

Your Leadership ... OUR FUTURE



Grand President Emily Russell Tarr

Each year more than 2,500 volunteers lend their time and talents to keep Pi Phi running effectively and efficiently. Their commitment to the Fraternity ensures that everything from recruitment to initiation and from house management to chapter advising are in compliance with our policies and with Panhellenic regulations. In short, they take responsibility for leading Pi Phi members and giving them an opportunity for the same meaningful experience they themselves enjoyed. Often times our alumnae clubs act as a proving ground for members who aspire to be a Fraternity officer. Without our volunteers, Pi Phi could not function at the level it does and we are grateful for their dedication and their skills.

Grand Council realizes that while we work with many talented and loyal members, Pi Phi still has much untapped talent within our ranks. How can we, a group of seven, possibly know all the leaders and potential leaders in our organization? As part of the Fraternity's strategic plan, there is a sense of urgency around talent identification and development. As a result, the Fraternity has engaged Paramount Potentials, a firm of industrial organizational (IO) psychologists to consult on talent identification and assessment. Based on skill sets for various jobs, assessments have been developed. Some candidates will be asked to take the Web-based assessment to determine if their skill set is compatible with the job that is open. We are working with Paramount Potentials to broaden our pool of volunteers and ensure that volunteering for Pi Phi is a mutually beneficial experience for the volunteer and the Fraternity.

Additionally, we have opened up the nomination process to encourage more people to get involved in Pi Phi leadership. In the past, you might have waited for a call from the Nominating Committee assuming that someone would get in touch with you, if and when help was needed. That is simply not the right way to identify volunteers; it does not allow us to fully appreciate the talents of our members. Going forward, self nomination will be key to the Fraternity's success. Fill out the self nomination on the Web site, www.pibetaphi.org/alumnae/volunteer_a.html. Feel free to nominate yourself or a friend. Members of the Nominating Committee will be in touch to acknowledge your interest. The Fraternity realizes that education and training are vital to success. Those opportunities are provided to all officers in a way that not only benefits Pi Phi but also the volunteer.

Research shows a high success rate when using the three-pronged approach of a strong resume, alignment of skills through assessment and conversations with the Nominating Committee.

We are all leaders – it's a theme that runs throughout everything we do in Pi Phi. I ask you to put your invaluable skills to work for Pi Phi and help us to become recognized as a premier organization for women. We need you and want you.

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From the Reader

CARRIE LANE CHAPMAN CATT

A friend shared her issue of the Summer Arrow 2006, with the splendid article about CARRIE LANE CHAPMAN CATT. Your readers may be interested in knowing that the National 19th Amendment Society has restored Carrie's childhood home near Charles City, Iowa. We have had a group of Pi Phis as visitors at the site since we opened in August 2005. We are very proud of the house and our displays which were developed by University of Northern Iowa students telling the story of Carrie and her involvement with the Woman Suffrage movement. We welcome visitors, of course. If your readers would like to learn more about us they may visit our new Web site at www.catt.org.

MARY ANN ZANOTTI, PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL 19TH AMENDMENT SOCIETY CHARLES CITY, IOWA

GIFT OF LIFE

I just thought I would let you know that SANDRA WILSON CHERRY, ARKANSAS AL-PHA, passed away Tuesday. She was so appreciative, as we all were, that you featured her in your article on transplants. She was a true role model in her life as well as in her passing. We all loved Sandra and will miss her greatly. However, thanks to her experience receiving a kidney, there is a memorial at the Medical Center in honor of her donor, ARKANSAS BETA MARY MELISSA COBB. Thank you for helping to educate others about this life-saving technology.

REBECCA HUDSON SLAVEN ARKANSAS ALPHA LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS

NEED FOR VOLUNTEERS

I am honored and privileged to serve on my own chapter's House Corporation (HC) as President. I live six hours from my chapter house, a challenge I share with other volunteers across the country. We do not always have alumnae in town to help maintain our house. It is a house that holds fond memories of great times with my sisters - friends I continue to hold reunions with today.

As was announced in The Arrow, all Fraternity-owned homes must have fire sprinklers by the summer of 2007. Our HC sent out a letter to all alumnae requesting financial support for this unexpected expense, as the early estimates were in the \$100,000 range.

Several replies indicated that our alumnae do not realize they are members of their initiated chapter's HC, and as such hold an investment in their house. I write this to educate each initiated member that they are a member of their HC. Please support your HC when they ask for assistance. It is an investment in your past and for Pi Phis who will follow.

Please also note that the HC is a separate entity from the active chapter and donations are not tax-deductible. We are responsible for maintaining the facility. We deal with hiring the house mother and cook, redecorating and maintaining the facility.

Please support us in maintaining a safe and beautiful house on each campus we are proud to call home.

Melissa Dates Schmidt OHIO ALPHA HERNDON, VIRGINIA

OREGON BETA CLOSING

I have been a member of OREGON Beta's Alumnae Advisory Committee for the past two years, mainly assisting/ advising with recruitment. The members worked hard and with enthusiasm each month in order to boost membership, however, Oregon State University's Greek system is in shambles with overall interest rapidly declining and no assistance from the Office of Greek Life. More chapters will be forced to close in the near future.

OREGON BETA has maintained a GPA above the all-university average for most terms. All alumnae can, and should, continue to be proud of this chapter.

PATTY PERLICH VITKUS OREGON ALPHA CORVALLIS, OREGON

A GIRL OF THE PI BETA PHI

I received my Arrow today and in the article titled "A Girl of the Pi Beta Phi," Grace Coolidge, wife of President Calvin Coolidge, was not listed. Doubtless other prominent Pi Phi's were overlooked, but if memory serves me correctly, I saw her life-sized portrait hanging in the White House decades ago. Dressed in a long red sheath, this beautiful slender, brunette had her arrow prominently displayed over her heart.

R. EVANGELINE MECHLIN FLETT LOUISIANA BETA SHREVEPORT, LOUISIANA

HURRICANE KATRINA

I will never be able to express my sincere gratitude for the assistance I received for Hurricane Katrina. I remember hearing that I would have sisters for life, but the generosity and compassion shown for my husband and me is indescribable!

Pi Phi, you have gone above and beyond and you gave me the chance to finish our recovery and inch back into a sense of normalcy. You will all forever be in our hearts and thoughts.

A million thank yous.

SISTER TO SISTER GRANT RECIPIENT KENNER, LOUISIANA

Is Pi Phi Really a Brand?

Indeed, it is. Everything we send out, do or say conveys an image of Pi Beta Phi Fraternity and our values.

It is critical to the long-term health of our brand to realize this fact. We all have to make sure that we send consistent messages to our audiences: collegians and prospective members, alumnae, school leadership, Panhellenic affiliates and the general public.

In 2003, Pi Beta Phi officially began its branding effort. We didn't seek to change what Pi Phi is, but rather create a look, tone and feel that sends the right messages about Pi Phi. We started with a branded design of our publications, manuals and our Web site.

But our brand, and all that it represents, is only as strong as our chapters, clubs and our members. If you are not working by the same standards Grand Council is, the messages we are sending may not be consistent, and our brand will suffer.

Adhering to our brand is important for many reasons. Young women going through recruitment should know what Pi Phi stands for before they set foot on campus. Future employers might know something about Pi Phi before you come knocking at their doors. Pi Phi is a part of every community where we have chapters and alumnae clubs, and like any corporation or organization, we want our public image to be a positive one. And it's important because of our affiliation with our literacy partners and Arrowmont. People are more likely to support and donate to an organization that they understand and respect.

We have created a brand governance manual to help ensure that Headquarters and members are sending correct and consistent messages about Pi Phi. This is not meant to limit members, but to help everyone protect and strengthen our brand so that our publics understand why we are a premier organization. A copy of this manual can be downloaded from: www.pibetaphi.org/aboutus/ publications.html.

MISSION, VALUES & BRANDING

Our founders created this organization with a mission and values on which every decision has since been based. Our small groups - alumnae clubs and collegiate chapters - must exist around that same mission and values. We are all a part of the whole, and no club or chapter should establish separate missions or values.

When you read our mission and vision, there are key words and phrases that help you pinpoint the most important aspects of our brand: intellect and integrity, leadership, premier organization, contributing to the betterment of society, honor and respect and sincere friendship.

These attributes also describe how we want to be viewed. Remember that you are representing Pi Beta Phi whenever you are communicating whether it be through posters and fliers around campus, to letters and articles to local organizations and news outlets.

These days, there are more ways and more places to send messages about your brand than ever before. For example. Web sites and the Internet are important communications tools. E-mails; blogs; online directories, such as Facebook and MySpace; and chat rooms are also communications, so your use of them is protected by our brand governance guidelines.

The brand governance manual is a guide to help you respect our brand and trademark. Be sure you do the same for our partners. For example, there are very strict rules against using the Dr. Seuss Enterprise cat and hat visuals when promoting Read Across America activities. Don't forget that published art of angels and arrows are also protected by copyright laws, and we must not infringe on these.

We trust chapters and alumnae organizations to make good decisions about the content of general community and campus presentations. If you familiarize yourself with this manual and the correct formats, fonts and logos, creating communications pieces that comply with our brand governance will become second nature. If you have questions or extenuating circumstances, contact your Regional Director for counsel.

Certainly communications can be light and fun depending on the subject. But they should always present us as the intelligent, forward-thinking women that we are. We know that Pi Beta Phi is a premier organization for women. Let's make sure our audiences know, too. A







Attention All Pi Phi Cooks & Bakers



Don't miss your opportunity to cook your way into Pi Phi History. Pi Beta Phi is whipping up a new cookbook and you can be a part of it.

Sift through your recipe collection because we're looking for your tastiest concoctions. Do you have any favorite dishes from Pi Phi chapter dinners or alumnae events? How about that recipe that everyone asks you to share? Hurry, recipe submissions must be submitted via the recipe collection form located at:

www.pibetaphi.org/cookbook.htm.

Recipes can be submitted online or by post, but must be received by Oct. 31. If mailing, please send to:

Pi Phi Cookbook 1154 Town & Country Commons Drive Town & Country, MO 63017

The new cookbook will be presented in June at Convention 2007.

Name that Pi Phi Cookbook!

If cooking is not your forte, you can help us name Pi Phi's cookbook! Send your best ideas to cookbook@pibetaphi.org. Please include your name, initiated chapter and write TITLE CONTEST in the subject line. The winner will receive a cookbook gift package and recognition in Pi Phi's cookbook and in *The Arrow!*

We often judge a book by its cover and by its title. Here are some hints for a fabulous title:

- ▲ Make it catchy and be creative
- ▲ Find a title that appeals to everyone...Pi Phis and non-Pi Phis alike
- ▲ Try to keep it to three words or less, which is the length of effective titles

All submissions for the Pi Phi Cookbook Title Contest are due by Oct. 31, 2006!

How Does it Taste?

We are looking for volunteers to prepare and taste the submitted recipes! By testing the dishes, our taste-testers can help us ensure only the best possible treats make it into our cookbook.

If you are interested, please e-mail us at cookbook@pibetaphi.org with VOLUNTEER in the subject line and let us know how many recipes you would like to try.

Pi Phis in the Kitchen

BY STEPHANIE GURLEY-THOMAS

TEXAS ALPHA MARIE HEJL spends Monday through Thursday at her "day job" as a successful labor and employment attorney in Austin, Texas. When Friday rolls around. Marie trades in her suit and heels for an apron, fresh ingredients and a TV crew.

Marie spends her weekends writing, producing and starring in her own cooking show, "Cooking with Marie" filmed in her parents' kitchen. Marie's international show airs in almost 50 cities, from New York to California, and in Canada and New Zealand, all on public access channels.

A self-taught cook, Marie began her television career in fourth grade. Taping three cooking shows with her brother as producer and cameraman, the siblings ran out of money, but earned a guest appearance on "Good Morning America." Marie has been doing the current version of her cooking show since late 2004. It started with Marie scrambling home from work as a new attorney on Friday evenings to write up a menu and prepare her show. Saturday mornings began with several hours at local markets followed by 6-8 hours of filming at her parents house with a friend who volunteered as her cameraman.

Marie's cooking philosophy is simple: Use simple ingredients, use regular household appliances, cook food people like and have fun. Her Web site, www.cookingwithmarie.com, includes recipes, pictures, a blog, tv stations and schedules, and even a "Dear Marie" column.

Marie acknowledges that Pi Phi taught her to cherish tradition, a value that is a big part of her show. "In part, my cooking show is about maintaining the tradition of home-cooked meals. I want to preserve that tradition and also the tradition of sharing recipes with friends and children."

Marie also says that Pi Phi educated her about her duty to be a role model. "I have always looked up to the fabulous Pi Phi women who have accomplished so much - both at work and at home. I hope that now, or someday, I will inspire another Pi Phi to follow her dreams."

"As an attorney and host of a cooking show, maintaining balance in my life over the past couple of years has been a challenge," Marie admits. "What I've realized is that you have to think about what things are important to you. For me, this meant moving to a new law firm and negotiating a reduced-hour schedule so that I would have more time to work on my cooking show and spend time with family and friends."

In November 2006, her show will be featured in Southern Living's Home for the Holiday's Special Edition. In January 2007, it will be featured in



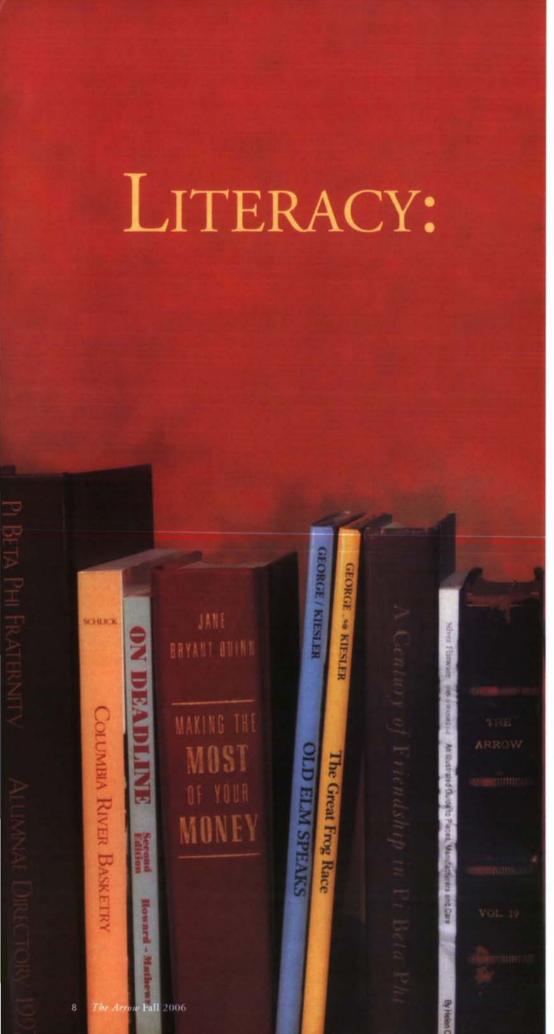
Southern Living's regular magazine in a section called "Texas Tales."

MISSOURI ALPHAS CONNECT THROUGH A COOKBOOK OF THEIR RECIPES

A group of MISSOURI ALPHAS found a unique way to stay in touch. KRISTAN MONT DAMES and an initiation class sister, AMY HALLER ZIMMERMAN, compile recipes given to them by the other members of their class. Living in St. Louis, they take turns writing and editing, and recently finished their fourth edition. "It's a great way to reconnect each year," Amy says.

The cookbook idea came from a simple need for new recipes. "About five years ago, many of us were newlyweds looking for new ideas and variety in our menus," says Kristan. Their recipe swapping quickly took shape when Kristan, home on maternity leave from her job as an attorney, decided to compile the recipes they had been swapping. The first edition had only 25 pages. The most recent has 110 pages.

