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# Common Meaning of Networks Changed with the Times

In the 1950s our definition of networks revolved around TV.

Today, networks bring to mind the social and professional relationships that connect us.



EMILY RUSSELL TARR Texas Beta Grand President

Recently, I had the opportunity to take an out-of-town Pi Phi friend to the Ace of Clubs House in Texarkana, Texas. The house, open for public tours, was deeded to the Texarkana Museum System upon the death of OLIVIA SMITH MOORE, aka Miss Olivia. Miss Olivia was Fraternity Grand Treasurer (1952-1967) and Grand Treasurer Emeritus at the time of her death in 1985. On the tour we were told that the Moore family had the first color television in town, which would have been quite a status symbol back in the 1950s.

During that time the networks were ABC, NBC and CBS. In the 1950s our definition of networks revolved around TV. As time evolved we learned about computer networks and how they would make our life more productive and efficient. Today, networks bring to mind the social and professional relationships that connect us. Throughout life we all have networks of family, friends or colleagues, upon which we rely.

When my house burned to the ground three years ago my Pi Phi friends/network rallied around me. The support I felt was truly indescribable. For months after the fire, my husband would wait for the mailman to see how many Pi Phis sent cards or notes daily. We were both amazed and I still have them all today. The sympathy,

good wishes and love sent through the mail and across the miles was unbelievable and greatly appreciated. Many of these Pi Phis I have never met, but they had heard of our misfortune and wanted us to know they were thinking of us. That network did not happen because I am Grand President ... it happened because I am a Pi Phi! In the years since the fire, others have shared how Pi Phis have eased burdens they were facing, whether it be a tragedy, a loss, an illness or merely a bad day.

I am convinced that each Pi Phi has her own Pi Phi network and it all begins in your chapter. The weaving of friendships never stops. There are some who will tell you it is because of a Pi Phi sister that they landed a job or were introduced to a special man they have been happily married to for years. That's what friends do for each other – they collaborate, support, offer mutual assistance, create a sense of community – they network.

Networking is more than sharing information – it's sharing yourself. Call a Pi Phi friend today.

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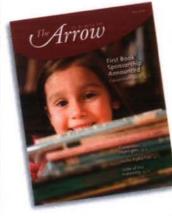
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The mission of Pi Beta Phi Fraternity for women is to promote friendship, develop women of intellect and integrity, cultivate leadership potential and enrich lives through community service.

### From the Reader



### Literacy

I am sitting here with a copy of your beautiful magazine in my hands and I can't believe my eyes! You guys have been tremendous partners to First Book. It is very inspiring to all of us here at First Book – we feel like we can change the world with you!

Please know how much it means to us to work with Pi Beta Phi. The future looks brighter every day.

KYLE ZIMMER Co-founder & President First Book

### Backpacks & Briefcases

I enjoy this new section you have added to the recent edition of *The Arrow*. Please keep it going!

TAMMY TEICHROW Montana Alpha – Spokane, Washington

#### Pi Phi Pens

I was delighted to read in *The Arrow* that my friend and colleague MARY BYWATER CROSS, author of "Quilts of the Oregon Trail," is a Pi Phi. It makes me wonder how many Pi Phis there are involved professionally in quilting. Mary says Illinois Zeta SUSAN BADGER DOYLE and Colorado Gamma SUSAN GREFFENIUS BUTRUILLE, well known in the quilt world, are Pi Phis. I'm not a quilter but am the author of "The Quilt That Walked to Golden: Women and Quilts in the Mountain West," which was published by Breckling Press three years ago. I also use quilts in my novels, starting with my second novel, "The Persian Pickle Club."

Incidentally, when I was in the sorority, I thought of Settlement School in Gatlinburg, Tennessee as just some distant place where Pi Phi was doing good. But in doing research for an upcoming book, I read a great deal about Appalachian crafts and realized just how important Pi Phi's contribution has been to preserving crafts (not to mention aiding the economy and upgrading the lives) of people in those hills. It seems odd to me now that my small dues contribution years ago helped keep alive a quilting tradition that is so important to me today.

SANDRA DALLAS Colorado Beta – Denver, Colorado

### Summer Arrow

A belated congratulations on a superb summer 2007 edition of *The Arrow*. I was particularly moved by your piece on ALLISON COOK and EMILY HAAS. I also enjoyed the clever and creative "Time for a Road Trip" cover story; that Mountain Home Lodge looks like

my kind of place! Keep up the great work.

Fraternally,

TOM OLVER Beta Theta Pi Editor President of College Fraternity Editors Association

I'm a member of the Indiana Delta Chapter of Pi Beta Phi. Three of my sisters and I went on a road trip this past weekend to West Virginia University and visited the Pi Beta Phi chapter there. We got a really cute picture on the steps so I just wanted to share it with *The Arrow*.

Arrow

Time for a

TRACEY VAUGHAN Indiana Delta – West Lafayette, Indiana



Indiana Deltas took a road trip and visited the West Virginia Alpha Chapter. From the left, are MEG CREASEY, TRACEY VAUGHAN, RACHEL BENNETT and CIARRA EMS.

### Fall Arrow Clarifications & Corrections

I just received my *Arrow* and saw the nice write up on "Critters Rejoice" (page 45). One problem – it has the wrong Jill Kramer. Ours (the founder of Critter Lovers At Work) is actually JILL HOWELL KRAMER, California Gamma, and lives in San Francisco. The other Jill lives in Oregon.

NANCY TROGMAN Illinois Theta – San Francisco, California

The Fall *Arrow* is a wonderful review of Convention 2007. It was a special time for our three generations (page 21). I would like to make one correction; my granddaughter, MEGAN O'CONNELL is a California Epsilon Pi Phi, not an Arizona Beta.

MARY KAHLENBERG SCHROEDER Illinois Epsilon - Santa Rosa, California

Thanks for the great *Arrow* issue and the wonderful article about the cylinder (page 16). An FYI – the picture of INEZ SMITH SOULE and the collegian, ELIZABETH CARPENTER, is actually a picture of the youngest and oldest Pi Phis at Convention 1926, not of the Fraternity in general.

FRAN DESIMONE BECQUE New York Alpha – Carbondale, Illinois Fraternity Archivist and Historian

# Make Your Mark for Literacy



### Get your crayons, markers or pencils ready

and gear up for some doodling fun as Pi Phi members across the globe make their mark for literacy during the third annual Fraternity Day of Service. It is an easy way to make raising the awareness of literacy both fun and easy. As in past years, Pi Phi has designated March 2 as our Fraternity Day of Service. This is Dr. Seuss' birthday and coincides with the National Education Association's (NEA's) Read Across America celebration.

This day of service is an annual event established by the Fraternity so Pi Phis everywhere can focus on the cause of literacy by not only providing books for children in need, but also by raising literacy awareness through activities in their local communities on or around March 2, which falls on a Sunday. This year's campaign calls for alumnae clubs

and chapters to distribute 50,000 bookplates in communities across North America, to be creatively doodled on, marked up and personalized. Each bookplate will then be affixed into books that will be given away to children from low-income families. This event is being executed together with the Fraternity's corporate literacy partner, First Book, to bring new books to children in need.

Pi Phis will participate in a variety of ways to complement all the wonderful activities already planned for the day of service. Bookplates can be personalized or decorated by anyone and can be incorporated into an existing day of service event. Some fun examples of what Pi Phis will be doing include providing bookplates to a classroom so children can sign or decorate, providing a literacy activity with the bookplates at an assisted living facility, setting up a "signing" table at a local bookstore or coffee shop or using the designed bookplates as an "entry" ticket for a Pi Phi First Book Speed Read or other event. More ideas can be found at www.pibetaphi.org in the Literacy section. After the event, the signed or decorated bookplates will be sent back to Pi Beta Phi Headquarters to be placed into the new books. These 50,000 books will be distributed on Founders' Day in April with 200,000 additional books, for a total of 250,000 books going to children who need them.

Not a part of a club or chapter? No problem! You can help raise literacy awareness in several ways. For as little as \$2.50, you can buy a new book for a child through First Book! Also, set your home page on your computer to www.theliteracysite.com where clicking daily generates new books for children. You may also go to www.firstbook.org where you can find local activities or contact a local advisory board for events in your area. Be creative and use local resources so that you can make your mark for literacy and become an ambassador for this storybook cause.



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## **Ginger Rodgers Hardage**

**Public Relations Professional** 

# in her words

If you are a member of the media and have a burning question for Southwest Airlines, Texas Gamma GINGER HARDAGE is your "go to" person. As Senior Vice President Corporate Communications, she leads Southwest Airline's entire public relations team to keep the general public and employees abreast of all that is happening at Southwest.

Ginger has worked in public relations in the Dallas area for more than 25 years and 17 of those years have been at Southwest Airlines. She was named by *PRWeek* as one to the 50 Most Powerful Women in Public Relations in 2000, the same year that PRWeek dubbed the Southwest Corporate Communications Team the top communications department in the nation.

A 1977 graduate of Texas Tech University, Ginger also finds time to volunteer in her community. She is a member of the Southern Methodist University Public Relations Advisory Board and the Texas Tech Rawls College of Business Advisory Board. She is the past president of the Dallas chapter of the International Association of Business Communicators, a graduate of Leadership Texas and has served on the boards of Big Brothers and Sisters of Metropolitan Dallas and Southwest Care.

- Q: I am most proud of ...
- A: my stepsons. Patrick, 26, who lives in California and Ross, 23, who is a Marine.
- Q: I wish I had more time to ...
- A: spend with family and friends.
  But just like family, reuniting with
  Pi Phi or college friends sparks an
  instant connection, like no time
  has passed.
- Q: I always smile when I ...
- A: catch a Rainbow trout. My husband, Kelly, and I have learned to love fly fishing, a sport that involves concentration, solitude and breathtaking scenery.
- Q: The virtue I value most is ...
- A: perseverance. There is a lot to be said for showing up every day and doing your best.

- Q: The best advice I ever received was ...
- A: treat others like you would like to be treated. My parents taught me this concept; it was reinforced at church; and now I work for a company that embraces this Golden Rule philosophy.
- Q: A life worth living must ...
- A: find purpose. That may be raising children, raising money for charity, or raising the profile of a company. I subscribe to the philosophy of "do what you are" to amplify your natural talents and personality type. Don't fight who you are when you seek your purpose.

- Q: The heroine I most admire is ...
- Carol Burnett. Yes, I realize she is not heroine status for most folks.

  Growing up in a rural environment, I'd look forward to watching her on television every week to get a glimpse at one of the original female comedians. She overcame great childhood odds, was outstanding at her craft, brought joy to others and didn't take herself too seriously.
- Q: My favorite vacation spot is ...
- A: Santa Fe or the California wine country. Lucky for me, Southwest Airlines will take me there or to any of our 64 destinations.

Pi Phi taught me...

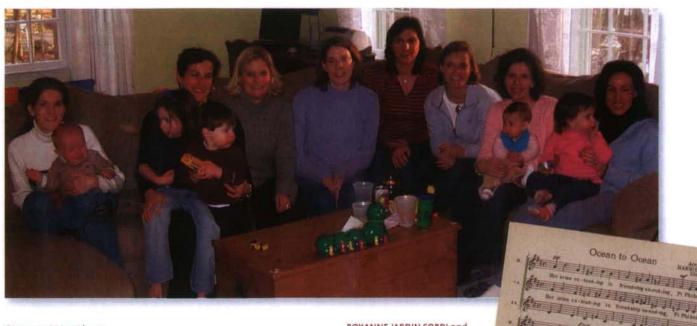
"To value individual differences and be in awe of what a united group of individuals can accomplish."



By Diane Balogh

Do new members fully understand the true benefits of membership in Pi Beta Phi? Ask one and she will undoubtedly reply "yes." Ask her again in 10, 20 or 30 years and, if she is like the women in this article. she will tell you that Pi Beta Phi sisterhood has touched her life in ways she never could have imagined back on Bid Day.

The following are stories from a sampling of members who have truly been touched by Pi Phi's benefits; they have been mentored by esteemed professionals, welcomed into a new city, advised about a personal issue, or comforted during a difficult period. Acts that biological sisters would do in a heartbeat are cherished all the more when they come from women connected to each other only through Pi Beta Phi.



### Stormy Weather

Pennsylvania Beta ROXANNE JARDIN SORDI remembers learning all of the Pi Phi songs when she was a new member in 1990. One particular line, "No matter the weather, Pi Beta Phi will keep you together," sticks out. "Back then you think the bad times are a break up (with a boyfriend)," Roxanne says. On July 10, 2003, Roxanne gave birth to twins Samantha and Jackson and found herself immersed in the worst storm of her life. Jackson had a complex congenital heart defect and underwent two surgeries before dying 16 days later.

Her life was in chaos and details are foggy, but she does remember that six of her Pi Phi sisters dropped what they were doing to gather from four different states to attend Jackson's funeral. "That day having them all sit there, just to see their faces, was so special," she recalls.

Their support during Roxanne's crisis also included gift certificates to restaurants in town so she wouldn't have to worry about cooking. Her sisters continue to honor Jackson's brief life by sponsoring Roxanne and her family when they participate in the American Heart Association's Family Walk. One of her Pi Phi sisters, who is a teacher, donated books to her local library in Jackson's name. "I'm glad when people remember him," Roxanne says. "It's important."

On June 29, 2007, Roxanne gave birth to her second set of twins, Celina and Brianna. When people see Roxanne with her daughters and comment about her having all girls, 3-year-old Samantha quickly sets them straight by saying, "We have a boy; he's in heaven."

