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Friendship is the reason Pi Beta Phi exists. Just as our founders knew in 1867, we blossom when surrounded by those who share our experiences and values — as well as those who can offer new perspectives and open our eyes to worlds we've yet to see.



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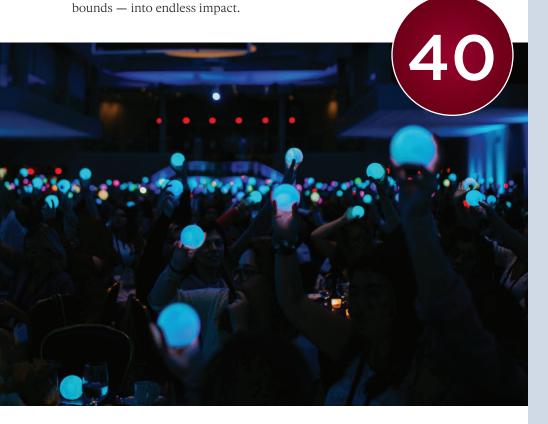
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To every Pi Phi and Pi Phi friend who made a gift, to each sister who spread the word, to every member who proudly wears the wine and silver blue, simply to every Pi Beta Phi, congratulations. You have transformed unending loyalty — loyalty that knows no



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#### Sincere Friendships Know No Age



GREER HORNE
Director Recruitment

Virginia Zeta Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University Think about some of the greatest Pi Phis in your life. Those who have stood by you in good times and in bad. Those who have mentored you or perhaps whom you've mentored. Who were the ones who taught you something about yourself or helped build you into the best version of yourself? Many of my most cherished friendships are with women who were not in college at the same time as I was.

While I have had the honor of many Pi Phis impacting my life, a few stand out in my mind. **DEBBIE DAY**, Virginia Zeta, was chairman of the Alumnae Advisory Committee (AAC) during my time in the chapter. As a chapter officer, I worked closely with Debbie. She helped me navigate some tough times as a young leader, always cheering me on. When the Virginia Tech shooting tragedy hit our campus, Debbie's leadership and guidance was imperative to me — a new Chapter President — and our entire chapter. *There are more than two decades between Debbie's initiation date and mine.* 

I met Arizona Beta **AMY STRICKLAND DRELLER** when I was a Leadership Development Consultant and she was the Collegiate Regional Director for Region Five, where I spent most of my time. Being on the road that much can be difficult, but Amy was a great resource. She was always available to talk me through next steps in difficult situations and take me to dinner for a break when I was in her hometown. Over the years, I have grown in my Pi Phi role, and Amy has served as one of my biggest cheerleaders the entire time. To this day, I still appreciate her candor, opinion and friendship. *Amy also initiated two decades before me*.

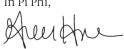
Building a friendship with Mississippi Gamma **BRITTANY OWENS WHITE** has given me the opportunity to give back to the next generation in the same way I received support and advice from the women that came before me. Brittany and I, though closer in age, were not in college at the same time.

That's one of the most unique aspects of our Pi Beta Phi sisterhood: the opportunity to build cross-generational friendships. Where else do we find ourselves part of these types of interpersonal relationships? At work, those I engage with most are those in my peer group. Nearly all of the community groups I belong to are based on similar life experiences and milestones. While every friendship I maintain is special, there is something extra special about a bond that connects you across eras. These friendships pass the example of strong, confident women leaders from one generation to another.

I think about all I've learned from Debbie, Amy and Brittany — and from so many more (too many to list!) — and know Pi Phi has given me something incredible by intersecting my path with theirs. There is no doubt in my mind that I would not be who I am today without these women in my life. And, I know there are more friendships like these yet to be developed.

As you enjoy this issue of *The Arrow*, please join me in reflection on your relationships with Pi Phis old and young. Sincere Friendship is not bound by age but by the ability to invest in one another. What a gift! ←

In Pi Phi.





Above: Jan Kincaid Clifford is honored at the FFE Seminar for her Philanthropic Service to Others. Back row. from left: Illinois Eta MARY JANE JOHNSON. Foundation Trustee; Michigan Gamma HALLEE WINNIE, Foundation Executive Director; Ohio Alpha TERRE HALL, Foundation Trustee. Front row, from left: Indiana Deltas JANE INTERMILL BLACK, JANE WURZMAN CANNON, JAN KINCAID CLIFFORD, KIM RATH MODROWSKI AND KATHY COLLIGNON MURPHY

#### CONGRATULATIONS, JAN KINCAID CLIFFORD

Indiana Delta JAN KINCAID CLIFFORD, along with her children, California Omicron KATIE, Michael and Brian, received the 2019 Outstanding Philanthropist Award from the Foundation for Fraternal Excellence (FFE). The Clifford family was honored at the Awards of Distinction Dinner at the FFE Seminar in Indianapolis in August. Jan has given decades of loyal philanthropic and volunteer service to Pi Beta Phi. From advising chapters to leading the **SHINE** THROUGH campaign, she has provided transformational leadership to Pi Phi through her work on behalf of our members, our communities and our sisterhood. Most recently, Jan chaired the historic **SHINE** THROUGH campaign to sustain Pi Beta Phi. Read more at pibetaphi.org/news.

#### JOIN PI BETA PHI GRAND PRESIDENT FOR A RING CHING CHAT

With much happening in our organization, Pi Phi is providing you another opportunity to stay informed and build your Pi Phi Pride. Mark your calendar to join Grand President MARLA NEELLY WULF for Ring Ching Chat on January 24, 2020, at 12:30 p.m. The update will be offered virtually as a webinar and structured as an informal conversation on what's happening within our sisterhood. To register for this free, online event, visit pibetaphi.org/ringchingchat.

#### REGISTER FOR COLLEGE WEEKEND 2020

Join Pi Phi sisters January 24-26, 2020, at the Hyatt Regency St. Louis at the Arch for this premier Fraternity leadership development experience. Through a variety of tracks, or "Colleges," the Fraternity is able to train officers to better equip them for their leadership role. Chapters are encouraged to send as many Executive Council members as possible; however, space is limited. Don't let a track fill without reserving a spot for your chapter — this event is likely to sell out. Learn more and register at pibetaphi.org/collegeweekend.

#### APPLY FOR PI BETA PHI FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS TODAY

Undergraduate, Graduate Fellowship and Alumnae Continuing Education (ACE) Scholarship applications for the 2020–2021 academic year are now open! Your Foundation awarded more than \$208,000 in scholarships for the current academic year. Applications must be complete and submitted in their entirety, including recommendations, before 11:59 p.m. PST on February 15, 2020. Learn more about the application criteria and start your online application at **pibetaphifoundation.org**.

#### HALLEE WINNIE ELECTED TO THE FOUNDATION FOR FRATERNAL EXCELLENCE **BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Pi Beta Phi Foundation Executive Director HALLEE WINNIE, Michigan Gamma, was elected to the Foundation for Fraternal Excellence (FFE) Board of Directors at the organization's annual meeting in August. The FFE exists to support organizations and individuals invested in developing the next generation of fraternity and sorority leaders. In her role, Hallee will help to support, monitor and communicate the organization's mission, goals and positions, provide strategic oversight to FFE committees and engage in ongoing community outreach on FFE's behalf.

#### PI BETA PHI POLICY AND POSITION STATEMENTS

In June, Grand Council voted to adopt a new set of Policy and Position Statements that took effect on August 1, 2019. The new Policy and Position Statements simplify and streamline Fraternity policies for collegiate chapters and members. The Fraternity transitioned from 33 stand-alone policies to seven overarching policies covering the following areas: Member Conduct, Alcohol and Drugs, Non-Discrimination, Anti-Hazing, Chapter Facility Safety and Visitation, Alumnae and Parent Involvement in the Collegiate Recruitment Process, and Parents' Clubs. In addition, five event planning-specific policies supplement these seven policies. Many of the positions remained similar but are presented in a more clear and organized way for maximum visibility and understanding. To review the new policies, visit pibetaphi.org/policies.

#### JOIN US FOR HALO HAPPENINGS

Halo Happenings events are opportunities to connect with sisters, receive updates from Pi Beta Phi leadership and learn about the ways Pi Phis are making a difference for our communities and the future of our sisterhood. We're excited to visit the following cities:

January 11, 2020: Bay Area, California February 8, 2020: Greater Kansas City March 7, 2020: Seattle, Washington

March 14, 2020: Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minnesota April 4, 2020: Northern New Jersey & New York City

All Pi Phis are invited to attend Halo Happenings. To RSVP or ask questions, please email Development and Engagement Manager Megan Schwedtmann at mschwedtmann@pibetaphi.org.

#### RECOGNIZE A DESERVING PI PHI

Celebrate and honor individual Pi Phis for their contributions in 2019 by nominating a sister to receive a Pi Beta Phi award. Nominations open January 1 and close February 15. To learn more and to nominate a Pi Phi, visit pibetaphi.org/awards.

#### CORRECTION

In the Summer 2019 issue of The Arrow, the Richardson-Plano, Texas, Alumnae Club was mistakenly identified. Texas Eta MEREDITH DICKSON, Vice President Philanthropy, was recognized by the Richardson-Plano, Texas, Alumnae Club, and received the Carolyn Pavletich Lesh Outstanding Sophomore Award. The Arrow apologizes for the error and regrets any confusion this may have caused.

#### WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

Tell us what you think about *The Arrow* or what makes you Pi Phi Proud by sending an email to editor@pibetaphi.org. Your thoughts may be published in the next issue! ←

#### **UPCOMING PI PHI EVENTS**

FOR MORE INFORMATION ABOUT UPCOMING PI PHI EVENTS, VISIT PIBETAPHI.ORG/EVENTS.

**JANUARY 24-26, 2020 COLLEGE WEEKEND** 

St. Louis, Missouri

**FEBRUARY 29, 2020** FRATERNITY DAY OF SERVICE SIGNATURE EVENTS

Birmingham, Alabama; Columbia, Missouri; Raleigh, North Carolina; St. Paul, Minnesota; and Toledo, Ohio

**JULY 9-12, 2020** LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

St. Louis, Missouri

### Pi Phis Make an Impact During #ReadLeadAchieve Month

Every September, Pi Beta Phi celebrates Read > Lead > Achieve® Month. We loved seeing all the ways our sisters, chapters and clubs took the charge to participate, donate and advocate for literacy with Pi Phi. Your passion for literacy — and the impact you make for the children in your community — is truly inspiring. •



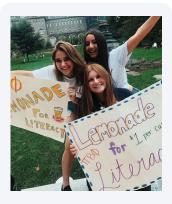
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I love this house and I love serving this community!



#### @pbp\_edmond\_alumclub

Thank you to everyone who came to our Heavenly Tailgate and brought books for The Giving Game! 152 books will be going to Citizens Caring for Children! Congrats to our OSU OK Beta's for winning the 2019 contest!



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#### Georgia Alpha



When you visit the Georgia Alpha chapter house at the University of Georgia, almost everything you see reflects the hands, eyes and hearts of Chapter House Corporation (CHC) members and Georgia Alphas COLLEEN SWEENY BRACKEN, PEGGY BATSON BALLARD, MEDIE ROOD CROCKETT, JOAN TODD DUNCAN, JUDY ELLIS HIBBS and BITSY URVAN MONTGOMERY. Even beyond the furniture, carpets and drapes, it's rare to find something in the facility that doesn't have their fingerprints. For many years, these women — like so

Considering the long-term needs of the chapter, the Georgia Alpha CHC determined a multi-million-dollar expansion of the chapter facility was inevitable. "As it stands, not all members of the chapter fit in the facility for meals or chapter meetings, and the chapter risks losing a housing competitive advantage on campus," Joan said.

many CHC members — made caring for the Pi Beta Phi

property in Athens, Georgia, their full-time volunteer job.

