on University Honor Council, Secretary-University Programming Board, Back Page Editor-*The Torch*, Hall Government Representative, Resident Advisor, Alpha Lambda Delta Honorary, Ivy Ring Honorary, Research Assistant-Dr. Kevin Gibbons, Asst. to Provost's Executive Assistant

GUILTY PLEASURE: Cookie Dough Ice Cream

VACATION SPOT: Fiji

IN FIVE YEARS: I would like to be working in either a rural part of the US or in a developing country as an epidemiologist trying to improve the health of individuals living in the area.



Rachel Christiansen

HOMETOWN: St. Louis, MO

CHAPTER: Zeta Iota
Valparaiso University

MAJOR: Social Work, Spanish

CHAPTER OFFICES: President, Philanthropy Chairwoman, Chaplain

CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT: Phi Alpha-(Social Work Honor Society), Sigma Delta Pi (Spanish Honor Society), Mortar Board, Order of Omega, Rho Lambda, Rho Gamma (Recruitment Guide), Orientation Assistant, Philanthropy Chair-Student Social Work Organization, Social Action Leadership Team

GUILTY PLEASURE: Chocolate, Chick Flicks and Taco Bell

HIDDEN TALENT: Napping! No really ... I can sleep anytime, anywhere.

QUOTE/MOTTO: "The world is like a mirror; frown at it and it frowns back at you. Smile and it smiles, too."—*Herbert Samuel*



Amanda Henriksen

HOMETOWN: Courtland, KS

CHAPTER: Beta Upsilon
Kansas State University

MAJOR: Communication Sciences and Disorders, Gerontology

CHAPTER OFFICES: President, Education Vice President, Recording Secretary

CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT: KSU Student Speech-Language Hearing Association, Mortar Board, College of Human Ecology Honors Program, KSU Greek Ambassador, Order of Omega, Chimes Junior Honorary, Silver Key Sophomore Honorary, Kappa Omicron Nu, Asst. Logistics/ Student Staff for 2007 MGCA Conference

GUILTY PLEASURE: French Fries

QUOTE/MOTTO: "What you say and do defines you!"—*J.J. Kaelin*, Sorority Director-Public Relations, used this quote at Convention in Phoenix and I think it is a fabulous motto to live by.

WHY CLC?: I want to challenge other collegians to get as much out of their collegiate years as possible. Gamma Phi has given me opportunities for leadership, friendship and personal growth.



Megan Juffer

HOMETOWN: Mason City, IA

CHAPTER: Kappa
University of Minnesota

MAJOR: Strategic
Communications

CHAPTER OFFICES: Public
Relations Vice President,
Corresponding Secretary,
Loyalty Circle Chairwoman

CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT: Order of
Omega, Rho Lambda, Public
Relations Society of America

FAVORITE COLLEGE COURSE:

I have two! Graphic Design
and Strategic Communications
Campaigns

COLOR: Pink

GUILTY PLEASURE: Watching
TV, especially "The Office"
and "Grey's Anatomy"



Caroline Rogers

HOMETOWN: Marietta, GA

CHAPTER: Delta Upsilon
University of Georgia

MAJOR: Advertising,
Sociology

CHAPTER OFFICES: Education
Vice President, Asst.
Collegiate-Alumnae Relations

CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT:

Recruitment Counselor,
Relay for Life Co-Captain,
Dance Marathon, Classic City
High School Mentor, Vice
President of Communications-
Ad Club

FAVORITE COLLEGE COURSE:

Advertising Campaigns (it was
a national campaign with
Coca-Cola Classic as the client!)

COLOR: Mode, hands down.
But besides that, right now,
probably green.

QUOTE/MOTTO: "If you wanna
hear God laugh, tell Him your
plans ..." -*Vanzant*



Selina Ruiz

HOMETOWN: Murrieta, CA

CHAPTER: Zeta Theta
Pepperdine University

MAJOR: Psychology, Social
Work

CHAPTER OFFICES: President,
Membership Vice President,
Panhellenic Delegate, Public
Relations Vice President

CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT: Tour
Leader-Office of Admissions,
Jumpstart, Student Alumni
Organization, Psi Chi, Order
of Omega, Writer/Editor-*The
Graphic*, Camp Counselor-
Camp Laurel, Intern-WISE
Senior Services

FAVORITE COLLEGE COURSE:

Children's Literature (the
teacher was a Gamma Phi from
Canada!)

GUILTY PLEASURE: 80s music;
old episodes of "Melrose
Place," "Beverly Hills 90210,"
and "Saved By the Bell;" and
countdown shows on E!

QUOTE/MOTTO: "You may be
the only Gamma Phi Beta,
someone will ever meet."



Allison Weiss

HOMETOWN: Milwaukee, WI

CHAPTER: Gamma Gamma
*University of Wisconsin-
Milwaukee*

MAJOR: Art Education

CHAPTER OFFICES: President,
Education Vice President,
New Member Educator

CAMPUS INVOLVEMENT: UWM

Conversation Partners,
Wisconsin Art Education
Association, National Art
Education Association

FAVORITE COLLEGE COURSE:

Kickboxing

HIDDEN TALENT: Writing and
horseback riding

WHY CLC?: To spread the
Gamma Phi Beta spirit around
the country, and help my sisters
realize the great opportunities
our sisterhood has to offer!



Jamie Shultz (second year as a CLC)

HOMETOWN: Frisco, TX

CHAPTER: Psi, *University of Oklahoma*

MAJOR: Human Resources Management

CHAPTER OFFICES: President, Public Relations Vice President, Philanthropy Chair

GUILTY PLEASURE: Shopping, Chick-fil-A Shakes!

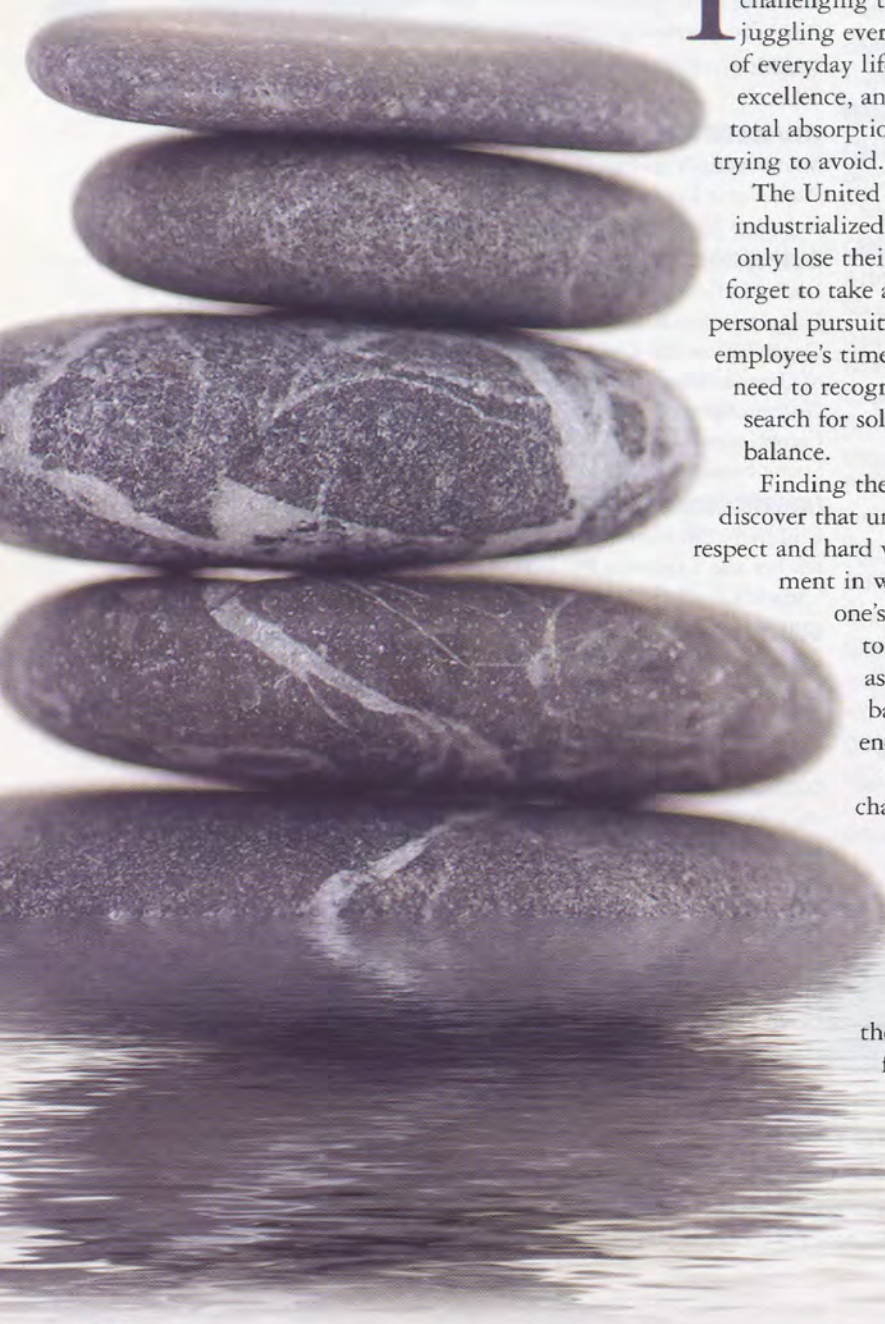
QUOTE/MOTTO: "The gem cannot be polished without friction, nor man perfected without trials."

WHY CLC?: I stayed on as a CLC to continue to give back to our organization that has already given me invaluable experiences and friendships that will last a lifetime. My experience with women of Zeta Phi was priceless and I can't wait to help our organization continue to grow!