**ROXANNE JARDIN SORDI and** her Pennsylvania Beta sisters try to get together at least once a year. This photo is from a 2004 gathering; from left to right are: JESSICA JONES FRISSORA: KIMBERLY BULOW GROGAN: ANDREA LARSEN HAYDEN: SHELLEY PLEUNE O'BRIEN; STACEY FLATTERY DROPINSKI: STEPHANIE WAGNER KETCHUM: ROXANNE JARDIN SORDI. HOLDING JACKSON'S TWIN SAMANTHA; and JACQUELINE DINIELLI

CERASUOLO.

Michigan Beta MARCELA MCDONOUGH JENKINS' Pi Phi sisters also know the importance of remembering a brief life. In May 2007, Marcela suffered the stillbirth of her daughter Lanier. "When this happened, I received a ton of support from my Pi Phi sisters," she says. "At least 10 of them got together and bought me a ring with three stones one pink stone representing Lanier and two diamonds for me and my husband." Marcela, who had previously never known anyone who had experienced a stillbirth, was comforted by women who shared stories of their experiences. She has become an advocate for research and support organizations for stillbirth, which is a topic that is often ignored.

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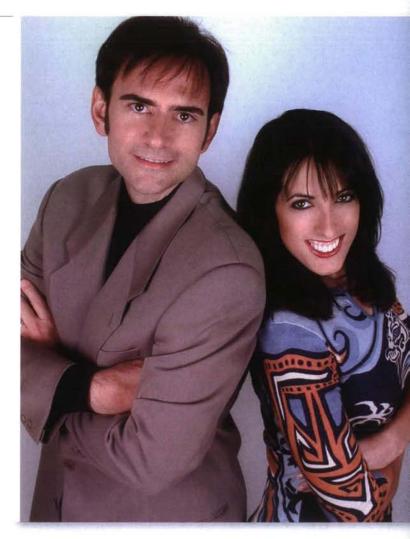
#### Career Networks

Pi Phi networks, like those which supported Roxanne and Marcela emotionally, can also be a resource for members looking for support and direction with their careers. California Lambda ALEXIS OTT tapped into a California Lambda e-mail chain when she was graduating to see if anyone knew of any paralegal positions in the Los Angeles area. "I received several responses, however, one response from alumnae RUTH KOLLER BURKE, caught my eye," Alexis says. "She was an attorney with a San Francisco based law firm and after several discussions, she put me in touch with the paralegal supervisor and office manager. I was offered a position with the firm's Los Angeles office and ended up working there for three years."

Washington Gamma JULIE JACOBSON GATES also used her Pi Phi connections in her career. While serving as a Traveling Graduate Consultant, Julie learned that RUTH WALSH MCINTYRE, one of the most-revered broadcasters in her hometown of Seattle, was a South Carolina Alpha. "Ruth was the first female to be a sports anchor in the Pacific Northwest and, even more importantly, Ruth was the first woman to anchor the television news in the Northwest," Julie says. "She broke ground years ago and paved the way for the thousands of female broadcasters today. In fact, Pi Phi honored Ruth with one of the very first Carolyn Helman Lichtenberg Crest Awards due to her professional achievements."

Julie sent Ruth a note explaining she was also a Pi Phi and wanted to meet her. Ruth promptly replied "I love Pi Phis" and asked Julie to give her a call the next time she was in Seattle to arrange a meeting. "I was thrilled, to say the least, that this very important, influential woman would take the time to meet with me," Julie remembers. "I was more touched that Pi Beta Phi still had a warm place in her heart.

"At the time of our meeting, Ruth was hosting a talk show and she invited me to visit her at the radio station," Julie says. "We hit it off instantly and Ruth quickly introduced me to everyone on the staff, including the program director. Next thing I knew, that simple introduction started a chain reaction of events which landed me a job at that very radio station." Since that meeting 18 years ago,



JULIE JACOBSON GATES and her husband Gene host the "The Gene & Julie Show," a Dallas morning radio program.

Julie has had an escalating career in radio. For the last 13 years, she has hosted "The Gene & Julie Show," a morning radio program, with her husband in Los Angeles, San Francisco, Atlanta and presently Dallas. "I've been on The Oprah Winfrey Show and in the New York Times. For the past four years I have been nominated by my broadcasting peers as Morning Show of the Year and I've been nominated for a Marconi Award -- the radio equivalent of the Academy Award. All of these wonderful things happened because one very special Pi Phi angel took the time to meet with me. Ruth is a valued mentor and a dear friend, and I love her with all my heart."

### 50 Years of Sisterhood

Julie and Ruth formed a sisterhood because of their mutual career interests, but most deep Pi Phi friendships take root at the chapter level. For example, Colorado Gammas BARBARA PERRY FISHER and KAY JOHANNES SCHULEN-BURG had a storybook relationship that spanned 50 years. The two women met when Kay joined the Pi Phi chapter at Colorado State University in 1957. They became roommates when Barbara was president of the chapter and Kay served as pledge chairman. Both women married, moved away from their home state of Colorado and lost touch with each other. But, in 1973, Kay, who was living in Hawaii, received a booklet from her alumnae club listing all of the Pi Phis living in the state and saw that Barbara was in Maui, which happened to be the island where Kay and her husband were moving. "Barbara and I reconnected and it was as if we had never been apart," Kay recalls. She describes Barb as having the "quality of just taking you in. She found a house for us. Her friends became our friends. It made moving to Maui so pleasant and so easy."

Kay has a hard time pinpointing exactly why she and Barbara became so close. Maybe it was the fact that they had children near the same ages, or that they had common values, or maybe it was because they attended the same church. For whatever reason, there was a strong bond between the women. "It was a deep soul connection," Kay



BARBARA PERRY FISHER. left, and KAY JOHANNES SCHULENBURG shared a 50-year friendship.

says. "I'm an only child, so she was my sister; she treated me like a sister." Throughout the years, their families celebrated many holidays and meals together.

"Barb and I spoke every day on the phone," Kay says. Sometimes the women would confide that they

didn't know what to fix for dinner and before long they were collaborating on what dishes they could contribute to feed their hungry families. These impromptu meals were "what we called 'loaves and fishes' dinners," Kay said.

In October, Barb's biological sister, Jeanette Egan, wrote to inform the Fraternity that Barb had died in September. In her note, she mentioned the unique friendship her sister shared with Kay. "It truly was one of these treasured sorority sister friendships."

Kay still has difficulty believing that her dear friend is

gone. "In many ways I feel like I'm starting my life over," she says. But, it is evident in the joyful way that Kay speaks about Barb that her memories of their 50-year friendship are deeply treasured.

### Welcome to a New City

Kay is not the only member to find a friendly Pi Phi when she moved to a new city. Arkansas Alpha ANN CRIGGER SHAW was 22 years old when she moved to Mobile, Alabama. She met a Pi Phi at a party and they decided to rekindle the Mobile Alumnae Club. "I found out Pi Phi connections are really important to me," Ann says.



The Louisiana Northshore Alumnae Club was hit hard by Hurricane Katrina, but has been gaining members, thanks to the leadership of Ann Shaw. She took this photograph of attendees at the 2007 angel ornament exchange, hosted by Illinois Alpha BARBARA HENRY.

Four years later, Ann, her husband and their 2-year-old child moved to Houston. "We knew five people and none were Pi Phis," she recalls. That soon changed. She called Pi Beta Phi Headquarters and got the names of the officers in her local alumnae club and started calling them. And, once again, her Pi Phi connections quickly helped her feel at home in a large city. "Pi Phi was a lifesaver to me."

In 2005, Ann and her family were displaced from their home in Covington, Louisiana, by Hurricane Katrina. Once again Pi Phi became a life saver, but not in the ways you might imagine. Sure, there was an outpouring of sympathy and one Pi Phi, who was a casual acquaintance, even offered Ann and her husband the use of her Florida home. But, Ann, who was the newly elected Alumnae Regional Director for Region 2, had a Pi Phi mission to accomplish.

Grand Vice President Alumnae MARY LOY TATUM contacted Ann to let her know that someone else could temporarily fill her position. "It would have been so easy to just not do my job," Ann said, "But, I really felt that Pi Phi was what carried me through. It anchored me and kept me focused." Ann realized she needed to try to connect the Pi Phis affected by Katrina. "If ever there was a time to keep the people together, that was the time." For example, the Pi Phis in the Mississippi Gulf Coast couldn't even find a place to meet. Those with homes not ravaged by Katrina found themselves taking in relatives and friends, so hosting a meeting was out of the question. Instead of physically meeting, many alumnae members stay connected via telephone calls and e-mail messages.

Two years have passed, but alumnae clubs in the Gulf Coast area continue to struggle. "I will say that our alumnae club here (Covington) did rally last year," says Ann. She reports that immediately after the hurricane membership numbers dropped to the teens, but this year they have 43 members. "It's going to take a while for our region to get together." Currently, Ann serves the Fraternity as Director Philanthropy, but she is doing double duty by stepping in to serve as president of her alumnae club, "and it's been a great experience." It had been years since she'd served as an alumnae club president, but she explains that it has given her a new perspective because she is able to put into practice chapter leadership tools she promoted when she was an Alumnae Regional Director. "If you follow the road map, I can tell you first-hand that it works."

### Life-Saving Reunion

Ann credits Pi Phi with being a lifesaver, but Oklahoma Alpha MARY SELMAN KAISER literally believes this to be true. "Returning to my pledge class reunion saved my life," she states.

For years, Mary had been experiencing physical and personality changes. She knew something was wrong, but her symptoms, which included mood swings and swelling, are shared by many women prior to and after giving birth. With two young sons, Mary was always tired, but she had the nagging feeling that this was not the normal fatigue



This 2003 photo was taken at the Oklahoma Alpha 1991 pledge class reunion, which MARY KAISER credits as a life-saving event. Mary is the fourth from the left in the front row and CASEY HESTER is third from the left in the middle row.



CASEY HESTER and MARY KAISER, second and third from the left, pose with their Oklahoma Alpha sisters at a Monmouth Duo event in 1992.

experienced by new mothers and she became depressed. At times she even doubted her sanity.

In June of 2003, Mary decided, with the help of some Pi Phi coaxing, that it would be fun to attend her 10-year pledge class reunion at the University of Oklahoma. She thoroughly enjoyed the weekend and was surprised to get a phone call at home on Monday from her pledge sister, CASEY HEARN HESTER, M.D.

Casey was concerned because Mary's face, hands and feet looked different, and her voice had deepened. To Casey, these changes were dramatic because she hadn't seen her in nearly seven years. Mary began crying and told



Mary Selman Kaiser, right, visited with pledge sister Dr. Casey Hearn Hester at her home in 2005, shortly after Mary had given birth to her third child.

Casey about how her feet had gone from a size 8 1/2 to an 11 and that her ring size was increasing. They discussed Mary's headaches, dizzy spells and fatigue. Casey suspected Mary had acromegaly, which is usually caused by a pituitary tumor that secretes too much growth hormone, and suggested she get an MRI as soon as possible. The MRI confirmed Casey's suspicions and Mary had neurosurgery two weeks later. Her

tumor was so large it was near the point of rupturing, which most likely would have been fatal.

"Casey has been my light in the dark times, giving me the courage to believe in myself again, to seek the best medical treatment possible - physically and mentally and spiritually - and to learn about the world of medical management," Mary says.

"Call it serendipity, or a miracle or just plain dumb luck, the one thing you can't argue with is that Mary coming back to our reunion likely did save her life," Casey says. "Joy. Elation. Pride. Even those words seem inadequate to describe the feeling of knowing the role I played in assisting Mary to the correct diagnosis."

The surgeons were unable to remove the entire tumor, but today Mary is doing well and her bubbly personality has returned. She decided with her doctors to aggressively treat her tumor and had a second surgery, called Gamma Knife radiosurgery, in December 2003. One of the risks of both of Mary's surgeries is an inability to have children. However, Mary says she was blessed to be able to conceive without medical help and in May of 2005, she delivered healthy Amy Marie.

By counseling Mary, Casey not only changed Mary's life, but her own as well. "At the time of the reunion I was feeling torn between my professional and personal responsibilities," she says. "Specifically, I felt my daughter deserved more attention than what a mother who also happened to

be a full-time pediatrician could give her. Yet when Mary's diagnosis became apparent, I realized that my medical training was indeed a gift and I needed to continue to find a way to share that knowledge through caring for others. Today I am still working full time, and my now 7-year-old daughter says she wants to be a pediatrician when she grows up. I have not regretted staying in practice, and definitely give Mary credit for helping me find that working mom balance."

In 2006, Texas Alpha CAROLE ROBINSON SCOTT jotted the following note on her Fraternity dues invoice and mailed it to Headquarters:

"My friends in the Richardson/Plano Alumnae Club have been so incredibly kind and thoughtful to me through the vicissitudes of life, specifically through the death of our son and my husband's illness and subsequent passing. One of the things that my husband Tom Scott said right before he went to the hospital for the final time was Carole, pay your dues; they have been so nice. This has truly been a blessing. The angels have held me up."

> Has Pi Phi Changed Your Life? The women profiled in this article have shared their stories about how membership in Pi Beta Phi has impacted, and in Mary's case saved, their lives. Do you also have a sisterhood story? If so, consider sharing it in a letter or e-mail to the editor.

# Eight Steps to Premier Club Status

### By Jane Bony Heiserman, California Delta

Last summer, the Southlake Area Alumnae Club, near Dallas, Texas, was honored with the "Premier Club" award at Convention 2007 in Phoenix/Scottsdale, Arizona. Club members have been asked, not just by other Pi Phi alumnae clubs, but also by alumnae groups in their local Panhellenic, to explain what makes them an award-winning club. Here are eight Southlake Success Building Blocks:

Officers hold their positions for two-year terms.