The CHC members explored the financial and human resources needed to take on a project of this scale and determined greater capacity was needed. So, they turned to the Fraternity Housing Corporation (FHC), conducted their due diligence on how FHC helped other chapters and gained the support of the Alumnae Advisory Committee and chapter. Though mixed emotions surrounded their decision to transfer ownership and management of the property to a new board, they knew Georgia Alpha needed the professional resources that came with FHC. "None of us on CHC have the experience FHC does," Peggy shared. "We aren't contractors, architects or trained commercial property managers and we certainly don't have the perspective of many different chapters and campuses."



These Pi Phis are an example of the many dedicated CHC volunteers who regularly put the chapter's needs above their own to make sure the housing experience they enjoyed in college is available and relevant for today's collegians.

Senior Director of Housing LIBBY GILKISON CANNON, Missouri Alpha, appreciated the Sincere Friendship and care the Georgia Alpha CHC members put into their decision. "Pi Beta Phi is thrilled to continue the legacy of the many volunteers who served Georgia Alpha as members of the CHC over the years," Libby said. "FHC is proud to be a partner in serving all Pi Phi chapters and is always here to help. Now Colleen, Peggy, Medie, Joan, Judy and Bitsy can focus their volunteer time serving the chapter by assisting with a local capital campaign while FHC provides the planning and support necessary for a large renovation to be on budget and on time. It is a beautiful example of leveraging strengths to ultimately benefit the future of Georgia Alpha."

Georgia Alpha CHC members talk Pi Phi housing with FHC representatives at convention. From left to right, Assistant Director of Housing SHANNON BREWER TYRRELL, Indiana Delta, BITSY URVAN MONTGOMERY, FHC President LISA GAMEL SCOTT, Colorado Alpha, PEGGY BATSON BALLARD and JOAN TODD DUNCAN.

## Pi Phis Make a Difference Through Mentoring

By Texas Delta LAUREN LAMONTAGNE, Vice President Communications



Just as Pi Beta Phi prides itself in strong sisterhood, Texas Christian University (TCU) prides itself in the meaningful experience it provides students. A huge part of the TCU experience is Frog Camp, the university's orientation program for new students. Frog Camp is something unique to the TCU community that instantly brings students together as they begin their college journey.

This year, three Texas Delta Pi Phis were Frog Camp facilitators, mentoring incoming freshmen as they prepare for the next four years of their lives. HANNAH JACKMAN, MEGAN WHITE and KENNEDY DIERCKMAN all devoted time from their busy schedules to lead Frog Camp. Their leadership skills soared in this environment. It was great to not only have three amazing Pi Phis as facilitators, but also to have facilitators representing different New Member classes.

Kennedy, a rising sophomore, was able to relive the experience that she loved as an incoming freshman just a year ago, but this time as a mentor. "I loved hearing their stories and getting to know who they really are," she said of her Frog Camp students. "It was also awesome to see my campers open up throughout the week. They started off quiet, but by the end, they were all talkative and comfortable with each other. It felt good to know that I had a part in creating those friendships and their first few memories of TCU."

Being elected as a Frog Camp facilitator is quite an honor. Kennedy grew in a leadership role she never expected to have. "I felt like I was lucky enough to have an experience like I did in Pi Phi," she said. "I have gained a whole new crew of built-in best friends!"

Fellow facilitators Megan and Hannah were lucky enough to participate in the same Frog Camp session. Already close friends, the experience deepened their bond. As Megan and Hannah learned what it meant to be a leader and a friend to strangers, they found themselves giving gratitude to Pi Phi. "As a freshman, I felt so thankful for the friendships and mentors I found in my facilitators," said Megan. "To be able to now be that facilitator and walk alongside our incoming students is so rewarding."

Hannah felt the same way. They inspired one another as they encouraged the group of new students. "I saw how Megan opened up to the freshmen, and it motivated me to be the leader I wanted to be," said Hannah. "Being a facilitator alongside Megan made me so thankful for the sisterhood and immediate friendship Pi Phi gave me."

Texas Delta is proud of its young women making a difference in the community. They have hearts that will continue to make a positive impact. ←

#### **ALABAMA**

Alabama Gamma, Auburn University

Serving as a Camp War Eagle Counselor is a summer job in high demand at Auburn University. Camp War Eagle is a summer orientation for all incoming first-year students led by current Auburn students. Alabama Gamma **EMMA HOPKINS** was chosen to be a counselor and spent her summer preparing students for college at Auburn.

"My favorite parts of being a Camp War Eagle counselor were the relationships I was able to build and impacting incoming Auburn students," said Emma. "The Auburn family is what drew me to the university to begin with, and I wanted to be one of the first people to welcome these first-year students. As much as I hope I impacted them, I don't think those students will ever be able to understand how they impacted me also."

#### **ARIZONA**

Arizona Beta, Arizona State University

At Arizona Beta's Founders' Day event this year, the chapter welcomed Janine Weyers, a Kappa Kappa Gamma alumna from Arizona State University, to present her mother's Pi Beta Phi badge to a member of the chapter's newest initiated class. Janine is the daughter of the late Washington Beta IRMA "KOKKO" ROBISON and sister of Arizona Beta KRISTEN ROBISON DONATO.

Janine and Kristen had both decided to gift this heirloom to Arizona Beta because of Kokko's role in helping to establish Arizona Beta. After graduating from Washington State University, Kokko moved to Arizona and was a critical part in the recruitment of the first class for Pi Phi at Arizona State University.

The chapter's Executive Council has designated Kokko's badge as a way to honor and appreciate a member in the newest initiated class who has shown dedication to upholding the Pi Phi values that Kokko had proudly and passionately brought to Arizona Beta.

The first recipient of this award was **ELIZABETH TEIXEIRA**, who has demonstrated her ambition and motivation for making the chapter the best it can be. Elizabeth proudly accepted the award and badge after hearing a moving speech presented by Janine during the event.



Above: Arizona Beta **ELIZABETH TEIXEIRA** was honored as an outstanding new initiate and presented with the arrow badge of Washington Beta **IRMA "KOKKO" ROBISON** from her daughter Janine Weyers.

#### **CALIFORNIA**

California Kappa, University of California - San Diego
California Kappa hosts an alumnae dinner each year
where the chapter invites and meets local alumnae from
the La Jolla, California, and San Diego, California, Alumnae
Clubs. The chapter's Alumnae Advisory Committee
members introduce collegians to alumnae, who share
stories about their undergraduate days. The chapter also
hosts a Founders' Day brunch with local alumnae where
the chapter recognizes collegiate members who have
shown outstanding leadership and growth. California
Kappa promotes Lifelong Commitment by holding these
events, showing the chapter members the inherent value
of Pi Phi and that the friendships that are made in Pi Phi
will extend beyond college.

#### California Xi, University of San Diego

The California Xi Chapter was honored to have members from the Escondido, California, Alumnae Club join them at their last chapter meeting of the year. They showered collegians with gifts, rewarded sisters with academic scholarships, and surprised California Xi with the biggest Cookie Shine they've ever had! Members had a great time meeting, talking and singing some favorite Pi Phi songs. Staying close with alumnae is something the chapter treasures; members love to hear about the sisters they are still close with today, showing that Pi Phi really isn't just for four years — it's for life.

#### **COLORADO**

Colorado Alpha, University of Colorado - Boulder
Colorado Alpha juniors HAILEY VINJE and INGRID
SULLIVAN spent the summer in the Business of Sports
Program through the Leeds School of Business at the
University of Colorado, Boulder. This highly-regarded
program allows students to explore various business
careers in the sports world while putting their knowledge
to practice through projects. Hailey says, "I participated
in the program because I have always wanted to tie my
love for sports with a major in business. We had the
opportunity to meet sports business professionals, and
I learned that this industry is extremely fast-paced
and fun!"

Colorado Epsilon, University of Colorado - Colorado Springs This past semester, the University of Colorado, Colorado Springs experienced its biggest and most positive "Greek Week" yet. Colorado Epsilon was thrilled to take part in the three-day event, including an award ceremony and social media banner competition. The event was planned and executed by the Greek Programming Board, led by Colorado Epsilon KENIDI DYER. Games of "Fraternity Feud," "Jeopardy," "Amazing Race," "Fear Factor" and athletic events led to greater unity within the fraternity and sorority community.

#### **DELAWARE**

Delaware Alpha, University of Delaware

In fall 2017, Delaware Alpha had the privilege of being paired with a "Hero," a local child with cancer, as part of the chapter's participation in UDance, the University of Delaware's largest student-run philanthropy. A year-long effort that culminates in a 12-hour dance marathon each spring, UDance raises awareness and funds for The B+ (Be Positive) Foundation, which provides assistance for families dealing with childhood cancer.



Above: Delaware Alpha members **EMILY LANKLER, ELLIE WOLFENDEN**, and **KATIE JORDAN** spend time with their chapter's UDance Hero Zoe Haupt (right) and her sister Chase Haupt (left).

Delaware Alpha's Hero, Zoe, was diagnosed with stage four neuroblastoma at the age of four. By allowing Delaware Alpha sisters to be a part of her story, Zoe's unmatchable strength left a substantial impact on the chapter. "Seeing how strong Zoe and her sister, Chase, have been in the face of adversity at such a young age really pushes us all to be better people and motivates us," said EMILY LANKLER, who serves as the incoming UDance Chair for Delaware Alpha. In fact, in the last two years since meeting Zoe and her family, Pi Beta Phi has been in the top three fundraising sororities at the university. Delaware Alpha sisters eagerly anticipate seeing Zoe and Chase and love spending time with them, doing everything from apple picking to roller-skating. As Emily says, "Zoe and Chase have become such an important part of Pi Phi. We are so lucky to know them."



Above: Florida Delta JENNA KNOBBE studied sharks and rays through a research course over the summer.

#### **FLORIDA**

Florida Delta, University of Florida

Florida Delta **JENNA KNOBBE** took part in a sharks and rays research course with an organization called Field School over the summer. She traveled with the group to Key Biscayne, Florida, to learn about different fishing methods used in field research. They practiced these methods and caught sharks to collect data for ongoing research projects. In 2017, Jenna started a citizens' activist group called South Florida Shark Action, based in Jupiter, Florida, after seeing a dead tiger shark washed up on the beach. This past February, at the Gainesville Commissioners Meeting, South Florida Shark Action's proposed recreational shark fishery regulations were approved to be put into law in the state of Florida. Jenna is so proud of all the progress the group has accomplished and plans to continue fighting to save the sharks!

#### **GEORGIA**

Georgia Beta, Emory University

In March, Georgia Beta participated in festivities for "Women's Wonderful Wednesday," sponsored by womencentered clubs and organizations on Emory University's campus.

Georgia Beta's Vice President of Event Planning, KAYLEE **KINNINGER**, spearheaded the chapter's involvement in the event. The chapter provided an opportunity for students to visit their table, grab a treat and write on a whiteboard why they supported women.

"This was an incredible conversation starter and allowed chapter members to facilitate discussion on women's issues at the collegiate level as well as in the workplace," said JESSICA SOFORENKO, Georgia Beta Vice President Communications. "It was a really powerful opportunity to see women on campus come together and talk about the different avenues for supporting other women."