FINDING THE RIGHT BALANCE

Managing the aspects of your life

By Elizabeth Smith, Staff Writer



It is an idea whose time has come. As it becomes more and more challenging to manage personal and professional lives, the topic of juggling ever-increasing commitments while balancing the demands of everyday life just won't go away. We're on a constant search for excellence, and the journey takes on down a road toward a state of total absorption, pushing us all toward the very imbalance we're trying to avoid.

The United States and Canada are among the most overworked industrialized nations in the world. Many managers and leaders not only lose their ability to recognize their employees' skill sets, but also forget to take an interest in those who work for them; families and personal pursuits can often be perceived as competitors, vying for an employee's time and attention. Successful leaders in this climate will need to recognize that the old models no longer apply and will actively search for solutions to help employees confront issues like work/life balance.

Finding the right balance is tough and navigating the path to discover that unique balance requires a combination of devotion, loyalty, respect and hard work. This can be daunting, particularly in an environment in which these attributes are more closely associated with one's professional life; ultimately, the key in any situation is to realize that, no matter what, people are the number one asset. Balanced people become balanced leaders and balanced leaders develop healthier environments for all by encouraging others to seek their own centered existence.

Creating balance is really the culmination of overcoming challenges: the challenge to change culture, the challenge to know oneself and create an identity, and the challenge to create connections. As Jessica DeGroot, president and founder of ThirdPath Institute, an organization that provides practical information for developing integrated work-life solutions, puts it, "It's about overcoming the need people have to occupy themselves with the 'broken hose problem'—too busy to fix a leaky hose, they instead try to bring in more people to mop up the floor." It's also about making the conscious choice to refuse to "run around in a constant state of stress" and insisting on not constantly being "over capacity." This doesn't mean that balanced people are never over capacity, it just envisions the goal as "seasons of imbalance as opposed to chronic imbalance."

THE CHALLENGE TO CHANGE CULTURE

The process of achieving the ultimate goal of balance must involve a desire to deliberately shape and manage culture.

A collaborative culture that is in alignment with shared values is more likely to thrive because people in a collaborative culture actively work together toward common goals. When one person seeks a change in how she currently prioritizes her life, as DeGroot points out, it sets up positive repercussions; the sheer act creates a ripple effect that signals to everyone that change is possible. This is true for both sexes. "If we truly want to change the equation for everyone, we have to have both men and women rethink their roles at work and at home," says DeGroot.

A great culture's defining characteristic is not simply happiness, though, it's accountability. To be accountable to the life one wishes to lead, one must confront the tacit belief that a culture that glorifies being a workaholic, often at the expense of personal interests, is beneficial. James Henderson sums it up perfectly in his 2006 doctoral project for Regent University—in order to overcome the societal norm of "workaholics," one must consciously strive to maintain a balanced life.

Society adapts to meet the needs asked for by its members, and by challenging the current culture, the future is forced to unfold in ways that are compatible with leading a balanced life. Henderson states that such a change starts with people who are "dedicated to fostering a positive and inclusive culture that allows constructive momentum to gather" and continues by building a sense throughout the community that each others' "lives and work are intertwined and moving toward a recognizable and legitimate goal."

THE CHALLENGE TO SELF-EVALUATE

A constantly changing world requires people to possess multiple skill sets in order to unleash both the personal and professional ideas and knowledge lying dormant within them. It should come as no surprise, then, that even respected leaders in society admit to areas of imbalance in their lives. As Henderson points out, it takes a leader with a strong character to admit to a lack of balance with candor and vulnerability.

Developing integrity and strength of character comes from knowing and understanding personal strengths and weaknesses. Achieving a centered existence necessitates not only knowing who you are, but also recognizing and taking action to remain on track.

How can a person stay on track? Through frequent and honest self-evaluations; repeated self-assessments create

awareness. Self-evaluation is a raw practice that can cut, but it's an essential tool for determining where you are with regard to where you want to be balance-wise. Balanced people should become passionate about setting new personal and professional goals and objectives that help to measure their effectiveness in achieving a work/life balance. People who self-assess know who they are and, Henderson asserts, have the courage to be different, thereby facilitating change towards a more centered existence.

Henderson believes it is critically important for people to "step back, examine their priorities, and establish an accurate perspective" of how everything fits together into the overall balance of life and work. This has never been truer than it is today.

GAMMA PHI BETA AUTHORS CAN HELP YOU FIND THE RIGHT BALANCE

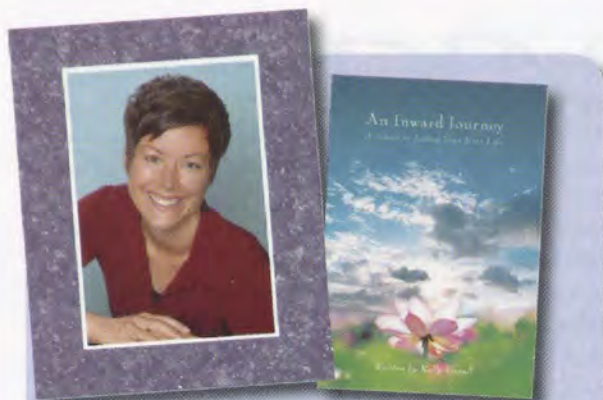


LITTLE TRAVEL GUIDE FOR HIGH MAINTENANCE WOMEN

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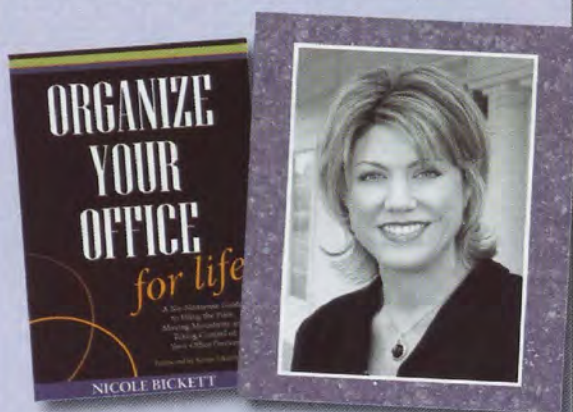
Friendship is the motivating force behind this book, a friendship that began during the first year of college and continues after more than four decades. All three authors—Carolyn Killman Eakin (Oklahoma City), Jane Hinkle Tanner (Texas Wesleyan), and Ginger Hall Underwood (Oklahoma City)—are former educators, now happily retired. They have combined their experiences and travels to create a guide for gathering friends. Women have a way of providing support to each other that is priceless. Carolyn, Jane and Ginger believe that these travels together build a stronger bond among girlfriends that becomes more important as the years pass.



AN INWARD JOURNEY: A GUIDE TO LIVING YOUR BEST LIFE

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www.Amazon.com

Novelist Kelly Canull (Indiana) is a leader in her field. As an author, speaker and empowerment coach, Kelly has worked with individuals for more than 15 years reminding them how to live from a place of love instead of fear. Her book will guide you through the process of releasing your perceived limitations to live a more dynamic and fulfilling life. Kelly's personal journey has placed authenticity at the top of her priority list. She lives from a pure place and loves to share with others how to do the same. She currently resides in Denver, Colorado.



ORGANIZE YOUR OFFICE FOR LIFE

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Nicole Bickett (Indiana), a professional organizer, guides readers step-by-step through taking control of office clutter once and for all. She teaches how to get rid of piles, locate any piece of paper in your office within seconds, prioritize your time to improve productivity and save money, and to feel more peaceful and productive.

Nicole started her business, Organize to Optimize, after she had two children (now ages 5 and 8), and realized that she needed to set up systems if she was going to be able to stay in control of her office and paperwork. She now provides training seminars, speaking engagements and personal and corporate consulting to teach her ideas to others.

THE CHALLENGE TO CONNECT

A person's overall performance in society relies on two main components: the capability to structure tasks and the capability to deal with people. People looking to achieve balance must push themselves to connect with others both as a way to buffer stress and to raise general satisfaction with life and self-acceptance.

In his doctoral project, Henderson outlines four strategies for developing connectedness:

1. Identify and evaluate current connections and look at the areas of life they represent;
2. Slow things down—make time for connecting with others by utilizing multi-tasking and scheduling skills to intentionally plan time to spend with family and friends;
3. Get involved and make a concerted effort to meet new friends, commit to learning from them and share your own knowledge;
4. Reconnect with friends from your past; being balanced involves preserving trusted relationships and seeking counsel and advice during difficult times.

People give meaning and purpose to life. Family and close friends are essential to achieving balance.

THE CHALLENGE TO ACHIEVE BALANCE

As Henderson notes, someone living a balanced life needs to have "an appreciation for the future, a consideration for the present, and knowledge of the past." How do you make that leap to leading a centered life? Henderson asserts that balanced people tend to become comfortable with a modicum of ambiguity. Additionally, these five techniques can also help in developing a sense of balance:

- establish priorities: know who you are and what you want out of life
- establish boundaries to jealously protect personal time
- include time for reflection to help maintain perspective and focus
- think realistically about trying to be all things to all people (it can't be done)
- restructure thinking so that the tension between various roles isn't so debilitating

Balance is an assessment not only of where and how to spend time, but also of how to choose what to do with your energy and passion. Balanced men and women can overcome a variety of obstacles because they are focused on their priorities, both at work and in their personal lives.

Henderson concludes that leading a centered existence, where work and personal lives harmonize, is about "living a life that is focused, honest, courageous, different, accountable and supported by family and friends." Finding balance is a lifelong process, and once achieved, it must be actively maintained and it cannot be taken for granted.

Zeta Phi Chapter Installation Marks First $\Gamma\Phi\beta$ Chapter in Arkansas



"I have friends who are not Gamma Phi Betas, and I still love them. But there's something about this group of Gamma Phis that just makes me want to be a better woman."

—Newly Installed Member of Zeta Phi

As newly initiated Gamma Phi Betas, members of the Zeta Phi chapter pose with International President Linda Johnson (Vanderbilt) and the chapter charter.