In the fourth edition, there are great tips, such as what does and doesn't freeze well and how to organize your kitchen. Many recipes have personal touches and ideas for variations. At the end, there is a profile of each contributor with trivia, such as which wedding gifts for the kitchen have never been used and favorite college eating memories. "We spend a little time in each book talking about our days at Mizzou," Kristan says. "Every time we do a new cookbook I think about what a long way we've come since college." For one thing, Kristan says that they are all much better cooks.



The Tie that
Binds Pi Phi
Philanthropies
Throughout
the Years

Remember what it was like when you first learned how to read? Sounding out each letter until you formed a recognizable word? The feeling of pride in reading your first sentence, your first chapter, your first book?

For most of us, these are ancient memories, but we can relive the magic by reading with our children, grandchildren and now the third graders participating in Champions Are Readers (CAR).

Pi Beta Phi's gift of literacy is evident in nearly every one of its philanthropies. In fact, the Fraternity has committed to furthering literacy ever since the 1910 Swarthmore Convention. This was when Pi Beta Phi made history by becoming the first women's fraternity to create its own philanthropic project by proposing a settlement school in an area of great need.

In March of 1912, Pi Beta Phi School opened in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, with 14 students. By August of 1914, Pi Beta Phi Settlement School had grown to 134 pupils.

Mary O. Pollard, principal of the Settlement School, made the following appeal in The Arrow in March 1916: "One of our greatest needs is for good books, standard books, such as young folks and older folks ought to read, not simply the cast-offs that no one finds interesting. ... Our library is one of our strong assets, and we have the beginning of a practical library; but do not forget us, for reading as they do now, the supply soon becomes exhausted."

In the 1940s, Pi Beta Phi slowly began to turn over the responsibility of educating the children to Sevier County, but the transfer was not complete until 1968. By this time, there was both an elementary and a high school. (Read the article on page 13 to see how the children at Pi Beta Phi Elementary School are learning about their early ties to the Fraternity.)

As Pi Beta Phi phased out of the elementary and high school education business, they approached the University of Tennessee with a plan to bring college-level instruction to Gatlinburg and the Settlement School evolved into the Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts.

Today, Arrowmont offers a literacy component to its nationally acclaimed arts and crafts classes. ArtSmart is the arts literacy companion to our CAR program and other literacy programs. Just as reading literacy is the essential foundation for learning and success as an adult, arts literacy has been proven to develop more productive, expressive, flexible, problem-solving individuals.

Brought to communities by Pi Phi collegians and alumnae, ArtSmart lets the children create an accordion book, journal and star book that can each be made in a one-hour workshop. The books can be used for scrapbooking, illustrating a story or for journaling. Download a project instruction booklet by going to: www.arrowmont.org/artsmart.html.

At the 1967 Convention, the Canadi-

an delegates voted unanimously to adopt the Northern Libraries Project to commemorate the dual centennial of Canada and of the Fraternity. The name "Arrow in the Arctic" was officially adopted in 1969. Pi Phi's Canadian philanthropy provides support for the many branches of the library systems in Whitehorse, Yukon, and Yellowknife, Northwest Territories.

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Mary O. Pollard Settlement School Principal

While the Canadian government supplies an adequate budget for the purchase of basic books, there is little available for extras. Philanthropy funds are used to purchase "talking" books and videos in English and Inuit, the native language of the Northwest Territories. Reference books, tapes and other audiovisual equipment have also provided for educational programming. Items purchased by the Arrow in the Arctic funds are often circulated among branch and community libraries.

The Champions Are Readers (CAR) literacy program was adapted by the Literacy Committee in 2003 using the creative concept originated by the Houston, Texas Alumnae Club. (Read the article on page 10 to find out how it got started.) The program is designed to serve as an international literacy program that all Pi Beta Phi alumnae clubs and collegiate chapters can conduct easily. Targeting children in the third grade who are at a critical juncture in developing both good reading skills and a lifelong love of reading, CAR supplements reading activities already being provided in the schools and provides an easy-toadminister program for teachers.

The CAR program enables alumnae clubs and collegiate chapters to offer a turnkey reading enrichment program to their own schools and communities during a designated month of the school year and to provide incentives, including a recognition ceremony at the completion of the program.

The CAR program can be used for one classroom or several, one time during the school year or repeated at a later time in the same school year. It is specifically designed to complement other local literacy programs that are currently underway by a club or chapter.

To make the program easy to implement, the Fraternity has pre-packaged classroom packs that contain books, bookplates, bookmarks and medallions for 25 students. Materials may be ordered from Headquarters.

In 2006, Pi Beta Phi was excited to introduce its Fraternity Day of Service, which is intended to be an annual event to unite alumnae groups, collegiate chapters and individual members to advance literacy. The Fraternity selected National Education Association's (NEA's) Read Across America (RAA) as our Fraternity Day of Service inaugural project. And Southwest Airlines soon joined our efforts to make our first Fraternity Day of Service spectacular.

Once again, the Fraternity will use NEA's Read Across America to observe the Fraternity Day of Service in March 2007. Look for details in the Winter Arrow to learn how you can advance litегасу.

The work Pi Phis do to foster a love of reading has taken many forms over the years and is sure to grow in the years to come. Please join us in our journey to promote literacy. And, when you do, share your accomplishments with The Arrow.

Champions Are Readers

Much like a champion race car, Pi Beta Phi's Champions Are Readers (CAR) program did not roll off the assembly line looking exactly as it does today. It took some customizing along the way. And a committee is currently giving it a thorough overhaul to make sure it runs efficiently and at top performance.

CAR became an international program at Convention 2003, but it actually was created four years earlier by the Houston, Texas Alumnae Club. In 1999, Texas Alpha Franna White Lit-TON, the Links to Literacy chairman for the club, was directed to begin a literacy effort in the community. Credited as the creator of CAR, Franna is quick to point out that she had help along the way.

She researched what other alumnae groups were doing and ended up adapted the Augusta, Georgia Alumnae Club's school reading program which asked the children to track their reading with a 30-day calendar.

As a former teacher, Franna knew that



Texas Beta Allison Brennand George, left, and Franna White Litton distribute CAR awards at a school assembly.



the program would be easier to promote to school administrators and teachers if it was all packaged and ready to go. She prepared packets with letters of explanation to teachers and parents. The school they selected was Woodrow Wilson Elementary, where 80 percent of its students come from economically disadvantaged backgrounds. A large percentage of the students are Hispanic and sometimes their parents did not speak English well; that's why the parent letters needed to be prepared in both English and Spanish.

Originally, she wanted to call the program Readers are Champions, but a librarian at Rice University pointed out that Franna could use the acronym CAR

CHAMPIONS ARE READER

Bookmark circa 1999

if she reversed the words. The CAR idea was perfect, because she was looking for a way to get boys interested in reading.

Franna encouraged the children to read aloud to their parents, siblings or caregivers and track their minutes on a calendar.

The children didn't know it when they started, but all would receive a trophy, blue ribbon, bookmark and their very own book. She realizes there is controversy over rewarding all children regardless of their achievements, but she also knew that some children had no one with whom they could read. "It would be a shame to punish a child for not having that support at home," Franna explains.

Once the 30 days are completed, the calendars are turned in and the Pi Phis hold a recognition assembly. These assemblies are followed with a party with snacks where the children can share their love of reading with the Pi Phis, their teachers and family members.

Seven years have passed since CAR began at Woodrow Wilson Elementary and the Houston, Texas Alumnae Club has the program down to a science. They have expanded CAR from one to six schools. Franna says the program is easy to reproduce and encourages other clubs and chapters to give it a try. You can learn more about CAR and down-

www.pibetaphi.org/philanthropies/ car.html. presented to

By Pi Beta Phi

load materials by going to:

Bookmark and bookplate from 2006

What Are Pi Phis Reading?

When Grand Council, the Leadership Development Consultants and the Executive Director were asked what reading materials were on their night stands, here is what they said:



Rise and Shine: A Novel by Anna Quindlen

1776 by David McCullough

Southern Living, 5280 (Denver magazine)

Colorado Beta Linda Noel Ibsen Grand Vice President Collegians



Anna Karenina by Leo Tolstoy

The Holy Bible (New King James)

Us Weekly





She's Come Undone by Wally Lamb

Marley and Me: Life and Love with the World's Worst Dog by John Grogan

Eat, Pray, Love: One Woman's Search for Every-thing Across Italy, India and Indonesia by Elizabeth Gilbert

Life & Style Weekly and In Touch tab-

Arizona Gamma Jessica Morris Leadership Development Consultant

loids are always close by.



The Memory Keeper's Daughter by Kim Edwards

Mornings on Horseback: The Story of an Extraordinary Family, a Vanished Way of

Life and the Unique Child Who Became Theodore Roosevelt, by David Mc-Cullough

Southern Living, Washingtonian,

California Delta Karen Shelton Chevalier Grand Vice President Communications



I always have crossword puzzles on my night stand.

Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Fight Terrorism and **Build Nations** ... One School

at a Time by Greg Mortenson & David O. Relin

What Remains: A Memoir of Fate, Friendship, and Love by Carole Radziwill

Texas Beta Emily Russell Tarr Grand President



What Would Jackie Do? An Inspired Guide to Distinctive Living by Shelly Branch and Sue Cal-

Eat, Pray, Love: One Woman's

Search for Everything Across Italy, India and Indonesia by Elizabeth Gilbert



The Masters of Success by Ken Blanchard/Colleen Kettenhofen/Jack Canfield/John Christensen

People, Runner's World Yoga Journal

Iowa Beta Juli Holmes Willeman **Executive Director**



I just finished Jemima J: A Book About Ugly Ducklings and Swans by Jane Green

Bookends: A Novel written by her; they are very fun, easy

Nevada Alpha Brittany Van Cleve Leadership Development Consultant





I just finished Life of Pi by Yann Martel

Interior Design, Architectural Digest, and of course Southern Living

Oklahoma Beta Mary Loy Tatum Grand Vice President Alumnae

The Link Between Literacy & Violence Prevention

Most Pi Phis know in their hearts that literacy is a philanthropy worthy of the Fraternity's support. But, it never hurts to see research that justifies why literacy is a valuable gift to our communities.

Donald Meichenbaum, Ph.D., a clinical psychologist, research director and a founding member of the Melissa Institute for Violence Prevention, provides the following points of interest he gathered from published research. See his referenced papers in the box on the right if you are interested in learning more.

School performance, more than any other single factor, is a major contributor as to whether a youth becomes involved in drugs or violence.

Reading is a gateway skill for success in school. For example, reading comprehension level by grade three is one of the best predictors as to who will finish high school. Children who acquire literacy skill in the earliest grades tend to remain the best readers throughout their school years. Prior to grade three students are taught how to read in order to learn, from grade three on students are expected to learn using their reading skills.

Children with low reading achievement in early grades (by grade three) have a greater likelihood of school retention to repeat a grade, dropout, drug abuse, early pregnancy, delinquency, and unemployment.

Some 13 percent of 17-year-olds are functionally illiterate and this rate jumps to 40 percent among minority youth.

About 10 million children in the U.S. have difficulties learning to read. From 10–15 percent of these children eventually drop out of high school. Only 2 percent complete a four-year college program.

Low bonding to school is an important predictor of dropping out, as well as engaging in antisocial behavior. (For example, ask students the following question to tap their sense of belonging – "If you were absent from school, who besides your friends would notice you were not present and miss you?")

Among youth who get into trouble with the law involving courts, some 85 percent evidence reading difficulties.

About half of youths with a history of substance abuse have reading problems.

Incarcerated adolescents are on average five years below their expected reading level for their expected grade level.

Up to 80 percent of incarcerated youth are functionally illiterate.

Poor readers are more likely to be incarcerated for crimes of greater violence than better readers, and they are three times more likely to be injured in a fight requiring medical intervention and more likely to miss school.

Six to nine percent of students account for 50 percent of school discipline referrals. The number of discipline contacts with the principal during the school year predicts arrest status in fifth to tenth grades. If a student has 10+ disciplinary referrals to the principal's office in a year, he is at serious risk for school failure, delinquency, drug and alcohol use. Up to 40 percent of school suspensions are likely to be repeat re-offenders. School aggressive behavior and substance abuse predicts weapon possession, gang membership and substance abuse. Poor academic performance (especially reading difficulties) underlies many discipline referrals, antisocial behavior with peers who are similarly academically deficient, as well as chronic unemployment.

About 75% of America's unemployed adults have reading or writing difficulty.

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Editor's note: The Melissa Institute for the Prevention of Violence is named for MISSOURI BETA MELISSA APTMAN, who was murdered in 1995. Its mission is to prevent violence and promote safer communities through education application of research-based knowledge.

Pi Beta Phi (Elementary) Has New Program

by Derek Hodges, Staff Writer

GATLINBURG - For students at Pi Beta Phi Elementary School, Monday wasn't just the start of a new school year. It was the start of a new curriculum.

The school, which has gained national recognition for its Parks as Classrooms program, is pioneering a new program that will help link national history to local events.

"It is my contention that most schools do not teach a heritage curriculum," principal Glenn Bogart said. "We want to teach kids to integrate what they're learning about things that happened on the national stage with events that happened right here in Sevier County. Even if they're not from Gatlinburg, it's important to know the heritage and history of the community you live in."

Staffers at the University of Tennessee library have digitized records and artifacts from the region that will connect with the students' studies. Arrowmont Craft School, which is adjacent to the Pi Beta Phi, will offer hands-on learning experiences.

"This is an opportunity for our kids to see a connection between what they study in the textbooks and the stories they're taught about local history, and that's very important," Bogart said.

The curriculum, "From Pi Beta Phi to Arrowmont: Bringing education and economic development to the Great Smoky Mountains," will cover topics like the school's history with Pi Beta Phi Fraternity and the establishment of the national park.

The effort may do more than provide kids a local link to history. If it can boost their interest in learning history, as Bogart hopes it will, it might help raise social studies test scores. So-



Pi Beta Phi first-grade teacher Ashlea Tobin used the opening day of school to introduce her students to their workbooks. Photo by Derek Hodges.

cial studies has typically produced the school's lowest scores on standardized

In addition to the new program, the school will continue its Parks as Classrooms effort, which takes students into the Smokies 37 times between kindergarten and eighth grade.

"Kids have a need to know that protection of the environment is going to fall on their shoulders some day,' Bogart said.

Ashlea Tobin, a kindergarten/firstgrade teacher, said even with children as young as she teaches, the program has impact.

"We had three or four opportunities to go into the Park last year," Tobin said. "I like it because it integrates what we have to teach according to the state standards with that kind of hands-on aspect. It really brings things to life for the kids."

Another unusual part of education at Pi Beta Phi is the practice of looping, which means the same teacher will teach a class in kindergarten and first grade. For Tobin the only downside is missing the children over the summer.

"The really nice thing is I wasn't as nervous about the beginning of school they year because I know the kids and they know me," Tobin said. "I know what to expect from them and they know what to expect from me."

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State of the Fraternity

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The State of the Fraternity evaluates Pi Beta Phi's previous fiscal year, which is July 1, 2005 - June 30, 2006. Its purpose is to keep the membership informed on Fraternity business and to provide a brief overview of the year.

The 2005-06 was notably a year of great change for the Fraternity brought about by legislation passed at Convention 2005. This meant the year was full of education and implementation. The Fraternity moved from Provinces to Re-

The training began in July 2005 with "Foundation for Success", which was a training weekend held at Headquarters specifically for every Fraternity officer above the local level. Each regional director then designed and conducting training for her respective regional team.

The officers involved in the new regional structure did an outstanding job implementing everything this first year and the new structures have been met with enthusiasm.

MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS

During the 2005-06 academic year the Fraternity's total initiated membership reached 233,104 with 130 collegiate chapters and 338 alumnae organizations. Honored were 260 Golden Arrow members and 43 Diamond Arrow Society members.

The number of women who pledged Pi Beta Phi was 4,578, which is down 45 members from the previous year. The number of legacies who pledged was 582 and this is 16 less than in 2004-05. Fifteen alumnae were initiated and 17 members were reinstated into the Frater-

There were 47 inquiries from college Panhellenics, local groups or individuals for extension information. The Fraternity learned that it will re-colonize the D.C. Alpha chapter at George Washington University in January 2007.

CHAPTER NEWS

Pi Beta Phi continues to meet the needs of our collegiate members by pro-



viding a quality member development program of which we can be proud. The Fraternity held a Leadership Academy for Chapter Presidents, Vice Presidents of Finance, as well as Alumnae Advisory Committee Chairs and Financial Advisers at Headquarters in St. Louis, Missouri.

The six Leadership Development Consultants visited every chapter at least once. In addition to helping with recruitment, the consultants offered assistance in training the collegiate officers on the new structure and the responsibilities of each member. North Carolina Delta had a Resident Graduate Consultant for the second year in a row to help them establish this chapter at North Carolina State University.

We are moving forward in adapting chapter life to meet the real world by offering our women life skill training and opportunities for leadership and learning for personal growth. Our new officer structure mirrors positions in the work-

In 2005-06, the Fraternity launched AlcoholEdu, an online course designed to combat high-risk drinking. All new members and 2006 executive officers were required to complete this course. This program was underwritten by a grant from Pi Beta Phi Foundation.

After many years of annually evaluating chapters with the Standardization & Survey tool, a new chapter evaluation, Standards of Excellence, was introduced. This aligned with our new chapter structure and is based on the four pillars of Pi Phi's Leading with Values member development program: organizational

knowledge, intellectual development, good citizenship and leadership development. The new evaluation gives officers a clear picture of where their chapters stand in meeting the Fraternity's standards and expectations of excellence. Chapters are rewarded for the level of excellence they attain during the calendar year.

ALUMNAE CLUBS

New guidelines for alumnae organizations were developed this year to more directly support the Fraternity mission and vision. The Criteria of Excellence contained in these guidelines served as a road map for clubs to structure their activities to achieve greater success for the local club and, in turn, the Fraternity.

A new Awards of Excellence program was initiated in response to the new organizational structure and the Criteria of Excellence. Awards are focused on recognition of performance of clubs as that performance relates to the accomplishment of the Fraternity mission.

A new method of delivering Pi Beta Phi to alumnae was utilized this year through the Lifelong Enrichment Series for Women lecture series. It was conducted in New York City; Chicago; Atlanta, Georgia; Dallas and Houston, Texas; San Francisco and Los Angeles, California; and Washington, D.C. Оню BETA BARBARA OLIVER TOOTLE presented seminars on how to manage change. This program was an effort to reach out to all members of the Fraternity, not just club members.



The Young Alumnae Networking Events continued to reach out to alumnae who have graduated within the last 10 years with events in Washington, D.C.; Denver; Kansas City; Phoenix; Indianapolis; Boston; St. Louis; and Portland, Oregon. This program fosters both social and professional networking.

New alumnae groups formed in 2005-06 include three clubs: Savannah, Georgia; Historic Triangle Club in Virginia; and Orland Park Area, Illinois Alumnae Clubs; and two pockets in Adams County, Pennsylvania, and Highland Lakes, Texas.



LITERACY

This year the Fraternity adopted the National Education Associations' (NEA's) Read Across America as the Fraternity's Day of Service on March 3 to promote literacy. Through a partnership with Southwest Airlines, the event was celebrated in 25 Southwest terminals across the United States. Pi Phi collegians and alumnae gave away 8,000 Dr. Seuss books to eager children. Many others observed the day with literacy programs in their communities.

Champions Are Readers (CAR) continues to be a popular, effective literacy program for chapters and alumnae clubs of all sizes. This year, 36 chapters and 24 alumnae clubs ordered CAR packets.

Arrow in the Arctic continued to support libraries in the Yukon, Northwest Territories, Nunavut, and British Columbia with funding that provides

extras unavailable through government funding.

COMMUNICATIONS

The Fraternity focused on ways to strengthen our brand by improving communications of events, programs, its mission and goals with collegians, alumnae and the general public. This was accomplished by updating the public and private sides of the Web site, increasing publication of The Arrow from three issues a year to four a year, and creating a revised new member educational CD-ROM that aligned with the new Fraternity structure. An online Read Across America publicity toolkit was created to help chapters and clubs promote their literacy efforts in the community.

The Fraternity partnered with the Foundation to conduct market research to determine awareness of and reaction to branding changes of the Fraternity. And a branding manual was prepared to help the Fraternity, officers and members protect the brand which is Pi Beta Phi.



HOLT HOUSE

This year Holt House remembered the 65th anniversary of its renovation and opening on April 26, 1941.

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.

FINANCES

Pi Beta Phi continues to maintain a position of being financially sound by operating a fiscally conservative budget. Volunteers play a very important role in balancing the budget of the Fraternity. The Fraternity budgets on a two-year cycle with revenue and expenses being higher in convention years. Even in the face of great change, an important part of the overall strategic planning of the Fraternity is a strong financial future. Each member of Grand Council takes this responsibility seriously and pledges to be good stewards of the Fraternity resources.

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

Stone Carlie, LLP, prepared audited financial statements for the prior fiscal year that ended June 30, 2005, and they are currently in the process of preparing the 2006 financial statements. These statements are prepared using generally accepted accounting principles. A copy of these financial statements can be obtained by contacting the Fraternity Controller.

EMERGENCY RELIEF

In response to Hurricane Katrina, the Fraternity created the Sister to Sister Emergency Relief Fund. Donations from 133 members, clubs and chapters, plus money from the Fraternity's agility fund provided \$110,958 in its first year. Grants totalling \$110,772 were awarded to 113 collegians and alumnae members, one chapter and one house corporation.

CHAPTER FINANCES

All chapters of Pi Beta Phi continue to develop strong financial bases and build for the future by implementing Fraternity financial guidelines and policies. Collegiate Regional Financial/Housing Specialists, Leadership Development Consultants, and Director Finance offer financial resources to chapters. Biennial financial training for Chapter Vice Presidents of Finance and Alumnae Advisory Committee Financial Advisers was con-

ducted in February 2006 and 206 women representing 129 chapters attended the finance academies this year.

CHAPTER HOUSE CORPORATIONS

The Fraternity wants to ensure that chapter houses are well maintained and meet the needs in areas of security and technology, so we continue to offer loans to house corporations that currently total approximately \$2.2 million. During this biennium Grand Council has mandated that all House Corporation-owned residential facilities must have fire sprinkler systems installed by August 2007. To support this mandate, loans are being offered at the lowest allowable interest rate for the purpose of installing those sprinkler systems.

FOUNDATION SUPPORT

The Pi Beta Phi Foundation continues to play an important role in helping fund Fraternity programs. Grants from the Pi Beta Phi Foundation, which totaled more than \$178,000 in the fiscal year ending June 30, 2006, have funded many Fraternity programs.

The Foundation approved Fraternity grant requests of:

\$21,500	for the Leadership
	Academy program

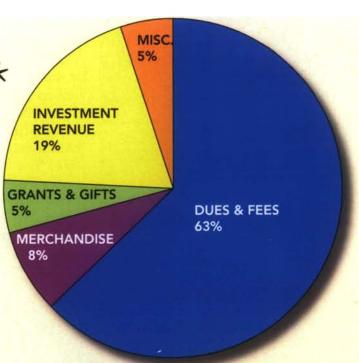
\$25,000	to underwrite books for
	the Southwest Airlines/
	Fraternity Day of Service
	project

\$79,750	for the Leadership
	Development Consultants
	program

\$52,020	to fund AlcoholEdu fo
	chapters

\$178,270 Total

2006 Revenue*



- * Revenue and Expenditures charts use unaudited figures for 2005-2006.
- ** Note that administrative expenses such as rent/salaries/ depreciation have been allocated among the other categories listed, which reduce total administrative expenses and departmentalizes the expense.



2006 Expenditures*



The 2006 Award Presentation, which recognized accomplishments from the 2005 calendar year, was conducted via the Internet July 14 by members of Grand Council and can still be viewed at www.pibetaphi.org. The structure of the 2005 awards represents the culmination of many programming and structural changes that have been implemented over the last four years. The officer structure, awards criteria and some of the awards are brand new this year. These awards for chapters and clubs are judged against criteria which reflects the excellence that all chapters and clubs strive to attain.

2005 Alumnae Awards

PREMIER CLUB

Nashville, TN

24 CLUBS OF EXCELLENCE Nashville, TN Northern Virginia, VA Southern Fairfield County, CT Philadelphia Mainline, PA Richmond, VA Birmingham, AL Alpharetta, GA Knoxville, TN Meridian, MS Glen Ellyn-Wheaton, IL Indianapolis South Suburban, IN Houston, TX St. Louis, MO Oklahoma City, OK Dallas, TX Richardson/Plano, TX Seattle, WA Phoenix, AZ. Arrowhead - West Phoenix, AZ

CLUBS OF SUPERIOR PERFORMANCE

Northern New Jersey, NJ Atlanta, GA Charlotte, NC Chattanooga, TN Deland, FL Greenville, SC Minneapolis, MN Arlington Heights, IL Chicago, Windy City, IL Indianapolis, IN Dayton, OH Madison, WI Kansas City, MO/Shawnee Mission, KS Katy-West Houston, TX Southlake, TX Bellevue Eastside, WA Calgary, AB Colorado Springs, CO Evergreen, CO Lake Oswego OR Central Orange County, CA Contra Costa, CA North San Diego, CA South Coast, CA South Orange County, CA

EXCELLENCE IN CHAPTER SUPPORT

Norman, OK

Tie - Phoenix, AZ & Knoxville, TN

EXCELLENCE IN PROGRAMMING

Phoenix, AZ

EXCELLENCE IN COMMUNICATION

Southern Fairfield County, CT Knoxville, TN Birmingham, AL Nashville, TN Indianapolis, IN Indianapolis South Suburban, IN Glen Ellyn-Wheaton, IL St. Louis, MO Norman, OK Houston, TX Richardson/Plano, TX Southlake Area, TX Seattle, WA Lake Oswego/Dunthorpe, OR Colorado Springs, CO La Jolla, CA Phoenix, AZ Northern Virginia, VA

EXCELLENCE IN MEMBERSHIP RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION

Overall winner – Phoenix, AZ Under 50 – Duncan, OK 51-100 Casper, WY 101-150 Corpus Christi, TX 151-250 Norman, OK 251-600 Springfield, MO 600+ Houston, TX

La Jolla, CA

San Diego, CA

San Mateo, CA

South Bay, CA

San Jose, CA



Tracy Beaufort Whitehead California Delta University of California, Los Angeles San Jose, California Alumnae Club

Evelyn Peters Kyle Angel Award

Tracy Beaufort Whitehead of San Jose, California was honored with the Evelyn Peters Kyle Angel Award for exceptional service to an alumnae club. Tracy has been an active member of the San Jose, California Alumnae Club since 1991 and has held a myriad of positions with the club including Vice President and Nominating Chair. In 2003 Tracy created an executive committee to revitalize the club by gathering past and present presidents to discuss ways to recruit new and maintain current members. She also streamlined, computerized and added pictures to the club's yearbook for ease of production and usability. As a driving force in the club's achievements, Tracy is humble and unassuming In her work for Pi Phi and is admired for her willingness to help at every level. Tracy is often the first to volunteer for projects and offers her home regularly for meetings.

Tracy was initiated into Pi Beta Phi Fraternity at the University of California, Los Angeles.

EXCELLENCE IN LITERACY INITIATIVES

Houston, TX

EXCELLENCE IN COMMUNITY SERVICE

Nashville, TN

EVELYN PETERS KYLE

Tracy Beaufort Whitehead, San Jose, CA, California Delta

Regional Winners:

- 1 Ieanne Niemeier LeBuhn, Iowa Zeta
- 2 Kelly Snell Keller, Illinois Zeta

- 3 Linda Kovich Kenney, Indiana
- 4 Jeanne Taylor Cockayne, Missouri
- 5 Ele Eriksen Sellers, Nebraska Beta

EMMA HARPER TURNER

Mary Washington Reneau, Oklahoma Beta

Regional Winners:

- 1 Lauren Durfee Bradshaw, Virginia Delta
- 2 Floy Jean Pflough Hale, Florida Beta
- 3 Anne Wheaton Wanzenberg, Iowa Zeta

- 5 Marian Hauke Thom, Oregon
- 6 Ellie Moore Merrick, Illinois Beta-Delta

CAROLYN HELMAN LICHTENBERG

Profession category Joanne Burkes Callan

Community Service Julia Dudley Allison Catherine Wartinbee Townsend



Mary Washington Reneau Oklahoma Beta Oklahoma State University Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Alumnae Club

Emma Harper Turner Leadership Award

The Emma Harper Turner Leadership Award for exceptional leadership to an alumnae club has been awarded to Mary Washington Reneau of Oklahoma City, Oklahoma. Mary has been an active member of the Oklahoma City Alumnae Club since 1974 and has held more than 16 positions within the club, including Co-President. Ten years ago she created the Gathering of Angels Luncheon, an event designed to bring "young and old alumnae" together, increase the club's visibility in the community and raise money for Pi Phi philanthropies. Mary's creativity and leadership has helped to make the event a repeat success which now raises \$10,000 annually for Pi Phi philanthropies.

Mary's current role in the club is establishing Interest Groups. Through her leadership and creativity, Mary has been able to create groups for women in their 20s, 30s, 40s, 50s, and "Older Angels."