#### **ILLINOIS**

Illinois Theta, Bradley University

Illinois Theta had several opportunities this year to engage with local alumnae and the Peoria, Illinois, Alumnae Club. The chapter joined the club for a "Read Across America" Day" event at local schools and a trip to Holt House. Local alumnae also attended Illinois Theta's Founders' Day celebration. The chapter feels very lucky to have such a supportive group of alumnae to help guide and lead them throughout their collegiate years in Pi Phi.

#### Illinois Kappa, University of Chicago

Although it was bittersweet to say goodbye to senior members this past spring, Illinois Kappa is incredibly excited to see what they do next. Recent graduate MEREDITH WELLS was awarded a Fulbright Scholarship to study diagnoses and prognoses disparities of medulloblastomas in ethnic minorities in Salvador. Bahia, Brazil, Meredith finished her neuroscience thesis defense this past spring, and medulloblastomas are the type of brain tumor she is most interested in continuing to study. Meredith's passion, drive and humility in her accomplishments make Illinois Kappa so incredibly proud to call her a lifelong sister.



#### **INDIANA**

Indiana Beta, Indiana University

Indiana Beta had seven members travel to Israel with the organization Birthright Israel. Birthright Israel is a nonprofit educational organization that sponsors trips to Israel for young adults of Jewish heritage. For many of the Pi Phis who made the trip, this was their first time visiting Israel. Indiana Beta takes pride in the diversity of women in the chapter and celebrates that these women had the opportunity to learn more about their religion and culture.

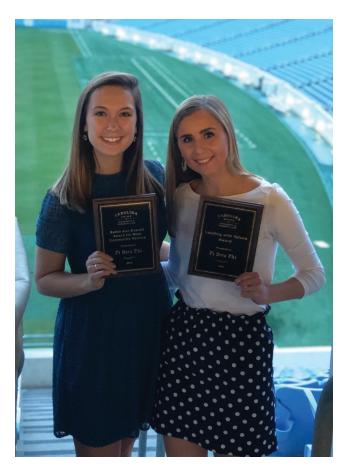
"Birthright Israel was such an incredible experience, and I feel so lucky to have been able to go with my Pi Phi sisters!" junior **SYDNEY WEINER** said.

Above: Indiana Betas MIKAELA WOLFMAN, ABBY HEIFITZ, CARLY FISHBEIN, SHERIDAN RODSTEIN, ELANA BARLEV, ILANA MARKS and SYDNEY WEINER traveled to Israel this summer with Birthright Israel.

#### **MAINE**

Maine Alpha, University of Maine

At the University of Maine's Annual Greek Awards in April, Maine Alpha was exhilarated to find out that the chapter won two awards! The chapter's Alumnae Advisory Committee Chair, **LINDSEY DURKIN ROSS**, was named Outstanding Sorority Advisor. Lindsey has devoted herself tirelessly to Maine Alpha's successes, involvement and presence on campus for over 10 years as an advisor. The chapter is so thankful for her support.



Above: North Carolina Alphas MADISON FORSEY and LISL ELTSCHLAGER at the UNC-Chapel Hill Fraternity and Sorority Chapter Excellence Awards.

**LAUREN WILLIAMS** was also honored as Emerging Greek Leader for the community. Maine Alpha is proud to have had the pleasure of watching Lauren evolve into a true Pi Phi leader. Lauren is a Division I athlete and an incredibly involved sorority woman on top of her responsibilities as a student. Outside of Pi Phi, she has given over 500 volunteer hours at her local hospital since age 12, and when she's home still finds the time to serve there. Lauren continues to excel in all areas, with successes in scholarship, leadership, community service, and chapter and campus involvement.

#### **MISSOURI**

Missouri Alpha, University of Missouri

Each year, Missouri Alpha honors their seniors with Senior Banquet, an event that brings together the graduating class to rekindle friendships and celebrate the beginning of a new chapter in life and in Pi Phi. "To me, Lifelong Commitment has been a key value in all four years of my time as a collegiate member and has only evolved more

since graduation," said recent graduate CAROLINA **STRADER**, Missouri Alpha's past Chapter President. Each graduating senior class works together on a legacy project to show their commitment to the chapter. This year's graduating seniors hosted an academic fair with new initiates, giving the seniors the chance to mentor and pass wisdom down to their younger sisters.

#### **NORTH CAROLINA**

North Carolina Alpha, University of North Carolina -Chapel Hill

In the spring, North Carolina Alpha received two awards at UNC-Chapel Hill's Chapter Excellence Awards. Past Chapter President MADISON FORSEY and current Chapter President LISL ELTSCHLAGER attended the awards ceremony on behalf of the chapter. North Carolina Alpha received the Leading with Values Award, presented to the chapter that demonstrates valuesbased leadership as the foundation of their chapter and educational programs. The chapter also received the Bettie Ann Everett Award for Most Community Service, which recognizes the chapter that completes the most community service on a per-member basis. Community service and Pi Phi core values are two of the most important things for the chapter and will continue to be a focus in the future.

#### OHIO

Ohio Epsilon, University of Toledo

Ohio Epsilon loves celebrating graduating seniors! Each semester the chapter holds a celebration where they honor the graduating sisters. The senior sisters share memories of their time in Pi Beta Phi and offer words of wisdom to current members. The week leading up to the celebration, members can write notes to each of the graduating seniors. The notes range from special memories to good luck wishes. During the celebration, seniors read their notes and take them home as a keepsake. Ohio Epsilon alumnae love looking back on their special notes and remembering their years as collegiate members of Pi Beta Phi.

Ohio Lambda, Case Western Reserve University The Ohio Lambda Chapter strives to balance academics with sisterhood. This past summer, over 60% of the chapter's membership pursued various co-ops, internships, research positions and other academic opportunities. ALLY BURWELL and LAURA TAYLOR were able to complete their externships together at the Cleveland Clinic this summer, bringing them one step

closer to becoming registered nurses. Ally worked in

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the Emergency Department, while Laura worked on the respiratory floor. Both were able to shadow and assist nurses for 10 weeks. The chapter is so proud of their work and every other chapter member's dedication to their education.

#### **TEXAS**

Texas Gamma, Texas Tech University

Four Texas Gamma women spent nine weeks growing in their faith and sisterhood in Panama City Beach, Florida, with Texas Tech StuMo (Student Mobilization) as a part of Kaleo, a discipleship and leadership program. These four members, CALLIE CHAMBERS, KIRRAH POWELL, CHLOE KEMP and MCKENZIE BLACKBURN, joined over 400 students from Texas and Oklahoma to grow in their leadership and spirituality.

During the experience, participants spent their days working a part-time job at local restaurants and resorts at Edgewater Beach. In the evenings, they came together to be challenged as rising leaders. Callie served as a group leader to the other three Pi Phi women this summer. As Texas Gamma's New Member Coordinator, she had the opportunity to see how her Pi Phi love and leadership can impact others so fiercely. Callie says she "grew tremendously in leading selflessly," challenging herself to be the best role model she can be. Texas Gamma is proud to have these women represent Pi Phi and Texas Tech in such a positive light.

#### **WASHINGTON**

Washington Alpha, University of Washington
Washington Alpha holds an annual Senior Ceremony,
with traditions that include passing down Pi Phi gear and
sharing advice with younger members. The event included
a surprise food truck serving personal pizzas that all
seniors and other members were able to enjoy together.

To connect with local alumnae, Washington Alpha hosts a networking event to match alumnae with collegiate members in mentoring relationships based on career goals or educational backgrounds. The goal is for these women to stay in touch so the mentors can guide and support members as they move forward in life. The program helps collegiate members envision life after graduation and form connections with a network of Pi Beta Phis in the area. Creating these relationships helps members see Lifelong Commitment in action.  $\leftarrow$ 

Below: Texas Gammas **CHLOE KEMP, KENZIE BLACKBURN, CALLIE CHAMBERS**, and **KIRRAH POWELL** participated in a nine-week faith and leadership experience in Panama City Beach, Florida, this summer.



#### Friendship Unending

By LINDA MURPHY MARSHALL, Colorado Beta

An exceptional group of women arrived at the University of Denver between 1965 and 1972, pledging Pi Beta Phi at Colorado Beta. We came from more than 15 states across the U.S. Fifty years later, and even with our chapter now closed, we still get together as often as possible.

These multi-talented women—representing a wide range of backgrounds and professions—began to meet regularly starting in 1989, at a large reunion in Denver. Since then, groups have gathered in locations as close as Denver and as far away as Hamilton, Bermuda. We convene in groups as large as 50 and as small as three. We still travel from as many states as when we pledged, even from outside the continental U.S., to be with our Pi Phi sisters. Our overarching Lifelong Commitment lies in organizing gatherings to bring together as many Colorado Betas as possible, with more informal, local gatherings in between.

Less than a year may have passed since we last saw each other at a reunion, or more than 40 years; it makes no difference. Time dissolves as we renew friendships and quickly catch up with each other. And, the time that has passed has permitted existing bonds of wine and silver blue to be secured, with surprising new bonds also formed. Some women who might barely have known each other as collegians often discover friendship with each other at these reunions, forging new ties based on common experiences and interests. Still others who were close friends as collegians have maintained that closeness through the years.

One of these Colorado Betas — LINDA NOEL IBSEN - served on Grand Council for 12 years, as well as in other leadership positions. Six Colorado Betas have been awarded the Carolyn Helman Lichtenberg Crest Award since 2011. But, beyond the credentials and statistics of these women, beyond the sheer number of Colorado Beta Pi Phis who, year after year, decade after decade, eagerly stay in touch, is the airtight bond we've created. At the base of the impressive resumes and backgrounds lies this unwavering bond which has lifted us up in the darkest of hours: the deaths of spouses, children, parents, siblings and some of our own Pi Phi friends; the pain of divorces, financial setbacks, major illnesses and surgery; in short, all the adversities life sometimes serves up to us all. It's during these times of great joy and great sorrow the Colorado Beta Pi Phis know why we're called "sisters," and why we will continue to care for each other as deeply as







only sisters can. As lyrics captured in one of our favorite Pi Phi songs, "Ocean to Ocean," say, "there's lasting devotion in hearts that are bound by the wine and silver blue."

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#### **ALABAMA**

Family Tradition started in Alabama
Alabama Beta NANCY WAGNER SCANLON reports
that three generations of Pi Phi women in her family
collectively represent over 110 years of Pi Phi membership.
Nancy is the mother of Arizona Alpha ERIN SCANLON
SCANNELL and Oklahoma Alpha MEGAN SCANLON.
She is also the proud grandmother of Oklahoma Alpha
COLLEEN SCANNELL, Erin's daughter, who just
returned for her sophomore year at the University

#### **ALBERTA**

of Oklahoma.

Edmonton, Alberta, Alumnae Club
Buying a house for the first time can be stressful, but as in so many cases, there are sisters you can lean on to help. AZRA MUSTAJBASIC TAYLOR, an Edmonton, Alberta, Alumnae Club member, used other members she knew from her years as a collegian to help her through the process: real estate agent YVONNE, and real estate lawyer SHANNON. "I felt grateful that I didn't have to go to a stranger for such an important life event," Azra said.

Right: Officers of the Phoenix, Arizona, Alumnae Club. From left: Vice President Programs ELIZABETH DAGLE, Nebraska Gamma; Vice President Philanthropy JULIE AHEARN, Illinois Zeta; Co-President MORGAN SEXTON, Kentucky Gamma; Co-President ABBY BARENHOLTZ, Arizona Gamma; Vice President Finance JENNIE COMPTON, Colorado Beta; and Vice President Communications ELIZABETH MOK, California Xi.