By Jamie Shultz (Oklahoma), 2006–2007 Collegiate Leadership Consultant

On April 14, 2007, members of Gamma Phi Beta celebrated the installation of the Zeta Phi Chapter in Fort Smith, Arkansas. Joining Delta Gamma to establish a Greek community at the University of Arkansas at Fort Smith, Zeta Phi became Gamma Phi Beta's 165th chapter and the first in the state of Arkansas.

International President Linda Daniel Johnson (Vanderbilt), Membership Vice President Linda Lyons Malony (Southern California), and Director of Ritual Kiki Sloan Phillips (Washington) were all on hand to install the chapter and initiate the members. Psi Chapter (Oklahoma) assisted in the initiation of the Zeta Phi charter members, while other alumnae joined the celebration.

Our newly initiated members at UA Fort Smith excel in all areas of collegiate life. The Zeta Phi Chapter currently has 15 members on the Dean's List, members in the Chancellor's Leadership Council, four university ambassadors, the current Homecoming Queen, the current and the former Miss UA-Fort Smith, as well as members in various honors organizations and involved throughout the community. The women recently held their first philanthropic event and raised more than \$300 dollars for Girls Inc. of Fort Smith, an organization aimed at fostering the development of girls.



Zeta Phi members Britanny Slammmons, Sara Altman and Rachel Handraban celebrate their recent initiation.

IF MY FRIENDS COULD SEE ME NOW

Gamma Phi Beta's Living Past Presidents and Where They Are Today

By Megan McDermott, Editor

The women who serve Gamma Phi Beta on the international level as officers are simply extraordinary. They successfully balance careers, families and community volunteer work alongside their Sorority work, and it is their dedication to the continuous growth of Gamma Phi Beta that is at the root of this willingness to serve. Many of these women continue to be active and involved within their communities, but also within the Sorority once their office tenure ends. It should therefore come as no surprise that the past international presidents of Gamma Phi Beta are no different; volunteers, career professionals, educators, yoga instructors, directors, philanthropists, advisors, motivators and friends—these women still do it all!

AUDREY WELDON SHAFER

Alpha Delta Chapter (Missouri-Columbia)
and Kansas City Alumnae Chapter
Grand President, 1970–1974

As the oldest living past President, Audrey Weldon Shafer has witnessed her share of Gamma Phi Beta history. In her almost 70 years as a Gamma Phi Beta, Audrey has attended 24 Gamma Phi Beta Conventions and seen firsthand the growth of the Sorority, especially within her own family: both her daughters are Gamma Phi Betas, as are her niece and granddaughter. But for Audrey, it all began when she was a freshman at the University of Missouri; visiting the Alpha Delta Chapter, Audrey immediately felt a sense of belonging.

While a collegian at Mizzou, Audrey had the pleasure of meeting Lois McBride Dehn (Washington), Grand President 1936–1940, who complimented the chapter for the high tea they presented in her honor. Audrey couldn't even fathom at the time that one day, she would be visiting chapters as Grand President, presented with the same opportunity to delight and influence young women across the continent.



Audrey Shafer (center) with daughters Alison Shafer Bond (left) and Pamela Shafer Burke (right).

After her term as Grand President ended, Audrey served the Sorority as research chairwoman before eventually becoming ritual chairwoman. Today, Audrey is active in her church, her husband's squadron and as a volunteer at the Toy and Miniature Museum. She also volunteers for the American Association of University Women, serving two years as Missouri State President. Audrey is also currently president of the Round Robin Study Club, an organization more than 100 years old, and an active office holding member of the Philanthropic Educational Organization (P.E.O.).

KAREN WANDER KLINE

Omega Chapter (Iowa State)
and North Houston Alumnae Chapter
Grand President, 1978–1982

Karen Wander Kline decided to join Gamma Phi Beta because, "The Gamma Phis at Iowa State made me feel that I could always be *me*. My Gamma Phi sisters have



Karen Wander Kline

always given me the confidence to do more than I ever dreamed possible."

Before becoming Grand President, Karen served on Grand Council for three and a half years as Collegiate Vice President. Encouraged by those around her, and motivated by her desire to share her energy, enthusiasm, pride and professionalism with Gamma Phi Beta on a larger scale, Karen decided to run for

Grand President. Karen had just been nominated when, in an unfortunate turn, the then current Grand President, Betty Luker Haverfield (1974–1978), died in office. Karen was elected by Grand Council to complete Betty's term.

Karen pinpoints the greatest accomplishment of her term as the relocation of the "Central Office" from Kenilworth, IL, to Denver, CO, in 1979. However, Karen's most lasting contribution came several years later when, in a related move, she was asked to develop a

proposal that would enable Gamma Phi Beta to purchase a headquarters building. The resulting plan not only raised the funds needed to build a headquarters, but also established a permanent Leadership Development Endowment within the Foundation. Today, this endowment has grown to more than \$3.75 million and supports many Sorority leadership initiatives.

After Karen left office as Grand President, she served for ten years as director of extension, Convention coordinator, and chair of the Capital Endowment Campaign. Currently, Karen is the President of the house corporation board for Zeta Rho Chapter (Texas A&M-College Station) and a Trustee of the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation. Karen also spent several years as director of development for Amigos de las Americas, an international nonprofit.

Karen's fondest memory is attending her daughter Kimberlee Kline's (Iowa State) initiation and pinning the Gamma Phi Beta badge on her with Teek Kurt Schonberg, Karen's best friend and Omega sister, at her side.

ANN MULLEN BRONSGING

Beta Pi Chapter (Indiana State)
and St. Louis Alumnae Chapter

Grand President, 1982–1986

Ann Mullen Bronsing states that the opportunity to work with sisters of all ages, locations and interests was the most compelling reason why she offered her services as an international officer, including Grand President. Her favorite task was installing new chapters, and she was able to do it a lot, personally installing ten new collegiate chapters during the four years she was President.

"My service on International Council was before faxes, e-mails, copy machines, even voice mail, so most of our communicating was done through old-fashioned mail. (Oh, the pain of those carbon copies!) So when my term was over, I'm sure my mail person thought I had died," notes Ann.

Another strong memory for Ann was being able to pin her Gamma Phi Beta badge on her daughter Holly Bronsing Jurgensen (Northern Arizona) at the 1986 Convention in Dallas.

After Ann's years as President, she has served Gamma Phi Beta as research chair, nominating committee member, international bylaws chairwoman, and nominating committee chairwoman. Professionally, Ann was able to parlay the skills she acquired as President into



Ann Mullen Bronsing, with her two grandsons and wearing a costume from *The Repertory Theatre of St. Louis*.

"Gamma Phi Beta has allowed me to be both a leader and a follower. It has challenged me, rewarded me and has always been a learning experience. However, all the positions I have held would have meant nothing without the Gamma Phi sisters with whom I have shared the good times and the bad, the laughter and the tears. I have truly known love, labor, learning and loyalty, plus much laughter. And, almost fifty years later, Gamma Phi Beta still makes me feel that I can always be me."—KAREN WANDER KLINE

several rewarding careers. She served as the executive director of the National Council on Youth Leadership for seven years where she was responsible for everything from "licking the stamps to raising the funds." Ann's next career was as a public speaker in high schools, teaching life-skills to students while promoting a local career college.

When her first grandson was born, Ann decided to retire and spend her time and energy with him (a second grandson arrived two years later). Currently, Ann volunteers with The Repertory Theatre of St. Louis, giving backstage tours and presentations on theatre careers, assisting with a kid's arts program and with model costumes.

RANDY STEVENS ALLARD

Gamma Eta Chapter (California State-Long Beach) and Greater Kansas City Alumnae Chapter
Grand President, 1986–1990

After serving as Executive Director for Gamma Phi Beta and then as Collegiate Vice President, Randy Stevens Allard was elected Grand President in 1986 and served two terms.

"Serving as Collegiate Vice President, interacting with our talented, diverse and engaging collegians has been the favorite part of my Gamma Phi Beta volunteer experience, hands down. Knowing and visiting so many collegiate chapters helped to make my terms as Grand President more focused on our undergraduates . . . the lifeblood of [our organization]," says Randy.

Randy is particularly grateful that her six member International Council wove such deep bonds of friendship that they continue to meet yearly, trekking as far as France together. "We've had adventures with hurricanes, sand fleas, midnight swims, sunburns, goofy theme parties, dinner menus that nearly burned a vacation home down and shared a lifetime of laughter."

After finishing her terms, Randy was executive director for the Junior League of Kansas City, Missouri, followed by volunteer board service for AIDS agencies and board involvement with the renewal of Union Station in Kansas City. She served as Convention arrangements chairwoman for the 1996 Convention, stating that she "loved working with the incredible Kansas City alums . . . a warm and welcoming group of women."

A mother of three sons, none of whom are yet married, Randy still hopes for a Gamma Phi Beta daughter-in-law. Randy and husband Lee maintain residency in Kansas City, but spend increasing amounts of time at their home



Randy Stevens Allard

in Newport Beach, CA. After discovering a passion for yoga, Randy is now a registered yoga teacher. Randy teaches at Yoga Works in Newport Beach, Costa Mesa and Mission Viejo.

JOLENE "JOEY" LESSARD STIVER

Alpha Omicron Chapter (North Dakota State) and Chicago Alumnae Chapter
Grand President, 1990–1992



Joey Lessard Stiver

Before becoming a member of International Council, Joey was busy raising her children, Katie and Kevin, who were ages seven and five, respectively, when Joey joined Council. As Collegiate Vice President, her kids often met Collegiate Leadership Consultants and other international officers on a regular basis. Joey recalls that "Katie learned the Greek letter alphabet and did my filing for a \$1 a week!!"

Joey remembers that when her term ended, "I missed the comraderie of other officers and friends. I even missed the long hours on the phone solving problems." Joey became Foundation Chairman, where she enjoyed working on the development and philanthropic side of things.