2005 Collegiate Awards

BALFOUR CUP CHAPTER OF EXCELLENCE

Pennsylvania Gamma, Dickinson College

2ND BEST CHAPTER OF EXCELLENCE

Ohio Beta, The Ohio State University

3RD BEST CHAPTER OF EXCELLENCE

California Alpha, Stanford University

CHAPTERS OF EXCELLENCE/ PHI LEVEL (highest level)

Pennsylvania Gamma, Dickinson College Ohio Alpha, Ohio University Ohio Beta, The Ohio State University Illinois Zeta, University of Illinois Oklahoma Alpha, University of Oklahoma Arkansas Alpha, University of Arkansas -Fayetteville

California Alpha, Stanford University

CHAPTERS OF EXCELLENCE/ BETA LEVEL (second highest)

Indiana Theta, Valparaiso University Oklahoma Beta, Oklahoma State University Indiana Alpha, Franklin College Kentucky Alpha, University of Louisville Pennsylvania Theta, Villanova University Michigan Alpha, Hillsdale College Virginia Eta, University of Richmond Michigan Beta, University of Michigan Colorado Alpha, University of Colorado Indiana Beta, Indiana University Virginia Epsilon, University of Virginia Vermont Beta, University of Vermont Ohio Zeta, Miami University Tennessee Beta, Vanderbilt University Virginia Zeta, Virginia Tech Ohio Epsilon, University of Toledo Louisiana Beta, Louisiana State University

CHAPTERS OF EXCELLENCE/PI LEVEL (third highest)

Connecticut Alpha, University of Connecticut Connecticut Beta, Yale University Maine Alpha, University of Maine New York Alpha, Syracuse University New York Delta, Cornell University New York Epsilon, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute

Pennsylvania Beta, Bucknell University Pennsylvania Eta, Lafayette College Pennsylvania Kappa, Lehigh University Pennsylvania Zeta, Washington & Jefferson College

Michigan Gamma, Michigan State University Ohio Eta, Denison University Ohio Iota, University of Dayton Ontario Alpha, University of Toronto Ontario Gamma, University of Guelph Illinois Alpha, Monmouth College Illinois Beta-Delta, Knox College Illinois Epsilon, Northwestern University Illinois Eta, Millikin University Illinois Theta, Bradley University Indiana Epsilon, DePauw University Kentucky Beta, University of Kentucky Tennessee Gamma, University of Tennessee Alabama Gamma, Auburn University Florida Beta, Florida State University Georgia Alpha, University of Georgia Iowa Gamma, Iowa State University Iowa Zeta, University of Iowa Kansas Alpha, University of Kansas Kansas Beta, Kansas State University Minnesota Alpha, University of Minnesota Missouri Alpha, University of Missouri Missouri Gamma, Drury University Nebraska Beta, University of Nebraska Nebraska Gamma, Creighton University Wisconsin Delta, Marquette University Louisiana Alpha, Tulane University -Newcomb College

Mississippi Beta, University of Mississippi Tennessee Delta, University of Memphis Texas Beta, Southern Methodist University Texas Gamma, Texas Tech University Texas Zeta, Baylor University Texas Eta, Texas A&M University Alberta Alpha, University of Alberta Colorado Delta, Colorado School of Mines Colorado Epsilon, University of Colorado, Colorado Springs

Idaho Alpha, University of Idaho
Montana Alpha, Montana State University
Nevada Alpha, University of Nevada
Oregon Alpha, University of Oregon
Oregon Gamma, Williamette University
Utah Alpha, University of Utah
Washington Beta, Washington State University

Washington Gamma, University of Puget Sound

Arizona Gamma, Northern Arizona California Beta, University of California – Berkeley

California Theta, University of California-Davis

California Mu, Pepperdine University New Mexico Alpha, University of New Mexico

SPIRIT AWARDS

Vermont Beta, University of Vermont Michigan Beta, University of Michigan Tennessee Beta, Vanderbilt University Virginia Eta, University of Richmond Minnesota Alpha, University of Minnesota

Louisiana Beta, Louisiana State Univ. Nevada Alpha, University of Nevada Arizona Gamma, Northern Arizona University

Indiana Beta, Indiana University California Mu, Pepperdine University

EXCELLENCE IN LITERACY PROGRAMMING/ACTIVITIES

Pennsylvania Gamma, Dickinson College

EXCELLENCE IN COMMUNITY SER-VICE/PHILANTHROPY ACTIVITIES

Arkansas Alpha, University of Arkansas– Fayetteville

EXCELLENCE IN PI PHI FOR LIFE/ SENIOR PROGRAMMING

Minnesota Alpha, University of Minnesota Pennsylvania Theta, Villanova University

EXCELLENCE IN RISK MANAGE-MENT/LEGAL PROGRAMMING

Texas Beta, Southern Methodist University HM: Missouri Alpha, University of Missouri

EXCELLENCE IN ACADEMIC PROGRAMMING

Virginia Epsilon, University of Virginia

EXCELLENCE IN SCHOLARSHIP AWARD HIGHEST GPA

UNDER 60 Connecticut Beta, Yale University at 3.613 MORE THAN 60 California Alpha, Stanford University at 3.677

THE OVERALL FRATERNITY GPA 3.17, WHICH IS ABOVE PI!

MOST IMPROVED SCHOLARSHIP AWARD > & < 60 MEMBERS **OVER 60** Wisconsin Delta, Marquette University with an increase of .16 60 AND UNDER Pennsylvania Zeta, Washington & Jefferson College with

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS - TOP 10

an increase of .22

California Alpha, Stanford University Connecticut Beta, Yale University Illinois Epsilon, Northwestern University Nebraska Gamma, Creighton University Virginia Theta, Washington & Lee University Missouri Beta, Washington University Iowa Beta, Simpson College Missouri Gamma, Drury University New Jersey Alpha, Princeton University Virginia Epsilon, University of Virginia

#1 IN GPA ON CAMPUS

Colorado Gamma, Colorado State University Michigan Alpha, Hillsdale College Ohio Alpha, Ohio University Ohio Beta, Ohio State University Oregon Alpha, University of Oregon Oregon Gamma, Willamette University Vermont Beta, University of Vermont Washington Gamma, University of Puget Sound

AAC EXCELLENCE TOP AACS

Pennsylvania Theta, Villanova Univ. Missouri Alpha, University of Missouri California Epsilon, San Diego State University Washington Alpha, University of

Washington

HM: Ohio Beta, The Ohio State University Texas Epsilon, University of North

HOUSE CORPORATION **EXCELLENCE**

Oklahoma Alpha, University of Oklahoma HM: California Beta, University of California - Berkeley and Pennsylvania Zeta, Washington & Jefferson College

AMY BURNHAM ONKEN AWARD

Dahlia Dorman, New Mexico Alpha Regional Winners:

Lindsey Blake, Maine Alpha Melissa Capparell, Pennsylvania Beta Trista Felty, Pennsylvania Theta Emily Jarina, Pennsylvania Kappa Amy Manocchi, New York Epsilon Chelsie Cross, Indiana Delta Beth Provost, Michigan Gamma Jenny Repass, Ohio Beta Emily Eddington, Illinois Alpha Molly Gesenhues, Indiana Gamma Lauren Houston, Tennessee Gamma Nicole Pence, Indiana Epsilon Ali Wampler, Indiana Alpha Iessica Watson, Illinois Beta-Delta Kelby Brown, Florida Beta Kelly DeLoach, Alabama Alpha Alexis Farris, North Carolina Beta Lindsey Leisher, Virginia Zeta Brooke Yamakoshi, Virginia Epsilon Pam Bookbinder, Missouri Beta Laura Meyer, Missouri Alpha Lyndsey Redding, Nebraska Beta Lauren Detten, Oklahoma Beta Katie Freeman, Oklahoma Alpha Emily Kerlee, Texas Epsilon Rachel Sisk, Arkansas Alpha Erin Gilbert, Colorado Alpha Jennifer Light, Idaho Alpha Kristen Lynam, Oregon Alpha Brittany Van Cleve, Nevada Alpha Natalie Rubincam, Colorado Gamma Natalie Cirigliano, California Delta Mira Rapp-Hooper, California Alpha Jenny-Anne Sinson, California Eta

Amy Burnham Onken Award



Dahlia Dorman New Mexico Alpha University of New Mexico

Pi Beta Phi is proud to honor Dahlia Dorman with the Amy Burnham Onken Award for outstanding individual participation. This award recognizes a senior member of Pi Beta Phi who has best lived up to the Fraternity qualities of scholarship, Fraternity service, student activity participation and personality during her collegiate career.

Dahlia graduated in May 2006 with a bachelor's degree in political science and Spanish from the University of New Mexico and will attend the University of New Mexico School of Law. She has been on the honor roll and Dean's list since her freshman year. Dahlia is a member of the University Honors Program and has been awarded several academic and honors scholarships including the New Mexico Lottery Success Scholarship and the Dorothy I. Cline Memorial Scholarship from the University of New Mexico's Political Science Department.

Dahlia's peers recognize her for being a dedicated, determined and diligent person. Many of New Mexico Alpha's successes can be attributed to Dahlia's membership, leadership, participation and enthusiasm for her Pi Phi chapter.

Chapter Service Award



Danielle Carroll Colorado Alpha University of Colorado

Danielle Carroll, a Colorado Alpha from Lone Tree, Colorado, is the Chapter Service Award recipient. The Chapter Service Award honors an individual who has exhibited meritorious service to her chapter through leadership, responsibility, dependability, initiative and contribution to chapter spirit and unity.

Danielle was elected to the offices of both Vice President of Moral Advancement and Chapter President during her college tenure. She also served on the Academic Excellence Committee, Philanthropy Committee, Standards Board and Leadership & Nominating Committee. Danielle's commitment to the core values of Pi Phi and her faithful and enthusiastic approach has won her the respect and admiration of her peers. Through Danielle's leadership, spirit and belief in Colorado Alpha, the chapter was able to evolve over the years and emerge as a better and stronger group of women.

CHAPTER SERVICE AWARD

Danielle Carroll, Colorado Alpha Regional Winners:

Sandy Faulhefer, New York Alpha Rebecca Fletcher, Pennsylvania Zeta Tara Russell, Pennsylvania Gamma Alison Sweeney, Pennsylvania Eta Alexis Tuchman, New York Epsilon Mary Bailey, Michigan Alpha Stephanie McKinnon, Ontario Gamma

Amanda Fisher, Ohio Zeta Judy Rasmussen, Ohio Beta Ashley Elizabeth Abel, Illinois Iota Elaine Brown, Illinois Zeta Rebecca Gleaves, Tennessee Gamma Brianna Jordan, Tennessee Beta Katie Zborowski, Indiana Alpha Christine Carroll, Virginia Delta Ashley Cole, Florida Alpha Katy Ibsen, Kansas Alpha Lynn Klisch Bolin, Iowa Gamma Mallory Meyers, South Dakota Alpha Jennifer Sadler, Nebraska Gamma Mary Virginia Bain, Arkansas Alpha Janna Merritt, Texas Gamma Mary Roe, Mississippi Beta Sydney Schempf, Texas Beta Brittany Ladesic, Nevada Alpha Jessica Smagala, Colorado Delta Jennifer Heil, Colorado Alpha Kateland Johnston, New Mexico Alpha Christy Krawczyk, California Eta Maggie Valliant, California Delta

PANHELLENIC AWARDS

Small Arkansas Alpha, University of Arkansas - Fayetteville Large Oklahoma Alpha, University of Oklahoma

BEST ARROW CORRESPONDENT

Alexa Vantosky, Pennsylvania Gamma

OUTSTANDING FINANCIAL ADVISER (Carol Inge Warren Award)

Hillary Haren Washington Alpha HM: Paula Shepherd, Texas Epsilon

OUTSTANDING CHAPTER VICE PRESIDENT OF FINANCE

(Silver Slipper Award)

Brooke Toeller, California Beta, VP Finance HM: Kara Thompson, Kansas Alpha, VP Finance

JEAN WIRTHS SCOTT AWARD

Colleen R. Briley, Pennsylvania Epsilon Regional Winners:

Stacy Derrow, Pennsylvania Zeta Ashley Sbarbaro, Pennsylvania Theta Abbey Cleland, Ohio Beta Victoria Gallo, Tennessee Beta Lauren Krempa, Virginia Zeta Cait White, Virginia Eta Jennifer Bursky, Missouri Beta Julia Miller, Texas Eta

Jean Wirths Scott Leadership Award



Colleen Briley Pennsylvania Epsilon Penn State University

Colleen Briley received the Jean Wirths Scott Award for individual leadership. This award recognizes a junior or senior who has served on Pi Beta Phi's Executive Council in an exemplary manner and, in the performance of her duties, has implemented changes and improvements in her chapter.

Colleen was initiated at Kentucky Beta, but transferred to Penn State where she affiliated with the Pennsylvania Epsilon chapter where she served as Chapter President. As president, she worked with the alumnae in planning the chapter's 50th Anniversary and started Spring Informal Recruitment for her chapter. Colleen's "lead by example" approach and spirit also helped her win the Greek Pride Award by the Office of Fraternity and Sorority Life at Penn State for going beyond the call of duty in serving the Greek community.

Colleen graduated in 2006 with a Bachelor of Arts in English and Bachelor of Arts in Communication Arts and Sciences and is employed with Pi Beta Phi as a Resident Leadership Development Consultant.

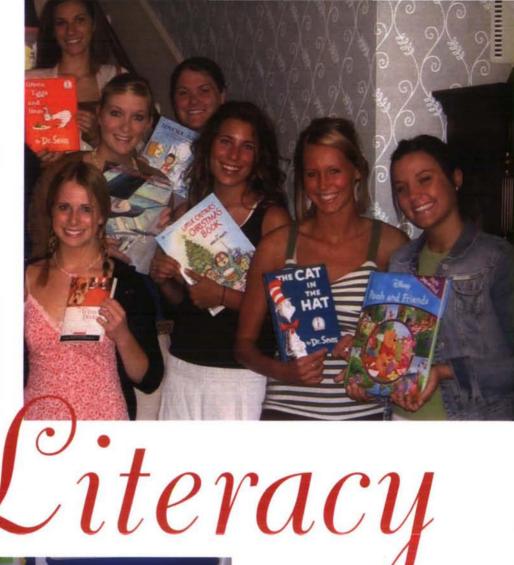
Lizzie Schott, Louisiana Beta Lauren Sims, Texas Zeta Amy Riordan, Nevada Alpha Lisa Bartlett, Colorado Delta Katie Christenson, California Beta Cindy King, California Gamma Lisa Nance, New Mexico Alpha Lauren Savage, California Eta



MD502

Collegiate News

Kansas Beta participated in Champions
Are Readers (CAR) this past year. A
group of chapter members visited an
Ogden elementary school each week
and tracked the reading progress of
a third grade class. The chapter is
anxious to participate in the program
this coming year.



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Ohio Beta has become a leader in the community by promoting literacy for area children. In addition to visiting a local elementary school to read with the students the chapter recently implemented a campus-wide school supply drive.

Pi Phi collegians everywhere are reaching out to their communities and embracing our Fraternity Philanthropy of Literacy. By implementing the CAR Program and by raising funds to benefit literacy through their own unique philanthropic events, here's how our chapters are making a difference:

This past year, FLORIDA ALPHA volunteered its time to the local Deland, Florida community to help improve literacy. In addition to the chapter's CAR classroom, they help out at story time and craft hour at the Deland Public Library.

NORTH CAROLINA BETA created the First Generation Scholarship Fund three years ago to provide financial aid to qualified area high school students from low-income families who are the first members of their families to attend college. Since its inception, the scholarship fund has raised more than \$35,000 and helped send eight students to college.

INDIANA EPSILON chose a Dr. Seuss inspired recruitment theme this year so that potential members could see how Pi Beta Phi incorporates the philanthropy of literacy into all aspects of the organization. Performing a skit titled, "Oh The Houses You'll Go," based on Dr. Seuss' "Oh The Places You'll Go," the women combined humor, enthusiasm and creativity to deliver the tenet of the philanthropy and what Pi Phi values.

California Mu implemented a new program to encourage literacy in the local Malibu elementary schools called "Breakfast and News." With the assistance of chapter members who student teach in these schools, the women visit their designated classroom two Fridays a month to read the newspaper to the children. They make the program enjoyable for the students by including breakfast and sending the same chapter members week after week so that they build a relationship with the children.

INDIANA GAMMA SAMANTHA ADAMS lends her time to literacy in a special way. Samantha is certified in sign language and assists children at a school for deaf children in Indianapolis as a part of her American Sign Language (ASL) class.



In the fall, Mississippi Beta prepares an Italian-themed spaghetti dinner called "Noodles for Knowledge." Members sell tickets to friends, teachers, family and others. On the evening of the dinner, members serve spaghetti dinners to the hundreds of guests, with the proceeds benefitting literacy.



In April, Florida Delta began its first annual book drive called "Pi Phi Page Turn: Giving Kids a Chance to Turn Pages of their Own." The chapter got other fraternities and sororities involved and advertised the event on campus in order to incorporate the rest of the student body. More than 750 books were collected from students, faculty, staff and local book stores. All of the books went directly to underprivileged children in Gainesville.



On Dr. Seuss' birthday, Colorado Epsilon held their CAR recognition ceremony at Vera Scott Elementary School in Colorado Springs, Colorado.



Texas Alphas, Kelly Watters, left, and Jackie Dozier, right, hold two Sudanese children they met this past May and June on a mission trip. Jackie, Kelly and 15 other University of Texas students went to Southern Sudan to work with Sudanese refugees. The team worked in a clinic and built the foundation for a storage building for refugee supplies. They also built a water-catchment system to help filter the contaminated water which has spread disease over the land.