"Yvonne and Shannon are women I knew were university educated, shared my values and that I could trust to work to my best interests. Because they were my sisters, the atmosphere was much more relaxed as well. Pi Phi played a great part in connecting me with women from so many different areas of life, and it is times like these where I can really appreciate it. It reminds me of how Pi Phi supports me in so many aspects of life."

#### **ARIZONA**

Phoenix, Arizona, Alumnae Club

The Phoenix, Arizona, Alumnae Club executive board celebrated their first meeting as a new team. They discussed plans for the new year, how they will incorporate the new theme "Simply Pi Phi" into the club's programming and had fun getting to know each other better. One of the greatest things about the team is every officer is from a different chapter, so there are many diverse experiences to bring to the club's planning process.





Above: Sisters from California Zeta gather to celebrate their Golden Arrow Anniversary.

#### **CALIFORNIA**

#### California Zeta Alumnae Reunion

A group of 37 Golden Arrows from the California Zeta chapter at the University of California, Santa Barbara, enjoyed their third biennial reunion in Palm Springs. The "Angels in the Sun" gather to celebrate sisterhood. This year the festivities included a luau with a hula lesson, a game day including Kentucky Derby celebrations, a memorial service and a Cookie Shine. There was lots of love and laughter to celebrate over 55 years of being members of Pi Beta Phi.

#### Marin County, California, Alumnae Club

The women of the Marin County, California, Alumnae Club visited The Marine Mammal Center (TMMC) in Sausalito, California. The Pi Phis were treated to a private behindthe-scenes tour of TMMC, which is the largest marine mammal hospital in the world. Another fun fact is that it's housed in a refurbished Nike Missile Site.

Los Angeles-Santa Monica, California, Alumnae Club Members of the Los Angeles-Santa Monica, California, Alumnae Club rolled up their sleeves to serve their local community by helping to restore the last remaining coastal wetlands in the Los Angeles area. Ten sisters met at the Ballona Wetlands Conservation Area in Playa del Rey, California. As the attendees participated in handson landscaping, weed removal and collection of nonnative plants, they were also able to learn more about urban ecology. The time and effort the women put in will encourage healthy plant life to thrive. What better way to spend a sunny Saturday than doing some good with your Pi Phi friends?



Above: KATHERINE HARRISON, California Delta, of the Los Angeles-Santa Monica, California Alumnae Club tends to the grounds on the wetlands.

#### **ALUMNAE NEWS**

Palo Alto, California, Alumnae Club

In late April, the Palo Alto, California, Alumnae Club met to honor our founders, celebrate its 90th birthday as a club and recognize Golden Arrow members. It was a beautiful brunch at the Palo Alto University Club with over 30 members attending the event. In addition to learning about club history and how sisters helped with war relief efforts during World War II, the club also recognized members who have been part of the club for years — some as many as 50! **DONNA FONTAINE**, former club president from 1966–1968 and again from 1994–1996, was able to travel from Sacramento to attend.

Below: Congratulations to the members of the Palo Alto, California, Alumnae Club on 90 years of sisterhood!





Above: Florida Delta **LINDSAY AMERAULT** shown with her inspiration, her "DADmiral," retired Navy Vice Admiral James F. Amerault.

#### PI PHI MEMBERSHIP LEADS TO PHILANTHROPIC-BASED CAREER

Florida Delta **LINDSAY AMERAULT** (Co-Founder & Creative Director of The Admiral's Daughters) had no idea that upon initiation as a Pi Beta Phi sister, her sorority life would help influence her future career. Her volunteer experiences as an undergraduate member of the Florida Delta Chapter helped to instill philanthropy into her veins.

Nearly 10 years after graduating with a BFA in graphic design from the University of Florida (and an MA from Savannah College of Art and Design) and working with names like ESPN, The New York Knicks, Chicago Bulls and Big12 Network, Lindsay left her successful career in sports design and technology. The vision to create a mission-driven company, give back to the military and coastal communities that raised her and empower the female members of those communities had been in the back of her mind for a long time, and that "little voice" was finally too loud to ignore.

With her biggest cheerleader by her side, Lindsay and the "DADmiral" (as she lovingly refers to her father, retired Navy Vice Admiral James F. Amerault), established The Admiral's Daughters – a mission-driven women's apparel company, based out of their family home in Jacksonville Beach, Florida. The Admiral's Daughters boasts apparel with extreme comfort and unique designs (all created by Lindsay, of course) with partial profits given back to ocean conservation and military charities in the same communities where Lindsay was raised as a "Navy brat."

As the brand grows, Lindsay has spent extensive periods of time on the road. The best part of the long journeys has been reconnecting with members of her pledge class and other sisters. "They have been beyond supportive, opening the doors to their homes and even offering their time as we work side by side at events," Lindsay said.

The Admiral's Daughters has developed a strong, supportive following. Lindsay and her father continue to spread the word nationwide by sharing uplifting and encouraging stories about the members of the coastal and military communities. Philanthropic spirit runs strong in this small company — November 2019 marks its five-year anniversary, and in that time, The Admiral's Daughters, its charity event, Rhythm & Boots, and the DADmiral have donated over \$200,000 to military family charities and ocean conservation charities.



#### FLORIDA

#### Florida Beta Alumnae Reunion

Eleven Florida Betas from the 1962 graduating class held their biennial reunion in historic Old Stuart, Florida. Three days of sight-seeing, shopping, cooking and chatting over memorabilia from their days at Florida State University (FSU) created fun memories. This group is Pi Phi Proud of their 1962 Sorority of the Year recognition from FSU and works hard to keep their sisterhood connected through reunions and a regular newsletter.

#### LOUISIANA

Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Alumnae Club **COLVIN PRUITT**, a 2019 graduate of Louisiana State University (LSU), is an intern for Senator David Cassidy, and MEAGAN MOLTER, a 2017 graduate of LSU, is an assistant for Congressman Garret Graves. Colvin and Meagan treated several Baton Rouge, Louisiana, Alumnae Club members and Louisiana Beta collegians to a private tour of Capitol Hill during a visit this summer. Their tour included access to the Speaker's Balcony in the U.S. Capitol!

#### **NEW YORK**

NYC-Manhattan, New York, Alumnae Club The NYC-Manhattan, New York, Alumnae Club kicked off the 2019-2020 Pi Beta Phi year with an Alumnae Meet n' Mingle on the Upper East Side of New York City, at the home of a club and Alumnae Advisory Committee member. This event was centered on the Fraternity value of "Lifelong Commitment." Attendance was encouraged for alumnae who are new to New York City and those who have been residents for many years. The result was an exciting and diverse group of women who could

Above: From left, Louisiana Betas GRACIE RINK. CATHERINE PLESSALA, AMY BURKE, MEAGAN MOLTER, CHERYL PAYNE and SUMMER STRICKLAND SOUILEAU.

learn new things from each other. They spent the night reminiscing about collegiate experiences and talking about goals for their professional lives in the big city. Every alumna who attended left with a new friend and positive energy for the future of their time with Pi Beta Phi in New York City.

#### **OKLAHOMA**

Tulsa, Oklahoma, Alumnae Club

The Tulsa, Oklahoma, Alumnae Club celebrated Founders' Day at Mother Road Market on Route 66. Tulsa's former Mayor, KATHY TAYLOR, Oklahoma Alpha, served as the keynote speaker. Kathy's family foundation, the Lobeck Taylor Family Foundation, launched Tulsa's first food market to give a kick start for local entrepreneurs. The foundation has been under the leadership of Kathy's daughter, Oklahoma Alpha ELIZABETH FRAME **ELLISON**, for a decade. Elizabeth, who lives in San Francisco with her husband and two boys, was the visionary behind the market and founder of Kitchen66, located inside the market. Kitchen66 enables food entrepreneurs to gain the support to launch their food product or concept in a fully licensed commercial kitchen. During the event, Kathy spoke about the ways the market helps build community and supports local businesses (some of which are operated by other Pi Phis). This mother/daughter Pi Phi team learned well the qualities that our Pi Phi founders possessed, including courage, strength and vison.

#### ALUMNA BUSINESS HIGHLIGHTED IN NETFLIX PROGRAM

One of television's hottest shows now features an appearance by one of our own sisters! Tune in to the fourth season of "Queer Eye," episode eight, on Netflix and you'll catch Missouri Alpha **KERRY DUNCAN AMIGONI** serving up wine to the Fab Five!

Kerry and her husband, Michael, own Amigoni Urban Winery in the heart of Kansas City. Their dedication to their craft and outstanding wine caught the attention of the "Queer Eye" producers, but even non-celebrities may visit their tasting room, host an event in their spectacular renovated space or join their wine club!

In this episode, the "Queer Eye" Fab Five help a Missouri farmer turn around his business and life by offering farm-to-table dinners. Fourth-generation farmer, Matt Moreland, receives a physical makeover from Jonathan Van Ness and stylist Tan France. His home gets an update from interior designer Bobby Berk while food expert Antoni Porowski advises on what to serve for Matt's first gourmet dinner.

The real makeover magic happens when life coach Karamo Brown brings Matt to Amigoni's for a wine tasting. Kerry sets up the two with several tastings of Amigoni's finest wines for Matt to use at his dinner. The scenes shot with Kerry serving wine at the winery will have you laughing and crying!

Kerry says, "We loved working with Karamo and the hero, Matt. We felt honored to be a part of Kansas City exposure and the Queer Eye crew."



Missouri Alpha **KERRY DUNCAN AMIGONI** poses with Karamo Brown of the popular Netflix show "Queer Eye."

Matt's first dinner for family and friends was a huge success, in no small part to the donated wines from Amigoni. In the show's dramatic ending, Matt thanks both Kerry and Amigoni Urban Winery for their kindness and support ... exactly what you would expect from a Mizzou Pi Phi.

Although the experience gave her a taste of Hollywood, Kerry remains dedicated to Missouri and making the Midwest's finest wine!

#### **TEXAS**

Lubbock, Texas, Alumnae Club

The Lubbock, Texas, Alumnae Club recently hosted its annual fall kick-off, which is one of the club's favorite events. The kick-off was a way for members to reconvene, discuss upcoming events for the year, encourage annual dues payments and develop their Texas Gamma chapter support plan. It's not all business, though. They took advantage of this time together to celebrate sisterhood and Pi Phi.

#### Richardson-Plano, Texas, Alumnae Club

The women of the Richardson-Plano, Texas, Alumnae Club added a unique event to their annual fundraising auction this year. Some of their best cooks teamed up and offered a five-star dinner for eight guests at a magnificent home to the winning bidder. The scrumptious dinner provided

a memorable evening for both diners and Angel chefs, as well as a fun way to raise some extra money for the club's philanthropy projects.

#### **WISCONSIN**

Milwaukee, Wisconsin Alumnae Club

Milwaukee, Wisconsin, Alumnae Club members, along with undergrads who call Milwaukee home, celebrated friendship at their annual Garden Party in July, hosted by Illinois Alpha **DEB JACKOWNIAK SCARLETT**. In addition to enjoying a beautiful summer day together, club members used the occasion to collect and donate books and clothes to StreetLife Communities, a Milwaukee nonprofit organization that provides resources to the under-served, one life at a time.

