

# Congratulations, Juli Willeman Pi Phi's New Executive Director



**Executive Director** Juli Holmes Willeman Iowa Beta

You just never know where life's path will lead you.

I never dreamed when I graduated from Simpson College and said good-bye to my Pi Phi sisters that I would end up working for the very organization that brought us together. And never would I have guessed that one day I would have the opportunity to serve as the Executive Director of such a premier organization for women. I am thrilled and honored to be in this position and extremely excited about all the wonderful things going on in the Fraternity today!

Working for Pi Phi has been an amazing experience for me. I started in 2001 as the Fraternity controller. What a great opportunity to use my skills to help an organization I love and believe in achieve its goals. Little did I know how much handling the Fraternity finances and working in this position would help me further develop my professional skills and advance my career.

Pi Phi has had a profound impact on my leadership development - from being a chapter officer in college to incorporating change management practices here at Headquarters. And I know it's only the beginning. It's an exciting time to be a Pi Phi and an exciting time to work for Pi Phi!

I am proud to be a member and work for an organization with such a noble mission. Participating in Pi Phi's Fraternity Day of Service project, Read Across America, reiterated to me the value of our mission. Walking around the St. Louis airport handing out books to children with Cat in the Hat, and seeing the children (and adults!) smile uncontrollably as we walked by, is a

The mission of Pi Beta Phi Fraternity for women is to promote friendship, develop women of intellect and integrity, cultivate leadership potential and enrich lives through community service.

day I'll never forget. I hope you, too, had a great experience whether it was in one of the 25 Southwest Airlines cities or a literacy event you planned to celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday.

It is time again to celebrate Pi Phi's founding. "We all know the story of the Founding, of the first meeting in the little southwest bedroom at Holt House. . . The name, the constitution, the badge, and the grip were topics for excited discussion." (A Century of Friendship in Pi Beta Phi, page 251). Take a moment to reflect on the rich history of Pi Phi and enjoy a Founder's Day celebration in your area. Celebrate where we came from, where we are today and where we are going in the future!

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This issue is full of gifts that Pi Phis have given or received.

Starting on page 5 is an update on the First Fraternity Day of Service, where Pi Phis distributed gifts of Dr. Seuss books and gifts of time in promoting literacy. Page 10 begins the cover story about how the lives of 12 Pi Phis have been affected by a gift of life.



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### WINTER ARROW

I thought your Winter 2006 issue was an interesting one. I was particularly struck by Nancy Roudebush's experience with prayer. It was very inspirational.

CAROLYN PATTON NUCKOLLS ARKANSAS ALPHA OKLAHOMA CITY, OKLAHOMA

Why in the world did you have a picture of a girl with her hair in her face on the front of last Arrow? Even my husband objected.

ILA DUNN OLSON INDIANA ALPHA GAITHERSBURG, MARYLAND

The latest Arrow is outstanding! Thanks for joining the 21st century.

DARYL MALONE OKLAHOMA BETA TULSA, OKLAHOMA

### SOUTHWEST PARTNERSHIP

I love the new project Pi Phi has with my favorite airline, Southwest terrific, a marvelous project.

Pi Beta Phi is wonderful and I do send love, light, laughter and joy.

**IEAN SILLARS WHITEHEAD** ILLINOIS ALPHA LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

I would like to be a part of this great project. Not only am I a Pi Phi and a flight attendant for Southwest Airlines, but also a former teacher and would be very proud to hand out books to children who are flying March 3.

LYNN BEALL TEXAS DELTA PLANO, TEXAS

### PATRIOTIC HEROISM

Thank you so much for printing the story "Act of Patriotic Heroism" in the Fall Arrow! I am currently in Iraq and am always happy to see other Pi Beta Phis doing work similar to mine.

I would like to see more news from military Pi Phis, especially during times of war. Again, the story was beautifully written and was a joy to read. Thank you for including it in our magazine.

SGT. LORA LEIGH GRIGGS ALABAMA ALPHA lora.l.griggs@us.army.mil

### SISTER SUPPORT

I attended West Virginia University and was initiated into Pi Beta Phi in January of 1994. On that day my life changed by opening doors of endless opportunities and never-ending friendships. Until recently I honestly didn't know how true that was.

I am a Marine Corps wife of 8 years. My husband has been on active duty for 13 years. His job in the Corps is Explosive Ordnance Disposal — in layman's terms a bomb technician. Sometimes I feel that I have nerves of steel knowing what my husband's job entails. But it wasn't until his recent deployment to Iraq that I then realized that my nerves of steel were called "friends" - my Pi Phi friends that is. They have been my backbone throughout his deployments. Some have made visits to my home, others have sent care packages and cards of encouragement, and a few have opened up their phone lines for those late night chats. They have even sent care packages to my husband and his fellow Marines.

I truly don't know how to express my gratitude for them except through this letter. Pi Phi brought us together and sisters we became; we choose friendship and forever it will remain. Thanks JOAN DUNN WALTERS, HALLIE DASHER LOWE, SHELLY WRIGHT SPITZER, CHRISTY KROLL FUBIO and JULIE LEBLANC for everything.

CHARLA ROMANO WILLIAMS WEST VIRGINIA ALPHA HUBERT, CALIFORNIA

### SISTER TO SISTER RELIEF

Thank you so much for your generous check for me and my family. It is so wonderful to have support and assistance from my Pi Phi sisters. Your generosity has helped us as we rebuild and resettle. When we can, we plan to donate the money back to the Sister to Sister Emergency Relief Fund so other sisters can benefit. Thank you so much.

A PENNSYLVANIA KAPPA SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

# Literacy

Believe it or not, the children of Redd School ate the green eggs and ham served by the Cypress Creek Northwest Houston Alumnae Club.



### PI PHIS PARTICIPATE IN FIRST FRATERNITY DAY OF SERVICE

Pi Beta Phi collegians and alumnae, many donning Cat in the Hat outfits, observed Pi Beta Phi's First Day of Service in early March. Their actions delighted children across the United States and in Canada and brought visibility to the Fraternity's work to promote literacy.

As a partner of Read Across America, a reading awareness program initiated by the National Education Association, Pi Phis found a range of activities to celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday, March 2.

Southwest Airlines whisked Pi Phi's visibility to new heights when the airlines joined the Fraternity and treated children flying to and from 25 Southwest cities on Friday, March 3, to their very own Dr. Seuss book. The books were underwritten by a grant from Pi Beta Phi Foundation.

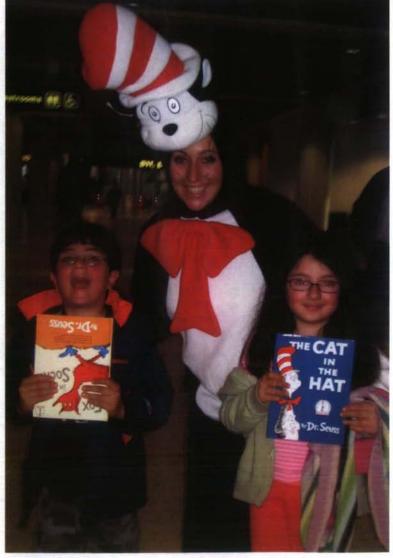
The Southwest Airlines partnership was the largest, but not the only literacy event. Members of the Fort Smith, Arkansas Alumnae Club volunteered at Euper Lane Elementary School's literacy night where they helped children and parents learn how to build reading comprehension.

The Houston Alumnae Club held a literacy walk and donated English and Spanish children's books to several local charities.

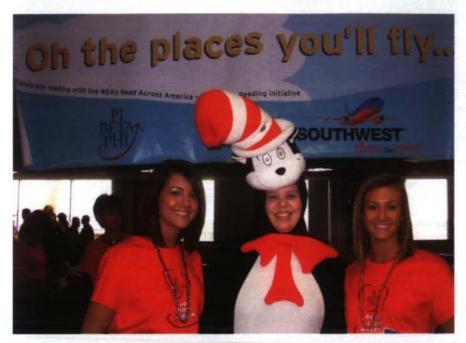
The Alabama Alpha chapter from Birmingham-Southern College created a literacy garden so the children of Riverchase Elementary will have a pleasant place to read.

The Cypress Creek Northwest Houston Alumnae Club served green eggs and ham and read to the students of Redd School.

These were just a few examples. As you can see from the photos on this and the following pages and on our Web site at www.pibetaphi.org, the Cat in the Hat was busy greeting children on the Fraternity's First Philanthropy Day. He'd be the first to tell you the day turned out to be simply purrfect!



Washington Gammas took turns wearing the Cat in the Hat outfit at Seattle's Sea-Tac Airport.

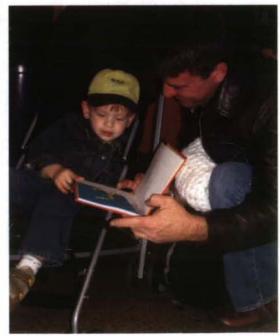








Clockwise from above: Chattanooga Alumnae Club members held a literacy event at a day care center. San Jose Airport travelers take time to read. Pi Phis and Southwest Airline volunteers pose at Love Field in Dallas. Alabama Alphas enjoy the literacy garden with the children of Riverchase Elementary. Two Pi Phis and the Cat stand in front of the Read Across America banner at Love Field.











Clockwise from above: St. Louis, MO Alumnae Club members affix bookplates so recipients would see the Pi Phi connection. Louisiana Alpha Megan Weinlein lets a 4-year-old select a book at New Orleans Airport. The Breckenridge, TX Alumnae Club visited a local elementary school. Pi Phis greet a wary toddler in Houston. Evansville, IN Alumnae Club reads books at a local day care center.

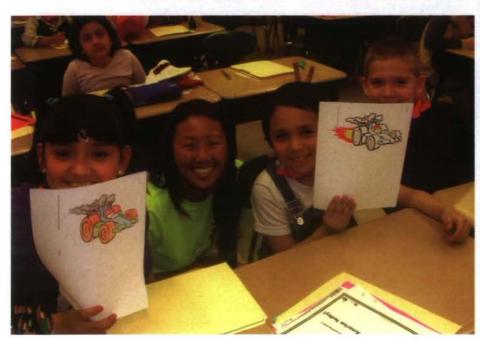








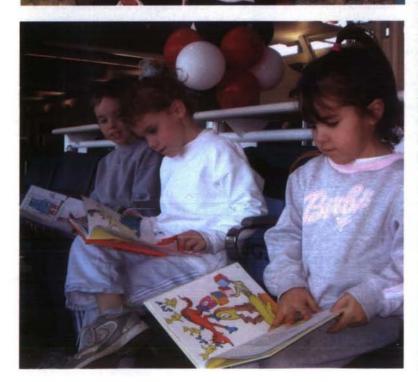
Clockwise from above: Grateful recipients read in San Diego while waiting for their flight. The Cat (Illinois Theta Jeanne Krouse Bliss) shows a Pi Phi legacy, Norah Skogen, one of his books at the Portland Airport. Indiana Deltas celebrated with their Champions Are Readers class in West Lafayette, Indiana. A Pi Phi reads to travelers awaiting their flights at Kansas City's airport. The Cat directs a plane into St. Louis' Southwest Airlines terminal.





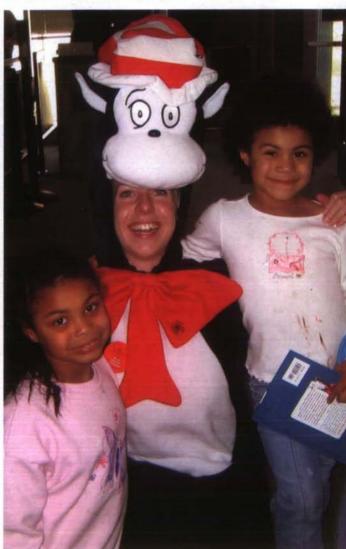








Clockwise from above: California Kappas pose with a young traveler at the San Diego airport. Below: Kansas Alpha Katherine Ibsen (Cat) brought smiles to two children at the Kansas City Airport. St. Louis Airport readers get lost in their books. Phoenix Airport children pose with an Arizona Alpha Cat. Pagosa Springs, CO Pocket brought Thing 1 and Thing 2 to the Pagosa Springs, Colorado Library.



# THE GIFTS OF LIFE

By DIANE BALOGH

WITH ASSISTANCE FROM ARKANSAS ALPHA REBECCA HUDSON SLAVEN INDIANA DELTA CHARLOTTE HALSEMA OTTINGER Gifts from organ donors saved the lives of approximately 20,000 people last year. Close to another 90,000, many tethered to machines, still wait for their gifts to arrive.

While these figures are easily dismissed by those in good health, they each represent a real human being. At least 12 Pi Phis know this all too well. They include two heart, two liver, and three kidney recipients; a kidney donor (to another Pi Phi); a mother whose son donated his bone marrow to his sister; a nurse who donated her baby's umbilical cord blood for research; and two volunteers who rallied to register

April, Donate Life month, is the perfect time to hear from these women. Their stories are dramatic, but also filled with love, hope and inspiration.



"In December 2003, I was told I had kidney failure and needed a transplant," said ARKANSAS ALPHA SANDRA WILSON CHERRY, "It was such a shock. Potential donors were limited because my husband and daughter's blood types were incompatible (with hers)."

