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Seasons of Sisterhood



BETH TORRES
Grand Vice President Alumnae

Life is marked by milestones, joys and challenges—and it is not meant to be walked alone. One of the greatest gifts Pi Beta Phi offers us is genuine sisterhood that extends far beyond our collegiate years, always standing by our side. In fact, most of our Pi Phi membership occurs after graduation, and that is when the true depth of our bonds often begin to grow and flourish.

I've seen firsthand that staying connected to Pi Phi, or reengaging after time away, is truly life changing. Some of my dearest friendships were formed through serving Pi Phi as an alumna. These women have become my encouragers, my sounding boards and my safe place to land. They've celebrated milestones with me, uplifted me during moments of hardship and reminded me that our sisterhood is everlasting.

Pi Phis are among the strongest and most resilient women I know. There's no doubt we can face life's challenges with grace—but knowing there's a community of sisters ready to lend a helping hand offers a rare and remarkable kind of comfort. Just as much as our sisters can support you, you support them. By staying connected, you not only receive the strength of this incredible sisterhood, but you also offer your unique gifts and wisdom to others who may be walking through their own seasons of sorrow or celebration.

If you've been away from Pi Phi for a season, know there is always a place for you here. No matter how much time has passed, you will be welcomed with open arms. Our shared values of Sincere Friendship, Personal and Intellectual Growth and Philanthropic Service to Others are enduring—and reconnecting simply means saying "yes" to being part of something bigger than yourself again.

When we choose to show up for one another, we carry forward the legacy of Pi Beta Phi—women empowering one another, giving generously of ourselves and creating a community where no one has to walk alone. Whether you continue to strengthen your relationship with Pi Phi or take that step to reconnect, know your presence matters and your sisters are always ready to welcome you home. ←

In Pi Phi,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Beth Torres".

Letters to Pi Phi

Pi Beta Phi believes we can strengthen the inherent value in Pi Phi sisterhood by seeking feedback from our members and using what we learn to help plan our next steps. We want to hear from you, whether you're sharing your feelings on the latest issue of *The Arrow*, your thoughts on a Fraternity email or social media post or a heartfelt critique encouraging Pi Phi to do better. Below are a selection of thoughts Pi Phi sisters shared with the Fraternity.

Let's keep the conversation going, together—send your reflections and feedback to thearrow@pibetaphi.org.

In response to receiving the bookmark as a thank you for paying alumnae dues.

STARR SMITH HANCOCK, Oklahoma Alpha, initiated 1997

I just received my bookmark as a thank you for paying alumnae dues. I truly appreciate this little gift so much. It was a thoughtful acknowledgment of my continued connection to Pi Phi. I love that it was simple, appropriate and something that I will use every day. Thank you.

In response to the meeting Ritual update in the Winter 2026 issue of The Arrow.

LEIGH SMITH CHARRON, New York Alpha, initiated 1967

It was such a thrill to read about the new meeting Ritual in the Summer issue of *The Arrow*. I was one of several sisters, both collegiate and alumnae, who spoke at the 1975 Convention in favor of revising the meeting Ritual to reflect and respect the beliefs of our diverse membership. While it may have taken 50 years to accomplish, I feel this comes at a particularly important time in our history, when the importance of respecting and celebrating our diversity is very much needed.

Special thanks to my New York Alpha sister, **FRAN DESIMONE BECQUE**, for leading this effort. Her dedication to Pi Phi history and ideals continues to be a treasure for our Fraternity.

In response to the Chapter Implementation Survey on the new meeting Ritual sent in October.

MARGOT MCFADDEN, Florida Beta Chapter President, initiated 2022

I really enjoyed how strong we felt as we read the new meeting Ritual together. I honestly was not the happiest person in the world when meeting Ritual changed. Since then, I have a better understanding of it, and I believe I will learn to love this change.

CAITLYN LONG, Virginia Delta Chapter President, initiated 2023

Being part of the changes to meeting Ritual was both memorable and deeply meaningful. It was powerful to witness our sisterhood honor its roots while also evolving to reflect the values and voices of today. It is clear that Pi Beta Phi is committed to inclusion, growth and unity. What stood out most to me was the shared sense of reverence and renewal—a reminder that our bonds are not just preserved by tradition but strengthened through thoughtful progress.

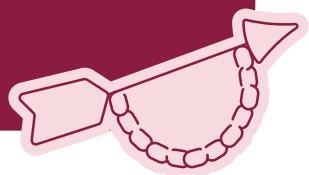
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From left: Texas Epsilons **TATIANA BARNETT, FAITH BOYD, LUCY BEAIRD, SOPHIA ARENAZ** and **MEAGAN BOGAN** show off their Pi Phi badges.

SHOW OFF YOUR
PI PHI PRIDE ON
***International
Badge Day***

On Monday, March 2, 2026, join the thousands of Panhellenic members from all 26 National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) organizations to celebrate International Badge Day. Wear your arrow badge or Pi Phi letters to share you're proud to be a Pi Phi and a sorority woman. Inspire other sisters and future Pi Phis by sharing your photos using **#BadgeDay26** on social media.