#### Kay Stanley

#### KANSAS ALPHA

#### IN A NUTSHELL ... TELL US ABOUT YOU AND WHAT YOU DO.

I am a handbag, jewelry and apparel Creative Director/CEO of a company I founded in 2009 called Spartina 449. I started with one store and now operate 12 stores. with product distribution all over the country and also internationally. Based in Bluffton, South Carolina, Spartina 449 offers high-quality products that reflect the color and beauty of Daufuskie Island and the South Carolina Lowcountry. I also believe giving back is a significant endeavor for the business, so we support numerous local charities, primarily the Daufuskie Island Historical Foundation.

#### WHAT'S YOUR FAVORITE WORD?

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#### WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE PLPHI MEMORY?

The day of my Pi Phi initiation. I was completely surprised when my best friend from childhood was there for the initiation. We had not seen each other for years, and she came in from another Pi Phi chapter to share the experience with me.

#### WHAT PROFESSION OTHER THAN YOURS WOULD YOU LIKE TO ATTEMPT?

I would like to try flipping small, cute houses.

#### LOOKING AT YOU, NO ONE WOULD GUESS ...

I am a pretty good slalom water skier.

#### WHAT IS YOUR MOST TREASURED POSSESSION?

My mother's paintings. She did beautiful watercolor work — from florals to landscapes — which helped me appreciate color and composition in design.

#### BEST ADVICE YOU'VE EVER RECEIVED?

Listen to your instincts.

#### YOUR ADVICE FOR UP-AND-COMING PROFESSIONAL WOMEN?

Starting out, take positions that will give you knowledge about your profession rather than the best salary. This will set the foundation for future success.

#### **FAVORITE QUOTE OR SAYING?**

You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream. -



LEFT BRAIN OR RIGHT BRAIN

HEELS OR FLATS

**IPHONE OR ANDROID** 

40+, **50+**, 60+ HOURS A WEEK

A.M. COFFEE OR A.M. SODA





Pi Beta Phi is pleased to announce six women have been hired to serve as our 2019–2020 Leadership Development Consultants (LDCs). We look forward to having them travel across North America visiting our current chapters, supporting our newest chapters and positively impacting our sisterhood. Welcome and congratulations!



## Whitney Barnes South Dakota Alpha

I wanted to become an LDC to help women instill confidence in themselves so they can achieve their goals and become more passionate about Pi Phi. I want to give chapter members all the tools they need to work together to provide a positive and fun Pi Phi experience for everyone that will expand far beyond their collegiate years!

## Divya Nesai Alabama Alpha

I have been thinking about being an LDC since my sophomore year when I met with the LDC visiting my chapter. I knew I wanted to continue my leadership in Pi Phi after I graduated and ensure this organization remains relevant by empowering women on college campuses. This year, I want to share my love for Pi Phi and keep members grounded in our core values. I also want to build relationships that give all women the confidence they need to leave a lasting impact in this organization.



## Cattlin Gardner Mississippi Gamma

When I look back at my collegiate experience, I find that I cherished spending quality time with sisters in the chapter whether we were studying, eating, watching movies or just talking. Those were the times where I had the most meaningful conversations and where I built the foundation for my strongest friendships. I feel it is so important to instill confidence in each other as women, and the LDC program gives me such a unique opportunity to do that. When Pi Phi's members are empowered, confident and driven, we have the necessary skills for each chapter to be successful and in turn, help Pi Phi remain relevant.

## #BeAPiPhiLDC

#### Casey Gargano Connecticut Alpha

In college, my favorite activity was serving in the Community Outreach Office on campus. It was great to work alongside other students who shared the same value of Philanthropic Service to Others. As student program director, I oversaw the volunteers at Holy Family Home and Shelter and spent time volunteering myself. We would help the children with their homework and play games with them as part of the afterschool program.





#### Olivia Kennedy Michigan Gamma

I believe in the relevancy of fraternity/sorority life in the modern college landscape. Consultants have a unique opportunity to advocate for the importance of the sorority experience to a variety of audiences. My goal is to show collegiate women the leadership skills they may not know they have and empower them to be confident. Former LDCs helped me with this when I was a collegian — which has had a tremendous impact on my Pi Phi experience — and I hope to do the same.

#### Rainey Lynch California Na

As a collegian, some of the women who made the biggest impact on my life and my Pi Phi experience were the alumnae mentors and volunteers who motivated me to become a strong servant leader. These women inspired me with their dedication to Lifelong Commitment, and they reaffirmed my belief that the more you put into Pi Phi, as with all things in life, the more you get out of it. I want to continue giving my all to Pi Phi while serving as a mentor for our collegians. In this role, I hope I can inspire more women to give their all to Pi Phi, make the most of their time as collegians and stay involved as alumnae so that we can ensure the future of our sisterhood!



Interested in becoming a Leadership Development Consultant? Know someone who would be great serving Pi Beta Phi in this capacity? All seniors and recent graduates are invited to apply for this opportunity. Pi Beta Phi seeks women with varying levels of experience and diverse backgrounds. The selection process includes several opportunities for the interview team to get to know applicants through one-on-one conversations, team dynamics and presentation styles. Applications for the 2020–2021 year are now open and will close on December 2. To learn more about the program and application process, visit **pibetaphi.org/ldc.**  $\leftarrow$ 

# tried & & true

Pi Phi friendships that cross generations

Friendships uplift us, inspire us, connect us, give us purpose and a sense of belonging. Friendships help us give, help us grow and become the best versions of ourselves. Friendship is the reason Pi Beta Phi exists. Just as our founders knew in 1867, we blossom when surrounded by those who share our experiences and values — as well as those who can offer new perspectives and open our eyes to worlds we've yet to see.

When we develop new friendships, often we're grouped with similar peers — by age group, by interest, by season of life. Yet, when we join Pi Beta Phi, we have an instant and authentic connection with thousands of friends representing a range of backgrounds, professions and generations. Friendships that cross generations bring depth and meaning to the bonds we already share as Pi Phis.

For the past decade, Dr. Andrew Ledbetter has partnered with Pi Beta Phi to research how Pi Phi members interact with each other and the Fraternity. A professor and researcher based at Texas Christian University (and the husband of Region Three Operations Specialist **JESSICA DONDA LEDBETTER**, Michigan Alpha), Dr. Ledbetter's professional work focuses on how people communicate to maintain close interpersonal relationships. As we honored Dr. Ledbetter as a Pi Beta Phi Friend of Distinction at Convention 2019, he offered the following reflections:

... I know that intergenerational friendship is a pretty rare thing in American life. Often our friends are about our age. Fraternities and sororities have a tremendous opportunity to build those powerful friendship connections across generations. So alumnae, make sure you take the time to get to know your younger sisters invest in them, build connections with them — they can benefit from your wisdom and insight as they navigate transitions in life and our society. And collegians, likewise, befriend your older sisters. They can also benefit from the wisdom and insight that you have, and they will take joy in seeing your Pi Phi love, because you are the future of Pi Beta Phi ... Remember that you are a Pi Phi for life ... the true rewards from the sisterhood come as you continue throughout life. Your college experience is powerful, but it's only a small percentage of your time as a Pi Phi.



"It's not four years, it's for life." I heard this phrase throughout my days as a Pi Phi collegian, always wondering what it meant. I loved my time in the chapter, so when I graduated from Hillsdale College and returned to Nebraska, I decided I wanted to experience Pi Phi life as an alumna.

I joined the Omaha, Nebraska, Alumnae Club and was lucky to find a leadership role early on. I served as Vice President Communications and Co-President before becoming President. Our club is over 110 years old, and so much of our success is because of the relationships and connections our older members have built over the years. One of the best parts of my experience has been seeing those women so willing to embrace a new, younger leader, which I never expected.

Because Jan was one of the first club members I met, my entire alumnae experience involves her. As a new leader, I sought out mentorship from her and women like her. Jan's support and belief in me has been constant from the moment I took on a leadership role. She has shown me what true servant leadership looks like.

I love that I got to know Jan before I had any idea how involved she was in Pi Phi. She served as Parliamentarian for nearly three decades and is a past President of the Omaha club; Pi Phi recognized her service with the Carolyn Helman Lichtenberg Crest Award in 2011. My first convention was our 150th anniversary

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celebration in St. Louis, and Jan attended with me. I knew she was someone special, but I had no idea what kind of impact she'd made on Pi Phi until that weekend. Looking back, I find it humbling that someone as well known and loved as Jan believes in me and supports me as much as she does.

In my four years as an alumna, I've learned that no matter what we do as a club, Jan will be there. As a young leader, I find so much comfort and encouragement in her presence. She's the first person I call with a question or a crazy idea — and she's always told me to go for it. So much of what I've been able to help our club accomplish is because of her.

When I joined, our club felt like it was back at stage one in many ways. We needed to figure out how to reengage our members, add value to the experience and create more relevant programming. Jan has played a major role in this process, and I've learned so much from her perspective on our club and on the Fraternity at an international level. Jan's encouragement has really helped me move out of my

comfort zone, and without her guidance I don't know how far our club's growth would have gone.

When our club was approached about hosting a Fraternity Day of Service Signature Event, my first call was to Jan. I was so excited, but also knew how much would be asked of our club members — especially during a time of growth and change. Jan knew exactly what would be involved, but told me without hesitation, "If you think we can do it, let's do it." When Jan gave me her support, I knew our club would be able to handle anything we decided to take on together. At that moment, I realized I had a champion in Jan, no matter what.

I never expected to have such a good friend in Jan, because of the differences in our ages and our Pi Phi lives. But despite those differences, we share more similarities, and she's become someone I can truly relate to. Our relationship has grown because of our shared love for the Fraternity, and I'm honored to know her and call her my friend.



Caton Bredar, Illinois Beta-Delta, initiated 1984 & Anna Moseley Osborn, Louisiana Beta. initiated 1953

as told by CATON BREDAR

Anna and I have known each other since I was in fourth grade at Roslyn Road School in Barrington, Illinois. I struggled a little to fit in with my classmates but loved to read, and frequently took refuge in the library. There, I forged a bond with the librarian, "Mrs. O.," sitting on the corner of her desk, hanging around as much as I possibly could get away with and unknowingly developing what would turn out to be a lifelong friendship.

While we were many years apart in age, Anna treated me like an adult from the very beginning. She encouraged my interests and shared many of hers, including her love of aviation and her love of Pi Beta Phi. When I was in fifth grade, Anna asked my parents' permission to take me flying in a Cessna. We flew to Wisconsin for lunch and toured the neighborhoods over Chicagoland — a view

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few fifth graders get to enjoy. She attended my junior high, high school and college graduation celebrations, rooted me on at my horse shows and, later, supported my professional horse racing endeavors. Memorably, she was in attendance at my Pi Phi Initiation on an extremely cold and snowy day in Western Illinois. She stayed in my dorm room the night before and pinned me with her badge during the ceremony.

It was fitting that she be there, as Anna is definitely the reason I am a Pi Phi. A first-generation sorority member, she is the only real exposure I had to fraternity and sorority life. I loved the stories she shared with me about attending art classes at Arrowmont, the fun she had at alumnae club events, and the way Pi Phi helped her connect with friends and establish herself in new places, as she and her husband travelled extensively throughout their early married life. Anna's love of Pi Phi greatly influenced me when it was time to make my choice.

A few years later, I attended my first convention in Kansas City as my chapter's delegate; Anna was there introducing me to alumnae sisters and showing me the ropes. We went on to attend numerous conventions together, including Tampa, Florida; Scottsdale, Arizona; and most recently, St. Louis, Missouri, When I lived in California and served on the first Alumnae Advisory Council for California Nu, Anna came and stayed with me for the chapter's installation. She wanted to take part in every aspect of the Fraternity experience, and I'm certain her example is the reason I've stayed involved in Pi Phi through the years.