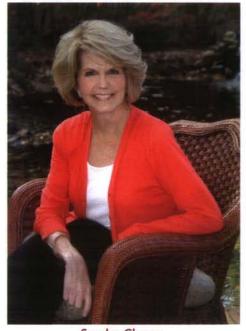
Time went on and several Pi Phi friends were tested. ARKANSAS ALPHA CITA ROGERS COBB, Sandra's close friend since kindergarten, had tried, but she had high blood pressure and

was rejected as a donor. She told her three daughters, who live in Oregon, that she was disappointed that she couldn't donate. Her youngest daughter, Arkansas Beta Mary Melissa COBB, replied "I can be her donor. I believe in my heart that I'm a perfect match."

Mary Melissa contacted Sandra's hospital, the University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS), for a blood kit and discovered she was right! She was indeed a perfect match.

Mary Melissa, a white water rafting instructor and basketball referee, came to Little Rock within a week for the transplant. The day before the surgery, "We had a going away party for Kathy (her kidney) and a welcome home party (for Kathy into Sandra)," Mary Melissa explains. Her mother cut an angel food cake in half and iced it with chocolate icing to make it look like kidneys. They even played a game of pin the kidney on a drawing of

When the surgeon who performed both surgeries walked in on the festivities, he pulled Mary Melissa and Cita, her mother, out into the hall and sternly said "I don't think you understand the severity of this surgery." Cita assured them that they did but that they chose to deal with the situation with humor, light and love.



Sandra Cherry

Both surgeries went well and Mary Melissa left the hospital in two days and went home to Oregon after two weeks.

"Five weeks later, I gave the commencement address at the UALR (University of Arkansas at Little Rock) School of Law and was able to attend my Pi Phi daughter Jane's graduation from Wake Forest University," said Sandra. "And very shortly I returned to my job as First Assistant U.S. Attorney.

"Some of my Pi Phi friends are raising money for the Mary Melissa Fund honoring living organ donors at UAMS," explained Sandra. "We hope the money will be able to establish a learning center which will serve to educate potential organ donors and recipients. UAMS is a fine transplant center for our region and living donors always enhance the chances of a successful transplant.

"Mary Melissa came to Little Rock April 7, 2005, our first year anniversary where we celebrated with close friends, many of whom were Pi Phis, and the transplant nephrologist and his wife. He commented that he had never been involved in such a warm, loving situation."

When asked if she would recommend donating a kidney, Mary Melissa replied "Definitely - without hesitation. I know there are many risks involved and I also know it was very

worth it." She is in the process of writing a book about her experiences since she found very little literature on the subject from the donor's perspective.

"I see Cita often, but I see Mary Melissa rarely, although we talk by phone frequently. However, if I got a call from the top of Mt. Everest that she needed me I would go," said Sandra. "She gave me



Mary Melissa Cobb eventually gave up her work as a river rafting guide, but she still maintains an active life after donating a kidney to Sandra Cherry. Mary Melissa, left, is pictured with a friend atop Mount Whitney last August.

life. I have a mission now; I need to give hope to others who find themselves in my spot."

GEORGIA ALPHA JENNIFER BAILEY also feels the desire to advocate for those in need of organs since her liver transplant in 2003.

A year after graduating from college, Jenn began feeling extremely tired, sleeping 16-18 hours a day and thought she was coming down with the flu. When she complained of a severe pain in her chest, her boyfriend took her to the emergency room. "Two hours later I was in a coma," she said.

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With the assistance of two ushers Jennifer Bailey, left, made it down the ailse for the wedding of Georgia Alpha Wendy LuJan and Matt Harper one month after her liver transplant.

# Myths & Facts

Don't let myths and rumors keep you from saving lives. Learn the facts.

Myth: Doctors will not try to save my life if they know I want to be a donor.

FACT: The medical staff trying to save lives is completely separate from the transplant team. Donation takes place and transplant surgeons are called in only after all efforts to save a life have been exhausted and death is imminent or has been declared.

Myth: People can recover from brain death. FACT: People can recover from comas, but not brain death. Coma and brain death are not the same. Brain death is final.

Myth: The rich and famous on the U.S. waiting list for organs get preferential treatment.

FACT: The computerized matching system does not select recipients based on fame or wealth. Organs are matched by blood and tissue typing, organ size, medical urgency, waiting time, and geographic location.

Myth: I am too old to donate organs and tissues. FACT: People of all ages may be organ and tissue donors. Physical condition, not age, is important. Please sign a donor card; physicians will decide whether your organs and tissues can be transplanted.

Myth: My family will be charged for donating my organs.

**FACT:** Donation costs are not the responsibility of the donor's family or estate.

Myth: Organs are sold, with enormous profits going to the medical community.

FACT: Federal law prohibits buying and selling organs in the U.S. Violators are punishable by prison sentences and fines.

Myth: Marrow donation is painful.

FACT: Marrow donors do not feel pain when the marrow is removed because anesthesia is used.

Soreness and/or stiffness may be felt for a week or so post-donation.

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Jenn has Crohn's disease and her liver had been destroyed from medications she'd been taking. Next her kidneys failed and her brain swelled.

"My doctor told everyone that I had no more than a five percent chance of coming through this," Jenn says. Her mother and boyfriend began calling everyone in her cell phone directory to ask them to come and say goodbye.

Jenn's prognosis improved greatly when she had a liver transplant five days later. The new liver made her strong enough that she was taken off dialysis and her kidneys began working again. The first she learned about her ordeal was when she awoke from the coma, lifted the sheets and saw approximately 50 staples across her abdomen.

Being in a coma for nearly two weeks had caused her muscles to atrophy so Jenn had to relearn how to walk. The fact that she was to committed to be a bridesmaid a month after the transplant was a great incentive to keep up with her physical rehabilitation.

Today, Jenn volunteers with the Georgia Transplant Foundation. She even worked with the Foundation, the Georgia State Congress and the Governor to introduce a bill to create specialty license plate tags to raise awareness of the need for organ donors. Although it was passed in the House, the bill was held up in the Senate. "We'll keep trying, though," she says with optimism.

Another recent graduate who found herself in need of an organ was INDIANA ZETA JILL LOHR NICHOLICH. Six months after graduating from Ball State University, she got sick. Blood work indicated that both of her kidneys were failing.

But she began to feel better and actually delayed getting a second opinion. By the time she did, the news was not good — she needed dialysis.

Jill received four treatments a day and each one took about 30 minutes. She was put on a waiting list for a kidney.

Almost a year to the date of her diagnosis, she received the call to come to the hospital right away. She explains that she had mixed emotions. "You feel so lucky, so blessed. But you're also sad that somebody lost their life."

This June will be nine years since her transplant and she has had no rejections.



Jill Lohr Nicholich

### YOUNG AT HEART

Last year WASHINGTON ALPHA VICKI RYND had bronchitis that lingered and she thought she had a sinus infection. When Vicki started getting edema she saw a cardiologist who gave her the grave news that she was in heart failure. She was sent to Spokane, Washington four days later and learned that she was eligible to be placed on the heart transplant list, which already had 90 names.

Vicki responded so well to a pacemaker that she was discharged, only to get sick again a few weeks later and end up back at the hospital, where she collapsed. Vicki was debating about whether she should stay and wait for her heart, or go home. Her doctor warned that if she collapsed again, they might not be able to revive her. "I decided to stay there."

For the next six weeks she lived in the hospital connected to an IV and a heart pump. "I did have a chance to reconnect with Pi Phis and high school friends."

Vicki was able to leave the hospital on occasion and it was during a visit to Manitou Park with her daughter and boyfriend that Vicki got the call that a heart was on its way. "You're afraid to get too excited, but I was pretty emotional."

The transplant, which occurred in August 2005, was a success. Vicki says that once a person undergoes a major health trauma like a transplant, a lot of people want to brand you an "invalid for life. I'm ready to resume life, but others aren't always ready for you to do that."

A member of a seniors tennis league,



Vicki Rynd gives a wave right before her heart transplant surgery.

Vicki reports "I was playing tennis in January." Her friends tease by saying "Oh, Vicki, you'll be disqualified for having a 40-year-old heart."

IOWA ZETA SHANLEE JOHNSON Brennan is also resuming an active life, thanks to her heart transplant in May of 2005. She had hypercholesterolemia, which caused her liver to produce too much cholesterol that clogged her arteries. Something went

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Shanlee Brennan got a standing ovation when she danced with her husband at their daughter's wedding just 4 1/2 months after heart transplant surgery.

wrong six years ago during a quadruple by-pass surgery and her heart went into crisis.

Shanlee's health continued to decline and she began her wait for a heart. In September 2004, she received a call to go to University Medical Center in Tucson, which is a 2-hour trip from her home in Mesa. "We refer to it as the dry run," Shanlee says. Her surgeon determined that the heart was not in good enough condition and didn't want to risk the surgery.

"I'm glad it happened because it prepared me. Tom and I had that awful discussion you hate to have, but have to have." She also used the time between the dry run and her transplant to between to make some tapes for her children.

Shanlee had been told that some transplant patients think they are ready but back out at the last minute because they realize that they don't want to receive a part of someone else. She admits it is a freaky thought, but "I never had one moment where I said I couldn't do it."

On May 11, 2005, she received her heart, which she named Perpetua. "The moment I woke up, I wiggled my toes and fingers and could feel them," she recalls. They had been numb for the last two years because her circulation was so poor.

Like most transplant patients, Shanlee wrote a letter of thanks to her donor's family. Typically, the letters go through a transplant coordinator who reviews them for any information that might upset the donor family. Both patient and donor also remain anonymous this way.

So far, Shanlee has not heard back and understands that it may be too painful for them to ever respond. She simply wants to tell them, "I really take this responsibility seriously



Mary Jane Tennison Bollinger

and I am going to do good things with this heart."

Illinois Beta-Delta Mary Jane TENNISON BOLLINGER is an active volunteer with Organ Transplant Support, Inc., in Naperville, Illinois. "I've had a lot of donor families talk about how crushed they are that they never heard from their recipients." That is why she continues to write a letter every year around the anniversary of her liver transplant, which occurred in the fall of 1998 at the Mayo Clinic. She came home from the hospital on Thanksgiving Day.

Like Shanlee, Mary Jane also feels a responsibility to her donor, "If it hadn't been for them, I wouldn't be here."

Hepatitis C caused a malignant tumor to grow on her liver. "We don't know where I got Hepatitis C," says Mary Jane who lived, and continues to live, a healthy lifestyle.

IOWA BETA ANN ELIZABETH GROSSCUP can sympathize. "I was in perfect health until age 46," she says. Good pastures syndrome, an autoimmune disease changed that. She came down with what she thought was a sinus infection and went into

a coma two days later, because the disease attacks the lungs and kidneys. "My lungs recovered; my kidneys did not."

Formerly an administrator for a human services program, Ann says "Ironically,



Ann Grosscup

I was working with

disabled people before I became disabled myself.'

It took a month at a rehabilitation center for Ann to re-learn how to walk and climb stairs. At that time, "getting on the list (for a kidney) did not seem feasible," Ann said. But she eventually began thinking, "I'm going to live. Maybe I am a candidate for a transplant."

In September 2003, Ann was placed on the waiting list. This past December she was called to come in for blood work because there was a potential donor. "I couldn't believe what I was hearing and then I was crying and screaming at the same time."

The kidney was a match and her blood work was good, so the transplant took place.

For the last three months, Ann has no longer needed dialysis treatments. Like Mary Jane, she now volunteers at a local organ donor center, the Iowa Donor Network. She gives speeches and advises people take the time to decide what they would like to donate, so the decision won't be left up to their families.

### **BONE MARROW DONOR**

SOUTH DAKOTA ALPHA CHRISTA LUEKEN GUENTHER became aware of the great need for bone marrow or stem cell donors when her 21-month-old daughter Cassidy, was diagnosed with leukemia in 2001. "Her only option was a transplant," Chris explains.

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## Common Questions

### What can be donated?

- · Organs: heart, kidneys, pancreas, lungs, liver, and intestines
- Tissue: cornea, skin, bone marrow, heart valves, and connective tissue
- Bone marrow

### How many people are currently waiting for each organ to become available so they can have a transplant?

The number of people requiring a life-saving transplant continues to rise faster than the number of available donors. Approximately 300 new transplant candidates are added to the waiting list each month. For the number of patients now on the waiting list and other data, please go to the Organ Procurement and Transplantation Network Web site.

### Can I be an organ and tissue donor and also donate my body to medical science?

Total body donation is an option, but not if you choose to be an organ and tissue donor. If you wish to donate your entire body, you should directly contact the facility of your choice to make arrangements. Medical schools, research facilities and other agencies need to study bodies to gain greater understanding of disease mechanisms in humans. This research is vital to saving and improving lives.

### If I have a previous medical condition, can I still donate?

Regardless of any pre-existing medical circumstances or conditions, determination of suitability to donate organs or tissue may be based on a combination of factors that take into account the donor's general health and the urgency of need of the recipient. This determination is usually done by the medical staff that recovers the organs or by the transplant team that reviews all of the data about the organ(s) or tissue that have been recovered from the donor.

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Cassidy and Calvin Guenther

Siblings have a 25 percent chance of matching six specific tissue types for a bone marrow transplant, but seldom are the matches perfect. Christa's only other child, Calvin, was a perfect match even though Cassidy' blood type was A positive and Cal's is O positive.