WELCOME, CALIFORNIA PI

We are excited to announce Pi Beta Phi has been invited to establish our 207th chapter at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo in Fall 2026! Pi Beta Phi consultant **JORDAN CODISPOTI**, Pennsylvania Gamma, will support the early stages of establishment this spring through the upcoming academic year, and a second consultant will be hired for the 2026-2027 year to guide the chapter as they are welcomed on campus and installed. Establishing California Pi is an exciting milestone in our history, and we can't wait to witness the growth and success of this new chapter!

NOMINATE A PI PHI FOR INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

Do you know a Pi Phi sister who embodies the Fraternity's core values and highlights leadership, academic excellence, community involvement and more? Nominate them to receive an individual award. Nominations will be open to all members from January 1 to February 15, 2026. To learn more and nominate a sister, visit pibetaphi.org/awards.

APPLY FOR A 2026-2027 FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIP

Pi Beta Phi Foundation Undergraduate, Graduate and Alumnae Continuing Education Scholarship applications are open! Submit your application before 11:59 p.m. PST on February 15, 2026, to be considered for more than 100 scholarships and fellowships for the 2026-2027 academic year.

Learn more about the application criteria, available scholarships and start your application at pibetaphi.org/scholarships or scan the QR code.



MEETING RITUAL UPDATE

At Pi Beta Phi's 75th Biennial Convention in June, members recited the evolved meeting Ritual for the first time together. Following convention, chapters and alumnae clubs received printed copies of the evolved meeting Ritual and early feedback has been overwhelmingly positive—nearly 87% of chapter respondents agreed that members were excited to hear the evolved meeting Ritual, and 85% shared their members enjoyed reciting it together. More than 100 active alumnae clubs have requested and received meeting Ritual materials and are working to implement this new tradition. Together, these steps ensure our meeting Ritual continues to honor Pi Phi's heritage while shaping our future.

INSPIRING CONFIDENT LEADERS IN ST. LOUIS

On January 23-25, 2026, hundreds of Pi Phi leaders will gather in St. Louis for College Weekend. Throughout the weekend, more than 800 collegiate officers and Alumnae Advisory Committee members will gain the tools, knowledge and skills needed to excel in their role and lead confidently. For updates before, during and after the event, be sure to follow along on our social media channels.

From left: Minnesota Alphas **MARIN MURRAY** and **MOLLY VILLAS** in St. Louis for College Weekend 2025.



NATIONAL PANHELLENIC CONFERENCE ANNUAL CONFERENCE

In October 2025, Pi Phi joined representatives from all 26 NPC member organizations in Salt Lake City, Utah, to discuss important topics and pass legislation supporting recruitment growth. The conference included updates on the legal landscape of higher education and membership organizations, data analysis of enrollment trends and recruitment interest growth and decline, as well as provided business discussions within the NPC legislation and networking opportunities between organization leaders and partners.

At the event, Pi Beta Phi Foundation Trustee **KIM BARGER DURAND**, Oregon Alpha, was honored by the NPC Foundation with the 2025 Woman in Higher Education Achievement Award. With more than 30 years of experience leading academic support and development programs for student athletes at Division I institutions, this award recognized Kim as an outstanding woman who has made a significant difference in higher education through scholarship and leadership.



Scan the QR code to learn more about this momentous achievement!

Kim stands with her NPC award. From left: NPC Communications Specialist **MADELYN REINHARDT**, Indiana Epsilon, Grand President **JENN PLAGMAN-GALVIN**, Grand Vice President Emerita **CAROL INGE WARREN**, North Carolina Beta, Pi Beta Phi Foundation Board Secretary **MICHAEL BETTIN**, Utah Alpha, Kim, Pi Beta Phi Foundation Executive Director **JILL MACKEY CARREL**, Indiana Gamma, Pi Beta Phi Chief Operating Officer and Chief Panhellenic Officer **ASHLEY HALLOWELL KARTH**, Illinois Eta, and Assistant Director of Chapter Services **BRITTANY WELTER**, Montana Alpha.





GET READY FOR OUR FRATERNITY DAY OF SERVICE (FDS) SIGNATURE EVENT

On March 14, 2026, Pi Beta Phi will host our FDS Signature Event book distribution in Portland, Oregon—where Pi Phis and friends will come together to distribute 10,000 new books and school supplies to Oregon-area schools, after-school programs and community partners serving students from low-income families and Title I schools. Spread the word and sign up to contribute to an unforgettable celebration of service and literacy at pibetaphi.org/FDSSE.

From left: Kentucky Alphas **SHILOH IRVIN** and **AUBREY STEFANSKI** during the 2025 Fraternity Day of Service Signature Event in Louisville, Kentucky.

RECOMMEND A VOLUNTEER SPECIALIST

Every organization is built on the strength of its people—and for Pi Phi that strength shines brightest through our more than 2,300 volunteers. Pi Beta Phi's Leadership and Nominating Committee is now accepting recommendations and self-nominations for International Officers—Specialists, Fraternity Housing Corporation Board of Directors and Foundation Board of Trustees—for terms beginning in July 2026.

If you are interested, or have someone to recommend, please fill out the 2026-2028 Officer Recommendation and Self-nomination form by January 31, 2026. Scan the QR code to complete the form.