After Joey's volunteer life with Gamma Phi slowed down, she resumed her career as a pharmacist after a 23 year absence from the profession, eventually becoming a compounder and a menopause consultant. When she left an independent pharmacy, Joey began working at Walgreens, and is now a pharmacy manager at a relatively new store in Three Rivers, MI. Joey gives full credit to the skills she honed as an international officer, mentioning that they often serve her well in her current profession. On the Sorority side of things, Joey currently serves as Gamma Phi Beta's research chairwoman.

"As International President, [my] proudest moment was the completion of our International Headquarters [building]. At the dedication I proudly wore Frances E. Haven's badge."

DIANE TJADEN THOMPSON

Omega Chapter (Iowa State)
International President, 1992–1996

The people Diane Tjaden Thompson met while serving as Gamma Phi Beta's International President will always be her most cherished memory.

After six years of service as a volunteer in the collegiate department, including two years as Collegiate Vice President, Diane served four years as International President. Of all the positive experiences Diane had as President, though, the 1994 Convention in Naples, FL,

"I consider myself very fortunate to have met and served with wonderful women who taught me so much that I still carry with me today."

—DIANE TJADEN THOMPSON

stands out. Diane remembers all the details: the committee who created it, the location, but most importantly, the overall sense of celebration. "Everything that was a part of that week was exciting and was a reflection of the upbeat attitude in the Sorority," Diane says.

Since 1996, Diane's life has been in a constant state of change. Her children, Brad and Aggie, graduated from high school and went down their own career paths (Brad has a construction company in Colorado and Aggie is in pharmacy school at the University of Iowa), while her husband Bob passed away in 2003, six weeks after being diagnosed with lung cancer. Diane currently enjoys small-town midwestern life in a new home Brad built her last year.

L'CENA BRUNSKILL RICE

Beta Alpha Chapter (Southern California)
and South Bay Alumnae Chapter

International President, 1996–2000



L'Cena Brunskill Rice

Throughout her life, L'Cena Brunskill Rice has demonstrated passion for two things—Gamma Phi Beta and being an educator. Gamma Phi Beta was a major part of L'Cena's college career, serving as new member educator and chapter president. Immediately after graduation, L'Cena jumped into the alumnae side of things, volunteering as an advisor.

"The saying, strong chapters have strong advisors

became my theme song [as International President]. It is such a thrill to see the wonderful programs Gamma Phi Beta has for advisors. The advisor training sessions at Convention have become a great asset and the online advisor training program is outstanding," notes L'Cena.

An educator for 34 years, L'Cena served as a teacher, vice principal and principal at a Southern California high school. She then assumed the duties of district assistant superintendent of educational services, where she worked until she retired in 1990 to become a full-time Gamma Phi Beta volunteer. After retiring, L'Cena also served her alma mater, the University of Southern California, as a trustee, as the elected president of the University Alumni Association, and as chairwoman of the Alumni affairs Committee.

Since serving as International President, L'Cena has been active in the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation, serving six years as Chairman. In addition to being a charter member and past president of the South Bay Alumnae Chapter, L'Cena also continues to be active as an advisor for the Beta Alpha Chapter, who lovingly refers to her as the "fifth founder" because of the significant contributions she has made to modern day Gamma Phi Beta.

VICKI READ

Alpha Epsilon
Chapter (Arizona)
and Tuscon
Alumnae Chapter
*International President,
2000–2004*



Tamara and Vicki Read

From her start as an advisor for the Alpha Epsilon Chapter to her term as

International President to presiding over the 2006 Convention in

Phoenix as Convention Chairwoman, Vicki Carlson Read has been instrumental in leading Gamma Phi Beta into the new millennium.

Since joining the Alpha Epsilon Chapter at the University of Arizona, Vicki has been a visible contributor to Gamma Phi Beta. Following advising positions at Arizona, Vicki moved into the collegiate department, eventually serving as an Assistant Collegiate Vice President for two years. Vicki then served served as director of recruitment for three years and as director of membership for another two years. Her time within the membership department culminated with her service as Membership Vice President on International Council from 1996–2000. Vicki's term as International President followed, from 2000–2004.

Living in Tucson, it was a natural fit for Vicki to head up the 2006 Convention, which was held in Phoenix. As Vicki puts it, serving as Convention chairwoman was "a wonderful way to bring my Gamma Phi Beta experience full circle."

Married to Bruce, a management and tax consultant, Vicki has two daughters, Tamara and Kari, and three grandchildren (including two legacies!). Having lived overseas for a number of years, including attending high school in Okinawa, Vicki enjoys traveling, particularly on trips that involve sailing or heading to Virginia to visit her grandchildren, and gardening. Vicki currently handles merchandising, inventory and visual displays for her daughter Tamara's business, the Chantilly Tea Room and Gift Boutique in Tucson.



Alumna Attends Training Session Led by Al Gore

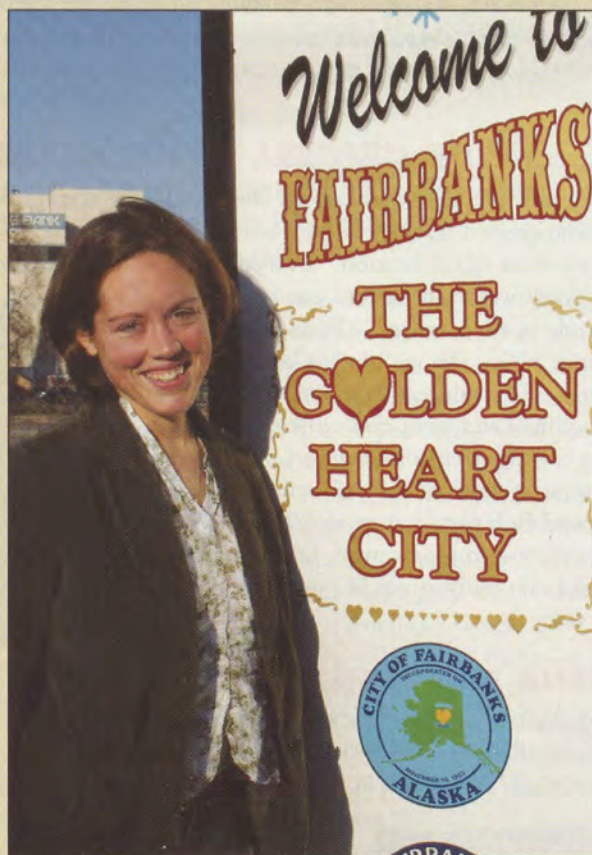
Georgia Sabo Gier (Gettysburg), a science teacher at W. T. Clarke High School in Westbury, New York, was part of a select group of individuals chosen to receive training on issues surrounding global warming, led by former Vice President Al Gore and a team of renowned scientists and environmental educators.

"Georgia is an outstanding example of the millions of Americans who have been energized by the call to action on the climate crisis," said Gore. "We are so pleased that she has made a serious commitment to this challenge by coming to Nashville to become part of this unprecedented grassroots effort."

Georgia said, "This training provided me with the best and most current scientific information and solutions along with compelling images that can be easily understood by the general public. I want to help inform the public about the science behind the crisis without the bias of politics, and attempt to change the current status quo in order to improve the predicament we are in. We need to stand up and do something for the Earth."

After his film *An Inconvenient Truth* was released, Al Gore formed the Climate Project, a grass roots organization to recruit and train 1,000 responsible and motivated individuals to present a modified version of his presentation about global warming, which is chronicled in the film. "Georgia will be spending the next year making presentations in and around Long Island, discussing how individuals and businesses, schools, and other organizations can be a major part of the solution to the growing crisis of global warming," continued Gore.

"I will carry this training experience with me for the rest of my life," said Georgia. "It was an extraordinary opportunity. Mr. Gore, his team of experts and his wife, Tipper, treated us with such gratitude and respect."



Transportation Planner Listed on Alaska's Top Forty Under 40

As a transportation planner for the city of Fairbanks, AK, Emily Bratcher (St. Louis) is working to make her hometown a better place from the ground up. Emily is a Fairbanks North Star Borough planning and zoning commissioner and a member of the Alaska chapter of the American Planning Association. She also serves on the land use planning task force for the Interior Issues Council Think Tank.

Emily's commitment to Fairbanks has been lifelong, as she grew up there and would often help when needed at the family business, the Great Alaskan Bowl Co.

Emily also volunteers with the Downtown Association of Fairbanks for Yukon Quest and Solstice; as a Big Sister in the Big Brothers, Big Sisters program; and as a committee chair for the American Cancer Society's Daffodil Days.

In the midst of all this, Emily is also considering studies for an interdisciplinary doctorate in northern studies. She has a Master's Degree in Urban Planning and Real Estate Development.

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Flying High at 78

Pat Rector Fry (San Diego State) was bitten by the flying bug as a child, but didn't start flying until she was 43. "My son and I were having a picnic near Otay Lake and we saw what looked like a glider circling to the east," she recalls. "We took a drive and discovered a glider port and sky diving school."

With her 6-year-old son on her lap, Pat bought a ride in a glider and was hooked on becoming a pilot. She took glider lessons at the Otay flying school and got her pilot's license in 1977. Now 78, Pat received her license for powered aircraft after encouragement from a Gamma Phi Beta sister.

Pat worked for many years at the San Diego Aerospace Museum, remaining steadfast to the goals of "The 99s," which are air safety, educating the public about women in aviation, supporting the advancement and opportunities for women pilots. The 99s are a group formed in 1929 by Amelia Earhart, who invited all 117 of the then-licensed women pilots in the U.S. to participate in an international organization for women pilots. Ninety-nine responded, hence the conception of the organization's name, "the 99s."

Pat is a member of the San Diego Alumnae Chapter and active member of the San Diego community.