Cal, a typical 6-year-old, did not like needles, but "he was very brave about it." She explains that the bone marrow donor is anesthetized

during the procedure and may experience discomfort for a few days. Cal was playing with his sister two and half hours later. "You can heal so fast from something that can be so incredible for someone else."

Christa said that after the transplant, Cassidy's blood type went from A positive to Cal's O positive." This is because Cal's healthy donor cells were injected directly into Cassidy's bloodstream where they traveled to her bone marrow and began to multiply.

Despite the perfect match, Cassidy developed graft-versus-host disease and her leukemia recurred. Cal's gift lengthened her life by six months, which happens to be a very long time to a three-year-old.

Umbilical cord blood research is offering great hope for the treatment of children, like Cassidy, and adults who have leukemia, aplastic anemia and other blood disorder diseases.

In 1998, INDIANA DELTA CHARLOTTE HALSEMA OTTINGER was pregnant and working as a registered nurse on the Stem Cell Transplant Unit at Riley Hospital for Children, in Indianapolis. As the nurse who sometimes actually infused the stem cells into her young patients, she saw how their lives were changed by stem cell transplants. "Knowing the impor-

tance of this medical intervention. I made the decision during my pregnancy to donate my son's cord blood during his delivery," she says.

"The day a baby is born, the cord becomes unnecessary to the baby and mother and is actually considered medical waste," Charlotte explains. "But in the words of Hal Broxmeyer, Indiana University School of Medicine, 'an umbilical cord can continue to be a lifeline long after birth, not just for babies but for children and youth, and perhaps for adults, too,' An umbilical cord contains blood that is rich in cells from the bone marrow that can develop into any kind of blood cells. These cells can be used for the treatment of leukemias, anemias, and many other diseases and can also be used for research."

Charlotte says that women considering cord blood donations should consult their obstetricians/gynecologists months ahead of delivery because not all hospitals offer this service.

### HOW CAN YOU HELP?

If you are not interested in being a live donor, you can arrange to donate after you die.

Laws governing donations vary, so ne of the most important things to do is discuss your wishes with your family and friends.

Don't let an uneasiness about donating a part, such as your eyes, stop you from donating other organs or tissue. You can specify exactly what you would like to donate.

For more information on how United States residents can document their wishes, visit www.donatelife. net and check out their state-by-state guide. Canadian residents should contact their respective province's department of health.

# In Search of the Perfect Match



Matthew and Diane Pearl

### By ERIN EVEKER

Nine-year old Matthew Pearl is the youngest volunteer at The Washington University Marrow Registry Drive in St. Louis, Missouri, offering smiles and band-aids to donors who have each given a vial of blood in order to be placed on the National Marrow Donor Program (NMDP) registry. With his parents Mark and

Diane Pearl nearby, the room on Washington University's campus fills with donors, and hope—Matthew has Faconi anemia, a rare life-threatening blood disorder and needs to find a marrow donor match.

Matthew's sister, 10-year-old Alexandra suffers from the disease as well. When no family member qualified as a matching donor for either child, the Pearls turned to the National Marrow Donor Program (NMDP) registry, which maintains a database of more than 5.5 million people in the country who already have been screened as potential bone marrow and blood cell donors.

In 2001, Pi Beta Phi Headquarters Web Coordinator MISSOURI BETA MARLA JOHNS ESSER, a neighbor and close friend of the Pearl family, worked with a group of Washington University students to host a Marrow Registry Drive at Washington University. Since that time, she has coordinated numerous drives and helped establish Washington University Marrow Registry (WUMR), a student organization to further this cause on campus and beyond. The

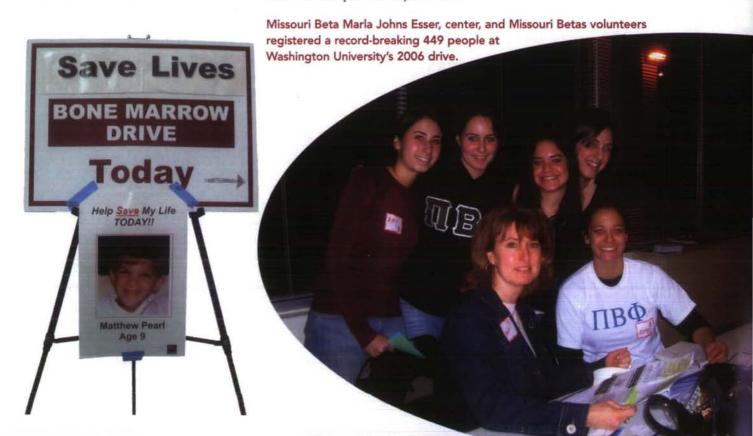
MISSOURI BETA chapter has rallied to Marla's side, volunteering at the drives and becoming registered donors themselves.

Alexandra Pearl was fortunate enough to locate a donor match and received a marrow transplant in May 2001. The transplant was effective and her medical progress continues to amaze her doctors and family.

The Pearls have not yet found a match for Matthew, but are hopeful that with the support of potential donors everywhere, Matthew will soon be receiving a transplant and be on his way to recovery.

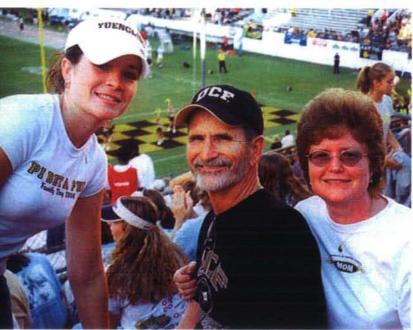
Marla was recently honored by the Pearls and B Positive, Inc., an organization that raises funds to operate and promote bone marrow drives and to find a cure for Faconi anemia, at the Celebration for Life event, for her fierce dedication to the cause of marrow donation.

www.marrow.org (NMDP) www.alexandmatt.com http://sugroups.wustl.edu/~wumr/



# Florida Epsilons Urge Students to Get Carded

By FLORIDA EPSILON VANESSA BOWMAN



Vanessa Bowman and her parents enjoy a football game.

I was a normal teenager with a normal, happy life. That all changed in March of 1998. At the age of 15 and a freshman in high school, I was told that my dad may not live to see me turn 16.

My dad, the strongest, healthiest man I had ever known, suddenly became ill in January of 1998. By March he was admitted to the hospital indefinitely. A few weeks later, my mother, sister and I were told that my dad would need a liver transplant in order to survive. I had never heard those words before and it was something I had never thought about.

Dad was put on the waiting list for a liver transplant in late May of 1998. Patients can wait weeks, months or even years for their turn. Unfortunately, we did not have that long. Thankfully, only six days later, on June 4, 1998, we got the call that it was our turn; they had found a match for my dad.

After 12 hours of surgery and almost two weeks in the hospital my dad got to come home. With a lot of medication, prayers and loving friends and family, my dad was back to his old self in just a few months. Today, almost eight years later, my dad is still here and as healthy as ever.

Because someone generously donated their loved one's organs, my dad got to see me turn 16. He also walked my sister down the aisle at her wedding last July.

The issue of organ and tissue donation was one that I never thought of until it was my loved one who needed help. No one likes to think of

such things until they have no choice.

After my dad recovered and we began moving on with our lives, I knew that this had all happened for a reason. From then on, I made it my life's mission to spread the word about organ and tissue donation and the amazing things people can do. I wanted people to know about the issue before it was their loved one who was ill.

When I came to The University of Central Florida in August of 2001, I found a group called Get Carded UCF. It was a student outreach and awareness campaign that promoted organ and tissue donation to UCF and other college students. It was founded at UCF in 1997 by a student whose high school boyfriend died while waiting for a lung transplant. I knew I had found my calling. I acted as director and co-director for two years and worked actively to get the Greek community involved.

In April of 2005, the FLORIDA EPSILONS came out in full force to the 2nd Annual Living Green Ribbon. This event creates a huge green ribbon using over 250 students. Pi Phis had the largest number of participants. Later in November 2005, at the Green Ribbon Gala, a formal dinner and speaker event, Pi Beta Phi became an official partner with Get Carded UCF. Over the next year, Pi Phis will volunteer and host events, while promoting the issue of organ and tissue donation awareness to the UCF community.

Currently close to 90,000 men, women and children are waiting for life saving organ transplants and over 100,000 for tissue transplants. FLORIDA EPSILON is doing its part to raise awareness and reduce those numbers.

If you decide to become an organ donor, tell your family and encourage them to make the same decision – you can help save lives!



Florida Epsilons are official partners of Get Carded UCF.



On Saturday, Dec. 2, 2005
former First Lady BARBARA
BUSH addressed an audience
of 3,200 people at FreedHardeman University in
Henderson, Tennessee.
MRS. BUSH, a TEXAS
ETA, was the speaker
for FHU's 41st Annual
Advisory Board Benefit
Dinner. She spoke on
values, goals and the
importance of family.

TENNESSEE DELTA EMILEE PICK-

Bound by the Wine and Silver Blue." The book, written by NEW YORK ALPHA FRANCES DESIMONE BECQUE PH.D., Fraternity Historian, and designed by KENTUCKY ALPHA KAREN BOONE, was released at Convention 2005 and delightfully captures the history and spirit of Pi Beta Phi through eloquent detail and colorful photographs.

tunity to meet Barbara and ask her

to sign her copy of "Hearts that are

"Hearts that are Bound by the Wine and Silver Blue" is not meant to be another retelling of the Fraternity's history. Instead, it is a glimpse into the people, places and things we hold dear as members of Pi Beta Phi.



Former First Lady Barbara Bush, Texas Eta, signs a copy of "Hearts that are Bound by the Wine and Silver Blue" for Tennessee Delta Emilee Pickler.

To purchase, call Pi Phi Express at 1-800-322-1867 or visit online at www.pibetaphi.org. Item #600, \$39.95 plus shipping

# Foundation

### TODAY'S IN-FLIGHT DELIGHT, GREEN EGGS AND HAM!

On March 3, Pi Beta Phi and Southwest Airlines joined together in a Read Across America initiative. Pi Beta Phi's Fraternity Day of Service project, Read Across America, is a reading awareness program which takes place each year around Dr. Seuss' birthday — March 2. In observance, Pi Beta Phi and Southwest Airlines treated children flying on select flights, in 25 Southwest service cities, to their very own Dr. Seuss book. The Foundation was proud to grant \$25,000 to the Fraternity to purchase the 8,000 books needed for this large-scale literacy event.

With the Foundation grant, the Fraternity purchased hardback copies of *The Cat in the Hat, Green Eggs* and Ham and Fox in Socks to distribute to children flying on that day. Inside the cover of each Dr. Seuss classic was a book plate identifying the gift as compliments of Pi Beta Phi. The Foundation was happy to play a significant role in this Fraternity Day of Service project which provided Pi Phi literacy programming with unprecedented visibility and many children with a gift to read.

### JO MARIE LILLY UNDERGRADUATE SCHOLARSHIP

This winter, TEXAS ALPHA JO MARIE LILLY established the Jo Marie Lilly Undergraduate Scholarship with an endowment of \$50,000. The endowment honors her home state by providing an annual undergraduate scholarship for a resident of Texas who is a member of any Pi Phi chapter in the United States or Canada.

Jo Marie Lilly has been busy since her Pi Phi college days. She is the Senior Vice President of Advertising and Creative Services for Neiman Marcus Direct and Neiman Marcus Online, the catalog division and e-commerce creative presence of The Neiman Marcus Group. Her responsibilities with the direct mail division include the development and production of the Neiman Marcus by mail and Horchow catalogs. Since 1991, Jo Marie has been responsible for the selection of feature gifts included in The Neiman Marcus Christmas Book and the public relations efforts surrounding the Christmas Book, as well as other areas of Neiman Marcus Direct. Under her leadership, catalog concepts such as NM Essentials. NM Home, NM a La Carte, Horchow Home and Horchow Garden have been successfully launched. Beginning in 1999, Jo Marie received additional responsibil-

ity for e-commerce and

is charged with evolv-

ing the online creative presence for Neiman Marcus.com, Horchow.com and BergdorfGoodman.com. Jo Marie is a graduate of The University of Texas where she was initiated as a TEXAS ALPHA in 1963. In addition to Pi Phi, she is active in a variety of community organizations in Dallas, Texas, where she lives with her husband Bruce. She is a member of the Junior League of Dallas and served as President of the Boards of the USA Film Festival and the Dallas chapter of DIFFA (Design Industries Foundation Fighting Aids).

Jo Marie established and endowed the undergraduate scholarship as a way of giving back to an organization that has provided her so much, including her closest friendships. "I looked around and all of my friends are Pi Phis and I wanted to give back to Pi Phi." Many will tell you that they are indeed fortunate to call Jo Marie a friend. She has been a mentor and resource to many Pi Phi graduates as they begin careers and her vast networking has even landed many their first job.

The Pi Beta Phi Foundation thanks Jo Marie for her gift to future generations of Texas collegians through her generous gift to the Foundation.

### SCHOLARSHIP NEWS OKLAHOMA BETA

The women of OKLAHOMA BETA recently made a \$50,000 gift to the Pi Beta Phi Foundation to endow the OKLAHOMA BETA Scholarship. This gift will provide for an annual undergraduate scholarship award for a member of OKLAHOMA BETA. The endowment of this scholarship was a joint effort among the chapter, their Alumnae Advisory Committee and their House Corporation.