INTRODUCING Ignite

A NEW CHAPTER IN
PI PHI LEADERSHIP

Mark your calendar: Ignite will debut May 29-31, 2026, in St. Louis!

Formerly known as Leadership Institute, this reimagined retreat is designed for emerging leaders in their first or second year of Pi Phi membership. Through interactive sessions and group discussions, attendees will explore leadership concepts such as collaboration, influence, self-awareness and problem-solving—applying them within Pi Phi and beyond. Along the way, they'll build Sincere Friendships and gain the confidence to lead with purpose. Ignite is a new leadership experience made for today's Pi Phis and the future of our sisterhood. Registration is open from February 9-April 9. Learn more at pibetaphi.org/ignite.



INTRODUCING THE NEW

Collegiate *Giving Society*



Designed specifically for Pi Phi collegians, the 1867 Collegiate Society is an exciting opportunity to honor and recognize collegiate support of Pi Beta Phi Foundation.

By joining, collegians celebrate the spirit of friendship and generosity that has defined our sisterhood since 1867. For each fiscal year a collegian gives at least \$18.67 to our Foundation, they'll receive that year's exclusive charm—each inspired by the symbols of our crest—representing the values that continue to shape a bright future for Pi Beta Phi.

Participation in the 1867 Collegiate Society connects members to something larger than themselves—a tradition of giving that empowers Pi Phis to lead, serve and make a lasting impact. Learn more at pibetaphi.org/1867-society or scan the QR code.





From left: Oklahoma Betas **KAMRYN KELVINGTON** and **MACKENZIE CAPAGES** in front of their bunk beds in the Oklahoma Beta Chapter facility.

Where Roots Run Deep

On the east side of the new Oklahoma Beta Chapter facility, a tree stands just as it always has—its branches reaching wide, its roots deep in the Stillwater soil. Protected during the facility's construction, this legacy tree offers more than shade; it offers symbolism. Like the generations of Pi Beta Phi women who helped build, fund and shape the new 324 South Cleveland, the tree stands as a living reminder of the chapter's strong roots and its sisterhood that continues to grow.

Members moved into the new Oklahoma Beta Chapter facility in January 2025, marking the culmination of a journey more than five years in the making. The full rebuild was made possible by the collaboration of the Chapter House Corporation (CHC), Alumnae Advisory Committee (AAC), the chapter's Executive Council, dedicated volunteers and generous donors.

"The success of this project shows that our sisterhood is unbreakable," says Oklahoma Beta **GRACE ANDERSON**, past Chapter President and current AAC member. "Our roots run deep, and we're united by a shared commitment to one another and to the legacy of our chapter."

By the end of 2019, Oklahoma Beta's Chapter facility—built in 1962—had faithfully served generations of Pi Phis, but the wear and tear of time had taken its toll. The CHC began asking tough questions: Could the facility be renovated? Would it support the expectations of today's and tomorrow's members?

A full facility assessment confirmed what many suspected. The HVAC system was beyond repair. The roof leaked persistently. The kitchen and en suite

bathrooms were outdated, the building lacked Americans with Disabilities Act accessibility and there was no safe room for storm protection. Beyond those practical concerns, the fraternity/sorority housing landscape at Oklahoma State University (OSU) was changing fast, with nearly half of sorority houses undergoing complete rebuilds.

With that, Oklahoma Beta made the decision to rebuild, and to do it with intention, purpose and collaboration at every turn. "We wanted a secure, inspiring home that honors our traditions while meeting the needs of today's members," says Oklahoma Beta **COLETTE DENNEY BUXTON**, former CHC President and Building Committee Chair. Early in the process, the CHC, AAC and Executive Council came together to ensure the new facility would reflect the real, day-to-day experiences of collegians.

During her time as Chapter President, Grace sought to keep collegians engaged in the process. "We held meetings with CHC to share updates and invited members to give input on everything from closet space to room layouts," Grace says. "Giving everyone a voice in shaping the new house fostered a sense of ownership and anticipation."

Collaboration wasn't limited to design decisions. For 19 months, the chapter operated without a facility. Members were tasked with hosting recruitment, homecoming, chapter meetings and sisterhood events in temporary spaces. Even chapter traditions were preserved, with members still gathering for beloved events such as Dad's Day.

The AAC and Executive Council worked in lockstep to keep members informed, supported and connected throughout the process.

"Oklahoma Beta has amazing collegians who rose to the challenge," says AAC Finance/Housing and Capital Campaign Committee member **SUZIE REVELL MINNIX**, Oklahoma Beta. "They learned how to make decisions based on priority, need and budget, and how to communicate effectively with CHC and the Building Committee," she says.

None of the rebuild would have been possible without the dedication of Oklahoma Beta volunteers, whose efforts led to one of the most successful campaigns in the history of Pi Phi's fundraising partner, Pennington & Company.

Led by Oklahoma Betas **BEVERLY CREGG SCHAFER** and **MARY REVELL RYKARD**, the Campaign Committee grew to include 55 alumnae volunteers spanning seven decades of Oklahoma Beta membership.