Anna's daughter, Texas Alpha alumnae initiate BARBARA **OSBORN MOHS**, an Alumna Initiate, was able to join us for the St. Louis Convention. The chance to share the iov of sisterhood with both Anna and her daughter is something I'll always treasure. While geographic distance

keeps us from seeing each other as often as we once did, we keep in close touch through phone calls, cards, notes and even Facebook. When we chat, we talk about everything from our families to politics, books, sports and, of course, Pi Phi. We can talk for hours, and it's like we've never been apart — just like those days when I used to hang out in the library.

I don't think I was a typical fourth grader, and Anna isn't a typical 80-plus year old. She travels internationally, flies a plane, writes elaborate letters to the editor, follows the San Antonio Spurs and keeps up with her two grandsons, both recent college graduates. Of all the things Anna has taught me over the years, the biggest is that age is just a number. She's never let age hold her back or influence her actions or friendships. I know we would have been friends for life, but I know our relationship is even richer because of our shared experience as Pi Phi sisters.

#### Yasmin Choudhury, lowa Zeta, initiated 1981 & Sydney Alexander, Florida Epsilon, initiated 2011

as told by YASMIN CHOUDHURY

I met Sydney when she was a New Member at Florida Epsilon and I served on the chapter's Alumnae Advisory Committee. She asked me to critique her speech when she ran for a leadership position on the College Panhellenic. Later on, I wholeheartedly supported her decision to run for Chapter President, and I felt fortunate to become her advisor counterpart by taking on the role of AAC Chair.

As Chapter President, Sydney worked tirelessly on her quest for "PHI and Beyond," wanting to ensure top accolades and experiences for the chapter. Several years prior, the chapter was receiving assistance and started the year with a BETA-level standing.



"Seeing this commitment and involvement helped me gain a healthy respect for what our younger generations are capable of doing."

Through Sydney's leadership, Florida Epsilon rose to a PHI ranking and was recognized as 1st Runner Up for the Balfour Cup in 2015. During her last semester, Sydney asked if I would write a recommendation for her to apply for Pi Phi's Leadership Development Consultant program. I was thrilled when she was chosen to be the resident consultant at Washington Beta. She recently graduated from the Emory University School of Law, and we keep in touch through texts and social media.

So often as we get older, we end up being more judgmental — especially of younger generations. We want them to respect our traditions, follow our rules and learn from our perspective. But while I held the role of Sydney's AAC advisor, I felt I learned from her as well. She taught me how to show more care toward the chapter members, look at situations from a different angle and consider what's important from another's perspective. She also helped me better relate to younger people, interact with them and understand their mindset. Her compassion and level-headedness always impressed me.

As I look at the involvement of our collegians, and even the Potential New Members participating in recruitment, their time management skills are incredible. So many Pi Phis not only serve as chapter officers, but also have positions with other campus organizations and events. Sydney was a member of the Student Judicial Board and the President's Leadership Council while also serving as Chapter President. On top of this, our women are maintaining amazing grades and participating in philanthropic activities. Seeing this commitment and involvement helped me gain a healthy respect for what our younger generations are capable of doing.

Serving as an AAC member is my way of staying involved with Pi Phi and helping our younger members succeed. Some chapters are in college towns that don't have the interaction and support of an alumnae base, and that's a big part of why I agreed to take on my position. Pi Phi has given much more back to me than I've put into it. If we want our sisterhood to continue to grow, it's important that Pi Phi values live on in their original intent. Alumnae involvement with chapters, whether through volunteering for a Chapter House Corporation or club events, helps to develop relationships and bonds across generations. Having strong relationships with our younger sisters helps Pi Phi's long-held traditions remain important and relevant for a new generation of members.



#### "My life has been enriched

of young people who give so much..."

Peoria, Illinois, Alumnae Club, chartered 1917 & Illinois Theta Chapter, founded 1947

> As told by Club President PATTI ROOT BASH, Indiana Beta, initiated 1965

The Pi Phi Potluck is an annual event that kicks off our alumnae club year. Our club members host the women of the Illinois Theta chapter for food and friendship, allowing the alumnae to get to know the collegians and the collegians to learn that Pi Phi truly is for life. I was a member of the Illinois Theta AAC when I started the event and

have held it at my home every year since the mid 1980s. The Potluck is special because it's a chance for generations from Golden Arrows to New Members to come together because of Pi Beta Phi.

I wish I had a nickel for every time a Pi Phi has told me the Potluck is her favorite event during her four years at Bradley. We select a date that falls after recruitment so the New Members can participate, and now hold it on a Sunday evening so classes don't prevent the collegians from attending. Last year, almost 100% of the chapter women and 30 alumnae participated. I think the collegians have been away from their homes just long enough to be hungry for a home-cooked meal, and providing the food and attending to last-minute details helps our club members feel needed and appreciated. We talk about our favorite Pi Phi memories and traditions. the friendships we've made and why we choose to stay involved. Our hope is that as the collegians graduate and move on, they'll share their love of Pi Phi by becoming involved in their new communities.

Our club has a wonderful relationship with the women of Illinois Theta. Besides the Potluck, we try to have at least one collegian-focused club event every year. The generations we represent are all very different, and it's good for us to have a chance to learn from each other and see that young and old alike have much in common. Building relationships across generations is beneficial for our club; one of the reasons we're strong is that we're intentionally involved with a chapter. Many friendships have evolved from this connection — I still receive wedding invitations, baby announcements and Christmas cards from Illinois Thetas I've known over the years. My life has been enriched by the youth and vitality of young people who give so much and make our world a better place. It's a privilege and an honor to work with them.

"The Peoria club members are like 'moms away from moms."

As told by MARY KATE MCDONAGH,

Illinois Theta, initiated 2017

The members of Illinois Theta are beyond lucky to have an alumnae club that shares such immense love and open arms. Our members look forward to the Potluck every year, and it's a great opportunity for our New Members to meet the women who do so much for our chapter. The Peoria club members are like "moms away from moms" — taking us in, feeding us, supporting us and guiding us through it all. The Potluck has not only brought our chapter and alumnae closer but also helped expand the bonds of sisterhood across generations. We wish every chapter had the support of an alumnae club that cares, inspires and loves collegians as much as the women of the Peoria club do.

### **Sharing the Love of Literacy Across** Generations

Since 2003, Pi Beta Phi literacy volunteers have served elementary students across the United States and Canada through the Champions are Readers® (CAR) reading enrichment program. Designed to create an interactive reading and mentoring relationship between Pi Phis and children from their local communities, CAR engages children in a positive reading experience and fosters a lifelong love of reading.

More than two decades after its launch, CAR has become one of Pi Phi's most successful and widely-implemented Read > Lead > Achieve® initiatives. CAR has helped thousands of students improve their reading skills through one-on-one interaction and hands-on activities — but they're not the only ones who benefit. The Pi Phi alumnae clubs and chapters who implement CAR at local schools and nonprofit organizations recognize the program as a unique way to build and strengthen relationships across generations. Not only is CAR a way for members to share the love of reading with young people, but also an opportunity to invest in the future of their own communities.

Just ask mother-daughter duo FAYE and VIRGINIA **HOLLINGSWORTH**, Mississippi Alphas. Both educators

Members of the Jackson, Mississippi, Alumnae Club work with local students participating in the Champions are Readers (CAR) program.

and dedicated literacy volunteers, Faye and Virginia have been instrumental in helping the Jackson, Mississippi, Alumnae Club implement the CAR program locally.

"After hosting a Fraternity Day of Service Signature Event in 2016, our club felt a desire to better serve our community," Virginia said. "After evaluating the needs of Jackson-area nonprofits, we partnered with Bethlehem Center, which serves low-income families and individuals through affordable childcare, a counseling center and various community development initiatives."

During their first two years of implementing CAR at Bethlehem Center, club members read to children between the ages of three and five, selecting a new story each week. In 2018, they began working with a broader age range — and with a specific goal in mind. Children served by Bethlehem Center also attend classes in the Jackson Public School District. The Jackson club was able to provide the district's required summer reading books for each student at Bethlehem Center. Members then read and discussed portions of the books with the students each week, and assisted older students writing book reports.

"We particularly remember the excitement of the children receiving their own books," Virginia recalled. "Many of the students would not have had a way to acquire the summer reading books, and therefore might have gone the entire summer without reading. As an educator, I feel the 'summer gap' can set back students up to a full year's worth of reading growth if children aren't exposed to books during the summer months."

Faye, who taught in Jackson Public Schools for 27 years, finds the importance of CAR in the true difference it makes in the lives of children. "Within our club area, there are schools that are struggling," she said. "We know we're making an impact by implementing CAR in the areas of greatest need."

Virginia agreed, citing her longtime connection to area schools. "Participating in CAR has taken me back to the school district I graduated from, and I'm able to share my passion for reading with the students there now," she said. "My family has a long history with Jackson schools. My grandmother was a principal in the district for 15 years. It's so fulfilling to give both my time and love of literacy to the school district that has given so much to me."



Every year, Fraternity Day of Service Signature Events bring together hundreds of Pi Phi volunteers, nonprofit organizations and friends to celebrate the power of reading. Through Fraternity Day of Service and other Read > Lead > Achieve® programs, Pi Phis are inspiring readers, sparking imaginations and igniting the desire to learn. We charge every Pi Phi to be ONE who will **participate**, **donate and advocate** for literacy through our reading initiatives.

On February 29, 2020, Pi Phi will host Fraternity Day of Service Signature Events in Birmingham, Alabama; Columbia, Missouri; Raleigh, North Carolina; St. Paul, Minnesota; and Toledo, Ohio. At each event, Pi Phi volunteers distribute 20,000 new, ageappropriate books to children in need and promote the importance of reading and literacy. These are the first new books many of the children will have ever received, and providing access to books is a critical step in improving literacy skills and fostering a love of reading. Through gifts to The Literacy Fund at Pi Beta Phi Foundation, Pi Phi sisters and friends make this distribution of 100,000 books possible.

Save the date and plan to join us for this special celebration of Pi Phi literacy service! Visit **pibetaphi.org/fraternitydayofservice** to learn more and volunteer.

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## Realizing the Impact of Sincere Friendship

By ALEX ROARK, New Mexico Alpha

ove what you do and do what you love!" This is Texas Beta ANN WARMACK ■ BROOKSHIRE'S advice to any young Pi Phi thinking about what's next in her journey with the Fraternity. If you don't know Ann, you'll soon come to learn that she's taken her own advice — and how lucky we are for it!

Ann first got involved with the Tyler, Texas, Alumnae Club after graduating from Cox School of Business at Southern Methodist University (SMU) with her Bachelor of Business Administration in accounting. Less than 10 years after graduation, she was elected Club President. Ann shared, "As a club delegate, I went to the convention in Louisville, and it impacted my view of the Fraternity. I met Pennsylvania Beta **JEAN WIRTHS SCOTT** for the first time, as well as Texas Alpha ANN DUDGEON PHY and Texas Gamma NANCY CARLOCK CASTEEL. Because I had gone to convention, I wanted to do more, meet more



people, learn more and get more involved. I had loved my collegiate experience and wanted to take it to the next level. Pi Phi had given me so much in college — the best friends ever, leadership, great role models and personal growth — I knew there was more."