OKLAHOMA BETA HOLLY HANNAH BERGBOWER, AAC President, says "As an AAC, we noticed that several women had come to us needing financial help to continue their education and Pi Phi experience. We hated to see someone leave who wanted to be there, but couldn't afford it. Several of these women were great leaders and we really wanted them to be able to complete



their education and involvement in the chapter. We felt the scholarship endowment was the best way for us to go and, through wise investments and past fund raising, we were able to do so."

#### OKLAHOMA ALPHA

It was obvious at the reunion of the OKLAHOMA ALPHA initiation classes of 1953 through 1957 how much Pi Phi has meant to the attendees over the last 50 years. So many friendships had been maintained. Although the members of the classes have scattered and followed different paths, the bond that formed at the University of Oklahoma Pi Phi house, has endured and, in many cases, strengthened.

After the reunion, the women decided to give their leftover reunion money to the Foundation towards the Oklahoma Alpha Scholarship. "We received a very nice thank you from Foundation President JEAN SCOTT," says OKLAHOMA ALPHA LOU ANN MONTGOMERY CARTER. "She also informed us that at a recent Foundation Board meeting it was decided that the amount of money needed to endow scholarships in the future will be \$50,000, due to the increased costs of college educations and the resulting need for larger scholarships for our collegians. I decided that our group could surely reach that goal!" Lou Ann then sent a letter to all the "Almost (and some already) Golden Arrow OKLAHOMA ALPHAS," asking them to join her in making a gift for their scholarship endowment.

In January, they reached their goal, bringing their original \$25,000 OKLAHOMA ALPHA endowed undergraduate scholarship up to a \$50,000

### **MEETING** THE NEED...

Due to the increased costs of college educations and the resulting need for larger scholarships for our Pi Phi collegians, the amount needed to endow a scholarship has been increased from \$25,000 to \$50,000.

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If you use GoodSearch.com every time you search the Internet, you can help the Foundation earn money. Here's how it works:

- 1. Go to www.goodsearch.com (which is powered by Yahoo!).
- 2. Designate Pi Beta Phi Foundation (Town and Country, MO) as the charity you support.
- 3. GoodSearch shares its advertising revenue with charities, so every time you search the Web through GoodSearch, you'll raise money for the Foundation.

Once you designate the Foundation as your organization of choice, you will be able to see how much the Foundation has earned by clicking on "amount raised." The more people who use the site, the more money the Foundation earns, so please spread the word. The site offers a free Good Search toolbar for Internet Explorer or you can add it to your Firefox search bar.

### How much money can the Pi Beta Phi Foundation earn?

Each search will generate approximately one cent for the user's designated charity. Thus: 500 supporters searching twice a day would earn the Foundation \$3,650 per year. 1,000 supporters searching twice a day would earn the Foundation \$7,300 per year. 5,000 supporters searching twice a day would earn the Foundation \$36,500 per year. 10,000 supporters searching twice a day would earn the Foundation \$73,000 per year.

### Do the users ever have to pay anything?

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endowment. Lou Ann put the sentiment of the donors best, "The chapter is more than living up to the traditions of the past, and we hope this helps them to maintain that place."

### OHIO BETA

During a 2004 meeting, a group of OHIO BETA'S senior members were searching for an idea of how they could help the chapter in future years. Someone suggested a scholarship in honor of MISSOURI ALPHA SALLY LIGHTNER KOENIG and OHIO ALPHA/ OHIO BETA MARGE YOUNG WITTICH, both long-time members of OHIO BETA'S Alumnae Advisory Committee or House Corporation, and the group quickly chose the idea for their "Senior Project." The group contacted all alumnae who lived in the house during the times that Sally and Marge were either active, on AAC or House Corp. A good response was received and it was announced at the 2004 Founders' Day that a scholarship fund had been started. During 2004-2005, the chapter women added to the fund by selling and serving "Pi Burger Phi" treats after campus events and planning and holding events of their own. In fall 2005, OHIO BETA voted to finish the endowment with a gift from the chapter's savings account and the \$25,000 gift was made to the Pi Beta Phi Foundation for the endowment of the OHIO BETA Scholarship. This gift will provide for an annual undergraduate scholarship award for a member of OHIO BETA.

## OFF-CAMPUS FIRES CLAIM YOUNG LIVES

Editor's note: In April 2005 a fire claimed the life of Ohio Zeta Julia (Julie) Turnbull, great great grand-daughter of Founder Jennie Horne Turnbull.

By Robert Davis and Anthony DeBarros, USA TODAY

Linda Turnbull figured that one day she would attend the Emmy Awards to watch her daughter Julie receive a top television honor.

The senior majoring in mass communications at Miami University in Oxford, Ohio, had been promised a job at the production company where she was working as an intern. She loved the work. Plus, she seemed to live a charmed life.

"She had a way of making you feel special, and she would brighten the room when she walked in with her smile," Linda Turnbull says. "She had everything going for her."

But Julie Turnbull was one of three college students who died when a house near campus burned April 10. She was spending the night with friends when a fire started in the recreation room of the house rented by nine students.

A USA TODAY study of deaths of four-year college students found that fires were a leading cause, especially for seniors. Seniors account for 36% of the fire fatalities in the study, which also found that when students die in fires, it usually happens just off campus.

Near-campus housing often lacks smoke alarms, sprinkler systems and easy escape routes. Ed Comeau, director of the Center for Campus Fire Safety in Amherst, Mass., says such houses are often older buildings, packed with electronics and young adults hosting parties and cooking for the first time in their own kitchens.

When the fire that killed Turnbull started in the early hours, flames raced through the 136-year-old house, gobbling up construction materials and spewing toxic fumes and smoke.

Investigators say Turnbull died of smoke inhalation.

When a police officer called to tell Linda Turnbull that there had been a fire and she needed to make the hour drive to Oxford, she recalls feeling sorry for "those poor kids."

It did not sink in that the officer was trying to tell her that Julie had died. "Then, when I hung up, it just clicked that he means Julie is one of the victims," she says.

Even now, her mind still plays tricks on her. "Some days," she says, "I hope it's all a big mistake, and she will pop up."

In the reports studied by USA TODAY, 76% of the students who died in fires were within 2 miles of campus; 73% were within 1 mile. Only 14% died on campus.

Among other seniors who died was Jamie Dutko, 22, of Strongsville, Ohio. He was one of two people killed in a fire May 19, 2001, near Ohio University. The fire started under a desk near computer wiring. Smoke alarms in the residence were not working, according to fire officials in Athens.

After the fire, city officials began requiring smoke alarms with batteries that cannot be removed. But Athens Fire Chief Robert Troxel says some college students now just remove the whole smoke detector when it sounds during smoky parties or overcooked meals.

"It gets back to responsibility," Troxel says. "Don't remove fire safety equipment."

Lettie Latiolais, who lost her son, Kurt, in a fire near Louisiana State University on Oct. 18, 2003, says parents must consider fire risks because "the kids are not concerned."

"I teach elementary school, and we always taught our children fire safety," she says. "Then we bring our two kids to LSU, and we never once thought about fire safety. We just assumed it was taken care of."

Though colleges have no responsibility for the structures that surround their campuses, some schools and governments try to prepare students before they move out into the community.

The state of New York sends officials from the fire marshal's office to campuses to inspect buildings and teach students about fire safety. Since the program began two years ago, it has reached tens of thousands of students.

"We are hoping that by catching the students in their freshman year, we get fire safety in their minds," says Paul Martin, a deputy chief in New York's office of Fire Prevention and Control. "Then, when they move off campus, they have already seen this. We want this to be a lifestyle change."



Ohio Zeta Julie Turnbull

Linda Turnbull says parents should insist on higher standards.

When she went to collect her daughter's belongings, she says, she was reminded that Julie died on the threshold of her adult life.

When we went in her room, we saw that she had picked up her cap and gown that day. They were laid out on her bed."

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### Dear Editor,

Julie loved being a Pi Beta Phi, as she loved most things in life and my family and I are so grateful that you are running this article. Hopefully, it will make a difference in someone's life, especially if all of the houses install sprinkler systems.

Julie's Pi Phi sisters at Miami have been a tremendous help to us during this most difficult time of our life. There is a bench in Julie's memory sitting outside of the Pi Beta Phi suite, which the Pi Phis decorate for the different holidays. The Pi Phis have helped raise funds for Julie's Memorial Scholarship Fund at Miami University. In fact, a few of Julie's sisters helped organize a fund-raising event around the Chicago Marathon and actually ran in the marathon for Julie and the other two victims of the fire. Kate and Stephen. The marathon was the highlight of our year!

Now we are in contact with Julie's sisters because they are trying to plan a balloon release and a few other events in memory of Julie, Kate and Stephen around the anniversary of their deaths.

My family and I feel truly blessed that the Pi Phis are part of our lives, and are so grateful for their time and effort to keep Julie's memory alive.

Sincerely,

Linda Turnbull



Julie Turnbull, center front, is pictured with some of her Ohio Zeta sisters. The photo of Julie on the facing page was her high school senior portrait.

## Fire Sprinklers to be Installed in All House Corporations' Houses

Last November Grand Council mandated that fire sprinkler systems be installed in all 64 chapter houses owned by Pi Beta Phi House Corporations by Aug. 31, 2007, to ensure safer living conditions for our members. "Julie's tragic death last spring, as well as previous losses to Pi Phi and other Greek organizations from campus residential fires, had a strong influence on Grand Council's decision," said Grand Vice President of Finance KAREN CONSALUS PRICE.

Editor's note: While 104 chapters have houses, only 64 are owned by a Pi Beta Phi House Corporation. The other 40 are either rental properties or owned by the respective universities.

### DID YOU KNOW ...?

Pi Beta Phi Fraternity has funds available to make loans to House Corporations for improvements to chapter facilities. Grand Council offers loans at the lowest federally allowed interest rate for fire sprinkler system installations. For more information, contact Lauren Nunn at Headquarters, 636-256-0680, or by e-mail at lauren@piphico.

# Arrowmont

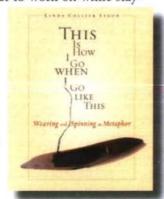
by KIMBERLY GEIB NEWMAN Public Relations Coordinator

### PI PHI DONATES BOOK **ROYALTIES TO ARROWMONT**

LINDA WEST LIGON'S first exposure to handweaving was as an OKLAHOMA BETA in the 1960s. Little did she know at the time that her career path would lead her headfirst into the wonderful world of fiber arts.

Now CEO and Editorial Director of Interweave Press, Ligon started Interweave Press from her dining room table in 1975 when her third child was born and she wanted a small project to work on while stay-

ing home with the kids. Since then, her homebased sole proprietorship has grown into а согрогаtion with more than 60 employ-



ees and publishes seven diverse magazines and more than 150 books in print related to fiber, thread, needlework and beads.

Ligon recently published the book "This is How I Go When I Go Like This," a collection of essays that trace the ups and downs, the joys and trials, the people and events of the world of handweaving. "Because my first exposure to handweaving was through the Settlement School sale my chapter sponsored each spring, it seems that Arrowmont is the logical recipient for whatever proceeds come from the sale of the book," said Ligon.

Recently, Ligon gave Arrowmont nearly \$1,500, which she has asked

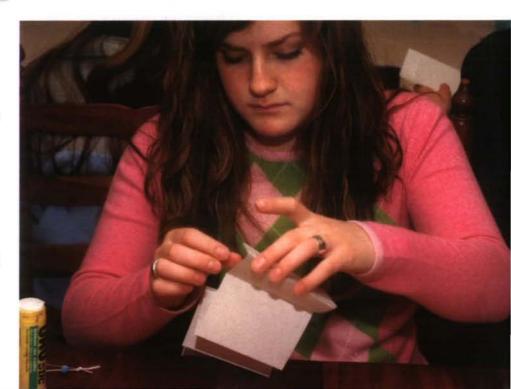


be earmarked for some use in Arrowmont's fiber program. She lives and works in Loveland, Colorado. For more information on Interweave Press, their publications and books, visit www.interweave.com.



### TENNESSEE GAMMAS ATTEND ARTSMART **BOOKMAKING WORKSHOP**

Pi Phis from the University of Tennessee discovered just how easy and how much fun you could have creating ArtSmart books! Nearly 40 collegians attended the short workshop at Arrowmont where they transformed simple materials such as cardboard, glue sticks, decorative papers, ribbon, beads, rubber bands and Popsicle sticks into colorful, fun books. Everyone created all three books that include the accordion fold journal, the "rubber band" book and the star book.



Also part of the day's activities was a lecture by TENNESSEE GAMMA FRANCES FOX SHAMBAUGH, Gatlinburg historian and former Arrowcraft weaver. She presented her lecture on the history of the Pi Beta Phi Settlement School and Arrowmont.

ArtSmart instruction booklets are available to download from Arrowmont's Web site at: http://www.arrowmont.org/artsmart.html.

### "INSPIRED BY APPALACHIA" NEW SUMMER CONCERT SERIES AT ARROWMONT

Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts and the University of Texas at Austin Performing Arts Center present the 2006 Summer Performing Arts Series. Inspired by the music, history and beauty of Appalachia, these four musical events will enhance Arrowmont's workshop environment for visual creativity with unique performances throughout the summer.