In the spring, CALIFORNIA KAPPA held its third annual Pi Beta Phi Surf Classic, which was its most successful event yet. The chapter recruited 30 area businesses to support the competition, which brought out more than 300 people and raised more than \$6,000 for literacy and The San Diego Children's Hospital Library.

The incoming Tennessee Beta Executive Board, pictured at right, recently accepted an award from Vanderbilt University on behalf of the chapter for Best Risk Management Program. Two Florida Alphas, Kristyn Talmadge and Caroline Peterson were recently chosen by a board of professors at Stetson University to receive a Stetson Undergraduate Research Experience (SURE) grant to conduct research. The grant requires each student to present their research findings nationally.

MICHIGAN EPSILON MELISSA BARRUS, a senior at Western Michigan University, received the Oboe Assistantship Scholarship, given to a student who plays the oboe and has great academic achievement. She will assist the Music Director of the College of Fine Arts at Western Michigan University for the 2006-2007 academic year.







The women of Illinois Epsilon are geared up for a successful recruitment. From left are: Carla Kessler, Kat Tyree, Mel Pangkey and Kim Weisensee.

Indiana Betas Heather Larson, left, and Alex Moore, right, were invited to attend the Indiana University Medical Banquet on the eve of the Indianapolis 500. They greeted guests and presented an award to Lance Armstrong, center, and Tony George, the owner of the Indianapolis 500 race track. Lance and Tony then gave the award to a patient battling cancer.

Photo Credit: David Jaynes Photography, Indianapolis



North Carolina Alphas Allison Wonsick, left, and Jocelyn Roux drove across the entire United States this summer, from the University of North Carolina to San Francisco, California. They visited a total of 10 Pi Phi houses, as well as Pi Phi Headquarters. While most of the houses were closed for the summer, the women of Missouri Alpha, California Alpha, California Beta and California Theta welcomed their traveling sisters with open arms.

COLLEGIATE NEWS

ARKANSAS ALPHA received the Award of Excellence from the University of Arkansas' Order of Omega for displaying outstanding characteristics in all areas and meeting specific criteria set forth by Panhellenic. They also won the GAMMA (Greeks Advocating the Mature Management of Alcohol) award.

KENTUCKY ALPHA placed first in Greek Week and raised \$4,000 for Spina Bifida. Perhaps the accomplishment the chapter is most proud of, however, is that after years of hard work, the chapter moved into a brand new suite just in time for recruitment.

OHIO ALPHA has a new goal in the works. The chapter is creating a quarterly newsletter to be sent to every chapter member's home, both collegians and alumnae, so that all will know of the achievements and events related to the chapter.



Virginia Deltas at the Ronald McDonald House.



lowa State University prides itself on organizing and maintaining the nation's largest student-run annual celebration called VEISHEA, which stands for the colleges of Veterinary Medicine, Engineering, Industrial Science, Home Economics, and Agriculture. Iowa Gamma Jessica Lecy had the honor of being co-chairman for the 2006 VEISHEA celebration.



Television producer Oklahoma Beta Shel Wagner, left, discovered that the intern she had hired for the summer, Katie Lamerton, is a Pi Phi sister from her alma mater. "Discover Oklahoma" is a top-rated television travel show, with weekly network broadcasts throughout Oklahoma.

What's it Like to be an LDC?

by Virginia Eta Kelsey Clayton 2005-2006 LDC

I was about to graduate from college and I knew exactly what I wanted to do. I wanted to stay in college. It was then that I discovered Pi Beta Phi's Leadership Development Consultant (LDC) program.

I remembered what it was like to balance academics and activities, especially those associated with Pi Phi. I also remembered Pi Phi as being one of my best collegiate experiences, and I knew I wanted to

share that experience.

As an LDC, I traveled weekly to universities across the country to work with undergraduate students. I worked with members of Pi Phi to develop customized support, training and leadership strategies which ensured the long-term successes of each chapter. I also experienced short-term successes with the chapters, in such instances as excited



The 2006-07 LDCs had the chance to visit the Missouri Botanical Garden on one of their trips to Headquarters.

children at a successful CAR kickoff and excited sisters on Bid Day.

While I worked hard, it was not always hard work! I took time to learn about hockey and play in the snow in North Dakota. crawfish in Baton Rouge and toured the French Quarter in New Orleans. I bought my first cowgirl hat in Oklahoma, and ate my fill of Tex-Mex in Texas. I saw the courtyards and castles of Yale and experienced country music in Nashville.

While I learned a lot about Pi Phi. its members, and its alumnae, I learned a lot about myself, including exactly how many pairs of shoes I could fit into my suitcase! I learned that I love to travel and home will be wherever I feel comfortable. I found that I enjoy consulting and the ability to effect and then measure improvement in others. I learned that I have a powerful support system from the other consultants and other Pi Phis, and it is one for life.

With the help of formal training and a lot of experiences on the road, I gained valuable life skills, but more importantly, as a recent graduate I gained knowledge that directly impacted my career choices. was able to use my experiences for almost every interview question I have since been asked, and I have made contacts and networks all over the country. I discovered my enthusiasm for consulting, and I am currently traveling and working as a business transformation consultant.

Maybe you've known exactly what you wanted to do since kindergarten.



Maybe you're uncertain about your immediate future. Maybe you're looking for experience and maybe you're looking for adventure. In any case, you're proud to be a Pi Phi and should give the LDC program a closer look.

Interested in serving as a Leadership Development Consultant? Hurry. This year's deadline is Nov. 15. Download an application form at: www.pibetaphi.org/ collegians/applications. html.

If you have any questions, contact Director of Member Services Oriana Bertucci at oriana@pibetaphi.org or (636) 256-0680.



The 2006-07 LDCs spent time helping children at a community service project in St. Louis.

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News from Arrowmont by Kimberly Geib Newman

SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE

Every year, the Pi Beta Phi Foundation offers scholarships to Phi Phis, as well as non-Pi Phi women, to attend spring and summer workshops at Arrowmont — that is, if someone applies for them. We were excited to hear two Foundation scholarship recipients were on campus the second week of summer session. I knew that I wanted to make a point to check in on them to find out a little bit more about each of them.

What I found most interesting was that each was at opposite ends of the spectrum in terms of their skill level, but both were taking advantage of a great opportunity to learn and be creative.

TENNESSEE GAMMA ELIZABETH BAKER found the Arrowmont scholarship opportunity on Pi Phi's Web site. She applied for a scholarship to attend Tony



Tennessee Gamma Elizabeth Baker learns how to fuse glass.

Tomlinson's Glass Fusing for Beginners, because she was just that, a beginner. An animal science major attending the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, Baker admitted that she really didn't know a whole lot about what glass fusing was before her workshop.

When she got to Arrowmont, she found out she was not alone, in more ways than one. There were three other Pi Phis on campus taking workshops that same week—one of them was even in her class. And, 12 of the 14 students in her class were complete beginners like her who had never done glass fusing before. Is she hooked? You bet! Elizabeth would love to come again to try something different if she were able to get another scholarship.

Heading to the printmaking class, I noticed right away that NEW YORK DELTA MARY BARTON NEES was obviously no stranger to the print press by the caliber of work she was creating in Donne Bitner's Painting with a Press: Oil Based Monotypes workshop. I discovered that not only is she an experienced printmaker, but is also working on her MFA in printmaking at East Tennessee State University in Johnson City, Tenn. This was also her fourth time to attend Arrowmont on a Foundation scholarship. Since 1985 when she first came to Arrowmont, she has taken two painting classes and two printmaking classes. "The possibility of coming here would not have happened without financial help," Nees said.

"Pi Phis need to know what an excellent school this is! This place has developed and evolved into a center with an excellent reputation in the arts community nationwide," Nees said.

Many are not aware that Pi Beta Phi Foundation offers scholarships for both Pi Phis and non-Pi Phis to attend Arrowmont. All it takes is to fill out an application. Don't let your skill level, beginner or otherwise, keep you from applying. Elizabeth Baker and Mary Barton Nees didn't, and they had a wonderful time at Arrowmont.



It is evident that New York Delta Mary Barton Nees knows her way around a printing press.

Pi Phi Foundation Arrowment Scholarship application deadlines: Spring '07 – January 15 Summer '07 – April 15 For more information, call the Pi Phi Foundation at (636) 256-0680 or visit www.arrowment.org.

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Pi Phi and Friends Arts Weekend 2007 will be May 3-6. Course information will be available in early 2007.

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Arrowmont thanks all of the Pi Beta Phi Club, Chapter and individual gifts made between July 1, 2005, and June 30, 2006. Clubs contributed \$94,958 and chapters gave \$113,437 for a total of \$208,395! We only have space to list donations at the \$100 or above level, but we appreciate every donation. Your support makes a significant difference in our ability to enrich lives through art and to maintain Arrowmont's reputation for top quality art and craft instruction for children and adults.

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Grow the Organization, Lead the Team,

Model the Way

by Barbara BITTNER HAKKIO Nominating Committee Chair

Sound like something you would like to do? Grand Council is searching for servant leaders and has appointed a five-member nominating committee to prepare a slate of officers for Pi Beta Phi. The nominating committee, a geographically diverse group of former fraternity officers with broad levels of Pi Phi volunteer experience, consists of: OREGON ALPHA KIM BARGER DURAND, PENNSYLVANIA GAMMA KAREN NEELY FARYNIAK, TENNESSEE ALPHA BARBARA BITTNER HAKKIO, TEXAS DELTA CAROLYN PAVLETICH LESH and CALIFORNIA ETA MICHELLE MURRELL WILLBANKS.

This committee is currently looking to fill the Grand Council and Fraternity Director slate, but always welcomes inquiries from women who are interested in other leadership opportunities.

Pi Phi leadership roles have expanded, thanks to legislation passed at Convention 2005. The nominating committee is charged with identifying the right volunteer for the appropriate Fraternity job. This is important for both the Fraternity and the volunteers. Key attributes to review include skills needed for each position, time available to devote to Fraternity work, collegiate and/or alumnae leadership experience and an interest to serve. The Fraternity provides training for all positions.

The nominating committee is partnering with Paramount Potentials, a firm of industrial organizational psychologists, to assess talent. Selected volunteers will be asked to complete an online profile to help match them with the right leadership positions. The nominating committee is also developing a succession plan to ensure that Pi Beta Phi always has the best leaders for the international officer structure.

The long-range strategic plan for the



From the left, Collegiate Regional Directors Nancy Strine, Beth Torres, and Shannon O'Donnell Ross, enjoy a luau at Headquarters after a day of training.

Fraternity includes a servant leadership model that is grounded in the Pi Beta Phi values of integrity, honor and respect, lifelong commitment, personal and intellectual growth, philanthropic service to others and sincere friendship. Volunteering for Pi Phi provides multiple opportunities for personal and professional growth based on this servant leadership philosophy. Servant leadership training not only helps volunteers with Pi Beta Phi work, but it can also be applied to members' professional and personal lives.

Pi Beta Phi relies on a core of quality volunteer officers at all levels to be recognized as a premier organization for women. Consider volunteering with Pi Phi and gain the benefits of paid Fraternity travel, new friends, attendance at convention, technological training and rewarding relationships with other dedicated Pi Phi members both locally and internationally. Volunteering with Pi Phi certainly gives you the satisfaction of helping others in our Fraternity achieve their very best.

If you would like to serve, send an e-mail to nomchair@pibetaphi.org. The committee is interested in hearing from you.

Pi Phi Skills Apply at Home & Work, Too

Missouri Alpha Susan Kingsley Robinson finds that the skills she learns by serving as a Collegiate Director for Region 5 impact other areas of her life.

"Volunteering as a Fraternity officer has given me a broader perspective of the world that my own daughters live in," Sue says. "As they become young women and go through college, it's helped me understand their peers, motivations and experiences because I see the same thing with collegians I have the privilege of supporting."

Sue works for Sosland Publishing Co., in Kansas City, as the director of content management, overseeing internet operations for the business-tobusiness publisher. "I wish I'd had the experience of working with college women about 10 years ago when I managed a department of entry-level editors. Understanding a different generation's work ethic, and what motivates them would have been invaluable. After having worked with collegians for the past six years, I understand a lot more about how they look at their careers and how to mentor

"Personally, I find my comfort level when speaking to groups from small gatherings to banquet-room crowds has improved immeasurably because of my Fraternity experience.

"I'm also a lot more cognizant when running meetings because at Pi Phi, we have to ensure that we make the most of our volunteers' time," Sue adds.



Alumnae

Wendy Shelton Sire, Kappa Delta Vice President Finance, left, presents Missouri Alpha Kristy Weber, M.D., with the 2006 Elizabeth Winston Lanier Award on behalf of Kappa Delta Sorority and the Orthopaedic Research Foundation (OREF). Kristy, an accomplished orthopaedic surgeon, received the award at the American Academy of Orthopaedic Surgeons 73rd Annual Meeting in Chicago for her paper, "Growth Factor Receptor Signaling Blockade in Renal Cell Carcinoma Bone Metastasis."



The Katy-West Houston Alumnae Club recently went "Ranch-Style" at the home of Texas Eta Shelley Rolleg Eastland for their silent auction and barbecue. Display tables loaded with auction items filled the rooms where Pi Phis and guests mingled. Funds raised at the event support the CAR program and other Pi Phi projects. Auction chairs, from left are: Oklahoma Beta Stacy Bewley Grubb, Shelley Eastland and Louisiana Beta Liz Hanagriff Hartwig.

CALIFORNIA ZETA ANN P. MEREDITH. a writer, director and producer, was asked by The National Academy of Television Arts and Science to serve as a judge to select the nominees and winners of the 27th Annual News and Documentary Emmy Awards.

ARIZONA ALPHA PEGGY ROWE, a jewelry designer and member of the PHOENIX, ARIZONA ALUMNAE CLUB, was recently featured in the Arizona Republic newspaper for her vintage necklaces. Peggy's "Heiress Collection" is carried at local galleries, as well as on her

Web site, www.heiressvault.com. Her designs have been featured in Bride's, Modern Bride, InStyle Weddings and Women's Wear Daily Magazines. Several of her pendant necklaces will be worn on the premiere episode of the television series VIP Passport. The show will air in October on Fox.

Artists from across the United States apply annually for Arrowmont's Artist-in-Residence (AIR) program, a coveted opportunity of creative discovery for emerging artists. The five current Artists-in-Residence



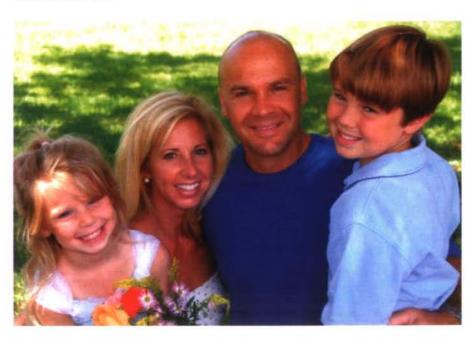
Oregon Alpha Debbi Amato Monahan, Oregon Trail Alumnae Club President, visits with David Willard, Director of Arrowmont, who attended the Craft Organization Development Association Conference in Portland, Oregon in May. David was kind enough to spend some time with the club at the Contemporary Crafts Museum and Gallery and chat about Arrowmont.

held an opening reception for an extraordinary, first time exhibit in Nashville, which highlighted the work they created during their 11-month stay. The exhibit was held at Finer Things Gallery throughout the month of June and was a benefit for the Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts. The Nashville, Tennessee Alumnae Club partnered with the Arrowmont Board of Governors to make this show possible.