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Seizing Her Dreams

Kathryn Clark Childers (Colorado-Boulder) was one of the first five women hired by the United States Secret Service in 1970. As an agent, her assignments included protection of the Queen of Spain, Indira Gandhi, Imelda Marcos and the Kennedy Protective Detail of John F. Kennedy Jr. and Caroline Kennedy. In addition to protective duty, Kathryn worked several Presidential campaign details, was assigned to a special counterfeit task force in New York and worked numerous undercover assignments in New York, Washington, and Miami. She often says the experience gave her the distinct privilege of being "a mouse in the pocket of history."

In 1973, Kathryn left the Secret Service to marry Dr. Cecil A. Childers, a psychiatrist, and moved to Corpus Christi, Texas. Shortly before the birth of her son Clark in 1978, Kathryn began 18 years in broadcasting as a television producer, local morning talk show host, and host of ABC's *(Take Two)*, where her celebrity interviews with such notables as Lucille Ball, Dolly Parton and James Earl Jones. In 1991, Kathryn was elected to the ABC Network Marketing Board and served multiple terms.

Throughout her career, Kathryn has remained dedicated to public service. She hosted the Children's Miracle Network Telethon for Driscoll Children's Hospital for a decade and is a founding member of "Clowns Who Care," a charitable clown troupe. On any given week, you can find her alter ego, "Sassy the Sheriff," bringing smiles to the faces of young patients. In 1998, Kathryn and husband Cecil were honored as Volunteers of the Year by the Volunteer Center of the Coastal Bend, and Kathryn was also awarded the coveted American Institute for Public Service's Jefferson Award for founding a breast cancer screening program, "First Friday," which has provided free mammograms to more than 10,000 women in need.

Today, Kathryn speaks to organizations of all sizes throughout the country, sharing her personal mantra ("do it scared, but just do it!"), which she developed after years of embracing—and, more importantly, seizing—unique and unexpected opportunities.



Out & About | Reunions



Northwestern Gamma Phi Betas—Epsilon '64—enjoyed springtime together at a reunion birthday celebration held in Charleston, SC. The years melted away as the bonds formed during collegiate years were rekindled and renewed.



Agnes "Aggie" Anderson Olson (Nebraska), second from left, was thrilled when her two granddaughters, Camille Olson and Lindsey Olson, pledged Gamma Phi Beta. Camille (left) joined the Beta Omega Chapter at Northern Arizona, while Lindsey (second from right) is a new member at Southern California, where their mother, Kathy MacIntyre Olson (far right) pledged 25 years ago!



Pamela Lynch McDonald (Wisconsin-Madison), her daughter, Heather McDonald Dobias (Southern California), and Beverly Smith Gosnell (San Diego State), connect in Malibu for lunch, laughter and shaving a combined 126 years of sisterhood.

Congratulations to our newest alumnae chapter, Greater Fort Walton Beach Area (FL), installed May 6, 2007.

Congratulations may be sent to: Kathleen Sigler, President, 152 Conquest Ave, Crestview, FL 32536, Katie_sigler@hotmail.com



Boston Alumnae Chapter

CALIFORNIA 🌸

SAN DIEGO alumnae met for a catered lunch provided by Joanne Quon, gourmet chef for the Beta Lambda Chapter (San Diego State). Joanne prepared a tasty and beautifully presented meal, which she followed with a short program on why she enjoys being a sorority chef and how she teaches members to cook and eat healthy.

📖 🌸 It was tea at Trump National Golf Course for the SOUTH BAY Alumnae Chapter. The group also participated in the South Bay Panhellenic Scholarship benefit, which raised money for high school and collegiate women in the area. In May, the group saw the musical *Wicked*.



North Houston Alumnae Chapter

COLORADO 🌸

DENVER alumnae are busy planning the 100th anniversary of the chapter, which will include a tea at the Denver Country Club in September. Be sure to visit www.DenverAlumnaeGPB.org for more Denver alumnae activities.

FLORIDA 🐼

TAMPA BAY alumnae held an ice cream social at Mercy House, a residential facility for ill women and their children.

IOWA 🌸

Since its reorganization, the CENTRAL IOWA Alumnae Chapter meets every other month at a different Des Moines location. Join their distribution list by e-mailing eporl@ankeny.k12.ia.us.

MASSACHUSETTS 🌸

The BOSTON Alumnae Chapter was thrilled to initiate its first alumna initiate alongside the fall new member class of Delta Chapter (Boston).

MINNESOTA 🌸

The MINNEAPOLIS-ST. PAUL Alumnae Chapter held a FUNraiser at a handbag and accessory boutique in Minneapolis. Members sold tickets to the event, served refreshments and raffled merchandise.



South Bay Alumnae Chapter

NEW YORK 🌸

The ROCHESTER Alumnae Chapter recognized IIKE Award Winners Sarepta Pierpont Ostrum (Kansas) and Helen Titlemier Clark (Minnesota) at their Founders Day celebration. Sarepta (right) joined Gamma Phi Beta in 1942, while Helen (left) was initiated in 1939.



ONTARIO 🌸

The GREATER TORONTO AREA Crescent Circle gathered at the Alpha Alpha Chapter (Toronto) house for an evening potluck with Betty Ahlemeyer Quick (Indiana), Panhellenic Affairs Vice President.

TEXAS 🌸

The HOUSTON Alumnae Chapter wishes to thank its 2006-07 executive board and their 98 dues paying members for an amazing year! Following their annual Soup, Salad, and Books meeting in February and a jazz brunch in March, the chapter held elections and officer installation at the annual potluck meeting in April.

🐼 NORTH HOUSTON alumnae held a Bunco fundraiser to sponsor girls at a local Camp Fire USA camp.

WISCONSIN 🌸

The MADISON Alumnae Chapter held their annual luncheon to recognize Gamma Chapter (Wisconsin-Madison) seniors. Chapter members also put on their walking shoes for both the American Cancer Society Run/Walk and the Komen Madison Race for the Cure.

Symbol Key:

🌸 Sisterhood
🏆 Leadership

🐼 Philanthropy
📖 Scholarship



Alpha Chi Chapter members from the College of William and Mary gathered for a scholarship brunch to not only recognize individual members' academic achievements, but also to celebrate having the highest sorority GPA on campus.

DELTA 🌸 BOSTON

In one of their best recruitments ever, the women of Delta Chapter exceeded quota and welcomed 34 new members.

KAPPA 🏆 MINNESOTA

The Kappa Chapter is proud to announce that Ashley Lindenberg and Kristin Gast have been selected to serve on the University of Minnesota's Panhellenic Council. A junior public relations major, Kristin was recently elected Panhellenic president, while Ashley, a junior political science major, is the Council's vice president of recruitment.

SIGMA 🌸 🏆 🏆 KANSAS

The freshmen women of Sigma Chapter experienced what it is like to be homeless when they partnered with Beta Theta Pi for Shack in a Box, an event both organizations put together to raise money for the Lawrence Community Center. The chapter also participated in Rock Chalk Revue, teaming with Delta Upsilon to benefit the United Way. On the scholarship front, the chapter is pleased to report they earned the second highest GPA of 13 sororities on campus.



Members from Alpha Chapter (Syracuse) pose for a picture while having fun in the snow outside the chapter house this past winter.

ETA 🌸 CALIFORNIA-BERKELEY

The Eta Chapter had a successful spring recruitment, headed by MVP Meagan Gordon. The chapter extends their thanks to her, especially for all she did prior to recruitment week, including planning a recruitment camp that incorporated sisterhood games and was energetic, informative and constructive.

THETA 📖 🏆 DENVER

The women of Theta Chapter are pleased to announce they have the highest sorority GPA. Additionally, the chapter's annual Spagammi philanthropy was a success, encouraging students to donate money in return for a delicious spaghetti dinner served by the women of the chapter.

Symbol Key:

🌸 Sisterhood
🏆 Leadership

📖 Philanthropy
📖 Scholarship



Eta Chapter (California - Berkeley) members gather outside their chapter house.



Catherine Abraham (Creighton) was honored to have lunch with Warren Buffet this past semester.

XI 📖 🍷 **IDAHO**

With an accumulative GPA of 3.48, the sisters of Xi Chapter were proud to learn they placed first in women's grades on campus. They were also proud of their freshmen new members who helped support hunger awareness by attending the Wallace Time Machine, an event hosted by a residence hall on campus.

OMEGA 🌸 📖 🍷 **IOWA STATE**

The ladies at Iowa State joined with Chi Omega, Tau Kappa Epsilon, Alpha Tau Omega and Phi Delta Theta to produce a student musical, *The Games We Play*, for the University's Varieties Sweepstakes. Their hard work paid off as the groups walked away with second place and three additional awards. The chapter also participated in a Mom's Weekend, a Scholarship Brunch, Greek Week, and a Pancake Dinner supporting Camp Fire USA, all of which contributed to a very busy semester.

ALPHA ALPHA 🍷 **TORONTO**

Alpha Alpha Chapter started the semester by participating in Spring Greek Week, an event that in the past two years has raised \$8,065 for the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. The Greek community supported the chapter's philanthropic events, including a Pancake Breakfast and Sugar Shack,

during which the chapter decorated the house in a carnival theme with games, cotton candy and a popcorn machine. This semester's Sugar Shack raised \$900 and all proceeds will be presented to Camp Trillium, a local camp and health center that helps to provide a normal childhood experience to children with cancer.

ALPHA EPSILON 🍷 **ARIZONA**

The women of the Alpha Epsilon Chapter recently held their annual G Phi B-Ball event to raise money for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. This basketball tournament features teams of three playing against each other. Prizes for the winning team included a basketball signed by the U of A basketball team and gift certificates from local businesses.