Members of the Southlake Area Alumnae Club took time during their first meeting of the year to pose with the silver tray they earned at Convention 2007 for being named Pi Beta Phi's Premier Alumnae Club.

- More than 40 chapters are represented in the Southlake Area Alumnae Club. This creates an enormous idea bank and it propels the club to be welcoming to new members.
- 3 All efforts are appreciated and showcased.
- Time is valued. Business is conducted at board meetings or via e-mail; meetings follow a strict agenda.
- The club meets often. There is usually something going on twice a month.
- Members know each other well. They know about each others' jobs, passions, talents and skills, and also interesting tidbits like activities their children excel in.
- They support each other. Infirm members are cheered up with a "Chick Flick Bucket." Those with loved ones serving in the armed forces are saluted with a Liberty Bell ornament during the holidays. Members, whose daughters and nieces are going through recruitment, have their hands held during the process. Club members even maintain a strong connection with those who move away.
- Two words describe the over-riding element of Southlake meetings: infectious laughter.

### First Book Expands into Canada

First Book announced its presence in Canada through a charity golf tournament on Sept. 11, at Nobleton Golf Course, just north of Toronto.

First Book's Canadian expansion not only reaches children north of the 49th parallel, but also provides volunteer opportunities for Canadian chapters and clubs.

The Toronto Alumnae Club assisted with the event to ensure Pi Phi's visibility and connection with First Book. In total, this fundraiser brought in more than \$45,000 for First Book Canada. "It was such an amazing experience. I know I was extremely proud to be representing Pi Phi at this event," said Toronto Alumnae Club President MONICA DIAZ. "On the day of the tournament, many people asked me questions about First Book; I was always sure to mention its corporate partnership with Pi Beta Phi Fraternity. I was also sure to wear my letters!"



Members of the Toronto Alumnae Club volunteered to help First Book President Kyle Zimmer, center, with the golf tournament fundraiser.

More First Book information will be available in the months to come! Check back at www. pibetaphi.org and in the spring issue of The Arrow.

### Click Challenge Generated Thousands of Books

In September, First Book's Manager of Corporate Strategy
In September, First Book, Pi Beta Phi and
The Literacy Site (www.theliteracysite.com)
hosted a Back to School Click Challenge
to provide even more books for children
in need.





Visitors to The Literacy Site rose to the challenge and generated an additional 20,000 new books, donated by First Book and Pi Beta Phi, to disadvantaged children in the St. Louis area.

In October, First Book staff members and volunteers from Pi Beta Phi Headquarters worked together to distribute the book to programs serving children in need in the greater St. Louis area. From organizing shipments to labeling and lifting boxes, Pi Phi members helped get thousands of new books out of the warehouse and into the hands of the kids who need them. Over the course of the week, First Book distributed more than 300,000 new books across the country from the St. Louis-based warehouse, donated by the U.S. Coast Guard, spreading the joy of reading to community groups serving children in need from Maine to Hawaii.

# Hill Country, Texas Alumnae Club Promotes Literacy

The Texas Hill Country Alumnae Club and Sid Peterson Memorial Hospital (SPMH) opened the Pi Beta Phi Bookshelf, a reading area in the Emergency Waiting Room at SPMH in downtown Kerrville, Texas, on Dec. 3. More than 50 came to celebrate.

"Childhood reading was a fun experience for many people, so it can be hard to comprehend how challenging it is for many kids in our community," said Texas Epsilon EMILY ELIOT DRAPELA, President of the Hill Country, Texas

Alumnae Club. "It is our hope that kids visiting the ER waiting room will enjoy the books and develop a stronger interest in reading."

The SPMH Emergency Waiting Room was chosen for the Pi Beta Phi Bookshelf

Children now have the opportunity to read a book from Pi Beta Phi Bookshelf while they are waiting for emergency room services at Sid Peterson Memorial Hospital in Kerrville, Texas.

because it is visited by many families with children each day. The bookshelf will be stocked with new and gently used books, donated by Pi Beta Phi Alumnae and community supporters. Children will be allowed to take a book home.

# Literati-Glitterati Combines Networking with Philanthropy

Pi Beta Phi is committed to meeting the needs of its members with fresh and relevant programming opportunities, such as the new Literati-Glitterati events for young alumnae.

Approximately 25 young alumnae attended the first Literati-Glitterati in Atlanta.

The Fraternity has been hosting Young Alumnae events since 2003, but the Nov. 29 event in Atlanta, Georgia, was the first Literati-Glitterati, which combined the social and professional networking with a local volunteer opportunity. Attendees had the opportunity to learn about literacy initiatives offered in their area through the local alumnae club and the local First Book Advisory Board.

Literati-Glitterati events are being planned in Chicago; San Francisco; Washington, D.C.; and Los Angeles during the winter and spring of 2008. Check the event section of www.pibetaphi.org for more information.

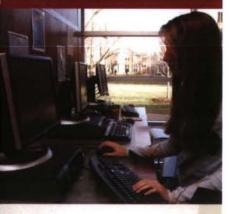
# FOUNDATION



### CAMPAIGN DVD

For your next alumnae club or chapter meeting, why not show the Pi Beta Phi Foundation Campaign DVD? To request a copy, contact the Foundation office at (636) 256-0680.

### SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION REMINDER



Applications for Pi Beta Phi Foundation undergraduate scholarships, graduate fellowships and Alumnae Continuing Scholarships for the 2008-09 academic year must be postmarked by Jan. 31.

For more information and an application packet, log on to the Foundation's Web site, www.pibetaphifoundation.org. Questions? Contact the Foundation office at FNDN@pibetaphi.org or (636) 256-0680.

### Live the Pi Phi Legacy Lead, Serve, Give.

### THE CAMPAIGN FOR THE PI BETA PHI FOUNDATION

#### CAMPAIGN UPDATE

The campaign for the Pi Beta Phi Foundation is well underway with over \$4,000,000 of our \$6,000,000 goal raised. Campaign events have been held throughout the country over the last few months:

- · Oct. 2 Houston, Texas
- Nov. 9 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- Oct. 9 Pacific Palisades, California Nov. 15 Omaha, Nebraska
- · Oct. 10 Pasadena, California

Join your sisters and make the Pi Beta Phi Foundation a philanthropic priority in your life.

- Check your mail for the Foundation's special campaign mailing in early 2008. This is your personal opportunity to invest in the future of Pi Beta Phi.
- · If you would like additional information on campaign gift opportunities, including multi-year pledges and deferred gifts, contact the Foundation office.

Make this the year you deliver a special, extra gift to the Foundation, in support of this important campaign.

#### LITERACY ENDOWMENT

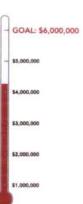
- More than 80 percent of preschool and after-school programs serve low-income families who have no age-appropriate books for their children.
- In middle-income neighborhoods, the ratio of books per child is 13 to 1.
- In low-income neighborhoods the ratio is one age-appropriate book for every 300 children.
- > One-on-one reading time is 25 hours for children in low-income families compared to 1,000+ hours for children in middle-class families.

These statistics are staggering, but telling of the dire need. The Foundation currently supports Pi Beta Phi's partnership with First Book, as well as programs like Champions

Are Readers®, First Book Speed Read<sup>TM</sup> and the Fraternity Day of Service. To better support the Fraternity's literacy endeavors, the Foundation is establishing several literacy endowments. Individuals, chapters and clubs are invited to take this opportunity to make their mark in the fight against illiteracy.

For more information, contact ANDREA SHULTZ at (636) 256-0680 or andrea@pibetaphi.org.





#### OREGON GAMMA SCHOLARSHIP ENDOWED

The women of Oregon Gamma recently made a pledge of \$52,000 to the Pi Beta Phi Foundation to endow the Oregon Gamma Undergraduate Scholarship Fund. This scholarship gives first preference to current members of the Oregon Gamma Chapter; however, if none apply, it is available to a qualified Region 7 applicant. The first Oregon Gamma Scholarship will be awarded this spring for the 2008-09 academic year. Oregon Gamma's scholarship is an investment in the future of Pi Beta Phi and creates a legacy for their chapter.



friendship fund PI BETA PHI FOUNDATION leadership philanthropy

The Friendship Fund is the Foundation's annual fund and major fundraising program. Gifts to the Friendship Fund help support the scholarship program, grants to the Fraternity for educational and leadership development and grants to our philanthropies. Continued support of the Friendship Fund is essential for the day-to-day operation of the Foundation.



Dody Intveld Boat lowa Gamma 2007-2008 Friendship Fund Donor

I believe getting a good education is one of the best things a young woman can do for herself. Giving to the Foundation is one way I can help and show support for an important part of my life.

Being a Pi Phi formed a bond with others of like-minded ideals that will last a life time. Our class round robin letter has been flying for over 50 years.



Sarah Guinane Kansas Beta 2007-2008 Friendship Fund Scholarship Recipient

Receiving the Pi Beta Phi Foundation
Scholarship means so much to me. It means
financial help toward my out-of-state tuition
costs, some financial relief for my parents
and another incentive to continue my education at Kansas State University. It means an
acknowledgment for the work I have done
academically and in Pi Phi and campus
activities. It means that my Fraternity
thought enough of my efforts to recognize
them in such a helpful way.

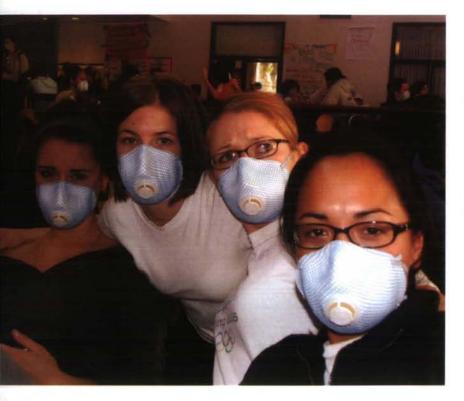


### HOLIDAY GREETINGS

Mackinley Ogle, fifth grader at Pi Beta Phi Elementary in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, created the artwork above, which was selected for the Foundation's 2007 Holiday Scholarship Card.

Holiday Scholarships for the 2008-09 academic year will be awarded, thanks to the generous support of current and former Pi Phi leaders, officers and staff. Scholarship recipients will be announced in the Summer Arrow.

### **Collegiate** News



The October wildfires in California that made national news struck a little too close to home for the California Mu chapter at Pepperdine University in Malibu, California. As the fires moved closer to campus, Chapter President ERIN CHINEN and Vice President of Communications LESLIE HORVATH tracked each member on a spreadsheet, as many were evacuated from their campus homes. Sadly, two members lost their homes and most of their belongings. Many members also attend Malibu Presbyterian Church and were in disbelief as they watched their church burn to the ground. Thankfully, no member was hurt during the fires. Just days after the fires, members brought items including clothing and toiletries to help members in need rebuild. While the community continues to heal in the aftermath of the fires, so also does California Mu through awareness of prevention and emergency procedures.



Members of California Mu don masks worn to protect them from smoke inhalation during the wildfires that raged near campus.

Above is a view of the Pepperdine baseball fields with the wildfires in the background.

In the Tennessee Beta chapter, Vice President of Administration LAURA VAUGHN recently experienced the benefits of Pi Phi sisterhood and the connections the organization provides when she got a job working in a laboratory in Nashville, Tennessee, through not one, but two Pi Phis. When Vice President of Membership ERIN TROY, who held the job before Laura, sent an e-mail to the chapter announcing the opening of the job, Laura decided to pursue it and set up a meeting with the employer. Surprisingly enough, the interviewer was none other than CARA BALLARD SUTCLIFFE, an Illinois Beta-Delta who has served on Tennessee Beta's Alumnae Advisory Committee and is currently a Region 3 Specialist.

Cara and Laura immediately bonded over their involvement and passion for Pi Phi. Over the months ahead, they developed a lasting, meaningful relationship thanks to the networking and sisterhood bonds that Pi Beta Phi provides its members. Cara has even offered to help Laura with her resume, as she prepares to graduate in 2008. Laura is grateful to have discovered such a personal bond with her employer and feels that the experience has been much more rewarding due to their shared involvement in Pi Phi. Laura hopes to continue the tradition of this Pi Phi connection and looks forward to offering the job to another Tennessee Beta when she leaves Vanderbilt University this spring.







2 > Colorado Gamma members JESSICA FINCHER, AUDRA NELSON, NANCY DIGIORGIO, BETH VAN GOETHEM and MALLORY ICHIKAWA pose on campus at Colorado State University. Beth appreciated the support she received from her sisters after her brother was seriously injured in a snowboarding accident. Her sisters helped pack her belongings and drive her to Denver where her brother was hospitalized. Several sisters stayed the night with Beth and her family. On campus, Beth's sisters talked to her professors, turned in her assignments and helped cover her Vice President of Membership duties. Members







also prepared numerous care packages for Beth. This support helped Beth see her brother through his recovery. "Without my sisters, I would never have made it," she said.

3 > Minnesota Alpha members BEHIN ABEDI, JENNY HAGER, MOLLY LARSON and BRITA LUNDGREN pose with Curious George at a local children's hospital. The chapter collected 200 new or slightly used books and made arrow-shaped bookmarks for patients.

4 > Senior LAUREN WILSON tees off as part of Indiana Beta's annual Arrow Open Golf Tournament. The tournament raised \$10,000 for Indiana University's Dance Marathon, which supports Rily's Children's Hospital.

5 > Members of Alabama Beta traveled to Spain through a program at the University of Alabama. Members pictured are ANA SANGSLAND, TERESA HILL, CATY RUSHING and CATHERINE EMENS.