As we know and love, Pi Phi always offers more to do, and Ann certainly dove right in! Her past leadership roles include National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) Alternate Delegate, Director Academics, Alumnae Province President, Director Finance, Foundation Governance and Nominating Committee, Foundation Audit Committee, Foundation Finance Committee and various alumnae club positions. Throughout that time, she also became involved with the NPC Foundation, the Texas Rose Festival, All Saints Episcopal School, the Tyler Junior College Board of Trustees, committees and boards at SMU and was continually involved in her church.

By realizing her early goals of meeting more people, Ann made an impact in the lives of those around her. Michigan Gamma **HALLEE WINNIE**. Pi Beta Phi Foundation Executive Director, is no exception. "As Director Finance, Ann was responsible for my LDC class' financial training before our year began. Without any formal financial training, I was anxious about my ability to serve our chapters in this way. Ann's commitment to our education, and her confidence in my capability, truly influenced my career trajectory. With that experience, newfound interest in business, and confidence — I pursued a Masters of Public Administration three years later, taking several classes in business and nonprofit finance," Hallee said.

We weren't the only ones who noticed the good work, drive and passion of our sister. Currently, Ann serves as the President of the NPC Foundation's Board of Trustees. In this capacity, she leads a group of dedicated Panhellenic women towards the Foundation's mission to promote values and ethics for sorority women and encourages all members to be active and responsible leaders in their communities. The NPC Foundation's mission is supported through the sponsorship of NPC educational and charitable programs. Hallee says it perfectly: "I believe Ann's service as NPC Foundation President represents both her personal, and Pi Phi's, longstanding commitment to the fraternal world. She is a leader in all that she does, and we are fortunate to have had her service in so many roles throughout the years."

**ANN BROOKSHIRE**. Texas Beta, currently serves as the President of the National Panhellenic Conference Foundation's Board of Trustees.

## Cross-Generational Friendships Have Always Been Part of Pi Phi

By FRAN DESIMONE BECQUE, New York Alpha

n the 1870s, just a few short years after our organization was founded, the eldest Pi Beta Phi member was in her 20s. Decades later, when founders and Illinois Alphas INEZ SMITH SOULE, CLARA BROWNLEE HUTCHINSON and FANNIE WHITENACK LIBBEY attended the 1927 Convention at Pequot, Minnesota, they were in their 70s and were a living embodiment of Sincere Friendship.

One of the collegians attending that convention was Missouri Beta ALICE WEBER JOHNSON. along with some of her chapter sisters. Alice said the convention attendees showered the founders with kindness, escorting them to events, asking them questions and listening to their every word. She told the story of the Missouri Betas inviting the three founders to town for ice cream during a break between meetings. Sitting next to Fannie, Alice was driving and accidentally ended up in a small ditch. All were fine, and a lifelong memory was made that day. Little did those three founders know that Alice, the driver of that car, would someday be Grand President!

Our organization is comprised of many generations of women. Currently, the oldest of our members — our Diamond Arrows — were initiated in the 1940s. Soon, those women who remember being among their Pi Phi sisters when they heard the news that the U.S. entered World War II will be gone. No longer will

anyone tell the stories of being on campus when the fraternities were dormant for lack of men, and when the women on campus knitted socks and collected scrap metal. The Pi Phis initiated in the post-war years will take their place. Consider, too, that the women initiated in the 1960s, during the era of Mad Men fashions and the turmoil of Vietnam War protests, are now Golden

Arrows. It's likely that none of them, on their initiation day wearing their arrow and New Member ribbons, could have ever imagined celebrating their 50-year membership milestone.

Sisterhood bonds across generations are experiences unique to Pi Beta Phi. By sharing and comparing stories (and songs!), we learn about one another, our Fraternity and social issues from vears before. And understanding current practices helps bring a lengthy membership full circle. Each of us is one link in a very long chain of sisters who share the bonds of wine and silver blue.

Whatever your initiation date, don't pass the opportunity to talk with and listen to Pi Phis of all generations and experiences. Pi Phi friendships begin with a greeting between sisters. They transcend chapters and initiation dates, as they link together decades of women who all wear the arrow so shiny. And, who knows — the young woman you met at convention or will sit by at the next Founders' Day event could someday be Grand President, just like Alice. Ring Ching! •



One of many cross-generational friendships is captured in this photo of the oldest and youngest initiates at the 1927 convention in Pequot, Minnesota. From left, founder INEZ SMITH SOULE, Illinois Alpha, and ELIZABETH CARPENTER, lowa Beta

# HROJGH campaign to sustain Pi Beta Phi

"TO EVERY PI PHI AND PI PHI FRIEND WHO MADE A GIFT, TO EACH SISTER WHO SPREAD THE WORD, TO EVERY MEMBER WHO PROUDLY

WEARS THE WINE AND SILVER BLUE, SIMPLY TO EVERY PI BETA PHI, CONGRATULATIONS. YOU HAVE TRANSFORMED UNENDING LOYALTY — LOYALTY THAT KNOWS NO BOUNDS — INTO ENDLESS IMPACT."

#### - INDIANA DELTA JAN CLIFFORD,

SHINE THROUGH CAMPAIGN CABINET CHAIRMAN, IN HER CELEBRATORY TOAST AT CONVENTION 2019. PI PHIS HELD HIGH THEIR COMMEMORATIVE LIGHTS — SYMBOLS OF PI PHI LOYALTY.

Photograph by: KAHLIE MAE CANNON, Indiana Alpha

At the center of our crest is an important message. Surrounded by a circle of radiating beams is the word "lux," meaning "light." We equated light with loyalty during the SHINE THROUGH campaign. The unending loyalty of Pi Beta Phis has been at the core of our sisterhood since our founding. With this campaign, we focused our light on future generations of Pi Phi sisters, to create endless impact.

The SHINE THROUGH campaign invited every Pi Phi and Pi Phi friend to be inspired and to inspire others. We asked you to help raise \$28 million in outright and deferred gifts to sustain Pi Beta Phi for the future. Of the more than \$32 million you invested, 50% is comprised of deferred gifts and will be realized in the future. Of the gifts tangible today, half were given to grow our endowments and will have impact into perpetuity.

The strength of Pi Phi today is amazing — the strength of our friendships, our educational programming, our leaders, our place on college campuses and our role in communities across North America. SHINE THROUGH set a record for Pi Beta Phi and for our fraternal friends, as we completed the largest campaign of any National Panhellenic Conference organization. But our propelling force with the campaign was the ability to do more to be prepared for Pi Beta Phi's future.



**\$32.3 MILLION** RAISED

## **LEADERSHIP**

You helped prepare members to lead in collaborative and innovative ways.

The Fraternity's commitment to building confident women leaders, growing member interest in leadership development and a world in need of stronger leaders indicated it was time to provide an opportunity to specifically support Pi Phi leadership efforts. Since our Foundation was established in 1990, most Foundation support of Pi Phi leadership development programs was made possible through unrestricted gifts to the Friendship Fund. During the SHINE THROUGH campaign, two new leadership-focused endowments were established to support our leadership development efforts now and in the future. The Leadership Fund was also created as a specific source of annual financial support for Pi Phi leadership development programs.

One sister shared that because she believes in Pi Phi's ability to equip our young women with critical leadership skills and knowledge, she chose to make her campaign gift to establish chapter-specific leadership funds for two chapters she advised. She is committed to investing in future Pi Phi leaders because Pi Phi invested in her as a leader.

### **LITERACY**

You helped champion literacy initiatives that inspire readers to reach their full potential.

Pi Phi's commitment to literacy has stood the test of time and is a demonstration of loyalty all to its own. Gifts to support our literacy programs are not only an investment in the future — the life of a child — but also a tribute to our heritage.

Today, we contribute to the betterment of society through Read > Lead > Achieve®, Pi Phi's reading initiatives. SHINE THROUGH invited Pi Phis and friends to champion those reading initiatives with their support. During the campaign, we surpassed a goal to impact more than one million lives through Read > Lead > Achieve programs. We launched the Literacy Advocacy Project, empowering Pi Phis to make an impact by becoming voices for literacy in their own communities. And, this year, gifts to our Foundation helped to fully fund 100% of Pi Phi's reading initiatives — for the first time ever.

Our Foundation's first literacy endowments were created during the campaign, continuing

LITERACY



OF THE \$32.3 MILLION RAISED

to position Pi Phi as a leader in literacy service. A gift from the Fraternity established the Elizabeth Clark Helmick Literacy Endowment, making certain our original investment in literacy will endure forever. By naming our Foundation as a beneficiary of her estate, another sister established an endowment to ensure her lifelong commitment to literacy, volunteerism and philanthropy would last in perpetuity. The impact of these gifts — and all campaign gifts in support of literacy — will allow Pi Phi to continue inspiring readers, sparking imaginations and igniting a desire to learn.

## **EDUCATION**

You helped provide collegians and alumnae with financial support to access increasingly expensive education.

In 1867, it was rare for a woman to be enrolled in college — in fact, only five state universities even admitted women as students. More than 150 years later, being able to attend college remains a privilege. It's becoming increasingly difficult for some students to bear not only the expense of college, but to find the time and financial resources to be an engaged member of a sorority.

With gifts to the SHINE THROUGH campaign supporting scholarships, donors paved the way for Pi Phi to provide members with financial support to achieve their academic goals. Since the campaign's launch, 16 new Pi Phi scholarships have been established to help our sisters remain enrolled and even continue postgraduate studies with less burden of debt.

One Pi Phi worked with our Foundation to document her estate plans during the campaign, and her bequest includes a gift to establish a scholarship. She told us the only reason she was able to stay in school during her college years was the generosity of others, including her Pi Phi sisters. She's thrilled that her campaign gift will help other Pi Phis in the same situation.



## HOUSING

#### You helped advance collegiate housing that drives member satisfaction.

Residing in a Pi Phi chapter house where members live, learn and grow together is often a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity. Pi Phis have shared that their housing experience was a key factor in determining their overall member satisfaction. Our housing needs continue to grow, and meeting the needs of our collegiate sisters requires support from members across our sisterhood.

Pi Phi facilities are not just living spaces — they are communities. They must be safe and comfortable to those who call them home; they must be competitive with other campus housing and provide the amenities our members need to succeed. It's a complex area to navigate, but members' support of housing efforts during the **SHINE** THROUGH campaign shows us our sisters believe investing in Pi Phi facilities and the women who call them home is a shared responsibility.

When she realized members might choose not to live in Pi Phi housing if our facilities cannot compete with other campus options, one sister was inspired to direct much of her campaign leadership gift to support housing. She recognized that her fondest college memories were made in her Pi Phi chapter house, and she believes investing this way will ensure this opportunity continues for future generations of Pi Phis.



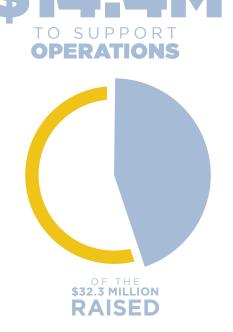
## **OPERATIONS**

#### You helped build operational resources to leverage our growth and sustainability.

The mission of Pi Beta Phi Foundation is clear: to enable the Fraternity to realize its mission and to ensure the future of our sisterhood. In keeping with this mission, the overall goal of the SHINE THROUGH campaign was to sustain Pi Beta Phi. Gifts to support our Foundation's operational needs are especially cherished. With these gifts, donors provide the resources for Pi Phi's areas of greatest need — both those that exist today and those we can't yet imagine.