ALPHA NU 🌸 **WITTENBERG**

For the second year in a row, the sisters at Alpha Nu Chapter invited their parents to the chapter house for a fun-filled weekend. The festivities began Saturday morning with a breakfast and then the sisters and their parents spent the day touring the local Frank Lloyd Wright House, exploring an art museum and bowling. The event concluded that evening with hors d'oeuvres and a special program to familiarize parents with the Sorority.

BETA ALPHA 📖 🍷 **SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA**

On Valentine's Day, the Beta Alpha Chapter hosted the first annual Have a Heart dessert social for all undergraduates on the USC campus; the chapter raised almost \$1,000 in a single afternoon for the American Heart Association. Additionally, the chapter is proud to announce that 12 sisters have been inducted into the USC chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, one of the nation's most prestigious academic honor societies.

BETA DELTA 🌸 **MICHIGAN STATE**

The sisters at Michigan State began early in the semester preparing for Greek Week. The chapter was ecstatic to win not only second place in Songfest and first place in The American Cancer Society's Relay for Life, but also third place overall. The MSU Greek community raised more than \$190,000 during the week, with Gamma Phi contributing more than \$25,000.

BETA EPSILON 🌸 🍷 **MIAMI**

The ladies of Beta Epsilon are proud of their newest members, who took third place in Delta Zeta's annual philanthropic dance competition Puttin' On the Hits. Eight lucky new members also participated in Delta Upsilon's Puddle Pull, a Greek-wide philanthropy event; with their hard work, the chapter took first place overall.



Honored as the "Group of the Game," Beta Omicron (Oklahoma City) sisters enjoy free Quiznos sandwiches and cheer on their favorite basketball team (the Oklahoma City University Stars, of course).

BETA OMICRON OKLAHOMA CITY

Many laughs were shared among the sisters of Beta Omicron during their annual chapter retreat. They played games, ate plenty of snack food and cookies and watched a "chick flick." The women also recently held a pancake breakfast where they raised more than \$500.

BETA CHI WICHITA STATE

The Beta Chi Chapter came together this semester for a Dad's Day and a Mom's Day, both of which were a great way to spend time with their families, and with their Gamma Phi sisters. During Dad's Day, members treated their fathers to a Wichita State Shocker Basketball Game, while on Mom's Day, the women attended a brunch buffet at a local bistro.

BETA UPSILON KANSAS STATE

The Beta Upsilon Chapter is thrilled about their brand new basement! Under construction for the past few months, the basement has been completely revamped from floor to ceiling. The chapter showed the room off to alumnae at the chapter's 50th anniversary celebration in April.

BETA LAMBDA SAN DIEGO STATE

Beta Lambda Chapter mixed football with philanthropy at their seventh annual flag football tournament to benefit Camp Cahito, a camp for elementary school

children. Chapter members enlisted 16 fraternities to compete in the tournament and had a radio station and promoters come out for the day.

GAMMA KAPPA NEBRASKA-KEARNEY

Braving the freezing temperatures, the sisters of Gamma Kappa participated in a Polar Bear Plunge for their spring philanthropy. Sixteen sisters headed to the Fort Kearney Recreation Park and ran down a snowy slope into a freezing lake, raising \$700 to donate to the Kearney Area Special Olympics.

GAMMA MU MINNESOTA STATE-MOORHEAD

The chapter flipped for the Kiwanis Pancake Feed, making pancakes and serving tables at the event. Members also took part in their campus Diversity Week and held their annual spaghetti dinner philanthropy benefiting Camp Fire USA.

GAMMA TAU ST. LOUIS

Members of the Gamma Tau Chapter continue to volunteer each day at Girls Inc., establishing a pen pal program and hosting a Valentine's Day party. The chapter also collected dresses for the Disney Princesses program, attended a Greek Night with underprivileged children at a Billikens basketball game, donated nearly 11 pounds of pop tabs to Alpha Delta Pi's philanthropy week, set up a Relay for Life team, and co-sponsored a golf scramble for the ALS Foundation.

DELTA TAU COLGATE

Delta Tau Chapter was very excited for the arrival of Greek Week. Chapter members planned the week's activities, including securing the appearance of DJ \$crilla. The chapter also held their annual 24-hour teeter-totter-a-thon to raise money for the Madison County Children's Camp, a local camp the chapter has supported for more than 20 years.

DELTA UPSILON GEORGIA

Delta Upsilon sisters are proud of sophomore EVP Kate Kotsko, who was recently selected as a campus orientation leader for 2007, a highly esteemed honor at the University of Georgia. The chapter is also proud of the \$20,000 they recently raised and donated to Children's Miracle Network through a 24-hour Dance Marathon.



DELTA PSI CALIFORNIA-SANTA BARBARA



The Delta Psi Chapter celebrated new leadership positions by holding an officer's retreat at chapter advisor Lois Kirchner Abbott's (San Jose State) house. The newly elected officers spent the majority of the day together, collaborating with their department members and setting new goals for the year. The chapter is also extremely proud of President Molly Kious and Scholarship Chairwoman Breanne Erickson, both of whom were acknowledged by UCSB's Order of Omega chapter for their academic excellence.

EPSILON ALPHA LASALLE

In an effort to support the troops, the members of Epsilon Alpha dressed in camouflage every Thursday in March and collected items to send to the platoon of a member's cousin. The chapter was pleased to send large care packages to the men and women stationed in Iraq in the hopes of raising their spirits while away from home.

Symbol Key:

 Sisterhood
 Leadership

 Philanthropy
 Scholarship



16 Gamma Kappa (Nebraska-Kearney) sisters brave the freezing cold temperatures of a Nebraska winter to participate in the Polar Bear Plunge.

EPSILON ETA BRIDGEWATER STATE

Chapter members placed first in Sigma Chi's Derby Days. The theme for Derby Days this year was military, and the talent show portion of the event was videotaped and will be sent to soldiers in Iraq along with care packages. Overall, the philanthropy raised \$1,100, which was split between Sigma Chi and the Epsilon Eta Chapter; the chapter members donated their portion to the Susan G. Komen Foundation.

EPSILON THETA CLEMSON

The women of Epsilon Theta are proud to announce they were the only chapter out of 14 Greek organizations on campus to have a GPA above the overall campus GPA for the fall semester. The chapter also supported Clemson University and the environment by wearing green and picking up trash on the University's "Solid Green Day."

EPSILON NU CHAPMAN

Sisters at Chapman spent some quality time together at a chapter retreat held at a local gymnastics center. The chapter is proud of Lindsay Nault, the current Miss City of Orange (CA), who held Queen for a Day, a workshop for young girls that instills self-esteem, goal setting skills and bonding with peers.

ZETA DELTA SOUTHEAST MISSOURI STATE

The women of Zeta Delta recently held their annual Moonball philanthropy, where they raised more than \$2,000 for St. Jude Children's Hospital. After initiating 10 women this spring, the chapter is working hard to get ready for Greek Week, collecting cans for the local food pantry, and working on skits.

ZETA EPSILON DUQUESNE

After adding 17 new members during recruitment, the Zeta Epsilon Chapter kicked off the semester with their annual Cut-A-Thon, which combined the efforts of local hair salons and beauty parlors to raise approximately \$1,300 for the Leukemia Society.



Zeta Sigma (South Carolina) sisters, advisors and other dignitaries pose at the construction site for the new Gamma Phi Beta house at the University of South Carolina.

ZETA THETA PEPPERDINE

Following a successful spring recruitment, the Zeta Theta Chapter celebrated with its newest members by going glow-in-the-dark miniature golfing. The women also report that they had an amazing spring retreat, traveling to a sister's ranch where they had not only a fun time, but also lots of s'mores!

ZETA IOTA VALPARAISO

The Zeta Iota Chapter participated in their campus' third annual Relay for Life. For their efforts in raising \$4,500—the most of any group participating in the event—the sisters each won a free Dairy Queen cake. Congratulations to Cassie Nelson, the chapter's leading fundraiser for the event, who brought in almost \$2,500!

ZETA UPSILON TEXAS-TYLER

Zeta Upsilon was excited to participate in the University's very first Greek Week. Additionally, the chapter hosted three date parties during the spring semester: Mardi Gras Masquerade, Barn Yard Bash, and their formal, Pretty in Pink.



Betty Quick (Indiana) and Mary Venezia (Northern Arizona) are pictured here with Congressman Harry Mitchell of Arizona, Marc Katz, North-American Interfraternity Conference President, and Shai Romirousky, president of Alpha Epsilon Pi Fraternity at the University of Maryland.

Gamma Phi Beta Makes an IMPACT in Washington D.C.

By Cele Hoffman Eifert (Southern California)

Visits to nearly two dozen U.S. senators and congressional representatives were made in April by Gamma Phi Beta International President Linda Johnson (Vanderbilt), Panhellenic Affairs Vice President and Chairman of the National Panhellenic Council Betty Quick (Indiana) and four collegiate representatives.

In all, 80 collegiate sorority and fraternity members were selected to represent the Greek system in lobbying members of the United States Senate and House of Representatives for pro-Greek legislation on Capitol Hill. Collegians received two days of training before the hearings to learn about the process and how to lobby effectively and efficiently. The collegians attended a number of meetings and hearings on issues of importance to Greeks, including the Collegiate Housing and Infrastructure Act, the College Fire Prevention Act, Pell grants, and safety in the aftermath of the Virginia Tech tragedy.

Thrilled to represent Gamma Phi Beta, collegiate representative Mary Venezia (Northern Arizona) said, "It was truly a unique experience. It's not often that students, especially those of us who are Greek, have the opportunity to come together and show our legislators what a powerful group we are."

Greek Awards

When spring turns to summer and the school year winds to a close, Gamma Phi Betas across North America look forward to the annual Greek Awards Nights at their respective universities. Highlighted in this issue are the chapters that have been named the most outstanding on their campuses and the sisters who have won the prestigious Greek Woman of the Year Award.