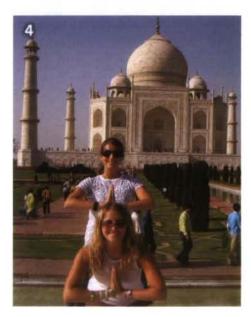
Senior ERIN CURRAN, Indiana Epsilon, experienced first-hand the reach of sisterhood while beginning an internship, hundreds of miles from home, in Laramie, Wyoming. "I didn't know anyone and had no idea how to find a place to live!" Erin was able to contact Pi Phi members in the Laramie area through www.pibetaphi.org, and soon had several housing options for the summer. Erin says that getting in touch with sisters across the country was a lot easier than she had anticipated and definitely paid off. "Even though we had just met, the girls took me into their homes," said Erin. She was invited to events, dinners, and other Pi Phi excursions during her time there. Erin's connection with Pi Phi sisters from across the nation really is what defined her experience in Wyoming and made a very "distant place feel more like home."

"Even though we had just met, the girls took me into their homes."









- 1 > Texas Alpha Senator KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON posed with D.C. Alphas CARA EDMUNDOWICZ, CYDNEE DETOY and STEPHANIE McCOY at a recent book signing in Washington, D.C. The Senator's book is entitled Leading Ladies. American Trailblazers.
- 2 > Colorado Delta and Chapter President DARCY SOUTA enjoys the scenery in Anchorage, Alaska, where she completed a summer internship. Before leaving her home in Colorado, Darcy connected with another Colorado Gamma who lives in Anchorage OLIVIA HARREN BOMMARITO. Olivia took Darcy under her wing and helped her with everything from career advice to picking her up when she arrived at the airport. Darcy said, "It really showed me that no matter where you go, there could be a Pi Phi willing to help a sister!"
- 3 > Members of the Arizona Gamma chapter show their spirit during a game at Northern Arizona University.
- 4 > Twin sisters SARAH BRINKER and AMY BRINKER, both California Thetas, enjoy a moment in front of the Taj Mahal while traveling during a Semester at Sea.

When Wisconsin Delta NICOLE SENFT was diagnosed with cervical cancer at the end of the 2006 fall semester, her world drastically shifted. Her dreams of studying abroad in Spain were replaced with the reality of lengthy chemotherapy treatments and hospital rooms. When Nicole told her Pi Phi sisters of her news, they vowed to help her make it through. Although she had to move back home, the chapter offered Nicole a bedroom in the Pi Phi house which gave Nicole a regular oasis

where she could escape the prodding of doctors and fretting of family. Nicole remembers her times at the Pi Phi house as not being treated as "sick Nicole," or "poor Nicole," she was simply Nicole. Sisters took Nicole on a wig-shopping expedition when her hair began to fall out and together they all tried on wigs. Now a cancer survivor, Nicole looks back on her experience and finds that the gifts of support, humor and friendship given by her sisters were invaluable in her recovery.



From the left are Wisconsin Deltas AMANDA BOWERS, JILL DEVANEY, JESSICA GIBSON, MEAGHAN O'BRIEN and NICOLE SENFT.

"Everyone knows that the transition from high school to college is far from easy, but when I began my freshman year, I had no idea how truly difficult the next few months were going to be. Just as I was getting used to being away at college, my entire life came crashing down in November 2006 when my dad was killed in a car accident. I can't even begin to describe the pain I felt over the sudden loss of my father. Anyone who has ever lost a parent can tell you that the hole it leaves in your heart seems absolutely unbearable.

Returning to Miami second semester was an even harder transition than beginning college for the first time. I was terrified to leave my family behind and was convinced that I wanted to transfer to a school closer to home. Everything changed when I then went through recruitment and became a member of Pi Phi. From the moment I walked into the Pi Phi suite, I was overwhelmed with the amount of love and support I received from my sisters. Being a part of this sorority is the only thing that has kept me from transferring to a school closer to home. I could never imagine leaving all of the amazing girls that have become my sisters.

My family established the Craig F. Glattly Foundation in my father's name to encourage his values exhibited in his everyday life. For Dad's Weekend this year, chapter members set up a donation table to recognize the memory of my father and his Foundation. The fact that my sisters found a way to make my dad and me a part of the weekend meant more to me than anything I could ever put into words. The Foundation is dedicated to developing character and integrity in children and young adults and to strengthen families by assisting them spiritually, economically, academically and emotionally. Through heartfelt donations from the Pi Phi girls and their families, the Foundation was able to increase our resources to assist families in need.

Almost a year has passed since I lost my Dad. Although my life will never really be the same, I am fortunate to be surrounded by wonderful people who guide and support me. I feel so lucky to be part of a sorority that has stood by me during this difficult time, and am thankful that my sisters have come into my life. I'm truly blessed to be a member of Pi Beta Phi, and I can only hope that one day I'll be able to return some of the love and compassion that is constantly shown to me by each and every one of my sisters.

- PAIGE GLATTLY, Ohio Zeta, Miami University

"I feel so lucky to be part of a sorority that has stood by me during this difficult time." The 2010 graduating class raised \$1,000 and donated the proceeds to cancer charities in Shannon's name.

Only a month after being initiated into the Illinois Zeta chapter at the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, SHANNON DIAZ was diagnosed with brain cancer. "It came totally out of the blue," Shannon said. Enduring a rigorous treatment plan and seeing specialists all over the country, Shannon had to move back home. Though she missed being on campus, her sisters supported her by sending her care packages full of notes from members. The 2010 graduating class raised \$1,000 and donated the proceeds to cancer charities in

Shannon's name. Able to return to campus for the fall 2007 semester, Shannon is thrilled to be living in the chapter house. "Pi Phi made it really easy to come back," Shannon said. "If I had to come back and cook all my meals in an apartment, it would have been a lot more difficult." Still going through chemotherapy while at school, Shannon is taking a less difficult course load this semester. While Shannon continues to progress, she also continues to get great support from her sisters.



- 1 > Members of the Connecticut Alpha chapter pose with third-grade students wearing the medals they earned after completing the CAR program. Vice President of Philanthropy, KRISTA MURAWSKI shared the following: "This program is one of the most meaningful experiences that I have had in Pi Beta Phi. We truly helped some of these kids develop skills that will take them far and hopefully help them make better life choices. There were visible improvements and the kids were all anxious to share their workbook progress with us. The ability to make a difference in a young person's life is definitely the best experience that one can be offered."
- 2 > Pat Sajak and his wife Lesley, dedicated a lobby and classroom to Hillsdale College in September 2007. Members of Michigan Alpha posed with the game show host after his dedication address.









- 1 > Oklahoma Betas KATIE
  MEEK, WHITNEY MERVELDT,
  SAMMY COFFMAN and BRITTON
  THOMPSON are pictured outside
  of the offices of Chesapeake
  Energy Corporation in Oklahoma
  City, Oklahoma, where the all
  had internships. Katherine
  became interested in the
  opportunity through the ACRIC
  for Oklahoma City REGAN DAVID
  RAFF. Katie's connection to Regan
  gave her a leg-up in the
  internship interview process.
- 2 > A Down & Dirty 5-on-5 basketball tournament was held by Missouri Betas at Washington University. Monies raised will be donated to Arrowmont.
- 3 ➤ D.C. Alphas ROSE PLAGER-UNGER and KAYLA CAMARA, left and second from the left, and STEPHANIE NEVES, right, helped President of First Book Kyle Zimmer sort, inventory and package old books at the Martin Luther King Jr. Memorial Library to make room for new copies.
- 4 > ARIEL MEYERS and CHRISTINA LEAR, Indiana Gammas, pose next to their newly planted tree. The chapter partnered with the Butler University Sigma Nu chapter as part of the Keeping Indianapolis Beautiful tree planting program.



5 > Virginia Epsilons CHRISTINE BORGES, RACHEL SYLLA, JESSIE SLOCUM and ERIKA SCHWARTZ enjoy a University of Virginia home football game.



6 > Virginia Thetas LAUREN SANTABAR, left, and KELLY GOTKIN helped their chapter host a Speed Read event during Parents' Weekend at Washington and Lee. They raised about \$200 and Lauren, who read 148 words in 15 seconds, was the winner.

### Greeks Team Up to Offer TAKE Defense Classes

The Ali Kemp Educational (TAKE) Foundation and TAKE defense program were started in July, 2002, by Sigma Phi Epsilon Roger Kemp and Alpha Delta Pi Kathy Kemp, after their Pi Phi daughter Ali was attacked and murdered while working at her summer swimming pool job in Leawood, Kansas. Ali had just finished her freshman year at Kansas State University. Roger Kemp vowed that no other young woman should have to suffer the way his daughter did and no family should bear the sorrow of losing a loved one in this way.

TAKE defense classes are being presented during the 2007-08 year on campuses where there are Pi Beta Phi, Alpha Delta Pi and/or Sigma Phi Epsilon chapters. "Linking these three Greek organizations has been a key to our goal of raising visibility and getting more women trained," says Roger. "Without these young women and men on the campuses doing much of the legwork, there is no way we could make the inroads we have. At K-State, for example, the three groups not only held a TAKE defense class with over 400 women attending, but immediately following that, they hosted a bandstand concert fundraising event. It was fun for everybody and over 1,000 people attended."

The TAKE defense program is offered at no cost to any woman or girl who feels she needs it. However, there are costs associated to delivering the program. "We are a not-forprofit organization," states Roger. "We count on donations and contributions to bring these programs to campuses; the kids in these chapters work really hard to help bring in money. We can always use sponsors and bigger donors, though."

For more information about TAKE, contact Director of Programming Becky James at Pi Beta Phi Headquarters, or visit the TAKE Web site at www.takedefense.org.



Pi Phis, in their hot pink t-shirts, stood out amidst the more than 400 women attending the TAKE event held at Kansas State University in Manhattan, Kansas, last October.

The TAKE Foundation reports that 96.8 percent of the more than 26,000 women who have taken the training agree that every woman should have TAKE defense training.





Members of Missouri Alpha attended a TAKE defense class held at the University of Missouri-Columbia in September.

# The **Secret Life** of Transition Officers

### By Kansas Alpha Katy Ibsen

In 2005, graduating seniors at the University of Minnesota (UMN) said goodbye with more than memories, Ring Ching spoons and a college degree. They walked away from the chapter house and into the real world with knowledge on life insurance, how to network, negotiating job offers and how to set up a 401K. All thanks to their Transition Officer.

ALISA BROOKS RUDLANG, Minnesota Alpha and former Transition Officer, invited a professor from UMN's Carlson School of Management to speak about the nitty gritty details of entering the workforce. Little did anyone realize how the women would reach out to the professor as the most clairvoyant speaker to step through their chapter doors.

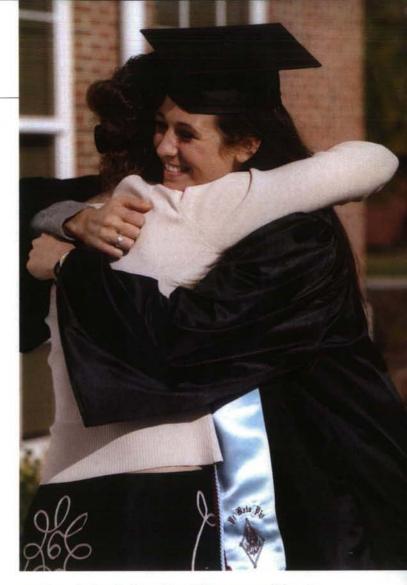
### Minnesota Alpha is far from the only chapter providing a little guidance on that passage into the real world.

In 2003, the Fraternity introduced the position of Transition Officer to serve its collegiate members in a new way. A Transition Officer may be appointed or elected from the senior class, when the women are juniors, to usher them in their fourth year along the aisle into college afterlife. It is here she begins to serve her peers by discovering progressive ways of introducing them to scenarios they have yet to consider. For many, this has included visits from area alumnae, to networking events, to professional speakers giving tips about job interviews.

Working closely with the chapter Vice President of Membership, the Transition Officer prepares for her duties, which include: planning alternative senior meetings, collecting contact information to update Headquarters records, conducting alumnae workshops, keeping seniors in tune with chapter events, initiating senior gatherings and ensuring the graduates stay connected after college. Some chapters keep in touch electronically through an alumnae listsery.

"We scheduled a networking event at the chapter house for all alumnae to join the graduating seniors. This was great because we handed out resumes to people who worked in fields we were interested in," remembers Rudlang. "Many were like informational interviews, which helped members work on interview skills."

However, enlightening seniors about the workforce is only



a portion of what the Transition Officer accomplishes during this beneficial year. The position also introduces the lifelong commitment to Pi Beta Phi.

"If members continue to gain something from the chapter throughout their years of membership, they may be more inclined to continue being part of the organization through alumnae clubs, AAC or Chapter House Corporation," says Alisa. That said, the position has turned out to be one of particular relevance for area alumnae clubs in promoting membership or networking with the women.

As Alisa suggests, the position reconnects eager seniors to their chapter and the international organization; and as the Fraternity would suggest, the position was created in recognition of seniors and their final, yet transitional year in the chapter. It was apparent women needed activities that were relevant, wanted to keep their special Pi Beta Phi connection but felt overloaded with what was on the horizon.

"It is important for the chapter because it keeps seniors involved and helps add value to development of members," adds Alisa.



# Backpacks & Briefcases

**Resources and Tools:** This new page is a collection of tips and resources to improve the quality of life for sisters who may be struggling with personal or professional issues. If you have an item or idea you would like to share, send it to editor@pibetaphi.org.