THE DENVER, COLORADO ALUMNAE CLUB has made helping victims of Hurricane Katrina its supplemental philanthropy this year. The club collected new children's books at this past year's Founders' Day celebration and decided that in addition to giving the books to local schools, they would also donate to elementary schools in Mississippi still recovering from the storm. The club will send monetary donations as well.

Twelve Florida Alpha alumnae completed the Danskin Triathlon at Disney World on Mother's Day, May 14. The women ran in memory of Florida Alpha Libby Threlkel Ray, who passed away from breast cancer in 2004 and in honor of Florida Alpha Barbara Raines who is currently battling breast cancer. The women swam 400 yards, biked nine miles and ran two miles through the Magic Kingdom. Other Florida Alphas, including Barbara, came out to support the participants.

THE ALPHARETTA, GEORGIA ALUMNAE CLUB continues their book drive to help rebuild the libraries of the Gulf Coast that were destroyed by Hurricane Katrina. In addition to the schools along the Mississippi Gulf Coast, they have also recently donated



Florida Beta Kelly Schirm Lafferman, second from left, was recently named one of the Orlando Business Journal's 40 Under 40 for the most successful executives in Central Florida who fall into this age group. Kelly is the Vice President of Marketing for the Tavistock Group. She is pictured here with her family.



books for both children and adults to the Dauphin Island, Alabama Library, which was also wiped out by Katrina and is just now starting to rebuild.

THE BOSTONIAN, MASSACHUSETTS ALUMNAE CLUB is proud to add another philanthropy project to its calendar of events. This year, the club made more than 60 fleece and knit caps for patients undergoing chemotherapy and radiation treatment at the Dana Farber Cancer Institute in Boston.

THE GLEN ELLYN-WHEATON, ILLINOIS ALUMNAE CLUB joined together at their January 2006 meeting to make fleece blankets to be donated to Project Linus. Project Linus is a non-profit organization that makes and accepts handmade blankets for seriously ill and traumatized children.

OKLAHOMA ALPHA LOU LINDSEY HALL was one of five Girl Scout Women of Distinction honored in August 2006 by The Girl Scouts-Sooner Council. The council annually recognizes Oklahoma women who are

role models for girls by living the Girl Scout Promise and Girl Scout Law. Lou was a scout leader for 10 years.

Eight Pi Phi Alumnae (representing five chapters) are members of the newly-formed Panhellenic group at the Mayflower Retirement Center in Winter Park, Florida, where all are residents. The group, known as the "Greek Girls" meets monthly for lunch. Of the 26 members, nine sororities are represented, and Pi Phis form the majority.



At ceremonies culminating its annual TechNet International Conference at the Washington Convention Center, the Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Association (AFCEA) recently awarded the prestigious 2006 AFCEA Meritorious Service Award to New York Delta Joyce Sidopoulos, Joyce is Business Development Director for General Dynamics Information Technology located in Needham, Massachusetts, and is First Vice President of AFCEA's Lexington-Concord Chapter. Joyce, center, accepts the 2006 AFCEA Meritorious Service Award from AFCEA International President and CEO Vice Admiral Herb Browne, left, and AFCEA International Board Chairman Maj. Gen. Eugene Renzi. (MITRE Photo)



Arkansas Alpha Alumna Receives Carnegie Medal for Saving Life

Arkansas Alpha Gigi Davis Buhrow recently received a Carnegie Medal for saving a suicidal elderly woman. The medal is given to those who risk their lives to an extraordinary degree while saving or attempting to save the lives of others.

Gigi was jogging one morning on a bridge over Lake Hamilton in Arkansas when she saw a car pull over to the side. At first, Gigi was concerned that the motorist was going to cause an accident, but then she saw the woman get out of her car. The next thing she knew, the woman, who was despondent following a recent stroke, had jumped off the bridge. Gigi and a male bystander risked their lives and dove in after her (approximately 50 feet). Along with another woman who swam over to help from a nearby dock and two boaters, Gigi and the man brought the woman to safety and she survived.

Gigi owns her own business and is a youth director at the First United Methodist Church of Hot Springs. She is a member of the Hot Springs, Arkansas Alumnae Club.

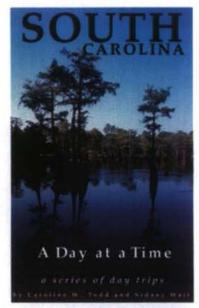
Planet Mom

Pennsylvania Etas Eileen Fisher
Schneidman, left, and Elise Nappi are the
founders of "Planet Mom," a clothing
company that sells apparel featuring
witty lines of relevance to all moms.
Planet Mom has been featured on NBC's
"Today" show, ABC's "The View", Fox
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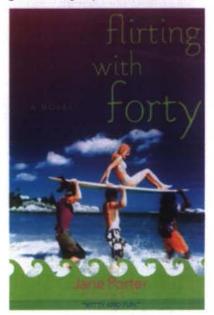
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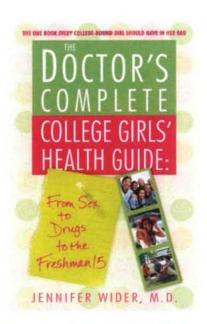
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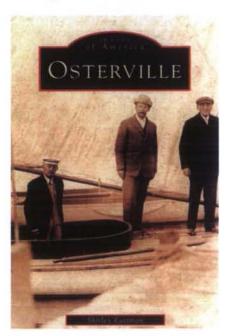
South Carolina Alpha Caroline Whitmire Todd is the co-author and photographer for "South Carolina: A Day at a Time," a guide to day trips in South Carolina.



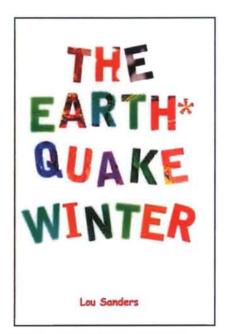
California Delta Jane Porter's "Flirting with Forty" is a coming-of-middle age story of a woman not ready to give up on love and life. Jackie, the main character is a recent divorcee who celebrate her 40th birthday alone and embarks on an adventure that helps her realize that she still has a chance for happiness.



New Jersey Alpha Jennifer Wider Salik, a doctor and medical journalist, has written "The Doctor's Complete College Girls' Health Guide: From Sex to Drugs to the Freshmen 15."



Washington Alpha Shirley Miller Eastman has written a pictorial history of the seaside village of Osterville, Massachusetts, for the "Images of America" series published by Arcadia Publishing.



Tennessee Beta Marilou Gardner Sanders is passionate about the need for young people in America to embrace the country's history. Through her book, "The Earthquake Winter," she has turned this passion into a fictional story about a family living through real historical events, including the New Madrid Earthquake of 1811, the biggest in the country's history, and travel on the Natchez Trace.

Reunions & Anniversaries

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Sixteen Iowa Gammas traveled from nine different states to reunite in Ames, Iowa this past July.

In August, 14 Arizona Alphas from the 1996 initiation class reunited in Scottsdale, Arizona, to celebrate meeting each other 10 years ago on Bid Day. The Pi Phi's spent the day catching up at the house of Kera Dobson Berry and then enjoyed dinner together that evening.

Sixty Arkansas Alphas from the initation classes of 1964 to 1969 gathered at the Pi Phi House at the University of Arkansas for a weekend reunion in June.







REUNIONS & ANNIVERSARIES

The California Gamma initiation class of 1982 recently held a reunion at the home of Shaya Davis Kirkpatrick in Manhattan Beach, California. The event was hosted by Shaya and Laurie Sewell Capello of Malibu, California. Sisters flew in from across the country for the event.



Members of the Missouri Alpha initiation class of 1973 gathered for a reunion weekend at the Lake of the Ozarks in Missouri in June.



Sixteen California Zeta Alumnae recently held a reunion in Laguna Beach California. A beach barbecue was the highlight of the event.

Remember

Oregon Betas gather circa 1950s.

Sisters Who Play Together,

by STEPHANIE GURLEY-THOMAS

Some Pi Phis keep in touch through their college reunions. Maybe you only see your Pi Phi sisters at weddings or funerals. OREGON BETA LOIS BALZER TUPLING sees her sisters every second Thursday of the month for a bridge game—and has done so for 73 years.

The group of five, down from 12, are all Oregon Beta's from Oregon State University in Corvallis, Oregon, who ultimately settled in Portland. They began meeting monthly in 1933-during the Great Depression, well before computers, televisions and cell phones. Yet as friends and sisters, they experienced World War II, The Beatles and the civil rights movement, together. They've watched each other become mothers, grandmothers, great-grandmothers and widows. "We've been together a long time," Lois laughs. "Sometimes I can't remember back that far."

Lois was a junior when tragedy struck her family. Her brother, who also attended Oregon State, was killed in a car accident during her fall semester. Lois left school with intentions of coming back for the spring semester. However, her father had a change of heart and asked her to stay back in Portland and do bookkeeping for the family business.

BELIEVE IT OR NOT,

Pi Phis Lived in a Men's Fraternity House

by Laura Jane Brautigam June

I remember Dec. 7, 1941, well. I was a freshman at Montana State College, which is now Montana State University, at Bozeman, Montana, and I was spending the weekend at home about 150 miles from school. Mother and I were listening to the radio which faded in and out and were stunned to hear Pearl Harbor was bombed. When I returned to college that evening, most of the students were worried, planning and knowing we would be at war. As I recall, many male collegians were in the National Guard and called up at once.

By my sophomore year there was hardly a man on campus and in the spring quarter of 1943 the only men were the Navy V-12 boys and the Army Air Cadets. This was the semester that Pi Beta Phi, Chi Omega, Alpha Gamma Delta and three independent houses occupying Montana State College's Quadrangle were evacuated to accommodate the Navy V-12 young men. The Pi Phis moved into

because the men either went off to serve in World War II or were working at essential jobs.

The Sigma Chi house was farther from campus than the Pi Phi house, but those were the days when civilians supported the war effort without hesitation. Other Pi Phis and myself occupied a room next to "Siberia" sleeping room on the top floor. The main floor was used for the kitchen, dining and living room. The fraternity boys had a basement frat room which was off limits for us. We had a house mother, of course.

Fortunately, spring time in Montana was not as difficult as winter, because during the snow season it was necessary to walk in automobile tracks to attend an 8 a.m. class because most sidewalks were not shoveled that early.

I do not know how long the Pi Phis lived in the Sigma Chi house because I was enrolled in the five-year nursing program, which meant my first two years were spent at MSC and my

the Sigma Chi house which was vacant remaining three in a hospital affiliated with the college. Peggy Cole and I chose to put our applications in at The Johns Hopkins Hospital School of Nursing in Baltimore.

And, so, I cannot say more than I had lived in a fraternity house ... at least for one quarter. A



Laura Jane Brautigam (June) poses before the Montana Alpha Pi Phi House in 1942.

Stay Together

"My parents were just so heart broken, you know," Lois says. "They needed me at home." Lois found she quickly missed the camaraderie and friendships she shared with her sisters on campus. Because many of her sisters lived in Portland, she proposed they all get together for a monthly bridge game. The rest just took care of itself.

They used to meet at their parents' homes as single girls, fresh out of college, for their monthly lunch and game. Then, they would take turns hosting the gatherings at their married homes. For awhile, when they all had small children, they would meet in the evenings and let the husbands care for the children. They eventually gravitated back to their midday meetings where they have lunch first and bridge second. The ladies, all widows, live in retirement communities. Recently they have been alternating their monthly games between a country club and an athletic club where the hostess of the month foots the lunch bill.

The current group consists of Lois, 94, SHIRLEY WHEELER DITEWIG, 90, ARLINE LOUGHARY MAYLIE, 94, GAIL BURNETT MARTINDALE, 92, and RUTH "LUDDY" PRICE SCHWEIKER, 90. The women were all initiated in the early 1930s. They still reminisce about their Pi Phi days, sometimes singing Pi Phi songs and remembering Mother Drake, their house mom. "She sure was strict, but wonderful." Lois said.

Pi Phi has certainly meant a lot to Lois and her sisters. "I made so many dear friends." Lois proposed in August that they start meeting at each other's retirement homes for lunch and bridge. "It just makes more sense," she said.

Their monthly meetings have changed over the years to accommodate their ever-changing lifestyles. The one constant, for all five ladies, however, is seven decades of Pi Phi friendship, strong and true. A

Take Charge of Your Health this October

If you won't do this for

yourself, then do it in

memory of Lori.

by ARIZONA ALPHA ALI FISH KAMEN

A beautiful mother of two, a wife, a daughter, a granddaughter, an aunt, a friend, and a sister in more ways than one. This was LORI GLAZER ENGELHORN. We met during recruitment at the University of Arizona in August of 1990. Lori was the epitome of the perfect potential new member. She was cute, active, smart, warm, out-going and funny. No wonder Pi Phi snatched her up!

In late December 2004, 14 years after we initiated together, the phone

rang. Lori was in her third trimester with her Take charge of your health. too early to request a second child. Perhaps the baby arrived early? I wish that was why she was calling. Lori called to tell me she had been diagnosed with stage 3 breast cancer. And this

was supposed to be a Happy New Year? (Although, one happy event was the birth of Lori's son in January.)

I have tried really hard to figure out why something like cancer could happen to such an amazing person. I'm still searching. What I have learned from Lori is the value of taking charge of your health.

Lori went to her doctor in October of 2004 because she felt lumps in her breasts. Her doctor told her it was just clogged milk ducts that happen during pregnancy. When new lumps were forming under her armpits, she demanded an ultrasound and a second opinion. By the time she finally got the diagnosis, two months later, her cancer was already at stage 3.

Her husband would share stories of medical errors he caught for Lori, such as wrong medication/treatment. He stayed on top of her treatments to be sure there were no errors. He was her advocate, her champion.

This October, in honor of breast cancer awareness month, and in honor of Lori who died in December, I encourage everyone to take charge of their health. Don't think you can't second guess medical professionals and if you are uncomfortable asking questions, bring someone along to be your advocate. This is about your health!

Start doing monthly breast self exams (preferably at the same time each month). If you are 40 or over, make sure to have an annual mammo-

> gram. And it is never mammogram even if you aren't 40. I'm 34 and have no family history, but still got it covered by insurance. Lori was an active, fit, healthy woman with

no family history of breast cancer. If

she could get breast anyone cancer, can. Take charge of your health. If you won't do this for yourself, then do it in memory of Lori.





Arizona Alphas rally in support of sister Lori Engelhorn, front and center.



PI BETA PHI FOUNDATION

APPLY FOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Pi Beta Phi Foundation is pleased to offer scholarship and fellowship applications for the 2007-08 academic year.

Undergraduate scholarships are available to qualified, initiated collegiate members in good standing with Pi Beta Phi. Current freshman are eligible to apply, as long as they are initiated within the 2006-07 academic year. Juniors may also apply for the Sign of the Arrow Melissa Scholarship. This scholarship provides up to \$10,000 to a member with a record of exemplary community service, who will be a senior in the 2007-08 academic year.

Seniors planning to attend graduate school are encouraged to apply for fellowships. Graduate fellowships are offered to qualified alumnae who have been out of school no more than four years.

Alumnae Continuing Education Scholarships are available to qualified alumnae who have been out of school at least two years and are planning a course of study to enhance career qualifications.

The Foundation awarded 75 scholarships, totaling \$122,300, for the 2006-07 academic year, once again surpassing all previous years' totals. Don't miss out this year...apply today!

Log on the Foundation's Web site, www.pibetaphifoundation.org for more information and an application packet. If you have additional questions, contact the Foundation office at 636-256-0680 or FNDN@piphico.org.

Completed application packets must be postmarked no later than Jan. 31, 2007.

If you know a qualified collegian or alumna, please encourage her to apply.