Delta (Boston)

Vanessa Porter- *Sister of the Year*

Alpha Xi (Southern Methodist)

Panhellenic Wreath Award

(best Panhellenic chapter)

Kalon Cup (best Greek chapter)

Alpha Epsilon (Arizona)

Lauren Blier- *UA Miss Greek*

Beta Alpha (Southern California)

University President's Award for Overall Excellence

Beta Upsilon (Kansas State)

Sarah Devlin- *Sorority Chapter Member of the Year*

Gamma Iota (Midwestern State)

Garolyn Sparks- *Greek Woman of the Year and MSU Woman of the Year*

Gamma Psi (Northern Iowa)

Samantha Keltner- *Greek Woman of the Year*

Delta Omicron (Southern

Polytechnic)

Katie Davidson- *Greek Woman of the Year*

Delta Tau (Colgate)

Andrea Caruso- *Outstanding Contribution to Greek Life*

Epsilon Eta (Bridgewater State)

Jan Pereira- *Greek Woman of the Year*
Kerry Fitzgerald- *Sister of the Year*

Gamma Phi Beta Panhellenic President

The list of Gamma Phi Betas currently serving as Panhellenic Presidents has at least one new addition. Morgan Haynes (Texas A&M-Corpus Christi) represents Gamma Phi Beta as Panhellenic President.



Housing Conference

By Cele Hoffman Eifert (Southern Calif)

Gamma Phi Beta's second-ever housing conference was held April 13-15, 2007, at the Kansas City Airport Marriott in Kansas City, MO. Attendees included house corporation board members from all over the country, several International Council members, scores of Gamma Phi Beta volunteer leaders, International Headquarters staff and a host of presenters.

Michelle Hood Rosenthal (Georgia), Delta Upsilon HCB President, commented, "As an HCB president, I know I need to run the HCB like a business, but as a volunteer I don't have all the knowledge to do so. Gamma Phi Beta recognizes that volunteers need guidance and training; the Sorority is on the right path."

Attendees shared best practices and gained insight into the operation and management of fraternal housing. Programming included fund raising, fire safety, insurance and appraisals, financial management, contracts and legal issues, and day-to-day operations. Additionally, attendees received an overview of the Sorority's proposed new financial management service, Automated Payment Highway (APH).

One of the most important aspects of this conference was "the gathering of experience and ideas, with mega sister sharing," according to Julia Dyer Teplis (Michigan State), Zeta Tau HCB Treasurer. "We covered a lot of business ground and added resources for us all"

Former Grand President Karen Wander Kline (Iowa State) remarked that, until she became the Zeta Rho house corporation board president, her perception about HCB duties was only the tip of the iceberg.

"I just had no idea how many things our house corporation board members deal with every day," Karen said.



Holding her honorary diploma, Queen Elizabeth II waves to the crowd just after ringing the Wren bell; she is flanked on the right by Jess Vance (William and Mary) and on the left by College President Gene Nichol.

ΓΦΒ Takes Center Stage for Queen Elizabeth II's Visit to William & Mary

Jess Vance (William & Mary) played a pivotal role during the Queen's royal visit to Virginia in May. Jess, senior class president and Gamma Phi Beta's delegate on the William & Mary Panhellenic Council, addressed the Queen and collegiate dignitaries, as well as an audience of more than 7,000 students, faculty, staff, alumni and members of the public.

In her speech, Jess described the tradition of seniors to ring the Wren bell after they have attended their final class before adding, "Your Majesty, the College of William & Mary and class of 2007 are full of individuals with promise, prestige, grace and dignity, and we would be delighted to welcome you into our community. I ask you to join us in becoming an honorary member of the class of 2007, complete with a bell ringing all your own." To the delight of the audience, the Queen proceeded to ring the bell, with Jess' help, signifying her acceptance of the offer and forever linking her with the William & Mary class of 2007.



From left: Delta Mu Chapter (Rutgers) advisor Joyce Hatch Handy (Rutgers), Nu Chapter (Oregon) HCB member Cece Steers (Oregon), Zeta Tau Chapter (Emory) HCB President Cele Hoffman Eifert (Southern California) and Delta Iota Chapter (Purdue) HCB President Holly McRay Couch (Purdue) attend the 2007 HCB Conference in Kansas City, MO.



Beta Upsilon (Kansas State) 1957 charter initiates.

Kansas State Alumnae Invest in Collegiate Chapter's Future

While celebrating their 50th anniversary in Manhattan, Kansas, the Beta Upsilon Chapter (Kansas State) announced a \$1.5 million campaign to 'honor the past and plan for the future.' When completed, the Beta Upsilon Chapter Endowment within the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation will generate \$60,000 each year to ensure the chapter thrives another 50 years as a leading chapter at K-State. Mary Vanier (Kansas State), Foundation Trustee, proudly shares that the campaign is already at \$500,000!

"This endowment is a tribute to the chapter," noted Jan Wanklyn Wissman (Kansas State). "More importantly, it is an investment in Beta Upsilon's future."

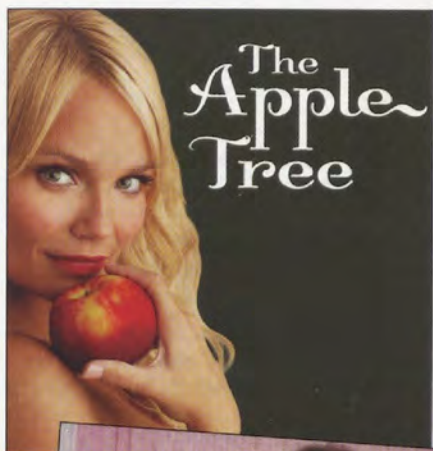
The proceeds will fund scholarships and fellowships for members, house renovations and maintenance, leadership development and training opportunities, as well as support for dedicated volunteer advisors. The Foundation has been instrumental in helping alumnae with fundraising strategies, campaign considerations and ideas on soliciting gifts, and the Foundation hopes to be able to extend this pilot program to other chapters.

The Foundation provides an area grant program to assist house corporation boards in their fundraising efforts for



Beta Upsilon collegians, 2007

chapter house renovations by providing a tax deductible vehicle for gifts to be received. If your chapter is interested in covering annual operating expenses through an endowment, adding a library, updating rooms with computer equipment or enhancing technology, the Foundation can furnish guidelines and sample documents to assist you. To find out if your chapter educational housing project qualifies for our Chapter Assistance Package, call the Foundation office at (303) 799-1874 x 304.



Bonnie Payne (Denver), Foundation Executive Director, visited with Kristin Chenoweth (Oklahoma City) after her stage performance.

Backstage with Kristin

There's nothing like going backstage to meet the star of a Broadway show—especially when she's a Gamma Phi Beta sister! Foundation Executive Director Bonnie Payne (Denver) had the pleasure of meeting Kristin Chenoweth (Oklahoma City), star of *The Apple Tree*, while attending the show in New York. In addition to her starring role in *The Apple Tree*, Kristin recently performed songs and arias at *Kristin Chenoweth: Live at the Met*, a concert at the famed Metropolitan Opera Company. A Tony Award winner for her role in *You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown*, Kristin is scheduled to make her operatic debut at The Met in March 2010, as Samira in *The Ghosts of Versailles*.



Elizabeth Pitcairn enjoys an afternoon with the Stewart family—all Beta Alpha sisters—in Fort Collins. From left: Joyce Stewart, Elizabeth Pitcairn, Leslie Stewart Kenney, and Caroline Stewart. Leslie is a violinist with the Fort Collins Symphony and performed with Elizabeth.

Sharing Music and Sisterhood

Alumnae, collegians and friends gathered to listen to violinist Elizabeth Pitcairn (Southern California) perform as a guest artist with the Fort Collins (Colorado) Symphony Orchestra last April. Owner of the Stradivarius known as The Red Violin, Elizabeth performed John Corgigliano's "Chaconne" from the hit 1999 film of the same name. "Elizabeth is a very poised, attractive and talented young woman," shared Marilyn "Rusty" Burnham McBride (Colorado College) of Littleton, CO. "I will now be following her career with interest!"

Rusty and her daughter Wendy enjoyed the concert and the opportunity to meet Elizabeth at a reception held at the Tau Chapter (Colorado State) house. More than 30 guests marveled at the story of how Elizabeth's family acquired her famous violin at an auction in London when she was only 16 years old. Unaffected by the guard who kept close watch on the violin, Elizabeth was just "one of the girls" that afternoon, accompanying sisters on Gamma Phi Beta songs and practicing the renowned Flip Flop chant with collegians.

Thanks go out to Tau Chapter and house corporation board for their hospitality, along with special thanks to Joyce Canavan Stewart (Southern California) and L'Cena Brunskill Rice (Southern California), Elizabeth's big sisters from USC, for arranging such a memorable day! To read more about Elizabeth and her red violin, see the Summer 2006 issue of *The Crescent*, p. 13.

In Celebration

The Gamma Phi Beta Foundation acknowledges the following individuals who contributed to the Foundation to celebrate a special event. This list represents gifts received through April 19, 2007.

In Celebration of . . .

My younger sister, Andrea Machtan, receiving a bid from the chapter of Gamma Phi Beta at UW-Madison! I'm so proud of her!

*Tracy Machtan, Chapter
President of the Delta Kappa
Chapter of Alpha Phi Fraternity*

In Celebration of the birth of Thomas Andrew on January 16, 2007, to Zeta Beta alumna Kelly Gardner and her husband, Bret.

Kelly Gardner

Annabel Jones. Thank you for speaking at our Founder's Day! Boomer Sooner!

Mary Vanier

A fabulous RLC in Region 4. Thanks to our wonderful collegians, supportive alumnae and volunteers and staff who made our weekend together productive, educational and fun.

Region 4 Team

The birth of Katie Roy's first child. Congratulations!

Gigi Eyre

Katelyn Lewandowski who initiated at Beta Eta Chapter.