Concert dates are on the following Fridays: June 23, June 30, July 14 and July 21. General admission is \$15 (\$10 for students who pay during registration). Sponsors for the exhibit include The Haslam Family Foundation.

### COMMUNITY GATHERING HIGHLIGHTS GATLINBURG HERITAGE

A community gathering hosted by Arrowmont in the late fall highlighted Gatlinburg history and the Pi Beta Phi Settlement School. Representatives from the University of Tennessee Libraries were on hand to discuss the two-year grant project, "From Pi Beta Phi to Arrowmont: Bringing Education and Economic Development to the Great Smoky Mountains, 1910-2004," and to provide a forum for those interested in assisting in the project.

Photographs from Arrowmont's archives were on display and visitors were asked to identify, if possible, the names of the people and buildings depicted, as well as dates. Some even brought their own photos, which were scanned on site to be added to the digital collection.

In January 2005, University of Tennessee librarians Ken Wise and Anne Bridges, in collaboration with Arrowmont Director David Willard and Pi Beta Phi Elementary School Principal Glenn Bogart, received a prestigious grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS). The purpose of this grant is to create a fully searchable online archive of selected letters, diaries, photographs, and other materials that document the history of the Pi Beta Phi Settlement School and the Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts in Gatlinburg, Tenn. The grant team will also work with Pi Beta Phi Elementary School staff to develop instructional units based on the Web site, so that the information can be fully integrated into classroom lessons. The "Pi Beta Phi to Arrowmont" project will be completed by November 2006.

For more information, visit: www. lib.utk.edu/arrowmont/index.html.

### PI PHI & FRIENDS ARTS WEEKEND MAY 4-7, 2006

It's not too late to sign up for Pi Phi & Friends Arts Weekend, May 4-7. Log on to: www.arrowmont.org for details.

Class offerings include: Baskets by Virginia McKinney Book Arts by Cathy Hunt Stained Glass by Bill May Jewelry by Barbara Joiner Pi Phi Proud by Frances Fox

Shambaugh Woodturning by Dave Hankey



Participants browse photographs from Arrowmont's archives to identify people, places and dates. From left: Anne Bridges and Ken Wise, principal investigators of the University of Tennessee Great Smoky Mountains Regional Project; and Tennessee Gamma Frances Fox Shambaugh and her mother Murrell Fox, residents of Gatlinburg.

# Winners

Carolyn Helman Lichtenberg 2005 Crest Award Winners

First presented in 1991, this award honors Carolyn Helman Lichtenberg, Ohio Alpha, who served the Fraternity as Grand President from 1985 to 1991. Recipients are distinguished alumnae who exhibit excellence and outstanding leadership in their careers or volunteer service to their communities.



JOANNE BURKES CALLAN, PH.D., Oklahoma Alpha, University of Oklahoma, Solana Beach, California



JOANNE BURKES CALLAN, Ph.D., ABPP, who is licensed in California as a clinical psychologist, maintains a private practice as a psychologist and psychoanalyst in La Jolla. She is a Professor at the California School of Professional Psychology-San Diego (CSPP-SD) of Alliant International University.

From 1978 to 1990, she served as Dean and then Provost of CSPP-SD, and her current appointment is in both the Clinical PhD and Clinical PsyD Programs there. Her teaching and research interests include child and adolescent development, adjustment, and treatment; the psychology of women; gender identity development; professional ethics, and object relations and attachment theory.

She is also a Clinical Associate Professor in the Department of Psychiatry at the University of California, San Diego, where she supervises psychiatric residents and psychology interns.

Currently, she serves as President and Chair of the Board of the San Diego Psychoanalytic Society and Institute. Joanne holds the distinction of being the first woman and the first psychologist to hold that position. She also serves as a Training and Supervising Analyst on the Senior Faculty of their accredited Psychoanalytic Training Program and the Psychoanalytic Psychotherapy Program. A long-standing educa-

tor, consultant, and clinician, she is a former Executive Director of the American Psychological Association's Education Directorate and remains active in the American Psychological Association and also in the American Psychoanalytic Association.

Throughout the years, Joanne has served on many boards in the San Diego area, including the San Diego Children's Choir, for which she was a founding Board member, the California Ballet, and The Bishop's School.

### **Community Service Recipients**

JULIA DUDLEY ALLISON, Texas Alpha, University of Texas, Houston, Texas



JULIA DUDLEY ALLISON is highly respected among her Pi Phi sisters and the Houston community for her volunteerism, her accomplishments and her involvement in the community. She has given of her time unselfishly with a perseverance and loyalty admired by all who know her.

Julia developed the volunteer program and helped set up Texas Children's Hospital's successful Pi Beta Phi Patient/Family Library, which opened in 1984. She continues to serve as its director. Through her leadership, the library survived the early days and is now considered to be the model for other programs. Pi Phis and people from hospitals around the country have come to study this working success story that continues under Julia's outstanding leadership.

Julia's enthusiasm for service in her community is evident to all who work with her, whether it is at the hospital, her church, the Junior



League or Houston's museums. Over the years, she has been the president of Women of the Church at St. Thomas Episcopal, president of her chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and an active member in many Houston arts programs.

She has been a member of the Houston Alumnae Club since 1975.

CATHERINE
WARTINBEE
TOWNSEND,
Michigan Beta,
University
of Michigan,
New Canaan,
Connecticut



CATHERINE WARTINBEE TOWNSEND is a consummate volunteer and com-

munity leader. For 20 years, she has been a Girl Scout leader serving as a role model for young women in today's society. Cathy has won the Outstanding Leader Award twice — once while living in Paris, France, and the second time in New Canaan, Connecticut.

For 10 years, and counting, Cathy has volunteered for Meals on Wheels, delivering meals and provided compassion to those who are shut-in or unable to provide for themselves. She is also a member of the New Canaan Sewing Group, which makes handmade items for two annual sales. The proceeds of approximately \$50,000 go toward women's and children's charities.

As a dedicated member of the United Methodist Church of New Canaan, Cathy has held the title of junior high Sunday school teacher,

### CREST AWARD WINNERS

cookie walk chairman, United Methodist Women president and vice president of programs. She's active in the altar guild, choir, worship committee and serves as a lay leader.

Education is important to Cathy. While in Paris, she served as president of the Parent Teacher Organization. From 2004-2005, Cathy and her husband, Richard, were the chairs of the Parents & Family Association at Vanderbilt University.

Cathy raised three daughters while working at the New Canaan Library as a story teller and children's librarian and doing her volunteer work.

She is a member of the Southern Fairfield County, Connecticut Alumnae Club, where she serves on the Pi Beta Phi Library committee at Yale-New Haven Children's Hospital and is currently president.



Recruitment Information Form (RIF)

To be used by individual Pi Beta Phi alumnae

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FORM

Include a picture of potential new member if possible.

Send this form directly to the "Chapter Vice President of Membership" at the respective chapter house or process through your Alumnae Club Recruitment Information Chairman (ACRIC) if potential member is from the same area. Log on to www.pibetaphi.org, for chapter addresses. Do not send RIF to Headquarters.

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Pi Phis from near and far attended Missouri Alpha Barbara Graham Cofer's art opening in New York City in December. From Left: New Jersey Alpha Christina Bennison, Florida Delta Ann Devney Marciano, Missouri Alpha Barbara Graham Cofer and Missouri Alpha Nancy Barnes Teller. Barbara's paintings can be seen on the Nexus Projects Gallery Web site www.nexusshowroom.com/art/bfgraham.html.



In November, South Carolina Alpha Florence Graham Bradley became the first woman to cycle across the state of Alabama. Florence, a fire fighter, completed the 220-mile trek in 15 hours, six minutes and six seconds.

CALIFORNIA ZETA KYLE MCNICH-OLS, a senior copy writer from Newport Beach, California, recently appeared on ABC's "The Bachelor: Paris."

President George W. Bush began his Gulf Coast trip in January by honoring LOUISIANA ALPHA DAISY MERI-WETHER VANDENBURGH, a volunteer who has spent 10 years helping challenged elementary students learn to read. At a ceremony in New Orleans, President Bush presented Daisy with the President's Volunteer Service Award for her years of work with the community literacy program at Tulane University.

INDIANA DELTA MARY KLIPSCH BARRICKLOW was named "Woman of the Year" by the Eagle River Area, Wisconsin Chamber of Commerce & Visitors Center for her dedication to volunteering and commitment to the community.

For the past five years, the SEATTLE, WASHINGTON ALUMNAE CLUB has created a bookmark to highlight Pi Phi's link with literacy. Club members help in designing a new bookmark each year, which is then handed out at fund-raisers and events to remind Pi Phis and others of our commitment to literacy. This year's design was created by CALIFORNIA DELTA JOAN LITTLE FORSYTH, an artist and calligrapher.

NORTH CAROLINA ALPHA LAU-RIE DHUE CALCOTE is currently a correspondent on Geraldo Rivera's Fox news show "Geraldo at Large." Laurie majored in political science with a concentration in dramatic arts at the University of North Carolina Chapel Hill. She worked as an intern with CNN and found her passion for journalism. Prior to her spot on "Geraldo at Large," Laurie anchored "Newsfront" and "Special Edition" on MSNBC and served as a substi-

### ALUMNAE NEWS



Historic Triangle, Virginia Alumnae Club in Williamsburg attended its first meeting on Jan. 28. Sixteen members were present to sign the charter.



The Brazos Valley, Texas Alumnae Club had its annual Beaux and Arrows Champagne Dessert Party to raise money for the Even Start Family Literacy Program of a local school district. More than 50 people attended the event.

tute news anchor on the weekend edition of "The Today show." She also worked for FOX News.

FLORIDA BETA SARAH JANE GRIFFIN ALEXANDER recently received the ARTES Award from Florida State University. This award symbolizes appreciation of aesthetics and the beauty of intellectual pursuits. As a homemaker dedicated to her family, Sarah Jane has actively supported education through her involvement with the Girl Scouts of America and generous contributions to FSU's College of Human Sciences. She also served in many capacities during 12 years on the FSU Foundation Board of Trustees.

Members of the PHILADELPHIA-MAIN LINE ALUMNAE CLUB and PENNSYL-VANIA THETA collegians walked as a "Team of Angels" to raise funds for victims of amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS) or Lou Gehrig's disease on Nov. 12. The group participated in the Fourth Annual Greater Phila-

> delphia Walk to D'Feet ALS in Wayne,

Pennsylvania. CALIFORNIA EPSILON NANCY KIRWIN GILES, a member of the Board of Directors of The ALS Association, was coordinator of this event.

THE RICHARDSON/PLANO, TEXAS ALUMNAE CLUB recently held its "Make It, Bake It, Fake It, Sew It or Grow It" auction as a fun way to raise funds. The auctioned items demonstrated an abundance of creative talent and included hand-painted greeting cards, hand-sewn outfits, handmade ornaments, baby things, floral arrangements, jewelry, baked goods and more. Funds from last year's event were put toward a gift of a Pi Beta Phi Coat of Arms tapestry for the TEXAS EPSILON chapter to



The Arrowhead-West Phoenix, Arizona Alumnae Club entertained the local alumnae chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma with a parody fashion show at the groups' annual Monmouth Duo brunch on Jan. 21. Ensembles included a "Tea Dress," "Little Black Number," "Knit Ensemble," "House Dress," "Sports Outfit," "Ball Gown," "Sheath Dress," "Print Dress" and "Spring Outfit."

## Hark, The Herald Angels Sing



Texas Pi Phis gather for a family Christmas. Back row, from left: Texas Beta Leslie Stroud Ulrich, Texas Gammas Ann Gordon Stroud, Jane Gordon Whitsitt and Laura Stroud Martin. Front row, from left: Texas Gammas Sally Gordon Smith (with baby Katherine Ann Ulrich) and Sara Whitsitt.



The Indian River County, Florida Alumnae Club celebrates the holidays with a Christmas brunch and angel exchange.



Norman, Oklahoma Alumnae Club members gather at their Annual Christmas angel ornament exchange. From left: Oklahoma Alpha Karen Strate McIntosh, Oklahoma Alpha Jenny McIntosh Flax and Oklahoma Beta June Gouin Wood.

display in its recently built house at the University of North Texas.

THE ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI ALUMNAE CLUB hosted its Sixth Annual Literacy Benefit, "Jazz It Up For Literacy" on Feb. 11. Erin Bode, a young St. Louis jazz vocalist, and Adam Maness, her keyboardist, entertained the guests with music throughout the evening. Proceeds from this year's benefit will support a literacy program in a St. Louis city school.

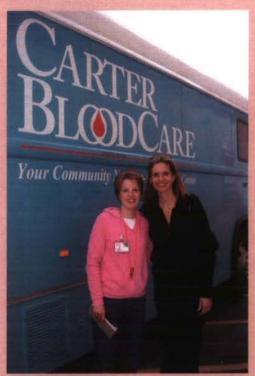
INDIANA BETA BRYNE CHERBAK YEARBY is a cheerleader for the Indianapolis Colts football team. She has been on the squad since 2001.