### Kathy Bart Autry, Georgia Alpha

One of the first things I did after moving to a new city was to seek out the Pi Beta Phi alumnae club in that area. Every club I joined was extremely welcoming and helped me get settled. I made many new friends. Sisters offered contacts to whomever they heard was hiring in my field and every single one paid off! Thanks to Charlotte, Memphis, Columbia, Hampton Roads, Atlanta and Alpharetta clubs. Sisterhood is awesome!

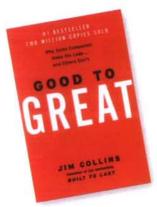
### Elisabeth Long Young, Kentucky Alpha

Friendship is at the center of what Pi Phi means to me. Through all of life's transitions: college to law school, law school to work, moving across country, infertility treatment to adoptions, working to staying home, and losing loved ones – my sisters and friends have been my greatest resource. I would be lost without them!

# How do you like this section? Send your comments to editor@pibetaphi.org. Or better yet, share the name of a book, Web site, inspirational musical artist, uplifting movie or a product that keeps you organized.

### Jody Morse Al-Saigh, New York Alpha

Without a doubt, the best tool I've had since becoming a mother is the listserv that I joined called DC Urban Moms. It is for moms in the D.C. metropolitan area, but I know there are other similar types of mom sites/groups/chats etc. out there on the Web. For instance, New York City has something called Urban Baby. There's also something new that I joined called CafeMom; it seems like MySpace for the mommy-set! There are also chats and message boards on BabyCenter.com.



#### Tina Rivard, Pennsylvania Theta

I have two favorite books that help guide me in my career and just in life. They are "Fish!," by Stephen C. Lundin and "Good to Great," by Jim Collins.



### Cara Ballard Sutcliffe, Illinois Beta-Delta

I'm a Fly Lady fan. She is affirming and has her program broken down in baby steps you can apply whether you are retired, a stay-at-home mom, or a working mother. The Web site is www.flylady.net.



### Marla Neelly Wulf, Kansas Beta, finds Lorie Line music to be soothing, energizing, relaxing and uplifting.

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### Karen Cole Sood, Texas Epsilon

When I was a new mom, I was really helped by Gymboree classes. They were great for my son and they offered a class for every age and encouraged parent participation. Another GREAT thing that I do is participate, and shop, at a local children's consignment. It is for "gently worn" clothes and really helps with the clothing budget.

### Annemarie Long Wilson, Kentucky Alpha

www.Realtor.com can help locate houses, but it also provides links to get the national test scores for each school system, so you can make an educated decision as to where you might want to move. The last time I moved, I went to the Talbots store locater at www.talbots.com to find the zip codes where stores were located in Birmingham; I figured that since Talbots has spent a lot of time and the big bucks on market

research to put their stores in upper-middle-class areas, these would probably be areas that my husband and I would be interested in looking at!

Since we had one long weekend to look at a multitude of homes, I created a checklist template (whether it had a laundry room, good closets, etc.) that I filled out during each home visit since all the houses tend to run together. The use of a digital camera would also help record and keep track of the pros and cons of each house.



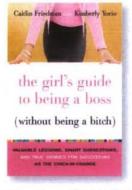
Rebecca Brannen Lasse, Florida Epsilon, uses Yahoo Calendar because it sends you e-mail reminders of what's on your schedule.

### Nancy Strine, South Carolina Alpha

I recommend that any professional woman, whether she is starting out or working her way up the career ladder, find a mentor. If your work does not have a program in place, then just find someone on your own. It can be a male or female. Do not be shy about asking someone you look up to and respect to be a mentor for you. You will be surprised how flattered they will be when you ask them.

### Luellen Clymo Smith, Washington Gamma

One book that I enjoy reading for personal growth is "To Lead is to Serve," by Shar McBee. It has many ideas on how to re-energize, overcome obstacles and attract volunteers.



Allison Harvey, Virginia Theta, recommends "The Girl's Guide to Being a Boss (Without Being a Bitch): Valuable Lessons, Smart Suggestions, and True Stories for Succeeding as the Chick-in-Charge," by Caitlin Friedman and Kimberly Yorio.

### **Alumnae** News



"Night of the Living Deb" is book number four in Kansas Alpha SUSAN MCBRIDE'S "Debutante Dropout Mystery Series" published by Avon Books. And, book five "Too Pretty to Die" will be released in February. These mysteries are filled with funny, eccentric characters. The main character's mother is a Dallas socialite who just happens to be a Pi Phi.

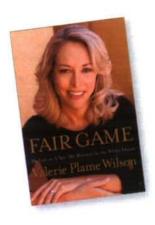


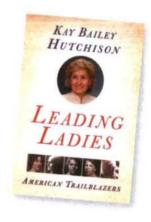
Photo of Susan McBride was taken by Suzy Gorman.

The public disclosure of Pennsylvania Epsilon VALERIE PLAME WILSON'S classified status as a covert CIA officer endangered national security and resulted in a federal investigation that eventually led to the trial and conviction of Vice President Dick Cheney's chief of staff, I. Lewis "Scooter" Libby for obstruction of justice and perjury. Much has been written about Valerie's story, but beyond a brief appearance before a congressional committee early last year, she remained silent until her book "Fair Game: My Life As a Spy, My Betrayal by the White House" was released by Simon & Schuster in October 2007. She provides a narrative account of her training and experiences and answers many questions that have been asked about her covert status, her responsibilities and her life.

Texas Alpha Senator KAY BAILEY HUTCHISON'S book, "LEADING LADIES: American Trailblazers" published by HarperCollins, tells the dramatic stories of dedicated and courageous women from all walks of life. The trailblazers included in this collection range from the first American women to enlist in the Army to the political and corporate leaders of our time. Among the inspirational women profiled are: Suffragist Susan B. Anthony; Publisher Eliza Jan Poitevent; Scientist Gerty Cori; Civil Rights Activist Rosa Parks; and First Ladies Jacqueline Kennedy, Lady Bird Johnson, Barbara Bush and Hillary Clinton.

"Tallgrass," by Colorado Beta SANDRA DALLAS, is a story about a farm family affected by World War II. They live next to a newly opened Japanese internment camp, called Tallgrass. After a friend is brutally murdered, 13-year-old Rennie learns firsthand about the fear and bigotry of war as neighbors look suspiciously at the camp residents. This is Sandra's seventh novel.







Virginia Gamma DR. WILMA FOWLER BERGFELD, Cleveland Clinic section head of clinical research, Department of Dermatology, received the 2007 Founders Award from the American Society of Dermatology. Recognized for her significant contributions to the field of dermatopathology, Wilma is also the section head of Dermatopathology in the Department of Anatomic Pathology. She was recognized for her leadership in advancing the role of women in dermatopathology; Wilma was the first woman to hold the office of president of the American Academy of Dermatology in 1992.

Ohio Beta CINDY SMITH SCHNEIBLE was recently promoted to Vice President of Development of the Susan G. Komen Foundation. Cindy will lead Komen's efforts to develop new and diverse funding sources and strengthen philanthropic activities. She will guide, build and enhance all development initiatives, including major gifts, planned giving, direct mail, gift solicitation and gift management.

- 1> Twenty-three members attended the Cleveland West, Ohio Alumnae Club's Chocolate Evening last September. The event featured a blind chocolate tasting and other tasty activities.
- 2 > Ohio Eta LAURA ANN NEFF has been named dean of students at Denison University. A 1981 graduate of Denison, Laura served as an assistant to the dean in Denison's Office of Student Life, immediately following her graduation. Then, while studying for her master's degree at The Ohio State University, Laura returned to Denison to complete a year-long graduate assistantship, as administrative assistant to the dean of student life. She earned her master's degree in student personnel work in higher education at The Ohio State in 1984. Laura has been the dean of students at Randolph-Macon for five years and was previously at Westhampton College of the University of Richmond for 16 years, serving in a variety of roles including area coordinator, associate dean and interim dean.
- 3 > From left, are New Jersey Alphas CHRISTINA
  BENNISON and JULIANA BENNISON with Missouri Alpha
  B. F. GRAHAM at her art opening at the Amsterdam
  Whitney Gallery, in New York City in September.









4> In July 2007, charter members of the Northern California Bay Area Council of Pi Beta Phi gathered at the California Beta chapter house at the University of California-Berkeley to hold their first official meeting. The group is comprised of representatives from several alumnae clubs, and its purpose is to share programming, recruitment and retention best practices. Future plans include a joint Cookie Shine and Founders' Day celebration.









A total of 122 members of the Phoenix, Arizona Alumnae Club and Arizona Betas from Arizona State University participated in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure, which took place on Oct. 14 in downtown Phoenix. The "Wings of Pi Beta Phi" team raised more than \$4,800 to help raise breast cancer awareness and fund research toward finding a cure.

Members of the Phoenix, Arizona Alumnae Club and collegians from Arizona Beta traveled to the Crisis Nursery in Phoenix, Arizona, and threw a pumpkin party for the children. Crisis Nursery is a shelter for families and children struggling with abuse. This was the second annual pumpkin party the Phoenix Alumnae Club has held for Crisis Nursery.

MONIKA TANIGUCHI TEUFFEL was crowned Nisei Week Oueen at the 67th annual Nisei Week Coronation in Los Angeles, California. Nisei Week is a festival celebrating Japanese American culture and history in Little Tokyo, Los Angeles. Monika represented the West Los Angeles Japanese American Citizens League and Auxiliary and the Venice, California Japanese Community Center.

- 1> Maryland Betas and friends since becoming sisters at the University of Maryland in 1966, KATHY KELLY EBEY, right, and LINDA SMITH MULLINEAUX celebrated their 61st birthdays by parasailing in Waikiki, Hawaii.
- 2 & 3 > Indiana Gamma MAVILLA RAINEY RICHTER, Miss Indiana 1937, was invited to attend the Miss Indiana pageant in 2007 because it had been 70 years since she was crowned. The pageant committee publishes a program featuring all of the returning Miss Indianas who had reached milestone anniversaries and Mavila became the pageant's first to celebrate her 70th anniversary. This achievement came just a few weeks after another milestone - her 90th birthday.
- 4 > Crest Award winner Florida Epsilon KAUTIA VADEN HAMPTON celebrates her honor at Convention 2007 with her Florida Epsilon sisters and CAROLYN HELMAN LICHTENBERG. From left, are GRETCHEN SCHUMACHER, MELISSA PERSONETTE, CAROLYN HELMAN LICHTENBERG. KAUTIA VADEN HAMPTON and BECCA BRANNEN LASSE.

- 1 > Missouri Alpha CAYLEN GOUDIE will be traveling the country for the next year in the iconic Oscar Mayer Wienermobile. Caylen was hired by the hot dog company as a "hotdogger", and will serve as an ambassador for the company, cruising in a 27-foot hot dog on wheels. More than 1,200 people applied for the position this year, and she cut the mustard as one of the lucky 12.
- 2 > Pi Phis, spouses and friends visited the Great Wall during a recent trip to China. The group toured Beijing, Hutong, Xian, Shanghai and the Yangtze River. Two Grand Council members, KAREN SHELTON CHEVALIER and MARY LOY TATUM were among the travelers, as well as Collegiate Regional Specialist ROBIN MCPHERSON ROHRBACK.
- 3 > The Bay County, Florida Alumnae Club honored its Golden Arrows with a luncheon at the St. Andrews Bay Yacht Club. The ladies were also given porcelain Pi Beta Phi teacups and saucers. Honorees include from left, ANGELINE MANNING, MARY CATHERINE JINKS and CAROLYN LACOUR. Not pictured are MARY ANNE NELSON and NANCY ROWELL.
- 4 > Members of the San Juan, Colorado pocket gathered for their fall meeting at a 4,000-acre ranch in Colorado's San Juan Mountains.
- 5 > Members of the Millennium Angels Interest Group from the Birmingham, Alabama Alumnae Club (alumnae who graduate in the year 2000 or after) held their first meeting at a local bowling alley.

Illinois Eta JEAN NEES TULIN was named Teacher of the Year for the state of Illinois by the Air Force Association. Jean has 25 years of teaching experience and has been a math teacher at Knoxville High School in Knoxville, Illinois, for 18 years. She also teaches computer sciences.

















Oct. 1, 2007, was named Betty J. Packard Day by mayoral proclamation in San Francisco, California. Indiana Alpha BETTY REED PACKARD-VORIS' accomplishments include being named the 2006 Communicator of Achievement by the National Federation of Press Women (NFPW), NFPW's highest honor for professional achievement in communications, contributions to NFPW and its affiliate and community service. She also was the first woman to edit a national financial magazine; a high school journalism teacher; a newspaper reporter; and representative of the Unites States at the World Conference of Women Journalist held in Seoul, Korea. For the past 11 years, Betty served San Francisco as a member of the Ballot Simplification Committee.

- 1> Pictured, from front to back, are New Mexico Alphas JESSICA CHAVEZ, SAM MCNULTY WELLS, AMANDA MCMAHON and ROSALIE CHAPMAN on a streetcar in San Francisco, California, after they completed the 26.2 mile Nike Women's Marathon. The race benefited the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society. Training and fundraising for four months, the women raised \$16,000.
- 2> Members of the Katy-West Houston, Texas Alumnae Club pose with Elvis at their sixth annual silent auction fundraiser. Almost \$3,000 was raised to support Pi Phi literacy projects. The club also held its first Speed Read event that night.
- 3> The San Jose, California Alumnae Club held a western-themed "Welcome Back to Pi Phi" kickoff social in September. Members, spouses and friends enjoyed an afternoon of games and a barbecue dinner. The event welcomed members to a new club year and extended the hand of friendship to other area alumnae to "come back" to Pi Phi. Although some could not attend the social, the club made a number of successful connections, and 12 new members have already joined. From left, attendees included DEBBY RICE, PAT CAVALIER, MARY BECHTEL, CONNIE PALLADINO, PAT KASPAR and CINDY STAFFIELD.