Ann Campbell

The Chicago RLC. Thanks for inviting me to be a presenter.

Ann Campbell

The birth of Hudson Lee Giromini, son of Erin Elizabeth (Schaffer) & Derek Giromini, and little brother to proud sister Megan. Congratulations, he is beautiful.

*Kelly Hane
Linda Ray
Rene' Thompson
Kris Baack
Laura Mayville
Tanya Jordan
Nicole Allaire*

The pending birth of legacy Caroline Thompson to Rene' Matz and Don Thompson. Thank you for all the years of sisterhood!

Valerie Freeman

Lois Abbott, Kay Graham, Jane Haberman and Leslie Storr. Thank you for your 24 years of dedication to Delta Psi Chapter at California-Santa Barbara.

Gamma Phi continues to touch my life in so many amazing ways. The example you four set when we colonized in spring 1983, and continue to epitomize is an inspiration to the ensuing pledge classes.

Valerie Freeman

Mary Jo Hope, CLC Region 1. Thank you for all your help in Region 1 this past academic year. We will miss you.

Region 1 Team

Karen Kline for the tireless, countless ways she serves Gamma Phi Beta. What an inspiration!

Colette Hays

Audrey Weldon Shafer being the best aunt and personal mentor ever!

Linda Wendlandt

The birth of Anna Catherine to Jacy Thompson Douglas.

Rene' Thompson

The birth of Audrey Elaine to Corrine Ho Dugan.

Rene' Thompson

The birth of Jack Madden to Nicole Mizelle Pedron.

Rene' Thompson

Epsilon Chapter

*Panbellenic Association of
Northwestern University*

The birth of Sydney Ava on July 21, 2006, to Trinh Le Cong and husband Jason Retterer.

*Balboa Harbor Alumnae
Chapter*

Teri Lombardo on her marriage to Herman Ramirez on August 12, 2006.

*Balboa Harbor Alumnae
Chapter*

Kathy Meadows Smith for receiving the Service Roll Award at Founders Day.

*Balboa Harbor Alumnae
Chapter*

Teri Lombardo Ramirez who was appointed the new chapter advisor to Delta Eta.

*Balboa Harbor Alumnae
Chapter*

The birth of Mia Christina on August 27, 2006 to Michelle Yost and husband Nick Canellopoulos.

*Balboa Harbor Alumnae
Chapter*

My 100th Birthday!

Ester Morse Thomas

My grandma Ila Hagie Logan and great aunt Janice Hagie Shindel-Styles for their 60 years of love for Gamma Phi Beta.

Jill Kuebler

Anne Wal's graduation from law school. Congrats, Anne!

Madison Alumnae Chapter

The women of Gamma Chapter being recognized as a Chapter of Excellence at the 2006 UW-Madison All Greek Awards. Great work, ladies!

Madison Alumnae Chapter

Lucile McVey Dunn's 90th Birthday!

Pasadena Alumnae Chapter

Mindy Newman's upcoming marriage to Crescentman Chris Nie.

Jenna Zito

Barbara Hurt-Simmons. Thanks for dinner at RLC.

Natalie Muir

The birth of Luke Robert Severts, son of Ryan and Lindsay Severts, on February 27, 2007.

*Anne Layton
L'Cena Rice*

Phyllis D. Choat's many years of selfless and tireless service to our Gamma Phi Beta Foundation.

Verona Lynam

Beta Gamma sisters and alumnae giving me scholarships and support 1986-1990.

Joanna Laconto

Debi Hanuscin, University of Missouri's "Teacher of the Year" for the School of Education. Told you so! I'm very proud of you, but not surprised.

Rosmary Bunn

The birth of Aiden West Kennedy, the new son of Missy Ray and West Kennedy. He's a real cutie!

Rosemary Bunn

The sorority work of Julie Dunn Eichenburg, and for making Convention so special for me. Better late than never, but still with a lot of affection. Thank you.

Rosemary Bunn

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In Memory

This list reflects notifications received at International Headquarters from January 27, 2007, to April 13, 2007.

CORRECTION:

In the Spring 2007 issue of *The Crescent*, Barbara Bryan Wiley, Nu 1955, was erroneously listed as deceased. We are happy to report that Barbara is alive and doing well in Eugene, OR!

Alpha I Syracuse

Mary McCune Cornelius, 1943

Gamma I Wisc-Madison

Miriam Winter Bateman, 1940
Ann Tonjes, 1962

Delta I Boston

Clarinda Keir Johnson, 1936
Wilma Cunningham Nichols Maddocks, 1937

Epsilon I Northwestern

Wilma Jennings Daily, 1938
Mary Skelton Jones, 1941
Charlotte Thompson Reid, 1967

Zeta I Goucher

Annie Henley Armor, 1933

Theta I Denver

Madalene Morison Newlin, 1947

Kappa I Minnesota-Twin Cities

Joan Monaghan Basgen, 1940

Lambda I Washington-St. Louis

Harriet Rickerson Eisenbeis, 1935

Nu I Oregon

Irene Moor Malarkey, 1946

Xi I Idaho

Carol Brandt Baker, 1941
Edris Coon, 1932
Kelley Kanemasu Johnson, 1981

Omicron I Illinois

Florence Booth Trempe, 1934

Pi I Nebraska-Lincoln

Janet Gibson Flory, 1942
Linda Henline Nuss, 1963
Thais Haley Parilek, 1934

Rho I Iowa

Ruth Vetter Phillips, 1927
Edith Van Houten Young, 1926

Sigma I Kansas

Janice Poole Daniel, 1929

Phi I Washington

Mary Brown Monnig, 1940

Psi I Oklahoma

Constance King Freeman, 1968
Lutie Hoffman, 1940
Kathryn Gardner Reeds, 1940
Nancy Rutherford, 1970
Blanche Brunt Wagner, 1927

Omega I Iowa State

Elizabeth Potter Putnam, 1938

Alpha Delta I Missouri-Columbia

Celia Gray Fustos, 1943

Alpha Epsilon I Arizona

Jane Burnett Nabours, 1954
Kathleen Sage, 1941

Alpha Zeta I Texas

Maxine Butcher Leaton, 1935
Trula Harrison Scoggins, 1957

Alpha Iota I UCLA

Faye Blee Utter, 1939
Jean Doty Kreston, 1941

Alpha Nu I Wittenberg

Jane Rockel Violet, 1948

Alpha Xi I Southern Methodist

Betty Bell Frierson, 1946

Alpha Omicron I North Dakota State

Ramona Fortune Flashe, 1950

Alpha Rho I Birmingham-Southern

Mabel Shepherd, 1938
Yvonne Moore Spence, 1930

Alpha Upsilon I Pennsylvania State

Marjorie Triebold Appel, 1945
Mabel Hurst Hastings, 1935

Alpha Phi I Colorado College

Mary Catlett Wilkerson, 1947

Alpha Chi I William & Mary

Margaret Richards Snyder, 1938

Alpha Psi I Lake Forest

Dorothy Granquist Petersen, 1942

Beta Alpha I Southern California

Mary Cosgrove Liuzzi, 1952

Beta Beta I Maryland

Janet Harman Collier, 1941

Beta Gamma I Bowling Green State

Joyce Sullivan Fox, 1945

Beta Theta I San Jose State

Judith Hale Schmelzenbach, 1953

Beta Rho I Colorado-Boulder

Carol Peiker Beach, 1958

Beta Phi I Indiana

Terri Bohling Davis-Rapp, 1965

Beta Chi I Wichita State

Claudia Dabler Allison, 1958

Beta Psi I Oklahoma State

Patsy Merrell Vassar, 1992
Margaret Bra Walker, 1960
Josephine Hudson Winslow, 1979

Gamma Zeta I Texas A&M-Commerce

Jane Haynes Gesino, 1973

Gamma Psi I Northern Iowa

Jacqueline Mihm Cayton, 1981

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- Pamela Mayer, 2006-2007 CLC



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Capture a Crescent!



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From left: Delta Tau Chapter (Colgate) members Margaret Morgan, Hayley Smith, and Joelle DiNardi present La Crescent in Barcelona, Spain.

Casey Cromwell, FVP for Epsilon Lambda Chapter (Alabama), celebrated her 21st birthday in Las Vegas and couldn't resist capturing this crescent at The Venetian.

Jennifer Kurumada Chuang (California-Berkeley), Regional Coordinator—Recruitment, Region 7, smiles with her legacy Ella, at Disney's California Adventure.

Krista Hanna (Northern Arizona), Regional Coordinator—Recruitment, Region 4, found her crescent moon on a trip to the Kennedy Space Center Visitor's Center, just outside the Moon Rock Cafe.

5. During the first snowfall of the year in Pennsylvania, Mary Jo Hope (Oklahoma City) spotted one of the many hidden crescent moons on the Gettysburg College campus during her travels as a CLC.

6. Stacey Glenn (Coastal Carolina) captures a crescent at Universal Studios Orlando during a 2007 spring break trip.

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Seated from left: Lisa Rupell Hesse (Washington), Jenn Becker Wright (Bowling Green State), Marita Kirkpatrick Mahan (Indiana State), and Carolyn Smith Bruns (St. Louis). *Standing from left:* Chris Warburton Ramsay (Ohio Wesleyan), Ginny Place Myer (Vanderbilt), Kay Kershul Hayes (Iowa), Wendy Clagett Kochevar (Iowa), Gretchen Amstutz Mueller (Miami), Melinda Risse Nutter (Kentucky), Chandra Markham Martin (Denver) and Wendy Maddock (North Dakota). *Not pictured are:* Alison Porterfield Allen (Wittenberg), Jen Sepate (Bowling Green State), Jill Sepate (Miami), Kristyn Russell (Wittenberg), Stephanie Hoehn Williams (Bowling Green State) and Summi Gupta Ahuja (Kansas State)

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