From left: Oklahoma Betas **SOPHIE HODGSON, RILEE GOGGANS, ALI MARTIN, SARAH MILLER** and **CHARLEY VAN NEWKIRK** outside the Oklahoma Beta Chapter facility during construction.

Two Past Grand Presidents, **JO ANN MINOR RODERICK** and **MARY LOY TATUM**, both Oklahoma Betas, also joined the cause. The campaign raised \$9.6 million, with gifts from 959 donors representing every member class from 1953 to 2024.

The committee employed a wide range of communications and events to engage alumnae and inspire giving. They hosted New Member class reunions in the old chapter facility, made countless phone calls, organized town halls in key cities and distributed newsletters and updates throughout construction. “We reminded alumnae that others had given to build a house for us, and now it was our turn,” Mary Rykard explains. “We stressed that every gift, no matter the size, was important to our campaign. The overwhelming response of our alumnae donors got us to our goal.” Gratitude remained a cornerstone of the fundraising effort. Collegians even nominated a “thank-you note chair” to ensure no donor or volunteer went unrecognized.

Though every wall of 324 South Cleveland is new, the spirit of the original house lives on. From the beginning, the Building Committee made honoring the chapter’s history a priority. The original front doors were repurposed as the entry to the chapter room. All 575 commemorative bricks from the former patio were recreated and installed around the new one. The iconic front porch swing from the original chapter facility has been restored.

Interior designers **COURTNEY CUTCHALL CUNNINGHAM** and **JANE GILLETT BRANDT**, both Oklahoma Betas, worked to make sure the home reflected the chapter’s identity. One of the special touches? Showcasing original artwork by Oklahoma Betas. Paintings and photographs donated by Pi Phis now hang throughout the facility, adding a personal layer to the design.

Even the building’s bones hold meaning. During a Blessing Ceremony, members and alumnae wrote messages of hope and gratitude on the subfloor and slipped notes behind the sheetrock—quiet reminders of the love that built the facility. “Sincere Friendship and Lifelong Commitment were exemplified daily through the process, and collegians were in awe that alumnae chose to do this for them,” Suzie says.

For Grace, now serving on AAC, witnessing life inside the new house has brought everything full circle. “It’s sisters piled on the floor of a room laughing, slippers shuffling from room to room to watch ‘The Bachelor’ and leadership teams hard at work in spaces built just for them.” Every corner of the new Oklahoma Beta Chapter facility tells a story. But the most enduring legacy isn’t found in the bricks or blueprints; it’s in the bonds of sisterhood formed within. ←

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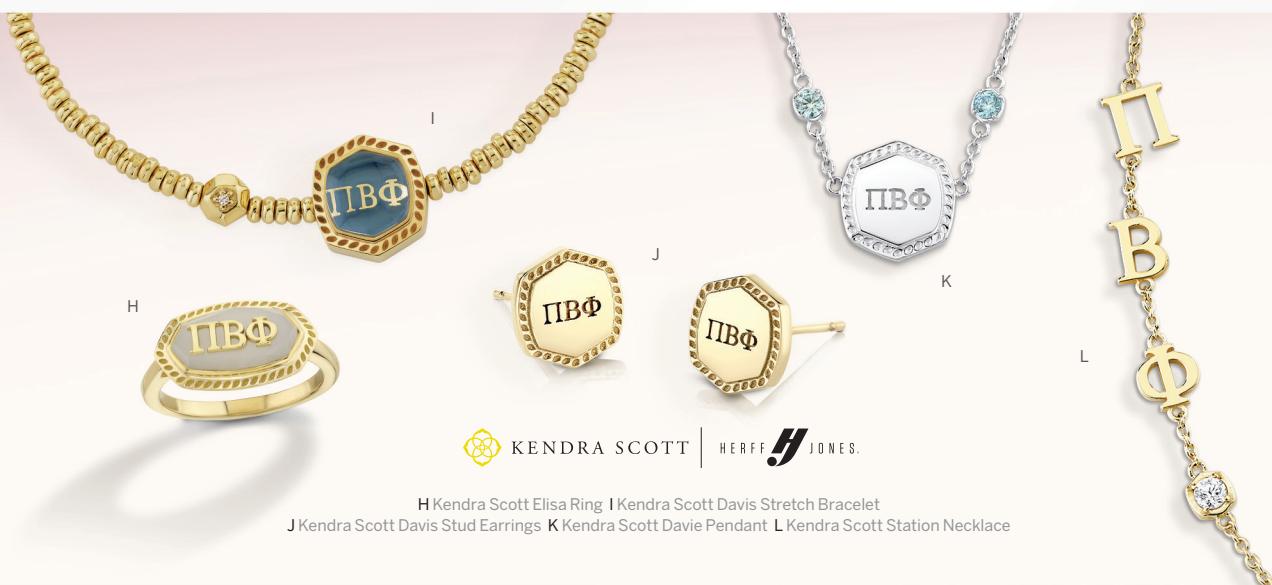
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TELL US ABOUT TOWER 28. WHAT INSPIRED YOU TO START THE BRAND?