NEW BOARD MEMBER NAMED

The Pi Beta Phi Foundation Board is excited to welcome TENNESSEE GAMMA PEGGY WILSON LAWRENCE as a new trustee. Peggy has been involved with the Nashville Alumnae Club since 1985 and is currently on the House

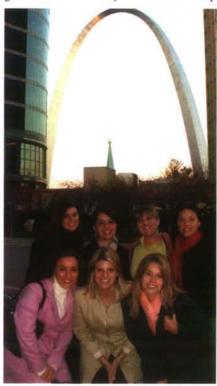
Corporation Board for TENNESSEE BETA at Vanderbilt University. She has also been an Alumnae Province President and served on the Alumnae Task Force, the Alumnae Thought Force and the Legislative Committee for the Fraternity.

The Foundation is equally pleased to announce that as of July 1, Indiana Alpha Rebecca Smith Jones is the new Vice President and Texas Gamma Nancy Carlock Rogers is the new Secretary. Their roles within the Board come about with Texas Gamma Beth van Maanen Beatty's retirement from the Board after 11 years of service.

LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANT TRAINING

A key aspect of the Pi Beta Phi Foundation's mission is to support the educational and leadership programs of the Fraternity, which include personal leadership development.

Each year, the Foundation makes a grant to the Fraternity for the Leadership



2005-06 Leadership Development Consultants

Development Consultant (LDC) program. This grant supports the LDCs who assist the chapters in leadership training and provide guidance in the following areas: scholastic excellence, philanthropic programming, alcohol awareness, risk management, finances, etc. The Foundation's grant helps pay for training opportunities, including a trip to the MJ Risk Management conference in Indianapolis. During the last fiscal year, the Foundation contributed \$79,750 to the LDC program.



Grace Goodhue Coolidge Vermont Beta

GRACE COOLIDGE GRANT

The Foundation recently made a \$3,500 grant to the Calvin Coolidge Memorial Foundation to initiate a Grace Coolidge archival memorabilia policy for the collection of letters, photographic images, print articles and newsreels. These materials will be used for scholarship, leading to a major Grace Coolidge symposium in 2008 and an exhibition in 2009. The initiative, policy and collection will be developed in partnership with the First Ladies Library of Canton, Ohio and the Pi Beta Phi Foundation. Grace Coolidge was an 1898 initiate of Vermont Beta.

ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BURKHART LEADERSHIP FUND

In June, the Foundation Board designated \$200,000 from an earlier bequest by Arizona Alpha Diane D. Burkhart to create the Burkhart Leadership Fund. This fund will be used for individual and chapter leadership development, as well as leadership programming. Through this fund, her gift to the Foundation will touch the lives of many collegians and alumnae for years to come.

ANTI-HAZING STUDY

Dr. Elizabeth Allan of the University of Maine is a noted expert on the subject of hazing. The North American Interfraternal Foundation (NIF) is currently funding her investigation into the cultural causes of hazing. The Pi Beta Phi Foundation made a \$5,000 grant to the NIF to continue this study, matching a \$5,000 contribution from the Fraternity.

The initial results of the first phase of Dr. Allan's study have found that 40% of the students who reported being involved in hazing, report that a coach or adviser was aware of the activity. Twenty-two percent report that the coach or adviser was involved in the hazing. Also, many students come to college having previously experienced hazing. One in 10 students say they were hazed in high school.

The second phase of Dr. Allan's research will involve administering Webbased surveys to students and individual interviews with students, staff, administrators and faculty. The final results of this research will serve to promote awareness of the ways in which hazing affects college students and the campus community.

ARROWMONT GRANTS

The Pi Beta Phi Foundation recently granted Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts \$45,000 for facility improvements and \$3,500 for the art-literacy program called ArtSmart.



Diane D. Burkhart, pictured above with her Arizona Alpha pledge class, bequeathed funds which are now designated for leadership development.

The Foundation's support to Arrowmont for its facilities helps maintain a working and living physical environment that students have come to expect and appreciate.

Arrowmont's ArtSmart program promotes the value of art and arts education to children. It is the arts literacy companion to the Pi Phi program, Champions Are Readers (CAR). The grant made by the Foundation for this project will be used to pay for the curriculum and instruction development of a new book, the instruction booklet design, packaging and promotion, and the production of 300 sample books for distribution at the 2007 Convention.

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Dear Pi Phi Foundation,

Texas Beta

Thank you so very much for awarding me with a Friendship Fund Scholarship. My father is in the last few months of his life due to cancer, and is no longer able to work or provide for our family. The funds from this scholarship will truly help to ease the burden on my mother and myself to pay my tuition and costs of

Pi Beta Phi has truly been the defining element of my college career, and I hope to serve the Fraternity upon graduation, as well as go on to gradu-

Thank you again for your generosity. During this difficult time in my life, Pi Phi has been my greatest support, in many and uncountable ways.

Con Pi Phi. A Foundation Scholarship Recipient

An Interview with Julie Freischlag, Johns Hopkins' Surgeon in Chief

Editor's note: In 2003, ILLINOIS ZETA JULIE FREISCHLAG became the first woman to hold the position of Surgeon-in-Chief at Johns Hopkins Hospital, the United States' birthplace of surgical training. The following interview with Dr. Freischlag, and the photo above, are reprinted with permission from "Johns Hopkins International."



For as long as she can remember, Julie Freischlag wanted to teach biology. But after she learned that teaching was difficult to break into, she took her love of teaching and science to medical school. Three decades later, Freischlag finds herself educating tomorrow's doctors in a position she hardly imagined—head of surgery at Johns Hopkins, the birthplace of surgical training in the Unites States. How did she become a leader among American surgeons? What impact will she, as a woman, have on the specialty? How would she change the training of surgeons today? In a recent interview, Hopkins' new surgeon in chief answered these questions and more.

Surgery was an unusual choice for a woman in the early 1980s when you were in training. How did you decide to specialize in this field?

When I went into medical school, I thought I was going to be a pediatrician. In fact, I decided to do my surgery rotation first because I knew I wouldn't like it and I wanted to get it out of the way. Well, I really liked the pace, the people, working with my hands. My personality was surgical.

Were you concerned about entering such a male domain?

I didn't think about it because 50 percent of my medical school class was women. It never dawned on me that I couldn't do surgery or that anyone would have an issue with my doing it. Years later, I found out that women applying for surgical residency spots tended to be put on the bottom of the pile.

So, will your position here attract more women to the Hopkins surgery program?

Maybe, if you consider the fact that over half the medical school students in this country are women, only 6 percent of women ever think about surgery and only 3 percent ever go into it. We need to increase that number because you can't just pick from the 50 percent male pool. I think we'll recruit more men, too, because they understand that I understand lifestyle issues. But Hopkins has never had trouble attracting the best and the brightest to its surgery program.

Looking back at your training, what were some of your goals?

My number-one goal was to be a good doctor—taking care of patients, educating them and their families, knowing that you're making a difference. I like the academics, teaching, doing research at the edge. But being a good doctor and teaching that to others—that's the one thing I hold on to.

How would you change the surgical training program you went through?

It was the old style of training where we were in-house, or in the hospital, every other night. Training was very rigorous, we did research, and when we were out we were on-call. Now we're finding that being around all the time doesn't necessarily make you a better doctor or a better surgeon.

Can you explain that?

When I trained, we did a lot of things in the hospital that were service related, like drawing blood and transporting patients. It was for the patient, but not necessarily for my best education. Now we're refocusing on the education piece, on exactly what we need to be teaching residents. And they can have a lifestyle, too.

A lifestyle?

We've learned that a lot of people grow apart from their families during residency. When they finally come home, they find their family has moved on without them. They have to be well trained, really focused and confident that they're ready to go out and be the kind of surgeon they want to be. But they should also be able to make a commitment to their personal life, which actually helps in taking care of patients, too.

How's that?

If you don't have any semblance of a family life, if you don't retain your humanity, then it's really hard to listen to patients.

You're a surgeon and a researcher, too?

Yes, and the fact that there are quite a few surgeons here who are excellent researchers is partly what attracted me to this institution. What they bring to research is the translational piece, the ability to study the tissue or tumor in the research laboratory and bring their findings to clinical practice. I want to enhance that research piece even more.

Young Alumnae Events Build Networks & Friendships



Three Pi Phis who met each other at the Boston Young Alumnae Event last May have become good friends. From the left are New York Epsilon Rochelle Walter Greaver, Louisiana Alpha Kathleen Taradash and Missouri Alpha Sarah Zapp. Rochelle is holding her daughter Meredith. The group was enjoying an outdoor concert at the Hatch Shell in Boston.

The Fraternity continues to host Young Alumnae events in select cities across the country. Since 2003, Pi Phi has held such events in 14 cities with more than 650 alumnae attending. These Night of Networking events are just one way Pi Phi is reconnecting with its young alumnae-and at no cost to the attendee.

The purpose of these events is to meet the needs of young alumnae by offering programming and events that are relevant and engaging. These events, designed to provide both social and professional networking, are proving to be a successful outreach to young alumnae.

Here are the dates and cities for the 10 events scheduled for the 2006-07 academic year:

Memphis, Tennessee

Thursday, Oct. 12, 2006

Minneapolis, Minnesota

Wednesday, Oct. 18, 2006

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Thursday, Nov. 2, 2006

Cincinnati, Ohio

Thursday, Nov. 9, 2006

Miami, Florida

Thursday, Feb. 8, 2007

Austin, Texas

Thursday, Feb. 22, 2007

Columbus, Ohio

Thursday, March 8, 2007

Cleveland, Ohio

Thursday, March 15, 2007

Louisville, Kentucky

Thursday, March 22, 2007

Little Rock, Arkansas

Thursday, April 12, 2007

ΠΒΦ's new coffee table book by Frances DeSimone Becque, Ph.D., New York Alpha, Fraternity Historian



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Plan Now for Convention 2007



Friends and Leaders for Life is the theme for Convention 2007, June 22-26 at the Westin Kierland Resort & Spa in Phoenix/Scottsdale, Arizona.

Mark your calendars so you can be one of the 1,000 Pi Phis to convene for five days of meeting friends, listening to dynamic speakers, eating delicious food and exchanging ideas. And, you will want to pack a swimming suit so you can relax at the resort's lazy river.

COUNTDOWN BEGINS

Convention 2007 is eight months away, which may seem long, but is just around the corner to Grand Council and Convention Committee Chairman Karen Thorn. Busy now with details to make Convention 2007 an event to remember, they invite all members to attend.

CONVENTION REGISTRATION

All convention attendees are encouraged to register online at www.pibetaphi.org beginning February 2007. You must use your member ID which may be found on the back of this magazine. If Web site access is not available, a Convention Registration Packet may be requested by calling Jenny Whittom at (636) 256-0680 or e-mailing jenny@piphico.org. Alumnae must be dues-paying members to attend convention.

FULL-TIME VISITOR PACKAGE

The following rates apply if you will be attending convention Friday through Tuesday, June 22-26.

- Early Bird Rate (register by April 1): Double occupancy room and meals, \$750 plus \$150 registration fee.
- · Regular Rate (register April 2 through

May 1): Double occupancy room and meals, \$790 plus \$150 registration fee.

- Late Rate: (after the May 1 deadline): Double occupancy room and meals, \$840 plus \$150 registration fee.
- For a single occupancy room add \$330 to the above rates.
- Room rates are Modified American Plan, which includes room, room tax, meals (excluding breakfast) and gratuity.
- Meals begin with dinner on Friday and end with dinner on Monday.

WEEKEND VISITOR PACKAGE

The following rates apply if you will be attending convention Friday-Sunday, June 22-24.

- Early Bird Rate (register by April 1): Double occupancy room and meals, \$375 plus \$115 registration fee.
- Regular Rate (register April 2 through May 1): Double occupancy room and meals, \$395 plus \$115 registration fee.
- Late Rate: (after the May 1 deadline): Double occupancy room and meals, \$445 plus \$115 registration fee.
- For a single occupancy room add \$165 to the above rates.
- Room rates are Modified American Plan, which includes room, room tax, meals (excluding breakfast) and gratuity.

 Meals begin with dinner on Friday and end with lunch on Sunday.

DAILY REGISTRATION

Daily registration fee for Pi Phis attending any general sessions and/or workshops without Westin Kierland Resort & Spa accommodations is \$60.

INDIVIDUAL MEALS

Attendees who do not have hotel accommodations through Pi Beta Phi may register for individual meals online beginning February 2007.

Make meal reservations early as space is limited and reservations may close before June 1.

ABOUT PHOENIX/SCOTTSDALE

Plan to arrive early if you wish to attend a pre-tour of Phoenix on Friday. More details will come in the Winter Arrow.

GETTING TO PHOENIX

Pi Beta Phi will have special fares for the 2007 Convention. To obtain these special rates, call Cheryl or Debbie at Jade Travel, at (800) 627-9258. Please make your calls Monday through Friday between the hours of 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. Central Standard Time.



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828 Pom Pom Throw \$35.00



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Memoriam

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

Katherine Lide Freeman, 1934; May 2006 Richardena L. Ramsay, 1932; May 2006

ALABAMA BETA

Maye Springer Jolly, 1955; May 2006

ALBERTA ALPHA

Aileen Aylsworth Welgan, 1937; July 2006

ARIZONA ALPHA

Lori Engelhorn Glazer, 1991; December 2005

ARKANSAS ALPHA

Sandra Wilson Cherry, 1960; August 2006

Mary McFaddin Thomas, 1945; May 2006

CALIFORNIA BETA

Barbara Chesholm Johns, 1951; May 2006

CALIFORNIA GAMMA

Roberta Edmisten Rolley, 1956; June 2006

COLORADO ALPHA

Jane Reed Akers, 1945; July 2006 Jane Ware Gwillim, 1953; July 2006

FLORIDA GAMMA

Jane Harding Wilson, 1935; June 2006

GEORGIA ALPHA

Mary Braungart Yancey, 1943; February 2006

IDAHO ALPHA

Leona Bales Sanders, 1944; June 2006 Helen Gale Smith, 1941; April 2006

ILLINOIS BETA-DELTA

Marian Rose Lillie, 1934; May 2006

ILLINOIS EPSILON

Barbara McCuskey Witte, 1951; June 2006

ILLINOIS ZETA

Jeanne Bresee Hindsley, 1949; May 2006 Margaret Doake McKeown, 1940; May 2006

Marjorie Diehl Robinson, 1936; July 2006

Sara Funk Wells, 1948; June 2006

INDIANA ALPHA

Alice Gardner Song, 1942; April 2006

INDIANA BETA

Virginia Dill McCarty, 1943; May 2006 Jean Warfield, 1953; February 2006

INDIANA DELTA

Loraine Carroll Gross, 1947; June 2006 Miriam Mohr Ruemele, 1935; April 2006

INDIANA GAMMA

Rosemary Highsmith Ford, 1939; April 2006

IOWA ALPHA

Nancy Hall Landis, 1950; July 2006 Bonnie Bergdahl Richart, 1945; April 2006

IOWA ZETA

Nikki Patton Babbit, 1960; April 2006 Georgiana Sexauer Brown, 1960; May 2006

Madge Jones Phillips, 1935; May 2006

KANSAS ALPHA

Margaret Ryan Harris, 1927; May 2006 Janet Maloney Schaefer, 1949; July 2006 Joyce Bleck Stotts, 1928; April 2006 Josephine Bell Wallace, 1936; July 2006 Margaret Barber Wyman, 1940; June 2006