# Iowa Zetas Honor 125 Years of Sisterhood

- 1> The women of Iowa Zeta recognized their 125th anniversary on Oct. 13, 2007. Pi Beta Phi was the first sorority house on the University of Iowa's campus in 1882. Along with special guest Grand President EMILY RUSSELL TARR, Iowa Zetas celebrated with a house tour and brunch in the morning and a banquet and entertainment in the evening. Pictured are members of the 125th anniversary planning committee, which are all members of the Cedar Rapids Alumnae Club, except for two collegians and the Iowa Zeta house director.
- 2 Nearly 400 Washington Alpha Pi Phis, representing every pledge class since the 1940s, came together Sept. 30 to celebrate their chapter's 100 years on the University of Washington campus. Festivities included a luncheon and a house tour. Centennial Committee members included, from the left, CLAIRE CAHILL, chairman; LINDSAY THOME; JESSICA JONES; JULIE MAYTUM; and SUE PHIPPS. MARILYN ADAMS is not in the photo.
- 3 > California Deltas, who graduated from the University of California, Los Angeles, celebrated their 20th reunion in Pasadena.
- 4 > Iowa Gamma MARGARET WOODS GOEPPINGER (affectionately known as "Marnie") recently celebrated 75 years as a Pi Phi. She was honored with a visit from two fellow Ames, Iowa Alumnae Club members, MARY WATKINS and MARTHA ANDERSON, who brought her chocolates, a wine carnation and a card.
- 5 > Connecticut Alphas celebrate their 15-year reunion with a house tour of the newly renovated University of

Connecticut chapter house, led by Massachusetts Beta EDNA JOSLIN WOODBURY, who is on the House Corporation.













## Indiana Beta Pi Phis Celebrate Their Birthdays

Twenty of 30 Indiana Beta Pi Phis who initiated in 1966 celebrated their 60th birthdays in style at Leatherdale Farms in Long Lake, Minnesota. One of the sisters and her husband own the 70-acre farm and breed Hanoverian horses. The Pi Phi nightgowns were provided by hostess LOUISE LEATHERDALE.

### Remote Canadian Libraries Bolstered

## by Pi Phi Philanthropy

Pi Phis have supported libraries in remote areas of Canada for more than 40 years through Arrow in the Arctic. Donations of \$500 each to the Yukon Territories Library and the Northwest Territories Library were made to recognize both Canada's and Pi Beta Phi's centennials in 1967.

In the early years, most of the money was used to acquire books. However, Pi Phi money has been used for emergency and innovative solutions. For example, when the library at the Old Crow settlement of about 200 people burned, it was Pi Phi money that started the collection of new books.

Pi Phi has provided stereo equipment to record northern material, such as legends, music, folklore, and oral histories, instilling new pride in the Inuit young. Pi Phi funds also were used to translate Inuktitut, the Inuit language, into English.

Since 1967, Pi Beta Phi Fraternity has donated more than \$75,000 for programs in the Arctic. CATHIE CLINCH, Canadian Philanthropies Chairman, reports that in 2007, Arrow in the Arctic served 24 libraries. "Thank you for your continued support to provide reading materials and literacy programs to the peoples of the Arctic," Cathie says. "It is very appreciated by the library patrons and their communities."

- 1 > Six Ohio Etas returned to Denison University to celebrate their 50th class reunion. From the left, are NANCY CARLOUGH ASKIN, SUE HOOVER YORK, JANE BOTSFORD CORRIE, JEAN WILSON ENSIGN, LOUISE HAMILTON CAMPBELL and LIZ TAYLOR ROLAND.
- 2 > Iowa Zetas who graduated in 1967 held their 40th reunion in Chicago in October. From the left in the first row are: ROSALIE BOWMAN GALLAGHER, JANE SPREITZER BROGHAMMER and ANN HARMON AYLWARD. Standing in the back row are: JANE HOGAN HAMILTON, SHERRILL BECKWITH SNYDER, JULIE LARSON POTTS, DIANE JORDAN BARRY, MARY SCHANTZ HANSON, RENEE ROSS MERCER and BARBARA BURLINGAME ROBERTS.
- 3> The 1974 Texas Beta pledge class reunited in Dallas.



Washington Alpha COURTNEY SOULE MITCHELL, right, and a Yellowknife Librarian display some of the new books. They are shown in front of the Drum Dancing artwork by Reepika Iqualukjuag, which was donated by Pi Beta Phi in 1991.







## **Arrowmont** News

#### BY KIMBERLY GEIB NEWMAN

### An Update from Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts



Tennessee Gammas pitched in by doing a few chores during their fall retreat at Arrowmont

#### Tennessee Gamma Volunteers at Arrowmont

Tennessee Gamma members from the University of Tennessee recently made time for a volunteer trip to Arrowmont as part of their annual fall retreat to prepare for Recruitment 2007. During their day at the school, "work crews" were divided into several groups to tackle a number of tasks from cleaning windows and making beds, to campus grounds maintenance. It was the chapter's first volunteer day at Arrowmont, and one which "we would like to make an annual tradition," said Chapter President JENNY



HOLSTINE. Being the closest chapter to Arrowmont, the members of Tennessee Gamma are planning another trip to Arrowmont next semester.

Pi Phi chapters are welcome and encouraged to visit campus, no matter if it's for a volunteer trip or just to tour campus and learn firsthand about Pi Phi heritage. If your chapter is interested in arranging a visit, contact JENNIFER BROWN at (865) 436-5860 ext. 28.



#### Apply Now for Spring Scholarships

Scholarships to attend Arrowmont's spring and summer workshops are available for both members and non-members of Pi Beta Phi through the Pi Beta Phi Foundation. For more information about Foundation scholarships, call (636) 256-0680 or visit www.pibetaphifoundation.org.

Arrowmont also awards scholarships for students to attend any of their workshops. Applicants are selected based on a letter of intent, financial need and a letter of support. For more information and application, visit www.arrowmont. org. Deadline for all spring scholarship applications is Jan. 15 and summer applications are due April 1.

#### Save the date for...

Pi Phi and Friends Arts Weekend 2008 May 1-4. Course information will be available soon.

#### Foundation Grant to Provide Major Repairs to Teachers Cottage

Dating back to 1916, Teachers Cottage is one the oldest buildings on campus, and will soon be getting some much needed major improvements through a Pi Beta Phi Foundation grant. The funds allow for the replacement of all the windows and will cover major exterior preservation to replace siding that has deteriorated beyond repair. Teachers Cottage was designed by New York City Architects and Iowa Gammas ALDA and ELMINA WILSON. The building was recently added to the National Register of Historic Places.



Teachers Cottage, built in 1916, is now on the National Register of Historic Places.

#### Club & Chapter Donor Recognition

Every donation Arrowmont receives from Pi Beta Phi chapters and alumnae clubs is greatly appreciated and donors are listed in entirety on Arrowmont's Web site, www.arrowmont.org, and in their spring *Visions* newsletter. This listing recognizes all gifts of \$250 or more between July 1, 2006, and June 30, 2007. Thank you for your continued support!

#### Helen Anderson Lewis (\$10,000 or more)

Florida Delta Chapter Nashville, Tennessee Alumnae Club

Gold Circle (\$7,500 - \$9,999)

Arkansas Alpha Chapter

Silver Circle (\$5,000 - \$7,499)

Georgia Alpha Chapter

**Bronze Circle** (\$2,500 - \$4,999)

Houston, Texas Alumnae Club

Missouri Alpha Chapter

Mississippi Alpha Chapter

Tennessee Delta Chapter

Texas Beta Chapter

Texas Gamma Chapter

Texas Zeta Chapter

Copper Circle (\$1,000 - \$2,499)

Alpharetta, Georgia Alumnae Club

Arizona Gamma Chapter

Dallas, Texas Alumnae Club

Florida Epsilon Chapter

Iowa Beta Chapter

Kansas Beta Chapter

Kansas City, Missouri - Shawnee Mission,

Kansas Alumnae Club

Michigan Gamma Chapter

Minnesota Alpha Chapter

Ohio Eta Chapter

Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Alumnae Club

Oregon Alpha Chapter

San Antonio, Texas Alumnae Club

South Bay, California Alumnae Club

St. Louis, Missouri Alumnae Club

Tennessee Beta Chapter

Texas Alpha Chapter

Washington Alpha Chapter

#### **Director's Circle**

(\$500 - \$999)

Alabama Beta Chapter

Arizona Beta Chapter

California Epsilon Chapter

California Lambda Chapter

Colorado Alpha Chapter

Colorado Gamma Chapter

Iowa Gamma Chapter

Kentucky Alpha Chapter

Kentucky Beta Chapter

Mississippi Beta Chapter

Montana Alpha Chapter

Nevada Alpha Chapter

Ohio Epsilon Chapter

Pennsylvania Theta Chapter

Philadelphia-Main Line, Pennsylvania Alumnae Club

Texas Eta Chapter

Utah Alpha Chapter

Virginia Epsilon Chapter

Virginia Zeta Chapter

Washington Gamma Chapter

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Idaho Alpha Chapter

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Katy-West Houston Alumnae Club

La Jolla, California Alumnae Club

Maine Alpha Chapter

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Minneapolis, Minnesota Alumnae Club

Oklahoma Beta Chapter

Oregon Gamma Chapter

Pennsylvania Beta Chapter

Portland, Oregon Alumnae Club

Seattle, Washington Alumnae Club

Windy City Alumnae Club

Wisconsin Delta Chapter

## The Reinstallation of Illinois Alpha

By Kansas Alpha Katy Ibsen



The founders who attended the Monmouth reinstallation were, from the left, LIBBIE BROOK GADDIS, CLARA BROWNLEE HUTCHINSON, FANNIE WHITENACK LIBBEY, INEZ SMITH SOULE and MARGARET CAMPBELL

On May 28, 1928, five of the six living founders gathered at Monmouth College for a unique, once forbidden event. It was a weekend's worth of events that would mark the re-establishment of the Illinois Alpha chapter at Monmouth College, after a 50-year hiatus.

In June 1874, the Senate of
Monmouth College passed a resolution making it unlawful for any student of the college to become a member of a secret college fraternity, or for active members to be admitted to the college. "At first the resolution had little impact, but pressure from devout United Presbyterians grew," explained Jean Orr Donaldson in *The Century of Friendship*. "Some refused to donate money to the financially struggling institution," In 1878, the I.C.s, the Kappa Kappa Gamma chapter and the men's fraternal groups disbanded.

The closing of the Pi Beta Phi's Alpha Chapter was a sad event for the founders and members of the chapter. Regardless, even amid the ban, smaller social societies still convened. From 1899 until 1910, a group of girls founded a local society, Zeta Epsilon Chi, in hopes of someday gaining a Pi Beta Phi charter. In 1922, when college trustees allowed fraternities and sororities to return to campus, a group, sponsored by former members of Zeta Epsilon Chi and Pi Beta Phi alumnae, was formed to seek the dormant charter.

Their request led to a legislative presentation at the 1927 Breezy Point convention where Illinois Alpha Lena Lee Powell made a case for re-establishing the chapter.

Founders, Fannie Whitenack Libbey and Clara Brownlee Hutchinson supported the idea, along with Illinois Gamma Minnie McDill McMichael, who was wife to then Monmouth president Rev. Thomas H.

McMichael. With the granting of the charter to Zeta Epsilon Chi, Pi Beta Phi would once again be represented at Monmouth— and be returned to its birthplace.

#### And the festivities began.

May 23-25, 1928, was solely dedicated to the initiation of a sacred and valuable class at Illinois Alpha. A formal tea, peppered with bouquets of floral congratulations welcomed members and soon-to-be members. Teas, luncheons and dinners took place amid pledging, celebrations and an initiation by Grand President Amy Burnham Onken.

Ceremonies concluded with a final singing of the Zeta hymn followed by the "Pi Beta Phi Anthem." This gathering nearly 80 years ago was considered a "dream come true" and for today's members a lasting symbol of the Fraternity's genesis.

"It was the good fortune of Illinois Alpha to have five of the six living Founders of Pi Beta Phi as its guest for the installation, JENNIE HORNE TURNBULL alone finding it impossible to share in what was to them a time of happy associations. CLARA BROWNLEE HUTCHINSON, beloved by all Monmouth, young as the youngest active, in spirit; INEZ SMITH SOULE, tall, slender, dignified; MARGARET CAMPBELL, a dear little white haired "lavender and old lace" lady; LIBBIE BROOK GADDIS, clever, motherly, and never too weary to enter into the spirit of any occasion; and FANNIE WHITENACK LIBBEY, girlish and youthful with her cheery laugh and happy reminiscences — these beloved Founders came with happy hearts to have a part in the re-establishment of Pi Beta Phi at their alma mater."

Embrace the Panhellenic Spirit

#### By Sarah Leffen, Texas Delta

Surprising my two nieces by pinning them with that same badge, in the same house their great-grandmother was initiated, had to be the ultimate of sorority experiences! Sitting on Denver's steering committee for convention definitely rekindled my alumnae affiliation with Pi Phi. Serving as Denver Area Panhellenic's 99th president was amazing.