I've dealt with eczema my entire adult life. After nearly two decades working in the beauty industry, I realized that even though I was surrounded by amazing products I couldn't use most of them on my own skin. That experience opened my eyes to a real gap in the market for products that are clean, fun, affordable and most importantly, safe for sensitive skin—I created Tower 28 to be exactly that. It's the only beauty brand that fully adheres to the National Eczema Association's Ingredient Guidelines across both skincare and color cosmetics. My goal has always been to create a brand that feels joyful and inclusive, without ever compromising on efficacy or safety.

WHAT'S BEEN YOUR GREATEST LEARNING EXPERIENCE AS A FOUNDER AND CEO?

I've learned you can have it all, but you can't have it all at once. As a founder, mom and partner, it's easy to get caught up in trying to do everything perfectly, but building a brand requires sacrifice and trust in your team. I've learned to let go of perfection and focus on progress.

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO PI PHIS WHO WANT TO START THEIR OWN BUSINESS?

Tell everyone what you want to do! Manifest your goals by speaking them out loud and making connections wherever you can. Some of the best opportunities in my career came from unexpected introductions because I was willing to be vocal about what I was working on. Also, build your business on trust—trust in your product, trust with your customers and trust in yourself. It's so important to deliver something meaningful and consistent that people can rely on.

BETWEEN YOUR PERSONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LIFE, HOW DO YOU FIND BALANCE?

I don't think true balance exists, especially when you're doing something you really care about. I've let go of the idea that everything needs to be perfectly managed all the time. My house can get messy, and I sometimes miss workouts, but I try to be present, practice

gratitude and show up for the people in my life. I've also learned to carve out time for myself in small ways, whether it's a cup of coffee in the morning, walking my dog or just putting my phone down to be with my kids.

WHAT CONSISTENTLY INSPIRES YOU?

As an Asian American who grew up rarely seeing herself represented in the media, I know firsthand how powerful visibility can be. Now, as a mom of three, I'm driven to help build a more inclusive and representative industry for the next generation. At its core, Tower 28 is about creating space for more people to feel seen, included and celebrated.

HOW DO YOU MEASURE PERSONAL SUCCESS?

For me, success is when my actions align with my values. It's less about hitting a specific number or milestone, and more about showing up for my team, my family and my community in a way that feels meaningful.

WHAT IS SOMETHING YOU WISH YOU WOULD HAVE KNOWN SOONER IN LIFE?

It's okay to take the long road. Early in my career, I thought success had to look a certain way and on a certain timeline. But the most meaningful things, whether in life or business, take time, patience and a lot of persistence. I also wish I knew you don't have to have all the answers to start a business; there's power in learning as you go and asking for help.

"PI BETA PHI HAS TAUGHT ME..."

The power of community. That foundation of connection and support shaped how I lead today. Whether it's my team, our customer base or my network of founders, I'm always thinking about how we can lift each other up and create space for more people to succeed.

WHAT IS YOUR FAVORITE QUOTE AND WHY?

One quote I come back to often is from Margaret Mead: "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world." I truly believe change starts small, with intention and heart. 

A Labour of Love

It's a familiar story for many women: carrying the majority of the emotional, physical and mental responsibilities that come with having a child—from tracking fertility to managing doctor appointments, preparing for birth and navigating the fourth trimester.

It was this imbalance that sparked Ohio Eta **JILL CARR**'s frustration, and eventually, an idea for a better way. "Having a baby is a two-person job, at least, but when my husband and I decided we wanted to start a family, all the mental, emotional and, of course, physical work fell to me," Jill explains. "There were so many resources for me, and very few for my husband. I realized there wasn't a seamless way to include him in the process."

That realization inspired a conversation with her longtime friend, Ohio Eta **ASHLEY HAWN**. The two met at Denison University, where they joined Pi Phi in the same New Member class and became fast friends. Despite living in different cities for the last 8 years, they've remained close, including through Friday morning phone calls during walks before work. During one of those calls, Jill floated the idea for an app that would allow both partners to share the effort—and excitement—of starting a family.

Jill credits the app's launch to Ashley's instant enthusiasm and support. When Jill first shared the idea, Ashley didn't hesitate—she simply said, "Let's build it!" With Jill focused on creative development and content, and Ashley bringing an operational and strategic lens, they started working on Labour the App in January 2022.

Labour the App is designed to support couples through every stage of having a child—from conception to the first 12 weeks postpartum. It features medically reviewed information tailored to each user, cycle tracking, shared checklists and development updates for both parents. "Given the opportunity, our partners want to be engaged in this process, they just don't have the resources," Ashley says. "By creating a place that recognizes and prioritizes their involvement, we hope couples enter parenthood stronger and with equitable divisions of labor," Jill adds.

Launching a tech product while working full-time jobs and raising young children posed its share of challenges. From troubles opening a bank account for their business to navigating Apple's App Store requirements, the co-founders hit roadblocks but never lost their momentum. "Keeping our goals in mind, and keeping our humor and friendship first

From left: Ashley and Jill at the beach.



and foremost, has helped us through a lot of the trials and tribulations of building an app," Jill says.