KANSAS BETA

Rosalind Almen Morris, 1933; April 2006

LOUISIANA ALPHA

Marilee Tullis Crutcher, 1939; May 2006

MANITOBA ALPHA

Joan Campbell Mackie, 1929; July 2006

MARYLAND ALPHA

Ellen Terrell Kalmbach, 1927; May 2006

MARYLAND BETA

Dorothy Ruark Jump, 1949; May 2006

MICHIGAN ALPHA

Ruth Forsyth Strand, 1932; June 2006

MICHIGAN BETA

Ruth Gram Blood, 1940; June 2006 Marjorie Merker Sell, 1936; April 2006

MICHIGAN GAMMA

Ann Ferguson Brown, 1953; May 2006

MISSOURI ALPHA

Franchelle Woody Daniel, 1935; March 2006

MISSOURI BETA

Ann Boyer Pearson, 1961; February 2006

MISSOURI GAMMA

Jean Hogg Parnell, 1939; June 2006

MONTANA ALPHA

Sally Staley Brock, 1949, affiliated Washington Beta; February 2006

NEW YORK ALPHA

Jean Crennan McCuen, 1940; June 2006

NEW YORK DELTA

Jeanne White Church, 1935; June 2006 Marie Froehlich Lavallard, 1931; April 2006

NEW YORK GAMMA

B. Christine Eriksen Sovak, 1957: March 2006

NORTH CAROLINA ALPHA

Ethel Houston Griffith, 1943; March 2006

NORTH CAROLINA BETA

Virginia Suiter Gavin, 1943; May 2006

NORTH DAKOTA ALPHA

Alice Ebert Chapman, 1930; April 2006*

OHIO ALPHA

Catherine Barger Liddle, 1940; February 2006

OHIO BETA

Barbara "Bunny" Hedges Jones, 1948; July 2006

OHIO DELTA

Ruth Kendall Gardner, 1944; March 2006 Lois Eilers Paris, 1952; May 2006

OKLAHOMA ALPHA

Isleta Gayle Braun, 1934; June 2006 Ruth Elizabeth Coe Evans, 1937; February

Ruth Shuttles Maxwell, 1956; June 2006

OKLAHOMA BETA

Leva S. D. Fairweather, 1938; June 2006 Carolyn Dillon Seaman, 1943; May 2006

ONTARIO BETA

Meredith Smith Turck, 1963; March 2006

OREGON ALPHA

Priscilla Eakin Duncan, 1920; June 2006 Donna Mast Fournier, 1952; July 2006

OREGON GAMMA

Hilary Hansen, 1994; June 2006

PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON

Judith Schindehette Bozick, 1957; June

Shirley Van Sant Carson, 1955; May 2006

TENNESSEE BETA

Eleanor Nelson Flanigen Becker, 1946; April 2006

TENNESSEE GAMMA

Judith Cook Ross, 1972; July 2006

TEXAS ALPHA

Thetis Sanderford Gardner, 1945; May

Martha Sykes Edmond Temple, 1932; April 2006

TEXAS BETA

Nina Henderson, 1978; March 2006 Patsy Moore Pickens, 1949; February 2006 Kathryn Beckman Voekel, 1963; March 2006

TEXAS GAMMA

Sue Willard Olivier, 1953; June 2006

UTAH ALPHA

Donna Menkenmaier Becker, 1946; June 2006

VIRGINIA GAMMA

Carolyn Anderson Hughes, 1949; July 2006

WASHINGTON ALPHA

Sally Steele McGuigan, 1944; May 2006

WASHINGTON BETA

Dorothy Loquvam Arnold, 1934; February

Sue Fry George, 1937; May 2006

WEST VIRGINIA ALPHA

Jean Rogers George, 1929; December 2005

WISCONSIN ALPHA

Nancy Hotchkiss Boschen, 1932; September 2005 Jean Alexander Koskinen, 1951; May 2006

WISCONSIN BETA

Elizabeth Jenkins Lutton, 1946; July 2006

*In the Summer Arrow, the death of NORTH DAKOTA ALPHA ALICE EBERT CHAPMAN Was reported under the wrong chapter. We apologize for this error.

News & Notes

ARROW DISTRIBUTION

This *Arrow* is the first issue of the 2006-07 fiscal year and the only one that will be mailed to the homes of all members.

Members who have paid their international dues 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 Web site.

If you have not paid your dues, please consider doing so now, or make sure that Headquarters has your most recent e-mail address.

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

MARILYN SIMPSON FORD AWARD

Newly-elected College Fraternity Editors Association (CFEA) President Christine Barnicki, editor of *The Eleusis of Chi Omega*, was honored with the 2006 Marilyn Simpson Ford Award. "I met and spoke at length with Marilyn Ford at a CFEA conference in St. Louis in the mid-'90s. Her stories of turning out *The Arrow* from a small space in her home during the years when all Greek editors were volunteers, and her recollections of CFEA conferences past, reflect the true spirit of service to our respective organizations and, in particular, CFEA," Christine recalls.

"That encounter puts a real face on the Marilyn Simpson Ford Award and



Chi Omega Christine Barnicki received the 2006 Marilyn Simpson Ford Award from Pi Beta Phi.

enhances its significance. I accept the award with pride and humility and thank Pi Beta Phi and CFEA for the honor of being the 2006 recipient."

In addition to Christine's editorial duties for Chi Omega, which she assumed in 1991, she owns a full-time design studio which allows her to follow her true calling, graphic design. Christine has built a loyal clientele and her work has made a positive impact on their business and organizations.

Although her mother guided her toward a music career (her major was in piano performance and music history), she later entered a four-year program at Otis College of Art and Design to improve her design skills. Her background also includes freelance writing and dedicated service to CFEA. Christine has held many chairmanships, is past Vice President, was a major contributing writer to the 75th anniversary CFEA history and was Chairman of the 2006 Annual Conference Committee.

CAN YOU SERVE?

Pi Beta Phi is still looking for alumnae support for many of its Alumnae Advisory Committees (AAC) and House Corporations. Collegians benefit greatly from alumnae guidance, support and friendship. Outlined below are a few of

the main responsibilities for serving on an AAC Board.

Volunteers should be willing to listen to the chapter members, work well with other women and have an interest in improving our chapters and facilities.

Won't you consider sharing two of the greatest gifts you can give Pi Phi — your time and talent? It is truly a rewarding experience.

The following chapters are some of the most recently identified as in need of AAC help. An asterisk indicates that the chapter also needs House Corporation members.

Arizona Alpha, University of Arizona* Arizona Gamma, Northern Arizona

University*
California Alpha, Stanford*
California Beta, University of
California, Berkeley
California Delta, University of
California, Los Angeles
California Facilor, San Dioce

California Epsilon, San Diego State University*

California Zeta, University of California, Santa Barbara* California Mu, Pepperdine University New Mexico Beta, New Mexico State University

North Carolina Beta, Duke University

Check the Pi Beta Phi Web site for a full listing of chapters that need help.

AAC volunteers should contact Alison Bauer at Headquarters at alison@piphico.org. To work with a chapter's house corporation, contact the Fraternity's Assistant Controller Lauren Nunn at lauren@piphico.org.

WINTER ARROW

The topic for *Winter Arrow* is gender bender careers. Today, women are free to pursue any career passion they have, but many do not realize that they owe this privilege to their sisters who broke the gender barriers years ago.

Do you know of any members who are excelling in careers which used to be male-dominated, like astrophysics, engineering or architecture? Be sure to let us know about any race car drivers, soldiers or rodeo clowns. And, don't forget to send photos if you have them. Please e-mail editor@pibetaphi.org by Nov. 1.

KEEP YOUR BADGE OFF eBAY

The Pi Beta Phi Constitution and Statutes lists three acceptable ways of disposing of a badge upon the death of its owner. Do you know what these are? Even if you do, it is unlikely that your family or the executor of your estate does.

For that reason, it is important to put your wishes in writing and place it with your badge and/or with other important

Be very specific and inform your heirs of your intentions:

If you wish to be buried with your badge, explain that the badge is worn on the left side near the heart with the arrow slanting upwards;



If you bequeath your badge to an initiated member, be sure to name the member and her chapter or alumnae

If you would like your badge to be mailed to Pi Beta Phi Headquarters for disposition as directed by Grand Council. Pi Beta Phi's Headquarters is located at 1154 Town & Country Commons Drive, Town & Country, MO 63017.

HOBY AMBASSADORS?

CALIFORNIA KAPPA KIM MAYNARD, the general counsel and a board member for the Hugh O'Brian Youth (HOBY) Leadership organization, says that HOBY will turn 50 in 2007. HOBY is trying to re-connect with the more than 400,000 students who went through their program and Kim is sure many were Pi Phis. If you were an ambassador, or know someone who was, contact Kim at kmaynard@callahan-law.com.

JOIN US AS WE WELCOME D.C. ALPHA BACK TO PI BETA PHI!

Mark your calendars. Plans are underway for a weekend of activities to welcome Pi Beta Phi's newest chapter at The George Washington University in Washington, D.C. Initiation and Installation of the recolonized D.C. Alpha chapter will be held Jan. 26-28, 2007, and you are invited to help celebrate!

Friday evening - The Preparatory Service of the Initiation Ceremony and an opening reception will be held.

Saturday - Grand President Emily Tarr will initiate the charter members. Saturday evening - Welcome D.C. Alpha at the Installation Banquet.

Sunday - The Model Chapter Meeting will introduce members of D.C. Alpha to the workings of the Fraternity and Emily Tarr will formally install the chapter officers.

Sunday afternoon - A campus reception will be held to honor charter members of D.C. Alpha. Family, friends, the Greek community, faculty and administration will be invited to join in the festivities.

Register for the D.C. Alpha Initiation and Installation Weekend on the Pi Beta Phi Fraternity's Web site, www.pibetaphi.org in November. A list of recommended area hotels will be provided for your conveniences.

PI PHI TO APPEAR IN PBS DOCUMENTARY

CALIFORNIA ETA CATHY DANIEL, ITBO's National Panhellenic Conference Second Alternate, will appear in a Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) documentary about magician assistants. "Women in Boxes" covers the experiences of approximately 12 assistants and receives its name from the fact that many of the women performed an act where they were in a box that was sawn in half. The documentary is expected to air later this year on PBS stations.

Cathy, one of the assistants from the '60s and '70s era, got her start in the business in Reno, Nevada. John Daniel needed an assistant to saw in half for a magical production number. Cathy agreed to work with John and three years later she became his wife. They now live in Pasadena, California. The photo of John and Cathy, left, was taken by John's son, Dante, and is printed with his permission.

NEW ALUMNAE DIRECTORY

In an effort to bring alumnae from around the globe back together, the Fraternity is proud to announce the publication of an all new alumnae directory.

Scheduled for release in late 2007, this comprehensive volume will include members' current names and initiated names, as well as home addresses and phone numbers, names of spouses and children and professional information.

Pi Beta Phi selected Harris Connect, Inc. to produce this special edition. Soon, Harris will begin researching and compiling the data to be included in the directory by mailing a verification form to each alumna. Please be sure to complete and return the form as soon as you receive it.

With your participation, the 2007 edition of the Pi Beta Phi Fraternity Directory is sure to be a great success. Look for more details on the project in future issues of *The Arrow*.

CHECK OUT THE NEW MEMBERS-ONLY SITE

Have you logged on to the Members-Only Web site recently? If not, you are in for a big surprise.

Go to www.pibetaphi.org and click on the Members-Only link in the upper right corner. This will bring you to a log in page for the private side of the Pi Beta Phi Web site. Enter your e-mail address and password and submit your login. If you are a first-time visitor to the private side, you will also have the option to sign up for a password on this page.

Once logged in, members will see their personal profile page, which contains their name, member identification number, chapter and club information, dues status and a link to pay dues. Officers will have links to a document library to access the manuals and forms that are necessary for her position. See the example to the right.

New pages and functions throughout the Web site make it easier for members to update their information, locate sisters, pay alumnae dues and access information.

If you have not been to the new Members-Only site, please check it out and let us know what you think.

WEBINARS

Leadership Development is now being offered to alumnae club leaders in their own homes or offices via the Internet with the Fraternity's new Webinars.

Check the events page on the Web site, www.pibetaphi.org, for upcoming Webinars. Here are the listings already posted:

Day of Service: Wednesday, Jan. 10, at 7:30 p.m. CST and Saturday, Jan. 20, at 10:30 a.m. CST

Leadership: Saturday, Feb. 17, at 10:30 a.m. CST and Wednesday, Feb. 28, at 7:30 p.m. CST

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE

IOWA GAMMA CARRIE LANE CHAPMAN CATT helped women attain the right to vote. Honor her memory by voting in your local, state and national elections. United States citizens remember to vote on Tuesday, Nov. 7, and if you are going to be out of town, plan to get an absentee voting ballot.

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 800–320–1867.



Two Pi Phis Gain New Vision of the World

By Illinois Zeta Meredith Clark

Most college seniors spend their last year sending out resumes and looking for the perfect job. In one of my classes I learned about the European practice of the 'gap year' between school and work and decided to work overseas for one year before beginning a career.

The China Program caught my eye because it sends recent graduates to teach English in the city of Shenzhen, China. The compensation and training that it offered made it the most attractive opportunity and as a business major, I found the idea of spending a year in China with their recent economic success exciting.

Once I arrived to Shenzhen, I was placed at Baoan Senior High School teaching Oral English to Senior 1 and Senior 2 students. I taught 13 classes

of 60 students, which made it nearly impossible to learn names. The students have English grammar classes with Chinese teachers, so my job was to create activities and exercises where the students could practice conversational English.

Living in China was a definite adventure and one I look back on with great memories. I was shown incredible hospitality from my school and developed great friendships with many of my fellow teachers and students. Adapting to the culture was a challenge, but soon it became normal to ride the bus for hours with the Chinese and to eat things I would have never tried at home.

The experiences I had as a member of Pi Beta Phi greatly influenced my decision to live abroad for a year. Seeing my sorority sisters go on study abroad programs convinced me that I also wanted to spend time overseas learning about a different culture. As a result, I now see myself as a citizen of the world and can't wait for the next adventure.



by Georgia Alpha Lindsay Congleton

When I left home to study Arabic for the summer. I had no idea I would be thrown into the midst of a war zone.

With a Bachelor of Arts in International Affairs, I have always been interested in languages. In graduate school I wanted to focus on a region of the world that is prevalent today. Since the Middle East is one of the most significant areas in politics and foreign policy, I knew that by learning Arabic, I would be able to grasp amazing opportunities in the future. I decided to study abroad in an intense immersion program at a university with other Americans.

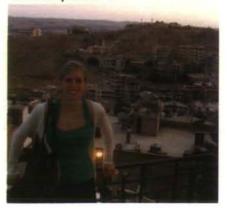
I heard great things about Lebanon and it was known as a very safe place in the Middle East. In the first few weeks

I met a lot of interesting people; I was learning an implausible amount of the language and I loved Beirut and the Lebanese people.

Then on July 12, we heard that Israeli troops crossed into Lebanon. Many Lebanese assured me that little skirmishes have happened before and I should not worry. The next morning Israel blew up the Beirut International Airport runways and roads from Beirut to Damascus, Syria. That is when panic at the school began. There was no way for us to get home, because all routes of transportation were destroyed.

Things escalated very quickly and we were evacuated to the mountains in Byblos and eventually on a Norwegian cargo ship to the island of Cyprus, before making our way back to the United States. I was rarely afraid because I knew as Americans we were

very safe, but the sounds of bombs going off only a couple miles from where I was located is one I will not forget soon. I know it sounds odd, but I feel lucky as someone studying the Middle East to have witnessed turmoil in that region. I truly have a better understanding of the region, as well as the people and what they experience on a daily basis.









Are you in danger of not receiving a hard copy of your *Arrow?*This may be your last printed issue for a year unless you have paid your \$20 international dues.

You may pay your dues online by going to the Members-Only section at www.pibetaphi.org or by sending Headquarters a check and the form below. Those who do not pay dues will be sent e-mail notices and links to the *Winter, Spring* and *Summer Arrows*, so please make sure your e-mail address is current.

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