My fraternity affiliation began in 1974 at Texas Christian University where my experiences proved I would have wonderful memories lasting a lifetime. Being initiated with my grandmother's fifty-year Pi Phi badge was certainly a highlight to the beginning of my adult life. But I have been a much more active sorority participant as an alumnae member than I was a collegian. Since moving to Denver in 1986, the rewards of being a Pi Phi came to light as my membership in Denver's alumnae club opened doors for volunteer opportunities through our philanthropic activities. In return, my commitment to Pi Phi and friendships grew. Six years ago a phone call came from one of my Pi Phi sisters as I was packing for Christmas. Although preoccupied during the conversation, I said "yes" to her proposal of sitting on the Denver Area Panhellenic board representing Pi Beta Phi. I ran immediately to

dictionary to look up the meaning of "Panhellenic."

Through all of these experiences I have realized membership in one sorority does not make a full Greek experience. Another sisterhood exists. Sitting on Denver Area Panhellenic Council, I found many relationships with alumnae members naturally blossomed.
Because each one of us has similar stories and memories of what initiation, living in the house and attending our first alumnae club

meeting feels like, it's no wonder how easily friendships develop and grow just as strong as those in Pi Phi. Have you also felt immediate comfort and unspoken acceptance when meeting another member of another sorority?

How fortunate I have been to have had the luxury of membership in Pi Beta Phi since receiving my grandmother's badge. But, what an honor it has been to represent Pi Phi these past five years wearing my Alumnae Panhellenic dangle. Belonging to this other sisterhood of talented, dedicated and passionate Greek women is truly embracing the Panhellenic spirit — a camaraderie no matter the design of the sorority badge!

Editor's note: Sarah Leffen currently serves as a Delegate-at-Large for the Denver Area Panhellenic.



honored in October at the National Panhellenic Conference's biennial meeting in Chicago with the NPC Outstanding Alumnae Panhellenic Award; they were judged on their performance in the following areas: public relations, fraternity education, recruitment and support of the undergraduate experience, alumnae involvement, programming and scholarships and grants. The Denver Area Panhellenic 2005-07 Executive Board took a road trip to Chicago to accept the award in person. From the left, are Meredith Meyers, Delta Gamma; Carolyn Hunter, Kappa Kappa Gamma; Leigh Ann Kudloff, Gamma Phi Beta; Stacey Slaughter, Delta Zeta; and SARAH LEFFEN, Pi Beta Phi.

#### Alumnae Panhellenic Presidents

## Pi Beta Phi recognizes the following Pi Phis for serving as presidents of their respective Alumnae Panhellenic associations:

Alabama Gamma MICHELLE MEAGHER EPPS	Huntsville, Alabama
Idaho Alpha MARCI JEFFERY ADAMS	Diablo Valley, California
Indiana Epsilon KRIS KRUMHOLZ STIDHAM	Chicago North Shore, Illinois
Indiana Delta TERRI RHODES COKE	Owensboro, Kentucky
Indiana Delta JILL HUFFMAN KNAPSCHAEFER	Cincinnati, Ohio
Texas Gamma BARBIE MARTIN WILLIAMS	Arlington, Texas
Texas Alpha CINDY FORD BROWN	Comal County, Texas
Washington Beta JOAN HANSON DEGERSTROM	Spokane, Washington
West Virginia Alpha LORI BERARDI GEMONDO	North Central West Virginia

## Holt House - a Treasure for Members and the Monmouth Community



#### Holt House Wish List

3 - Archival Scrapbooks	\$75 each
4 - Card Tables	\$35 each
4 - Extra Large Outdoor Flower Pots with Flowers	\$100 each
New Wallpaper for Library	\$960
I. C. Banner	\$500
Interior Restoration of Antique China Cabinet used to display Founders' Wax Dolls	\$150
Window Valances for Illinois Alpha Room	\$1,000
Books by Pi Phi Authors or about any Pi Phi	Contact Curator
Monetary Donations	Any Amount

All Pi Phis know Holt House is the founding home of the Fraternity, but many may be surprised to learn that this Illinois Historic Home is much more than a museum housing Pi Beta Phi memorabilia. For example, in 2007 Holt House was the venue for 19 wedding and baby showers; eight community group meetings; two Monmouth College Open Houses; two family anniversary events; initiation ceremonies for Illinois Alphas, Illinois Beta-Deltas and Illinois Thetas. This is in addition to hosting monthly Illinois Alpha chapter meetings and numerous individual tours.

Members of the Holt House Committee are responsible for making sure that this Fraternity treasure is properly maintained. Recently, they have been busy overseeing upgrades to Holt House's interior, exterior and landscaping. Their work is funded by individual and group donations; see the following lists for donors for the 2007 fiscal year.

Contact Holt House Chairman JERILYN PRICE SIMAK, HHChair@pibetaphi.org, if you are interested in visiting Holt House in Monmouth, Illinois, or would like to contribute an item on the Holt House Wish List.







#### Holt House Donations

Contributions of \$100 or more received from July 1, 2006, through June 30, 2007

#### \$999-1500

Arizona Gamma, Northern Arizona University Oklahoma City, Oklahoma Alumnae Club Virginia Eta, University of Richmond

#### \$400-999

California Epsilon, San Diego State University Indiana Epsilon, DePauw University Kansas City, Missouri-Shawnee Mission, Kansas Alumnae Club Michigan Gamma, Michigan State University Mississippi Beta, University of Mississippi San Antonio, Texas Alum Club Texas Gamma, Texas Tech University

#### \$250-399

Atlanta, Georgia Alumnae Club
Colorado Springs, Colorado Alumnae Club
Dallas, Texas Alumnae Club
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Idaho Alpha, University of Idaho
Indianapolis, Indiana Alumnae Club
Minneapolis, Minnesota Alumnae Club
North Carolina Alpha, University of North
Carolina
Texas Alpha, University of Texas

#### \$200-249

Arizona Beta, Arizona State University Austin, Texas Alumnae Club Charlotte, North Carolina Alumnae Club Del Sol North, California Alumnae Club

Utah Alpha, University of Utah

Illinois Theta - Bradley University
Katy-West Houston, Texas Alumnae Club
Pennsylvania Beta, Bucknell University
Richardson-Plano, Texas Alumnae Club
Sacramento, California Alumnae Club
Southlake Area, Texas Alumnae Club

#### \$150-199

Bellevue-Eastside, Washington Alumnae Club
Birmingham, Alabama Alumnae Club
Boca Raton, Florida Alumnae Club
Fort Collins, Colorado Alumnae Club
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Iowa Beta - Simpson College
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Pasadena, California Alumnae Club

Seattle, Washington Alumnae Club

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Cedar Rapids, Iowa Alumnae Club
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Alumnae Club
Champaign-Urbana, Illinois Alumnae Club
Chicago West Suburban, Illinois Alumnae
Club
Conejo Valley, California Alumnae Club
Cypress Creek-Northwest Houston, Texas
Alumnae Club
Dayton, Ohio Alumnae Club
Denver, Colorado Alumnae Club
Glen Ellyn-Wheaton, Illinois Alumnae Club
Iowa Gamma, Iowa State University



Iowa Zeta, University of Iowa Jefferson County, Colorado Alumnae Club Lake County, Illinois Alumnae Club Long Beach, California Alumnae Club Marin County, California Alumnae Club Memphis, Tennessee Alumnae Club Missouri Gamma - Drury University Monmouth, Illinois Alumnae Club Norman, Oklahoma Alumnae Club Northern Virginia Alumnae Club Omaha, Nebraska Alumnae Club Palo Alto, California Alumnae Club Peoria, Illinois Alumnae Club Philadelphia-Main Line, Pennsylvania Alumnae Club Phoenix, Arizona Alumnae Club South Fairfield County, Connecticut Alumnae Club South Bay, California Alumnae Club South Coast, California Alumnae Club South Orange County, California Alumnae Club St. Louis, Missouri Alumnae Club Stillwater, Oklahoma Alumnae Club Toledo, Ohio Alumnae Club Tucson, Arizona Alumnae Club Tulsa, Oklahoma Alumnae Club Ventura County, California Alumnae Club Virginia Epsilon, University of Virginia

## In Memoriam

Due to space constraints, The Arrow will only print the entirety of an obituary for a former Grand President. If you know a sister has died, please inform Headquarters. However, only those names accompanied by a published notice will be listed in The Arrow. Published notices include a newspaper obituary, a funeral program/prayer card, or a listing in a college/university alumnae newsletter. Also acceptable are obituaries from newspaper Web sites; attach the article and e-mail it to ALISON BAUER at alison@pibetaphi.org.

In Memoriam lists the name, initiation year, and month and year of each member who has died.

#### Alberta Alpha

Hilda B. McEwen, 1931; September 2007

#### Arizona Alpha

Emily Smith Creswell, 1942; August 2007

Sue Saunders Graham, 1946; August 2007

#### Arkansas Alpha

Vivian Flickinger Stolen, 1952; August 2007

#### California Alpha

Jeanne Bouchard Perry, 1938; October 2007

#### California Beta

Jean Hilken Lund, 1979; October 2007

#### California Gamma

Phyllis Schneider Lund, 1965; May 2007

Gladys Crail Minchin, 1941; July 2007

Diana Wilde Treese, 1967; June 2007

#### Colorado Alpha

Esther Green Smedley, 1939; October 2007

#### Florida Alpha

Marilla Collins Lacefield, 1956; September 2007

#### Florida Gamma

Mary Sherman Fletcher, 1943; October 2007

#### Illinois Epsilon

Helen Jernegan Doolittle, 1929; June 2007

#### Illinois Theta

Joan Peddicord Hyde Langie, 1958; April 2007 Sandra J. Limbos, 1960; July

2007

#### Indiana Reta

Evelyn Johnson Huffman, 1933; September 2007

Josephine Sears Sturgis, 1941; September 2007

Margaret Horn Wolf, 1947; September 2007

#### Indiana Delta

Judith Davis Hatch, 1952; August 2007

#### Indiana Epsilon

Patricia Carlson Brumbaugh, 1969; October 2007

Peggy Edminster Kimmel, 1948; August 2007

Pauline Rich Krigbaum, 1948; August 2007

#### Indiana Gamma

Helen Gearen Stewart, 1931; October 2007

#### Indiana Zeta

Sandra Baughman DeCraene, 1959; May 2007

Sharon Jones Walker, 1956; September 2007

#### Iowa Alpha

Carol Golden Major, 1973; September 2007

Alice Barnes McCuen, 1949; October 2007

#### Iowa Gamma

Frances Kerekes Meyer, 1943; November 2006

Dorcas Jane Schoppe, 1938; May 2007

#### Iowa Zeta

Iulia Weaver Foster, 1939; March

Alice Eaton Kell, 1937; May 2007

#### Kansas Alpha

Linda Baker Spencer, 1959; September 2007

Elaine Walker, 1946; August 2007

#### Kansas Beta

Virginia Baxter Robertson, 1937; September 2007

Katherine Coryell Stover, 1924; September 2007

#### Louisiana Alpha

Elizabeth Buxton Stevenson, 1937; September 2007

#### Louisiana Beta

Shann Hardesty Rocco, 1984; August 2007

#### Manitoba Alpha

Marguerite Lepage Fidler, 1930; May 2007

Constance Brown McCulloch, 1940; September 2007

#### Maryland Alpha

Mary Braithwaite Grunmeier, 1950; June 2007

#### Maryland Beta

Ruth Lambert Stevens, 1955; November 2006

#### Michigan Alpha

Judy Dyer Thomson, 1981; January 2007

#### Michigan Beta

Anna L. Stanton, 1942; August 2007

#### Michigan Gamma

Jacquelyn Smith Converse, 1946; October 2007

Martha "Jean" Meredith Peacock, 1946; December 2006

#### Missouri Alpha

Marion Cox Walters, 1936; June 2007

#### Missouri Beta

Mary Wilson Ginn, 1934; May 2007

Norma Hawken Hall, 1942; September 2007

Nanette Meier Lewis, 1947; May 2007

#### Nevada Alpha

Margaret Bassett McClymonds, 1949; September 2007

Patricia Pike Swope-Pugh, 1950; October 2007

#### North Carolina Alpha

Elsie Lawrence Gribbin, 1934; July 2007

#### North Carolina Beta

Charlotte Miller Weller, 1935; April 2007

#### North Dakota Alpha

Patricia Murray Von Rueden, 1943; October 2007

#### Ohio Alpha

Frances Riley Huddy, 1935; September 2007

#### Ohio Beta

Louise English Davis, 1932; September 2007

#### Ohio Delta

Marilyn Stone Myers, 1952, affiliated Ohio Beta; July 2007

#### **Ohio Theta**

Ellen Deitemyer Gray, 1998; October 2007

#### Oklahoma Alpha

Belva Pascoe Henderson, 1955; August 2007

#### Oklahoma Beta

Margaret Talbot Overstreet, 1945; March 2007

Betty Roberts Williams, 1938; July 2007

#### Oregon Alpha

Noni Stewart Brady, 1930; September 2007

Lorcy Hoyt Burns, 1958; July 2007

#### Oregon Beta

Betty Sturgeon Ingalls, 1937; August 2007

#### Oregon Gamma

Deborah Davis, 1968; August 2007

#### Pennsylvania Beta

Frances Jacobs Tausig, 1935; February 2007

#### Pennsylvania Epsilon

Marianne Maier Campbell, 1956; September 2007

#### South Dakota Alpha

Allene Olstad Bergeson, 1944; September 2007

#### Tennessee Alpha

Myldred Allen Hightower, 1930; October 2007

#### Tennessee Delta

Holland Nicole Simms, 2004; October 2007

#### Texas Alpha

Jeannette Agnew Bickel, 1935; September 2007

Mary Caldwell Browning, 1941; October 2007

Louise Bryson Graham, 1933; September 2007

Leah Lacy, 1975; September 2007

Deborah Davis McMahon, 1974; September 2007

#### Texas Beta

Virginia Voorhees Benson, 1933; June 2007

Helena Bennett Clemmons, 1939; October 2007

#### **Utah Alpha**

Sally Rich Burbidge-Cassity, 1949; September 2007

#### **Vermont Beta**

Nancy Leming Brown, 1949; August 2007

#### Virginia Alpha

Frances Dilley Broyles, 1936, affiliated Texas Alpha; April 2007

#### Washington Alpha

Betty Crosby Davidson, 1934; August 2007

Mary Hume Masterson, 1936; September 2007

Elizabeth Ripley Sullivan, 1927; August 2007

#### **Washington Beta**

Geneva Conniff Carlson, 1942; October 2007

#### Wisconsin Beta

Ruth Garvens Glisch, 1954, affiliated Wisconsin Alpha; August 2007

### Pi Beta Phi Launches New Web Site



## Reconnect... Renew... Rejuvenate...

... your bond with Pi Beta Phi!