Through the obstacles and uncertainty of launching a new idea, the pair leaned on support from their sisters to keep pushing forward. "We leveraged our Pi Phi network in the building of Labour the App," Jill says. "Our earliest medical advisor was Ohio Eta **MARNIE HYZY**, MHS, PA-C. We relied heavily on our Ohio Eta sisters as test users, Ohio Eta lawyers helped with our documentation and privacy policy and even an Ohio Eta banker advised us on what type of account our LLC should open." A nod to their Pi Phi connection, their legal entity is named PPL LLC.

Feedback from users has been one of the most meaningful parts of the journey. "I had a friend from middle school message me on Instagram," Jill says. "She said, 'My husband and I have been using Labour the App, and we love it. My husband loves it because he's included, and there's information there for him.' I burst into tears!"

"We got a note from a user that said, 'Thank you—because of Labour the App, my husband bought me compression socks,'" Ashley says. "Partners are bringing up things because the app told them to, not because the birthing person is nagging. That's the win state."

Now, Jill and Ashley are focused on building out the app even more, with features that expand fertility content, allow for checklist customizations and partner with psychologists to offer mental health tools. "Our goal is to be the number one planning, pregnancy and postpartum app for couples in the U.S.," Jill says. "In the longer term, we want to expand to include surrogacy, adoption and all family structures."

The co-founders agree their partnership is made stronger by Pi Phi sisterhood and the network that surrounds them. "Pi Phi and our sisterhood gave us the confidence to run at this idea," Ashley says. "Even when we encountered rejections, we always knew we had people in our corner."

Throughout their journey developing Labour the App, Ashley and Jill remain grounded in the belief that taking the first step is the most important. Ashley encourages fellow Pi Phis with big ideas to not wait for perfect timing. "Just start," she says. "So many people talk in platitudes, but being a doer—putting something out there that people can react to—is what moves you forward. Even if you hear a 'no,' don't get discouraged." Ashley also emphasizes the importance of leaning on your community. "Don't be afraid to ask for help," she says. "The people who are going to be your choir will talk about your idea more broadly and lift you up. That support system makes all the difference." ←



From left: Ashley and Jill at Jill's wedding.



Rewriting the Story

As a young girl, Colorado Alpha **JESSICA LUCIANO MURPHY** and her brother often visited the local library together, where he encouraged her to lead with imagination and change the endings of the books she was reading. This creative spirit sparked her love for literacy and ultimately inspired her career today: helping kids in underserved communities rewrite their own stories through education.

Jessica's career first began when she joined Teach For America, a nonprofit organization that recruits and trains recent college graduates to teach in underserved public schools across the United States. Her initial interest in education quickly evolved into an undeniable passion for the positive impact it can have on children, their families and communities at large. "From my parents and siblings, I learned education is not just about providing knowledge and skills, it's about equipping kids with the tools to dream bigger," Jessica shares. That experience inspired her to earn a doctorate degree in educational leadership.

As she advanced in her career working as a vice principal in New York City, Jessica began identifying gaps in the public school system, sparking ideas of what opening her own school could be like. From conversations with mentors to plans scribbled on paper, Jessica soon realized her vision was not only needed in the community, but a real possibility. "I wanted to create a school that provides unique and innovative opportunities for kids that may not have those

opportunities otherwise,” she shares. “It was about focusing on the individual child rather than a cookie-cutter approach for everything.”

With a dream in hand and a community of support behind her, Jessica founded a public middle school in Brooklyn, New York, in 2012. From teacher-created curriculum to students presenting their own report cards at parent-teacher conferences, Jessica’s mission was to develop a school rooted in an empowering, personalized learning environment. She also implemented an advisory program, offering students a consistent relationship to lean on during their formative years. “The kids are assigned one teacher throughout their middle school years who becomes their number one advocate, from navigating issues to celebrating wins,” Jessica says. “The ultimate goal is to give students the best possible education and set them up for success by breaking down negative experiences and building up the positive ones.”

Jessica’s public school continues to thrive today, though she eventually moved to Toronto, Canada, and transitioned into what she calls her most fulfilling role yet: Executive Director for LiftED Literacy and Leadership. LiftED is an organization designed to empower local Toronto youth through free literacy and leadership programming. Working with 14 schools in the local community, kindergarten through sixth grade, LiftED currently reaches nearly 800 students in underserved communities annually. “Our programs include hands-on learning experiences such as coding workshops and field trips that bring literacy to life and expand students’ creativity and writing,” Jessica says. “My favorite part of the role is visiting our programs in action, interacting with students and seeing the firsthand impact.”

Jessica’s work with LiftED has brought some of the most rewarding and challenging experiences of her career, pushing her to grow in new ways. “Despite being a founding principal with three graduate degrees, I had to start all over in Canada and prove myself,” she shares. Jessica specifically notes the year she was approached to take over the organization as one that tested her strength. Several months after Jessica assumed leadership, LiftED’s founder passed away, leaving her to carry forward his legacy—all while caring for her newborn. But with support from her family and team combined with trust in herself, Jessica has done more than just keeping the organization afloat. “We’ve doubled our impact, completed a full rebranding and expanded our programming, all possible because of a committed, trusting community that believes in the power of education.”