THE SOUTHWEST FLORIDA ALUM-NAE CLUB celebrated the holidays with its annual Christmas meeting at the home of INDIANA BETA SUSAN CRANE KYLE. Susan has hosted this Christmas meeting and party for 35 years. The festivities included a Christmas angel exchange.



Michigan Gamma Laura Lamson Grafton (right) is a director for audiobooks for Brilliance Audio in Grand Haven, Michigan. While recently directing a recording, she discovered that the actress with whom she was working, Kathy Garver Travis, is a California Delta. Kathy, an actress and producer, played Cissie on "Family Affair."

### **ALUMNAE NEWS**



The Southlake Area, Texas Alumnae Club organized a community blood drive in December on behalf of a club member's close friend who suffers from Acute Myelogenous Leukemia. Alabama Gamma Ellen Grigsby Weaver, a quality -assurance employee at CarterBloodCare in north Texas, helped organize the drive. The drive was able to partially fund the friend's blood transfusion. From left: Alabama Gamma Ellen Grigsby Weaver and Louisiana Beta Dr. Melissa Binder Adams.



Three generations of Pi Phis gather at a Texas Alpha initiation luncheon. From left: Texas Beta Priscilla Lewis Darling, Texas Alpha Landon Priscilla Darling and Texas Alpha Priscilla Scott Lewis.



The Nashville, Tennessee Alumnae Club focused on philanthropy at its "Leading with Literacy" dessert meeting in October. From left: Tennessee Gamma Kathy Swinea Nevill, Alabama Beta Leslie Boles Walker and Tennessee Gamma Rebecca Kauffman.

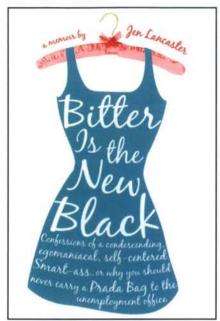
When the Hunt family gathered for the holidays this year, the room was filled with angels. OKLAHOMA BETA MELODY FREEMAN HUNT, OKLA-HOMA BETA DEBBIE HUNT GREEN-WOOD, ALABAMA BETA CAITLIN HUNT GREENWOOD, OKLAHOMA BETA JAN HUNT WARDELL, TEXAS ALPHA LAUREN WARDELL CHRIS-TENSEN and OKLAHOMA BETA KAY HUNT SCOTT all were present.

THE ALPHARETTA, GEORGIA ALUM-NAE CLUB teamed up with Brownie Troop 23314 from Findley Oaks Elementary School in Alpharetta, as well as GEORGIA ALPHA collegians from the University of Georgia to collect books for children who were victims of Hurricane Katrina along the Mississippi Gulf Coast. Several hundred books were collected for children of all ages. They will be distributed to local schools to rebuild their libraries.

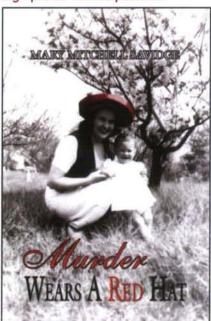
ILLINOIS THETA BARBARA WILSON EAKLE, was recently elected a trustee of the Calvin Coolidge Memorial Foundation. This honor is particularly special because of the Pi Phi bond with First Lady GRACE GOODHUE COOLIDGE, who was a charter member of the Vermont Beta chapter. Barbara is a docent for the "In Depth History Labs" for students at the Calvin Coolidge State Historic Site.

ILLINOIS EPSILON PATRICIA HOLMES BUEHLER received the highest honor of the Northwestern University Alumni Association, the Alumni Medal, on April 1. The medal recognizes alumni who excel in either their professional or volunteer work, as well as serve the university. Patricia and her late husband, Albert C. Buehler Ir., established the Buehler Family Foundation, which has supported the Chicago Botanic Garden in Glencoe, Ill., and given grants to the Field Museum, Shedd Aquarium and Lincoln Park Zoo. They also have generously supported Northwestern University.

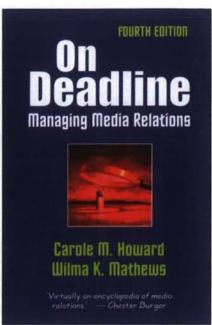
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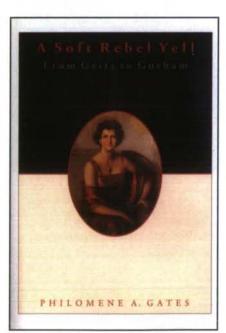
Indiana Eta Jen Lancaster's "Bitter is the New Black" is a humorous tale of a woman who has defined herself by material possessions who suddenly loses her status, store credit and sanity after being laid off from a high profile finance position.



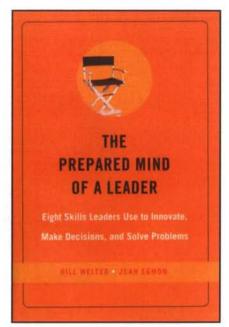
Pennsylvania Beta Mary Mitchell Savidge tells of the adventures of Sukie Davis and her fellow Red Hat Society friends, on a tumultuous trip to confront her ex-husband who is seeking an annulment after 40 years of marriage in "Murder Wears a Red Hat."



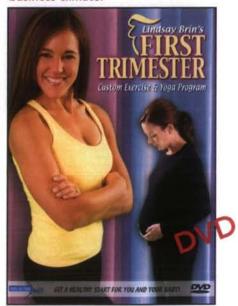
Oregon Beta Carole Munroe Howard has published the fourth edition of her co-authored "On Deadline: Managing Media Relations." Carole relays her expertise in media relations and communications tactics.



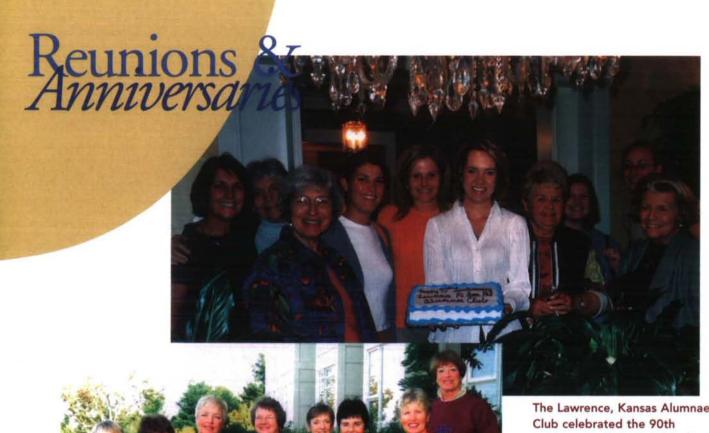
In "A Soft Rebel Yell: From Grits to Gotham," Florida Beta Philomene Asher Gates presents a refreshing family memoir. The lawyer, wife, mother and world traveler traces her family's history from the 18th century to the end of the 20th.



Illinois Alpha Jean Egmon's coauthored "The Prepared Mind of a Leader" presents an original and effective way to think more flexibly about innovation, strategy, change, and problem solving in a complex business climate.



Kansas Alpha Lindsay Lewis Schertzer recently established a company, Moms into Fitness, and released a line of workout programs for new moms. The series has a DVD for each trimester, as well as a postnatal workout. Visit www.momsintofitness.com



Washington Alphas who were new members in 1959 gather at Crysalis Inn

and Spa in Bellingham, Washington for

their ninth annual reunion.

WASHINGTON GAMMAS MARJORIE BURKHART STRUCKMEYER, SUSAN Marsh Winnie, Margaret HANSEN and JEAN STOREY PARKIN reunited for a river cruise from Amsterdam to Budapest this past

THE TEXAS DELTA CHAPTER at Texas Christian University will honor its 50th Anniversary this summer with a weekend long celebration July 21-23, 2006. All Texas

The Lawrence, Kansas Alumnae anniversary of their club's charter last fall.

Deltas are invited to attend a reception at the TCU Pi Phi House Friday July 21, 2006, followed by pledge class dinners. On Saturday July 22 there will be a brunch at Joe T. Garcia's and a dinner that evening at the Fort Worth Zoo. Contact ANN COLLINS FLORSHEIM for registration information for the weekend at ACFlorsheim@yahoo.com.

Women from LOUISIANA BETA'S 1977 new member class reunited in December for a holiday luncheon at Galtatoire's Bistro in Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

THE INDIANAPOLIS, INDIANA ALUMNAE CLUB is turning 100 this year. Their celebration will be April 23 at Butler University, and GRAND PRESIDENT EMILY TARR will be in attendance.

Texas Deltas reunite for the wedding of Karen Rydell Cobb's daughter, Lindsay Cobb, also a Texas Delta. From left: Betsy Cron Muncy, Karen Rydell Cobb, Carol McGannon Weathers, Susie Cole Byars, Nan Bryant Everhart and Emily Smith Benton.





Illinois Zeta Claire Tinley poses in front of the American Red Cross truck after donating blood. Many Illinois Zetas volunteer at University of Illinois blood drives, assisting with signing people in, making sure donors get something to eat and/or drink after they donate, and handing out flyers around campus to ensure a good turn out. An impressive number of chapter members are donors as well.

For this issue we asked our collegians how organ donation has affected members in their chapters. From blood drives, to sick family members, to the simple act of signing the organ donation line on the back of their driver's licenses, here's what they said:

VIRGINIA DELTA LAURA MACQUEEN has great hopes for founding a non-profit organization based on organ donation. "Donating Life" is something very personal for Laura. Her mother received a kidney in 1980 when the procedure was relatively

The Pennsylvania Epsilon Chapter cosponsored an exceptionally successful blood drive last spring to benefit the Penn State Dance Marathon (THON). The women exceeded their goal of 110 units of blood by collecting 125 units in one day. new. Without this organ, donated by her brother, she would almost certainly have died. Twenty-six years have passed since the surgery and Laura's mother is alive and healthy and has not experienced any complications with the donated kidney. Virginia Delta Old Dominion University ALABAMA GAMMA LAUREN TONINI was tragically killed in a car accident in 2003. Lauren was an organ donor and thus her eyes and heart were donated touching the lives of grateful recipients. A scholarship was established at Auburn University in Lauren's honor and the chapter remembers her as an amazing, spir-



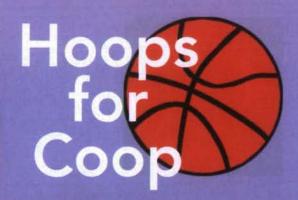
battle with leukemia, MICHIGAN GAMMA SAMANTHA MAYS' entire family registered with the National Marrow Donor Program. The process involves taking only a small amount of blood. Those on the registry list then have the potential to be matched with an individual of similar stem cell type who is in need of a transplant. Transplants of bone marrow and blood stem cells can treat many forms of cancer and various blood diseases. Samantha has encouraged everyone in her chapter to take the time for the simple act of registering with the National Marrow Donor Program. Michigan Gamma Michigan State University

CALIFORNIA GAMMA MARISSA PETERSEN has shown her dedication to donor-related volunteer work as the Vice President of HYPE, a student organization that supports cancer patients at the Los Angeles Children's Hospital. HYPE, in collaboration with another non-profit organization, has worked to staff several blood and bone marrow drives in order to help these children and their families. In addition, Marissa donates her own blood and encourages her sisters to do the same. She notes the importance of donating blood and that each personal donation can save up to three lives.

California Gamma University of Southern California

At age 11, OKLAHOMA ALPHA HALEY HUBBARD was diagnosed with a very rare form of leukemia called CML (chronic myelogenous leukemia). After learning of her rare condition, she and her family decided to seek care at the renowned St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in Memphis, Tennessee. They learned that Haley's only option was a bone marrow transplant. After two months on the National Bone Marrow Registry, a match was found and





Cooper Rieg

Kansas Beta joined with the rest of Kansas State University's Greek organizations for the "Hoops for Coop" event on Feb. 25. All proceeds from the basketball tournament went directly to Cooper Rieg, son of Kansas Beta Shannon O'Hara Rieg.

Two year old Cooper was diagnosed with Sanfilippo disease. He is missing a crucial enzyme used to break down muccopolysaccharides, or sugar molecules, in the body. These molecules build up in every cell in the body, causing progressive damage to vital organs, primarily the brain, leading to mental retardation, physical debilitation and eventually death. The life expectancy of Cooper, untreated, is 10 to 15 years.

Cooper recently finished a long period of chemotherapy treatments and is undergoing experimental stem cell treatments at Duke University Hospital.



The Rieg Family

The Reigs take one day at a time and are full of hope for Cooper. To learn more about Cooper and how you can help, visit www.caringbridge.com/visit/cooperrieg



Kansas Betas at Hoops for Coop

#### COLLEGIATE NEWS



North Carolina Deltas with former Grand President South Carolina Alpha Sis Mullis prepare for skit night during the chapter's first formal recruitment at North Carolina State University.

Haley returned to St. Jude for her life saving transplant. Haley still battles such diseases as a leadership panel member for the Oklahoma Blood Institute, Relay for Life executive committee member, national spokes-patient from St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and as Oklahoma Alpha Philanthropy Chair.

Oklahoma Alpha University of Oklahoma

KENTUCKY ALPHA AMANDA THOMPSON knows well the importance of organ and blood donation. Her sister, Katie Thompson was diagnosed with leukemia at age two. She survived, largely due to plasma donations she received to restore her cell count. Kentucky Alpha

TEXAS ZETA LISA REMMENGA interns for a marketing company that pro-

University of Louisville

moted Waco Donor Day on Feb. 10, and she encouraged her chapter to get involved. At the event, many Pi Phis showed up to donate blood, register for the marrow donor program and learn more about organ and tissue donation.