Nearly half of the dollars celebrated as part of **SHINE** THROUGH came from unrestricted gifts. The donors empowered Pi Phi to use these gifts to best meet the current and most urgent needs facing our sisterhood. A significant amount of these gifts are deferred, meaning our Foundation will receive them in the future.

Meeting the growing needs of Pi Phi takes every sister supporting our Foundation every year. Now and into the future, every gift matters. Gifts to the **SHINE** THROUGH campaign ranged between \$1 and \$6 million — and each of those gifts will help sustain Pi Beta Phi. Together, each of our more than 7,000 donors raised the bar for Pi Phi. And, because our sisterhood deserves our constant care, we must keep working together to ensure this trajectory continues well into our next 150 years.



## ENDOWMENTS & PLANNED GIFTS HELPING PI PHI PLAN FOR THE FUTURE

#### **ENDOWMENTS**

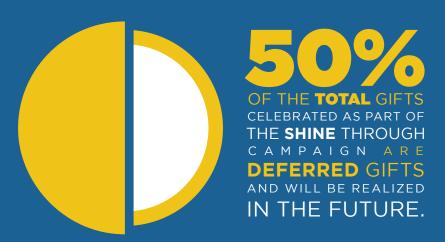
Endowment gifts ensure financial support for Pi Beta Phi well into the future. An endowment gift is invested; the proceeds of the investment are used to support Pi Phi programs and initiatives while the original gift continues to grow. These gifts produce new resources for Pi Phi in perpetuity.

The SHINE THROUGH campaign resulted in more than 125% growth of the endowed funds held by Pi Beta Phi Foundation.

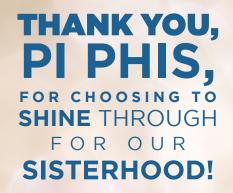
#### **PLANNED GIFTS**

Some members hope to leave a legacy for future generations of Pi Phi sisters and achieve this vision through a planned gift or bequest. Including our Foundation in end-of-life plans beautifully and meaningfully demonstrates the special place Pi Phi holds in a donor's heart.

Nearly half of the **SHINE** THROUGH campaign total comes from planned gifts that will be realized in the future. The 74 donors who made planned gifts joined Pi Phi's Marianne Reid Wild Society and allowed us to celebrate their generous support during the campaign. By notifying our Foundation of their estate plans, these donors ensure their intentions will be fulfilled and help Pi Phi plan for our financial future.



For the complete summary of the **SHINE** THROUGH campaign, visit **pibetaphifoundation.org/campaign**.



### In Memoriam

We honor our Pi Phi sisters who have passed away and celebrate their part in our sisterhood.

In Memoriam lists the name and initiation year of each member who has died. The list below reflects notification by public obituary received at Pi Beta Phi Headquarters between February 1, 2019 and May 31, 2019. Obituaries may be sent to Engagement Coordinator CAROLYN BANKS LOPER, Illinois Eta, at cloper@pibetaphi.org or mailed to Headquarters.

Memorial gifts made to Pi Beta Phi Foundation are a loving and lasting way to honor the memory of a beloved Pi Phi sister. To make a memorial gift, please call our Foundation at (636) 256-1357 or visit pibetaphifoundation.org.

#### ALABAMA BETA

Carol Shockey Hines, 1952

#### **ALABAMA GAMMA**

Barbara Atwater Parks, 1960

#### **ALBERTA ALPHA**

Faye Tupper Watkins, 1949

#### ARIZONA ALPHA

Olivia Ryland Bennett, 1958

#### **ARKANSAS ALPHA**

Nadia Meadows Bass, 1943 Kristin Kemp Compton, 1978 Zoe Irene Durilla Oakleaf, 1968 Linda Williams, 1967

#### CALIFORNIA BETA

Nancy Adams Holliday, 1946 Barbara Bell Hove, 1948

#### CALIFORNIA GAMMA

Judy Buckner Brandt, 1958 Judith S. Campbell, 1965 Shirley Warren Hays, 1953

#### CALIFORNIA ZETA

Margaret Sowers Fager, 1961 Karen Johnson Kendall, 1965

#### COLORADO ALPHA

Beverly Lee Stoerzbach, 1945

#### **COLORADO GAMMA**

Donna Mackell Haskins, 1957 Geraldine Anderson Saros, 1956

#### D.C. ALPHA

Susanna Kitts Sherwood, 1944

#### FLORIDA BETA

Susan Mitchell Lee, 1974 Dian Hoskins Milligan, 1956 Mary Pinkston Works, 1950

#### FLORIDA DELTA

Kris Ecklund Gaughan, 1987

#### FLORIDA EPSILON

Maureen McMenamy Tassone, 1985

#### **GEORGIA ALPHA**

Anne Young Brezina, 1968 Mel Abbott Lanier, 1953 Kathryn Charles Meyer, 1957

#### **IDAHO ALPHA**

Kristine Anderson Christensen, 1954

#### **ILLINOIS ALPHA**

Joanne Doty Edwards, 1954 Irene Webster McGann, 1947

#### **ILLINOIS EPSILON**

Joan Clark Bliler, 1945 B. J. Baker Sillars, 1950

#### **ILLINOIS THETA**

Janice Webber Galloway, 1955

#### **ILLINOIS ZETA**

Harriet McLaughlin Rose, 1953

#### INDIANA ALPHA

Ann Donagh Boylan, 1947 Katherine Huffman Ditmars, 1944

#### INDIANA BETA

Eugenia Hayes Beck, 1949 Marjorie McIntyre Evans, 1941, affiliated Missouri Alpha Norma Frazier Templeton, 1948 Jean Boozer Thompson, 1967

#### **INDIANA DELTA**

Nancy Adams Hazelwood, 1957 Diane Steudel Woodard, 1968

#### **INDIANA EPSILON**

Suzanne Franzen Kraft, 1949

#### INDIANA GAMMA

Maxine Demlow Arbuckle Mundell, 1944 Martha Butterworth Kahn, 1954

#### **INDIANA ZETA**

Mary Giles Armington, 1956

#### **IOWA ALPHA**

Maisie Taeger Green, 1945

#### **IOWA GAMMA**

Helen "Skippy" Pauli Atherton, 1944 Jean Metcalf Beal, 1938

#### KANSAS ALPHA

Martha Ringler Conroy, 1946 Carol Mayer Floersch, 1944 Betty Branson Holliday, 1959 June McGinness Stearns, 1934

#### **KENTUCKY ALPHA**

Alexandria Stuart Wickstead, 1939

#### LOUISIANA ALPHA

Mary Delahoussaye Baron, 1955 Alice Patton Conroy, 1942 Lydianne Stahel Greig, 1953

#### **LOUISIANA BETA**

Nancy Oliver Salassi, 1955

#### **MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA**

Barbara A. Putnam, 1952

#### **MASSACHUSETTS BETA**

Ingely Hansmann Forbes, 1954 Patricia French Rogers, 1952

#### MICHIGAN ALPHA

Barbara Brenneman Thompson, 1965

#### **MICHIGAN BETA**

Jean MacGregor Henderson, 1936

#### **MICHIGAN GAMMA**

Martha Keys Parker, 1945

#### MISSISSIPPI BETA

Leslie Robbert Marsh, 1980

#### MISSOURI ALPHA

Barbara Fitzgerel Kline, 1959 Hally Bell Rubsamen, 1950 Jane McQueen Williams, 1941

#### **MISSOURI GAMMA**

Rosemary Sullivan Bane, 1943

#### **NEBRASKA BETA**

Jennifer Trombla O'Dorisio, 1965

#### **NEVADA ALPHA**

Rayleen Capurro Cudworth, 1981 Carol Dickerson, 1952 Geraldine McFarland Graffam, 1941

#### **NEW YORK GAMMA**

Evelyn Kulp Petering, 1938

#### **NORTH CAROLINA BETA**

Helen Willard Harper, 1951

#### **OHIO ALPHA**

Carol Schauwecker Ladigo, 1962, affiliated Arizona Alpha

#### OHIO DELTA

Sue Logan Doan, 1954 Faith Weston Greer, 1971 Valerie Ward Toombs, 1972 Merlyn Killinger Weiant, 1951

#### OKLAHOMA ALPHA

Jean Johnson Brander, 1951 Carolyn Moody Lockhart, 1948 Wanda Eshelman Seck, 1955

#### OKLAHOMA BETA

Janet Higgins Anderson, 1954 Mary Lou Armstrong Black, 1949 Susan Bergschneider Cole, 1966 Jane Sadberry Laird, 1962

#### **OREGON ALPHA**

Ann Darby Hammond, 1949

#### **OREGON BETA**

Natalie Calkins Fredrickson, 1953 Barbara Hayden Loomis, 1954 Karen Brooks Turner, 1966

#### PENNSYLVANIA BETA

Jean Bailey Gaede, 1947

#### PENNSYLVANIA EPSILON

Marjorie D. Seward, 1953

#### SOUTH DAKOTA ALPHA

Lisa Reid Harriman, 1990

#### **TENNESSEE ALPHA**

Gena Carlisle Easley, 1941, affiliated Illinois Epsilon

#### **TENNESSEE BETA**

Mary Wakefield Tipton, 1946

#### **TENNESSEE GAMMA**

Ann Tittsworth Webster, 1957

#### **TEXAS ALPHA**

Ann Hill Painter, 1948

#### **UTAH ALPHA**

Joan Cockayne Demetrovich, 1955 Sandra Stout Henson, 1967 Liz Mast Keller, 1951 Mary Richards Wirick, 1945

#### **WEST VIRGINIA ALPHA**

Christine Pofi Cuddy, 1983 Jane Evans Henderson, 1957

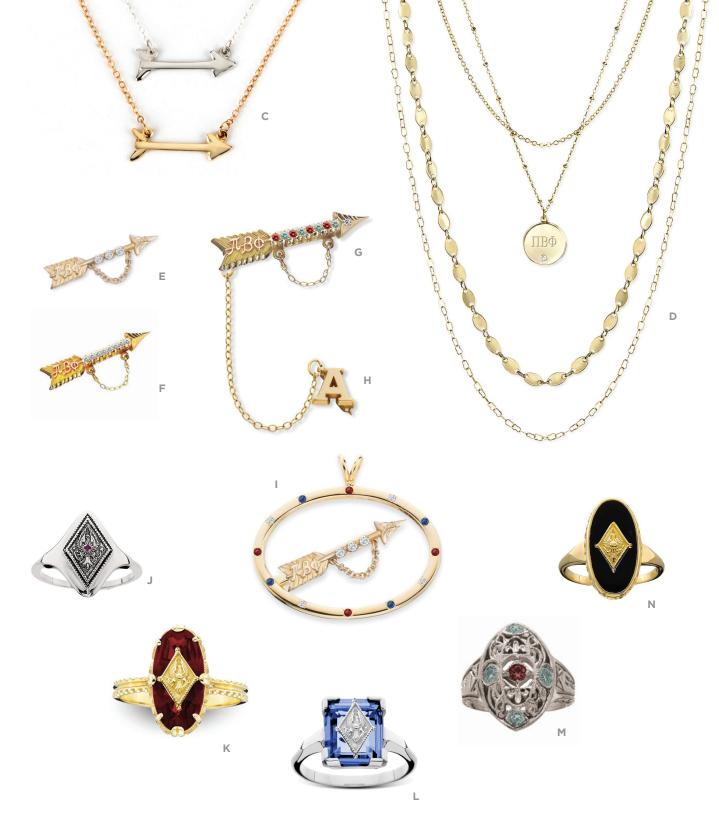
#### **WISCONSIN ALPHA**

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#### WYOMING ALPHA

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