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Beyond community support and collaboration, the one thing that continuously motivates Jessica in moments of hardship is her family. As a mother of two young girls, she hopes to lead by example. “I want to show them it’s possible to work hard, keep learning and always treat others with kindness,” she says. This sentiment not only drives Jessica as a mother, but as a leader in the education space. “Whether it’s through teaching, mentoring or charity leadership, my life’s work is grounded in the belief that when we invest in others, especially our youth, we create ripples of impact that extend far beyond what we can see. I hope to create opportunities where children develop the confidence and self-esteem to dream big and achieve their goals, no matter their background.” 

Sisterhood Under the Big Sky

Motivated by her love for Pi Phi and a desire to bring sisters together, Oregon Beta **DEB CALL LUTES** established the Flathead Valley, Montana, Alumnae Club. Her leadership as an Alumnae Club President has helped Pi Phis in northwest Montana rediscover the joy of lifelong connection.

TELL US ABOUT YOUR PI PHI JOURNEY.

My aunt, a Kappa Kappa Gamma at the University of Oregon, encouraged me to go through recruitment at Oregon State University (OSU) in Fall 1987. She said it would be a great way to make lifelong friends and find community at college—words of wisdom I'm very grateful for. The Pi Phis I met were friendly and fun, and I felt at home from the start.

HOW HAS YOUR PI PHI EXPERIENCE EVOLVED OVER THE YEARS?

After graduation, I moved to Montana, which only has one Pi Phi chapter—Montana Alpha in Bozeman—hundreds of miles away from my home in Whitefish. For many years, my main connection to Pi Phi came from the friendships I made at OSU and through *The Arrow* arriving in my mailbox. I'm such a reading nerd, so I love staying connected to Pi Phi through those stories.

Being able to get involved again after so many years is very special. Pi Phi was such an important part of my college years, and now I'm so glad to have this opportunity to give back.

YOU RECENTLY FOUNDED THE FLATHEAD VALLEY, MONTANA, ALUMNAE CLUB. WHAT INSPIRED YOU TO START THIS CLUB, AND HOW HAS YOUR JOURNEY AS A VOLUNTEER BEEN SO FAR?

I wanted to experience what being part of an alumnae club was like, so I reached out to Pi Phi Headquarters (HQ) to see if it was possible to start one in the Flathead Valley. I'm so glad I did! The women I've met are interesting, fun and so encouraging. What started as a "let's see what happens" idea has turned into something deeply rewarding. My vision has grown to see that Pi Phis in northwest Montana can stay involved for life through our alumnae club.

From left: Past Grand Vice President Alumnae **ANA MANCEBO MILLER**, Oregon Gamma **CAROLYN MUCH REIL**, Missouri Gamma **LAUREL RICKETTS KLINGE**, Tennessee Gamma **BETTY LOPEZ SMITHGALL**, Deb and Past Grand President **LISA GAMEL SCOTT**, Colorado Alpha, at Convention 2025.





From left: Wisconsin Alpha **SUKI OHDE VANCE**, Montana Alpha **PEGGY HOFFMANN WOOD** and Deb at an alumnae club gathering in Kalispell, Montana.

AS THE CLUB'S FIRST PRESIDENT, HOW ARE YOU BUILDING CONNECTION AND SISTERHOOD?

I learned so much at Pi Phi's 75th Biennial Convention in Louisville, Kentucky, where our club was officially chartered. I was listening and taking notes when other alumnae club presidents were sharing their wisdom and tips. I'm currently focusing on monthly gatherings so everyone can meet and connect!

WHAT ROLE DOES YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY PLAY IN YOUR CLUB'S PLANS?

With Glacier National Park nearby, two ski hills and great hiking trails, I hope to incorporate the outdoors into our gatherings and add some family-friendly events in the future. My professional background is in teaching, and I now work at the Whitefish Community Library, so literacy is close to my heart. Reading changes and enriches lives, and I'd love for our club to focus on holding book drives and adopting classrooms in smaller rural schools around the valley.

WHAT ARE YOUR FAVORITE PI PHI MEMORIES?

Cookie Shines were always a highlight! But one memory from my senior year still stands out. My brother, Jeff, had a serious medical emergency and needed surgery, so I left school for over a week to be with my family. When I returned to the Pi Phi chapter facility, I found a stack of cards on my desk from my sisters expressing love, care and encouragement. Thirty-four years later, that support still touches my heart. And I'm happy to share that my brother is doing great today!

WHAT ADVICE WOULD YOU GIVE TO AN ALUMNA WHO WANTS TO BECOME MORE INVOLVED WITH PI PHI?

I'd encourage them to visit the Pi Phi website to see if there's an alumnae club nearby. If not, reach out to Pi Beta Phi HQ to explore starting one. Attend a gathering or convention—you won't regret it. ←

With support from past Region Seven Alumnae Engagement Director **CAROLYN MUCH REIL**, Oregon Gamma, and Alumnae Support Officer **LAUREL RICKETTS KLINGE**, Missouri Gamma, Deb spent roughly two years planning events, connecting with alumnae and building a community of sisters. "Even though I was spearheading the effort, it never felt like I was alone," Deb says. "The support made the process less daunting."

Want to start a club in your area?

Email alumnae@pibetaphi.org to learn more about the process and how you can volunteer to connect Pi Phis in your community.