Texas Zeta Baylor University

The Blood Center of Wisconsin is located on Marquette University's campus and WISCONSIN DELTA has worked with the organization on several occasions to sponsor a number of campus-wide blood drives. The chapter knows the importance of donating blood to save the lives of disaster victims, surgery patients, emergency room patients and other individuals in need of blood. Additionally, they have teamed up with other fraternities and sororities to conduct blood drives in order to strengthen the Greek community and produce higher turnouts. Wisconsin Delta Marquette University

CALIFORNIA DELTA hosted a blood drive on Jan. 17 with the help of



When Arizona Alpha Dove Mittleman became seriously ill in October 2005, she recognized that her situation was an opportunity to give back to her community.

After a long period of sickness, Dove checked into St. Joseph's Hospital in Phoenix, Arizona with a kidney blood infection. The doctors immediately noticed her irregular breathing and ordered that a chest X-ray be performed to determine its cause. The X-ray showed a softball-sized mass, later determined to be a benign lung tumor that was seriously inhibiting her lungs' ability to breathe properly.

Dove volunteered to donate the tumor for medical research at the hospital's tissue bank, in hopes that her donation could help the medical community get one step closer to finding cures for serious problems like tumors and cancer. She said that although the experience of being severely ill was unexpected and frightening, she was glad to have a found a silver lining to the situation.

"If something as simple as making a donation is going to help us get one step closer to finding a cure for a problem like a cancerous or malignant tumor, there's no reason not to do it," Dove said.



Montana Alphas Lacey Reid, left and Valerie Tutvedt show off their latest accessories thanks to the American Red Cross. Lacey and Valerie are two of the many women in their chapter who donate blood regularly to the Red Cross.

the American Red Cross. The Red Cross bloodmobile parked on the street outside of the CALIFORNIA DELTA Pi Phi house. Many people donated, including chapter members, friends of chapter members and other people in the community. One man even stopped to donate because he saw the Bloodmobile as he drove by.

California Delta University of California-Los Angeles

CALIFORNIA ETA BREE KELLY knows firsthand the difference donating blood can make. Due to her mother's major complications resulting from a number of extensive back surgeries, Bree and her immediate family all donated blood prior to her mother's scheduled surgeries. Bree's mother's life was ultimately saved through the 52 donations of blood that Bree, her family and other donors generously gave. Bree, who once had a phobia of needles came to truly understand that a fear of a small prick is no excuse not to give of yourself and save a life. California Eta

University of California-Irvine

The sisters of MAINE ALPHA realize the importance of discussing

### Risk and Reward

Oregon Alpha Rebecca Shively had no idea what was in store for her when she traveled to Cape Town, South Africa. A senior at the University of Oregon double majoring in International Studies and Political Science, she traveled to Cape Town for a month last summer for an internship with the Amy Biehl Foundation Trust.

The foundation was established in 1997 by the parents of California Alpha Amy Biehl. Their daughter, an active Pi Phi and Stanford Rhodes Scholar, was shot in an act of political mob violence in the Guguletu Township outside of Cape Town. In an effort to combat violence, ABFT gives students in South Africa the opportunity to have mentors, to be involved with after school programs (including music, sports, and drama/theater) that public schools cannot afford to provide, and to have hope for their futures.

Under the impression that she would be working with the HIV/AIDS peer-educators portion of the foundation, Rebecca was informed upon arrival that she would be spearheading and leading a one-month workshop teaching peer mentors the art of self-defense. Without the materials from a self-defense course she had previously taken, Rebecca was forced to create her own curriculum, which proved to be challenging, since she would be teaching boys and girls, sophomores through seniors in high school.

During her month-long stay, Rebecca always had to be fully aware of her safety. In a town in which poverty is highly prevalent, "people don't have anything to lose," Rebecca explained when describing the frequency of robberies and shootings. With the knowledge of two interns before her being held at gunpoint and robbed in a public bathroom, Rebecca always carried money and her cell phone with her wherever she went. Victims of attempted robberies were often shot by the thief if they did not possess any money.

Looking back at her experience, Rebecca admired the hope and upbeat attitudes that her students possessed. With poor living conditions and a dilapidated school system, her students remained warm-hearted and welcoming. "It's very humbling and sobering; you fall in love with the children very quickly," Rebecca stated. When asked if given the opportunity to travel to Cape Town again, Rebecca nodded and replied "definitely."

To learn more about ABFT, visit www.amybiehl.org.



Oregon Alpha Rebecca Shively with children she taught in South Africa.

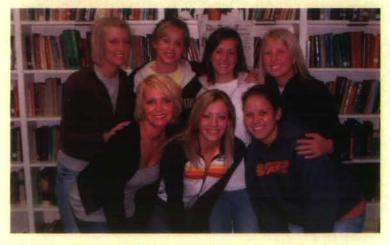
#### COLLEGIATE NEWS



Pennsylvania Gamma Caroline Duncan enjoys books and cookies with local children at a CAR event near Dickinson College.



Texas Gamma Kelly Buchanan, Texas Tech University Homecoming Queen, reads to children at a local elementary school.



Oklahoma Betas at Oklahoma State University participate in Reading Buddies, one of their chapter's philanthropies.

the option of organ donation with your family and the amazing difference it can make for another human life. The majority of the chapter has stickers on the backs of their licenses signifying them as organ donors, so if anything happens, their wishes will be known. Maine Alpha University of Maine

CALIFORNIA NU strongly supports California's Donate Life campaign by passing out donor stickers at meetings for all chapter member to affix to the backs of their drivers' licenses. California Nu Loyola Marymount University

Members of the ARKANSAS BETA chapter strongly encourage each other to attend blood drives on campus, as well as locally sponsored drives. Donating blood is one of the easiest ways to give to those in need. Arkansas Beta University of Arkansas-Little Rock



lowa Beta Mallory Higgins, a junior at Simpson College spent last semester in New York City interning for Bravo's hit reality show "Queer Eye for the Straight Guy" and FOX News Channel's morning show "FOX & Friends." She met many celebrities while at FOX, such as Cedric the Entertainer, Blair Underwood, Senator John McCain and Patty Loveless. Ironically, one of Mallory's fellow interns at "FOX & Friends" was Texas Beta Megan Tevrizian. The pair bonded instantly.

#### COLLEGIATE NEWS



This past Christmas break, nine members of the Mississippi Alpha Chapter traveled to Gatlinburg, Tennessee to visit Arrowmont and the Pi Beta Phi Elementary School. While at the school, the women were entertained by the students as they did the "Pi Phi Slide." After touring the school, they enjoyed snacks with the students and the principal. The women had a wonderful time exploring this special aspect of Pi Phi's rich heritage.

The KENTUCKY BETA chapter has taken advantage of the many opportunities to donate blood and bone marrow on the University of Kentucky campus. Each semester there is a university-wide blood drive, and in the fall they compete in a blood drive competition with the University of Tennessee and in the spring with the University of Arkansas. Kentucky Beta University of Kentucky

CALIFORNIA ALPHA was thrilled to have MOLLY QUINN lead an Organ Donation Workshop in the chapter's lounge. All members gathered at the house to hear Molly, a member of Stanford's Organ Donor

California Lambdas take a quick break between recruitment events to bond and re-engergize.

Education organization, discuss the importance of organ donation and how to get involved. Molly informed everyone that the simplest step they can take is to signify their willingness to be an organ donor on their driver's license and to discuss their decision with their families. California Alpha Stanford University

Villanova University hosts several blood drives each

semester and Pi Phis are active participants. Eighty-five percent of the chapter have donated blood in the past year. COURTNEY RYAN and SARA BENNET have both organized multiple blood drives on campus and encourage everyone in the chapter to take this simple step to save a life.

Pennsylvania Theta

Villanova University

ARKANSAS ALPHA was ecstatic to have the most participants of any organization on campus in the Game of Life Blood Drive in January. Each year before the University of Kentucky vs. University of Arkansas basketball game there is a contest between the two schools to see who can donate the most blood. This year Arkansas prevailed over Kentucky, and Pi Phi played a proud role in that victory, donating enough blood to save more than 228 lives. Arkansas Alpha University of Arkansas



# News & Notes

#### DC ALPHA REDUX

The Fraternity is thrilled that Pi Beta Phi has been chosen to extend at The George Washington University in Washington, D.C., so the Fraternity will be re-colonizing its D.C. Alpha chapter this year.

Pi Beta Phi has a rich historical connection to The George Washington University. The D.C. Alpha chapter was originally chartered in 1889 and was the first chapter on The George Washington University campus and remained the only women's group for 10 years. It was also Pi Phi's first chapter to be chartered under the name Pi Beta Phi and was the first chapter located on the east coast. Two Fraternity presidents were D.C. Alphas and the Pi Beta Phi ritual was written in 1890 by D.C. Alpha Anna S. Hazelton.

There are currently eight National Panhellenic Conference groups on campus. Since the Fall 2000, George Washington University has experienced significant growth from approximately 7,500 undergraduates to more than 10,000 undergraduates.

Colonizing recruitment for the D.C. Alpha chapter will take place in October 2006, with installation planned for January 2007.

#### WELCOME, JENNIFER BRYANT



Jennifer Johnson Bryant Fraternity's

FLORIDA
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BRYANT has
joined
Pi Beta Phi
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Controller. She fills the position that



Grand President Emily Russell Tarr, left, visited Headquarters December 19 for a double celebration. After working for the Fraternity for 16 years, Illinois Alpha Pat McFarland Hook, center, retired from her position of membership services coordinator. December also was the month that Janet Miller, operations manager, celebrated 30 years of Pi Beta Phi employment.

was vacated by JULI WILLEMAN when she became Executive Director.

Jennifer earned her bachelor of finance degree from Stetson University and holds a master of business administration degree from St. Louis University. As Controller, she oversees the Fraternity budget and financial affairs.

Since 1995, Jennifer had worked for Anheuser-Busch in a variety of accounting-related positions. Most recently, she was the Manager of Financial Accounting and System Development for their packaging group.

Jennifer grew up in Florida, where most of her family remains. "I have lived in St. Louis for 11 years, and am happy to now call it home," she says. Mother of 8-year-old Connor and 5-year-old Mattilyn, Jennifer enjoys traveling, reading and running when she has time.

## LIFELONG ENRICHMENT SERIES FOR WOMEN

Pi Beta Phi Fraternity has three more cities to visit this spring. Ohio Beta Barbara Oliver Tootle, president of Left Field Consulting, is the featured speaker. Her program focuses on how women can manage the many changes in their lives.

#### LOS ANGELES

Wednesday, April 19

#### SAN FRANCISCO

Thursday, April 20

#### WASHINGTON, D.C.

Thursday, May 4

For more details, log in at www.pibetaphi.org and check out the events page.

#### SUMMER ARROW

The topic for the Summer Arrow is Fighting for the Right to Vote. IOWA GAMMA CARRIE LANE CHAPMAN CATT fought hard to secure the vote for women so we should always remember that voting is a responsibility for every election (not just presidential). Do you know any Pi Phis running for office? Does your chapter encourage people to: register to vote, go to the polls, hold debates or educate students about issues on the ballot?

Another Summer article will dispel common Pi Phi myths. Have you



heard about Pi Phi "facts" or famous members that aren't listed on our Web site? Send stories you know are false, as well as those that leave you wondering if they might be true, to editor@pibetaphi.org.

#### **eSISTERS ON THE WEB**

This month the Members-Only side to the Web site will be totally new and feature an eSisters program. With eSisters, members will have an interactive networking community designed specifically for their needs. It will provide easy-to-use communication tools, a forum for sharing professional insights and support for transitions through a variety of life and professional phases. This program will replace the existing Life Leader Links program and members will be able to control how much information is listed and how it is shared.

The Pi Beta Phi Web site, www. pibetaphi.org, continues to grow and change to better meet our members' needs. The main Web site features brighter, easier-to-read pages. Check out what's going on and what's new on the "In the News" and "New on the Web" pages. These pages are updated weekly.

Visit the new Publications page at http://pibetaphi.org/aboutus/publications.html. You can view The Arrow and most of the Fraternity's publications, as well as resources and guidelines for submission to publications. Web guidelines and resources may also be found on this page.

New pages and functions will make it easier to update information, locate sisters, pay alumnae dues and access information, forms and documents on the Web site.

We will feature a new prototype page every few weeks, so check back often.

If you have not signed up for your Members-Only Web site account, be sure to do so. If you do not have

your member ID, which can be found on your Arrow mailing label, click on the link next to the member ID field. The link says "Request your member ID." Once you have received your member ID via e-mail, return to the "sign up" screen and enter the requested information - your member ID, initiation year, chapter and name to gain access to the site.

#### HAZING HOTLINE

Do you think hazing is taking place in a chapter? Concerned collegians, alumnae, parents and administrators please call to report any suspected hazing activities. The Pi Beta Phi Hazing Hotline is 1-800-320-1867.