Log on today and check out a newly designed www.pibetaphi.org.

The new site features easier navigation, comprehensive search tools and many updates. Stay current with Pi Phi news, find a RIF form, search for a sister and much more. Happy navigating!

In November, Pi Phi launched its newly designed Web site at www.pibetaphi.org. The site, designed by Tim Steele, Director of Information Technology, features a fresh new look, more user-friendly navigation, advanced search tools and upto-date information. "We really listened to what our members said and tried to address as many needs as possible," said Tim. One major improvement is the site's easier navigation. Not only is the format

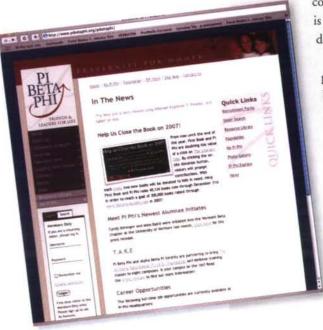
> more pleasing, but with the comprehensive search tools, it is simple to find articles, documents and news items.

The site is fully integrated with Pi Phi's database, so finding a sister has never been easier! The new and advanced Sister Search allows you to look for a Pi Phi sister by chapter, club, school or profession. You can also use the site to find an alumnae club, chapters in your area and reconnect with old and new sisters.

Also featured is up-to-date news on the home page and within the collegiate and alumnae news sections. News will be updated daily to weekly with topics that will entice all levels of membership. A newly reformatted resource library will make finding documents and resources easier than ever for officers and volunteers. Not sure where to find a report? Use the new search tool to find exactly what you need.

Now members can submit articles for The Arrow online. There is also an events calendar featuring the latest Fraternity activities. A new photo gallery displays hundreds of Fraternity pictures, and visitors can take a virtual tour of Headquarters offices.

"Members should stay tuned for some very exciting additions to the Web site," said Tim. Keep checking www.pibetaphi.org for more information as Pi Phi continues to made technological strides in being a premier organization for women. "The Pi Beta Phi Web site will be a model for other fraternal organizations," predicts Tim.



### News & Notes

#### Welcome Two Alumnae Initiates

MIMI BAIRD, of Woodstock, Vermont, and CYNDY BITTINGER of Hanover, New Hampshire, became alumnae initiates of the Vermont Beta Chapter at the University of Vermont last November. Both women are leaders with the Calvin Coolidge Memorial Foundation in Plymouth, Vermont, which highlights the life of President Coolidge, as well as First Lady GRACE GOODHUE COOLIDGE, who was a charter member of Vermont Beta. Mimi and Cyndy's dedication to the life of Grace Coolidge led to the initiation by the University of Vermont chapter.



MIMI BAIRD, left, and CYNDY BITTINGER recently became alumnae initiates of the Vermont Beta Chapter at the University of Vermont.

Mimi is on the board of trustees for the Calvin Coolidge Memorial Foundation where she has served in a number of positions, including president. Her involvement with the foundation also includes re-enactments as Grace Coolidge at historical events including the Vermont History Expo, Calvin Coolidge Memorial Foundation events and at Black River academy museum events in Ludlow, Vermont. She was interviewed for the Vermont Women's History Project's award-winning DVD of the 2006 Vermont History Expo. She also is an avid collector of letters written by Grace Coolidge. Mimi is a graduate of Colby Sawyer College in New London, New Hampshire.

Cyndy, a graduate of Wheaton College in Norton, Massachusetts and Columbia University's Teachers College in New York City, has served as Executive Director of the Calvin Coolidge Memorial Foundation in Plymouth, Vermont, since 1990. She wrote a biography on the First Lady called *Grace Coolidge, Sudden Star*; is on the editorial board of White House Studies; and wrote the biographical profile for the Grace Coolidge in American First Ladies. Cyndy teaches Elderhostel classes about Vermont History and is a commentator for Vermont Public Radio. Her radio commentaries on Calvin and Grace Coolidge won a Vermont Associated Press award and a commendation award from the American Association for State and Local Historical Societies in 2004.

For information about alumnae initiates, see the Alumna Initiate Procedures and Application document in the Resource Library, under Alumnae Organizations, on the Members-Only site, accessed at www.pibetaphi.org.

The Spring Arrow cover topic is about entrepreneurship. Do you know of a member who has started a successful company that has been in business for five or more years? If so, send her name, business description and contact information to editor@pibetaphi.org.

#### Thanksgiving

On Nov. 17, Virginia Zetas helped Virginia Tech thank the world for its global support for the Virginia Tech community after the April 16 tragedy. They were among the thousands who formed a message of thanks on the drillfield to show their heartfelt appreciation. This aerial photo was taken by Matt Gentry from the Hokies Flying Club's Cessna.





Tina Nelson Petrillo's prize-winning photo was taken at Yellowstone Lake, Yellowstone National Park.

Did you notice the updated look and new sections in this Arrow? Your feedback about what you like, or dislike, can help us as we strive to publish a magazine that all members will look forward to opening. Send your comments to editor@pibetaphi.org.

#### Awards

Illinois Theta TINA NELSON PETRILLO is the grand prize winner of the 2007 National Geographic Photography Contest. She and her husband will take an all-expensespaid trip to the Grand Canyon, thanks to her winning photo. Tina majored in photography at Bradley University and at one time was a freelance photographer, but today considers photography to be her favorite hobby.

California Beta KYLEE DARCY is the Reel Girls, Real Life grand prize winner. This contest, sponsored by the Century Council — a national not-for-profit organization dedicated to fighting drunk driving and underage drinking, is for the Council's program, Girl Talk: Choices and Consequences of Underage Drinking. Girls, ages 15-18, entered the contest by submitting a concept video for a commercial designed to persuade teen girls not to drink alcohol. Kylee Darcy's winning concept, called "What You Don't Know," will be produced and distributed as

The Century Council's first Girl Talk national commercial. Darcy will receive \$5,000 and The Century Council will fly her and a parent or guardian to film the commercial with the pros.

"Darcy's concept, which aims to highlight the dangerous consequences that her peers might not know about alcohol, was also chosen as the 'Public's Vote' winner by more than 20,000 online voters," said Century Council Chairman, Susan Molinari. "She is to be congratulated on her efforts to fight underage drinking among teen girls nationwide."

Darcy is a freshman at University of California, Berkeley, where she joined Pi Beta Phi and is a member of PR Club and PreMed Club. "I'm so excited to have won the Reel Girls, Real Life contest! I hope that my commercial will inspire teen girls nationwide to talk to their moms, and each other, about the dangers of underage drinking," said Darcy.



Past and present Alabama Betas celebrated the dedication of its new courtyard.

#### Alabama Beta Builds Courtyard

The Alabama Beta Chapter at the University of Alabama dedicated its brand new courtvard at a dedication event held Nov. 3. Guests included Dr. Robert Witt, the President of the University of Alabama; a preacher to bless the courtyard; several senior administrators at the University and hundreds of alumnae. In honor of the Louisiana State University football game held that day, the chapter served red beans and rice and bread pudding after the dedication.

#### Wisconsin Delta Moves

On Sept. 8, the Wisconsin Delta Chapter at Marquette University hosted an alumnae and chapter member house dedication and barbecue at their new house. The event featured a speech by the Chapter President, Virginia Wannamaker, Executive Board introductions, a ribbon cutting and dedication ceremony, as well as, house tours and terrific food!

The Wisconsin Delta Chapter moved after spending several years at a town house a few blocks away. The chapter's new three-story house has 11 sisters living in the 10 bedrooms with three bathrooms; nearly every room has its own sink. This move was made to accommodate the chapter's growth. Local alumnae and chapter members have worked to make the house look amazing and they invite Pi Phis to visit their new home in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

#### Mississippi Alpha to Dedicate New House

The Mississippi Alphas at the University of Southern Mississippi have a new chapter house, which will officially be dedicated March 1, along with nine similar houses and one duplex which are part of the University's new \$18 million residential center for women, known as The Village. The Village was created to house members of National Panhellenic Conference and National Pan-Hellenic Council sororities, as well as upperclass scholar-ship students at the University, located in Hattiesburg.

#### Mississippi Beta Renovates

When Mississippi Beta House Corporation investigated the cost and procedure to install University of Mississippi mandated fire safety updates, they decided it was time for a major renovation of the 40-year-old chapter house. William Mills, a former Mississippi Beta house boy, was selected as architect.

The day following graduation in May 2006, the contents of the house were moved into storage facilities. The first stage of renovating the two dormitory wings and raising the roof of the original structure had to be completed by August, when the members returned to school. Stage two included doubling the size of the original kitchen and installing new equipment, including a walk-in freezer and refrigerator. While the kitchen was being completed, House Director Ann Clinton, and her staff prepared meals from the tiny kitchenette downstairs, using "take-out" from local restaurants on occasion. The third and final phase involved completion of the new façade, porches, foyer, enlarged house director's apartment, and upstairs study room. During construction, members were strictly prohibited from entering "construction zones." Upon completion, Mississippi Beta's home transformed into a beautiful, large French Acadian style home, adorned with double level porches across the front.

In January 2007, members were welcomed back to a totally completed and landscaped house. Chapter members and AAC members supported House Corporation throughout the entire project, which created a spectacular home for Mississippi Betas for many years to come.



Past and present Wisconsin Deltas attended the dedication ceremony for the chapter's new house.



Mississippi Alpha's new Chapter House will be dedicated on March 1.



Mississippi Beta's newly renovated chapter house, below, not only looks dramatically different from the original house, above, but it now features a sprinkler system.





- B\* 8mm Pearl Bracelet, #MD202 \$\$..... (Not shown.)
- C Tri-color Pearl Infinity Bracelet, #MD218 \$100
- D Pearl Badge, diamond point, #MD203 \$200



- F Pearl and Garnet Badge, engraved point, #MD310 Arrow Wrap Bracelet, #PMD215
- Halo Necklace, 18", #PMD212 SS ......\$52
- Swoosh Arrow Necklace, 16". #PMD205 SS ....
- Angel Charm, #PMD165

- L Large Arrow Charm, #PMD135
- M CZ Lavaliere, #MD171 \$\$ \$100
- N Diamond Burst Ring, #MD214
- O Open Heart Ring, #MD216
- Arrow Ring, #MD141
- Q Bead Bracelet, #MD221

- Swoosh Arrow Pin, #PMD196 SS \$40
- Contemporary Arrow Pin, #PMD220 SS .....\$30
- Jeweled Card Case, #MD500 Silver-plate .....\$20
- Jeweled Trinket Box, #MD502 Silver-plate .....\$25
- W Jeweled Pocket Mirror, #MD501 Silver-plate .....\$20
- X Arrow and Pearl Bracelet, #MD211 SS.....\$100



A	Black Side Pink Heart T-Shirt #X110\$18.00
В	Pout Protector #X848\$2.50
С	Dot Appliqued Greek Letter Sweatshirt (Also available in blue - #X258) #X257\$40.00
D	Pink Vintage Football T-Shirt #X107\$20.00
E	Heart Tote #X728\$20.00

2	cord, 18", SS
	#X709\$28.00
1	Floating Heart on cord, 16", SS #X738\$20.00
	Block Picture Clips
	#X556\$10.00
1	Ring ChingDinner is Served Cookbook (Contains over 300
	recipes, etiquette tips and memories)
	#X606\$24.95

Glass Jar

K	Angel Cookie Cutter #X849\$1.00
L	Arrow Cookie Cutter #X808\$1.00
M	Angel Measuring Spoons #X833\$18.00
N	Gingham Wedge Flip Flop (Whole sizes, 5-11) #X740\$21.00
0	Embroidered Damask Tote #X737\$20.00
P	Cosmetic Bag #X734\$20.00

Q	Heart Limoges Box #X850\$125.00
R	Blue Tea Cup #X820\$25.00
S	Luggage Tag #X855\$7.50
	*All clothing available in S, M, L or XL.

# March 3 is International Badge Day

This gives you plenty of time to find and shine your arrow badge so you can wear it with pride!

Keep an eye open that day for others sporting their badges. You may be surprised to learn a co-worker, neighbor or acquaintance is a Panhellenic sister. Badges of the 25 other National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) groups are shown to the right.



### Have you moved or changed your name?

Help us keep our database updated. Edit your member profile online at www.pibetaphi.org, or send this form to: Pi Beta Phi Headquarters, 1154 Town & Country Commons Drive, Town & Country, MO 63017.

\$25 check, payable to Pi Beta Phi Fraternity, for Fraternity alumna dues is enclosed.

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Chapter and Year of Initiation

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