#### **NEWS & NOTES**

#### AACs/HOUSE CORPORATIONS NEED HELP

A full listing of all of the chapters that need Alumnae Advisory
Committee or House Corporation members typically runs in the
Summer Arrow. Although we do not have space each issue to reprint the list, it doesn't mean that all positions are filled. If you are interested in serving as an AAC or House
Corporation member, please check the updated Web site listing at www. pibetaphi.org and go to the alumnae announcements page to see if there is a chapter near you in need of help.

#### WEBINARS

Leadership Development will be delivered to alumnae club leaders in their own homes or offices via the Internet with the Fraternity's new Webinars. This easy, comprehensive training opportunity will benefit them personally and the alumnae organizations they represent.

The benefits of Webinars are many. For example,

- More club officers will have the opportunity to benefit from the training.
- Training will happen in the leaders' own communities
   maybe even their own homes.
- Costs and time commitment will be minimal because officers won't need to travel far or stay overnight in a hotel.
- The messages will be universal for everyone and delivered at the same time.
- Subjects covered will be more targeted and on a bi-monthly basis.
- Topics presented will serve as springboards for officers to use in planning for success in their clubs and pockets.



Pi Phi Legacy Kimberly Cook is currently living in the very same room at the Ohio Alpha house that her grandmother, Sally Ann Ward Cook, lived in when she attended Ohio University in the 1950s.

 And, the Fraternity will be delivering on its promise to develop its leaders in ways that will be beneficial for woman of different life situations.

Check the events page on the Web

site, www.pibetaphi.org, for upcoming Webinars.

#### REUNIONS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Anniversaries are significant markers in our continuum of being a



Pi Phi Legacy Megan Weinlein celebrated her initiation as a Louisiana Alpha with her grandmother Jeannie Miles Field, left, and mother Christine Race Weinlein who are both Washington Gammas.

Pi Phi for Life. Whether we have been deeply involved or slightly removed, these are times to remember the fun and friendship of the past, to gain an appreciation of the value of our shared history and to recommit to keep our Fraternity strong for those who follow us. Check out the anniversaries on the events page of the Web site to see information about past and upcoming reunions. Don't forget to let

Headquarters know if you are planning a special day of remembrance.

#### SAY CHEESE

The Arrow is looking for action photos of your chapter or club activities. Here are some tips:

- 1. Take close-ups when possible
- 2. Keep photos simple avoid cluttered foregrounds and backgrounds

- 3. Catch your sisters in action informal and candid photos are best
- 4. Avoid photos showing cups or wine glasses
- 5. If submitting digital files, please send jpeg or tif files at 300 dpi or greater.

Send all photos, with cutlines identifying the participants from left to right, to editor@pibetaphi.org.

#### LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

In February, the Fraternity held a Leadership Academy with two tracks in St. Louis, Missouri. Chapters sent their Presidents and Vice Presidents of Finance, as well as their Alumnae Advisory Committee Chairs and Financial Advisors to the academy. Also invited were Regional Operations and Financial Specialists.

The Chapter Presidents' agenda included sessions on Leadership Training, Myers Briggs Type Indicators, interpersonal skills assessment, the Pi Beta Phi Leadership Model, servant leadership, effective communications and goal setting.

Sessions for the Vice Presidents of Finance focused on QuickBooks, Pi Phi policies and guidelines, housing and risk management; and building the relationship with House Corp.

Thanks to a generous donation from Pi Beta Phi Foundation, Jennifer Robin from the Leadership Development Centre at Bradley University, created and facilitated the programming for the Chapter Presidents' track. Jennifer, also the keynote speaker, is pictured in the upper right photo.

Highlights of the weekend included a tour of Headquarters and shopping at Pi Phi Express.

> Leadership Academy attendees enjoyed refreshments in the Headquarters break room.



Due to space constraints, The Arrow will only print the obituary of a former Grand President, In Memoriam lists the name, initiation year, and month and year of each other member who has died. If you know a sister has died, please inform Headquarters. However, only those names accompanied by a published notice will be listed in The Arrow. Published notices include a newspaper obituary, a funeral program/prayer card, or a listing in a college/university alumnae newsletter. Also acceptable are obituaries from newspaper Web sites — attach the article and e-mail it to Alison Bauer at alison@piphico.org.

#### ALABAMA ALPHA

Marguerite Johnston Barnes, 1935; December 2005

#### ARIZONA BETA

Janet Wood Snell, 1983; October 2005

#### ARIZONA GAMMA

Sierra Marie D'Ambrosi, 1997; November 2005

#### ARKANSAS ALPHA

Mary Carter Wallace, 1932; January 2006

#### CALIFORNIA ALPHA

Jean Richards Madigan, 1943; October 2005

#### CALIFORNIA BETA

Barbara Jane Berry, 1965; January 2006 Margaret Henze Murry, 1950; January

Jane Harding Otto, 1946; November 2005

#### CALIFORNIA GAMMA

Doris Dunsmoor Bell, 1924; September 2005

#### COLORADO ALPHA

Nanon McQuarrie Smith, 1948; January 2006

#### COLORADO BETA

Else Windfeld Abbott, 1952; October

Mariorie Hibner Fair, 1930; November

Lucille McCrillis Ryland, 1936; January

#### COLORADO GAMMA

Joanne Litle Gentry, 1955; September 2005

#### CONNECTICUT ALPHA

Susan Treat Wilson, 1958; November 2005

#### FLORIDA ALPHA

Adelaide Kev Merrell, 1941; November 2005

#### FLORIDA BETA

Neta Barham Wellford, 1926; January

#### **GEORGIA ALPHA**

Helen Holland Taylor, 1948; May 2005

#### **ILLINOIS BETA**

Faith Townsend Cutler, 1925; December 2005

#### **ILLINOIS BETA-DELTA**

Nancy Siegle Doyle, 1945; November

Elinor Strand Miller, 1933; March 2005 Anita Albro Williams, 1950; November 2005

#### **ILLINOIS EPSILON**

Virginia Landwehr, 1951; December 2005

#### **ILLINOIS THETA**

Alice Bonner Luthy, 1947; November 2005

#### **ILLINOIS ZETA**

Rebecca Cabeen Adams, 1936; November 2005

June Whitson Ewing, 1929; June 2005 Isabel Walcott Ladd, 1937; November

Mary "Tommie" Riley, 1949; December 2005

#### INDIANA ALPHA

lacqueline Pearson Alexander, 1949; November 2005 Marian Mullendore, 1929: November 2005

#### INDIANA BETA

Marjorie Bell Cuthbert, 1934; November

Martha Shipp Trieschmann Jarvis, 1932; December 2005

#### INDIANA DELTA

Janet Martin Strang, 1935; November 2005

#### INDIANA GAMMA

Marilyn Bowman Blewett, 1947; November 2005 Mary Colvin Pruyn, 1935; January 2006

#### INDIANA ZETA

Nancylee Cambridge Buckley, 1960; January 2006

#### **IOWA BETA**

Alice Judson Fisher, 1924; January 2006

#### **IOWA GAMMA**

Virginia Romberg Davis, 1929; January

#### **IOWA ZETA**

Elizabeth Swartz Sondag, 1951; November 2005

#### KANSAS ALPHA

Martha Starr duMoulin, 1938; November 2005

Linda O'Keefe Lamkin, 1976; December

Megan Lloyd Schoeck, 1956; November

#### KANSAS BETA

Norma Huddleston Busenbark, 1947; May 2005

Lenora Ash Heathman, 1938; January

Peggy Phelan, 1944; March 2005

#### KENTUCKY ALPHA

Thelma Knebelkamp Long, 1925; December 2005

#### LOUISIANA ALPHA

Helen Patton Cox, 1954; January 2006 Lucy "Tachy" Harper Sicard, 1934; November 2005

#### MANITOBA ALPHA

Sheila Young Bloomer, 1938; July 2005 June Cherry Donogh, 1943; October 2005

#### MARYLAND ALPHA

June Harris McCreery, 1937; November 2005

Florence T. Wood, 1929; November 2005

#### MICHIGAN ALPHA

Barbara Webb Boyce, 1945; July 2005

#### MICHIGAN BETA

Rosemary Knox Bowen, 1944; October 2005 Harriet Boyer Brundin, 1942, affiliated Ohio Beta: November 2005

#### MICHIGAN GAMMA

Suzanne Coleman Johnson, 1945; September 2005

#### MISSOURI ALPHA

Rebecca Rood Atwood, 1933; December 2005

Bedonna Lingle Carstarphen, 1930; January 2006

Rosene Cox Jacoby, 1934, afflilated Texas Beta; December 2005

#### MISSOURI BETA

Susan Brown Rowe, 1944; November 2005

#### MISSOURI GAMMA

Mildred Frances Pitt, 1923; January 2006

#### MONTANA ALPHA

Anne Sanders Cook, 1934; September 2005 Lois Herrett Hill, 1939; November 2005

#### **NEVADA ALPHA**

Anne Louise Jenkins Scott, 1933; October 2005

#### **NEW YORK ALPHA**

Anne Herrington Haskett, 1936; August 2005

Kitty Chalk Holmquist, 1944; November 2005

#### **NEW YORK GAMMA**

Frances Scurrah Getman, 1928; May 2005

#### NORTH CAROLINA BETA

Sylvia Hunsicker Kleinhans, 1933; January 2006

#### NORTH DAKOTA ALPHA

Jane McGuiness Diekman, 1955; September 2005

#### OHIO ALPHA

Elma Gray Robson, 1937; July 2005

#### OHIO BETA

Virginia Talley Miller, 1941; September 2005

#### OHIO DELTA

Lucile Ottman Pardee, 1929; May 2005

#### OHIO EPSILON

Sue Niles Swanson, 1948; November 2005 Marjorie Keller Winger, 1946; November 2005

#### OKLAHOMA ALPHA

Patricia Prichard Buchanan, 1955; December 2005

Helen Dodson Claassen, 1941; December 2005

May Jo "Jody" Lundgaard Teel, 1945; November 2005

#### OKLAHOMA BETA

Emma Adele Swim Bennett, 1940; January 2006

#### **OKLAHOMA BETA**

Cynthia Cruce Shiels, 1977; May 2005

#### **ONTARIO ALPHA**

Frances Halsall Mathers, 1958; July 2005

#### **OREGON ALPHA**

Helen Dodds Cross, 1934; January 2006 Phyllis Dube Wildenradt, 1940; October 2005

#### **OREGON BETA**

Barbara Larson Dunn, 1936; January 2006

#### PENNSYLVANIA ALPHA

Marion Gaines Baird, 1932; June 2005

#### PENNSYLVANIA BETA

Louise Brosius Hurd, 1938; November 2005

#### PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA

Margaret E. St. Claire Piggot, 1957; December 2005

#### SOUTH CAROLINA ALPHA

Dorothy Kennedy Holt, 1946; July 2005 Maxine Todd Heaner Huckabee, 1947; December 2005

#### TENNESSEE ALPHA

Bettie Burnette McElroy, 1945; November

#### TENNESSEE BETA

Bettye Brasfield Cooper, 1945; November 2005

Nancy Fawn Wilkerson Diehl, 1951; December 2005

#### **TEXAS ALPHA**

Mary Greenwood Anderson, 1939; November 2005

Margaret Neil C. Blankenbeckler, 1940; December 2005

Sue Lander Bowman, 1948; January 2006 Marilyn Tillery Kutner, 1941; September 2005

Jane Burchard Wilson Matthews, 1943; January 2005

Mary Jo Long Rauscher, 1946; November 2005

Ann Harrell Swenson, 1955; January 2006

#### TEXAS BETA

Polly LaRoche Chappell, 1935; November 2005

Colleen Keilty Darnall, 1941; January 2006 Sylvia Dewitt Ferguson, 1938; January 2006

#### **TEXAS GAMMA**

Pauline Barrier Lowe, 1953; December 2005

#### **TEXAS ZETA**

Jesmarie Harvey Hurst, 1977; January 2006 Margery Scholl Marrs, 1977; January 2006

#### WASHINGTON ALPHA

Sally Chose Brockman, 1948; August 2005 Marjorie Thompson Lockwood, 1941; January 2006

#### **WASHINGTON BETA**

Karen Kimzey Damon, 1961; January 2006

#### **WASHINGTON GAMMA**

Elizabeth "Ann" Driver L'Heureux, 1962; August 2005

#### **WEST VIRGINIA BETA**

Mary Shoemaker Rasulis, 1953; November 2005

#### WISCONSIN BETA

Mary-Jane Summers Scheid, 1947; November 2005

#### WYOMING ALPHA

Lillian England Hoover, 1928; November 2005

# Don't Miss a Single Issue!

In the 2006-07 academic year, the Fall Arrow will be the only issue mailed to the entire membership. Members who have paid their international dues for the previous year will continue to receive all four issues in the mail. Those members who do not pay dues will be sent e-mail notices and links to the Winter, Spring and Summer Arrows when they are posted on the Pi Beta Phi Web site.

So, if you have not paid your dues for the 2005-2006 fiscal year, please consider doing so now, or make sure that Headquarters has your most recent e-mail address. To pay dues, or update your records, log in at www. pibetaphi.org and go to Members-Only.

Anyone wanting to continue to receive The Arrow who does not have computer access and is unable to pay dues, should call The Arrow editor, at 636-256-0680, for information about receiving a copy.

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Chapter and Year of Initiation		

If you are an officer in the Fraternity, please give title so that we may update