Unseen Strength

**FROM CIA TO
SURVIVAL—HOW
VALERIE PLAME
RECLAIMED HER LIFE**



The process of rebuilding after being torn from the life you once loved is an arduous journey—one Pennsylvania Epsilon **VALERIE PLAME** never imagined would become her reality.

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Valerie says, reflecting on the pivotal moment her identity was leaked as a covert Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) officer in 2003. Learning to find peace amid safety threats and political controversy was not only a life-defining challenge for Valerie, but also a necessary step forward in paving a new path for herself.



While Valerie didn't initially envision herself as a CIA officer growing up, her father's military career and her mother's teaching career instilled a deep love for public service from an early age. When CIA recruiters visited her campus at Pennsylvania State University, she took the opportunity to pursue her calling. From that moment on, Valerie's role as a CIA officer became her whole world, with her expertise eventually developing into nuclear counterproliferation. "I worked on operations around the world to ensure terrorists, black marketeers and rogue states did not acquire nuclear weapons," she explains. "I loved what I did; I was so proud to serve my country in a meaningful way." In gathering sensitive information from foreign countries, it's imperative that a CIA officer remains undercover to protect not only national security, but also their own personal safety.

As Valerie describes, working for the CIA carries a deep sense of pride, but it also demands one's composure while balancing high pressure operations and a constant need for confidentiality. While she acknowledges this inevitable truth, Valerie also notes the resilience she gained from her experience as a CIA officer, especially as a woman in a male dominated field. She was often faced with male colleagues underestimating her talent based on her gender, though this gave Valerie an edge. In the field, her feminine appearance allowed her to blend in seamlessly and take on some of the most delicate, high-stakes assignments, precisely

because no one would suspect her of being a CIA officer.

On top of leading a career behind an alias, working for the CIA did not come with an easy schedule, either. Along with fieldwork, the workdays consisted of reading classified documents, operational planning, meetings and more—often getting Valerie home at midnight with an 8:30 a.m. start time the following day. Though exhausting on occasion, her ability to cope with stress, adapt quickly and face discrimination created an unbreakable strength within her—until challenges arose that fractured the very foundation she had worked so hard to build.

During Valerie's tenure as a CIA officer, the United States entered war with Iraq after claiming the country possessed weapons of mass destruction. American diplomat and Valerie's late ex-husband, Joe Wilson, investigated the claims that Iraq purchased nuclear materials, ultimately expressing doubts these

transactions ever took place. In an op-ed piece for "The New York Times," Joe publicly criticized the White House administration's justification for war, and subsequently, Valerie's identity was exposed.

"We were at home, my husband got the newspaper from our front porch and that was the start of it all," Valerie says, referring to the moment she found out her identity was leaked in a column written by journalist Robert Novak. When a covert CIA officer is outed, it poses serious risks—from targeted violence and harassment to weakened intelligence operations. These concerns spiraled through Valerie's mind upon hearing the news. "It was such a disorienting time. The career I loved was gone, but I also had three-year-old twins at the time, and my greatest fear was their safety."

The aftermath was not marked by moments, but rather years of crisis and uncertainty. Between growing distrust in the CIA, accusations

Valerie testifying to Congress in 2007. She alleges her identity was leaked by the White House administration to discredit her husband's criticism of the Iraq War.

(Photo by Chuck Kennedy via Alamy)



that Joe was a traitor and insults to Valerie's intelligence, the story escalated into a political scandal. "I got an extra measure of contempt because I'm a woman," she shares. "They tried to make it seem like I was a nobody—a member of Congress even called me a glorified secretary, as if women couldn't be CIA officers."

Although Valerie felt as if she was drowning in the media maelstrom that ensued, her sole focus was simply surviving one day at a time.

While Joe attempted to defend their family, Valerie avoided the public eye at all costs. To regain a sense of normalcy, she poured her energy into being grounded and present for her children. "I was just trying to be a good mother," she shares. Even so, the damage felt irreversible. "I had an identity crisis. When something you love is taken away from you, you start to think, 'Who am I if not that?' It truly changed the trajectory of our lives."

To start fresh after she officially resigned in 2007, Valerie and her family moved from Washington, D.C., to Santa Fe, New Mexico. In finding her first steps along this uncertain path, Valerie also began finding her voice again after years of being silenced. As a therapeutic way to process what happened to her, Valerie wrote her memoir titled "Fair Game: My Life as a Spy, My Betrayal by the White House." "It felt cathartic to use my own voice and agency to say what happened," she reflects. "Everything happened

From left: Valerie and actress Naomi Watts attending the 2010 "Fair Game" premiere held at the Palais des Festivals during the 63rd annual International Cannes Film Festival in France. "Fair Game" is a biographical drama film based on Valerie's memoir. (Photo by ZUMA via Alamy)



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so fast in my head, like it was spinning, and writing helped put things into perspective."

Despite the trauma of the leak scandal and its aftermath, Valerie's passion for national security never wavered—even as she faced uncertainty about whether she could return to the field. However, after writing her book, Valerie was approached to help narrate the 2010

documentary, "Countdown to Zero," which examines the continuing threat of nuclear weapons. "It suddenly occurred to me that I could still contribute to the issues I care deeply about," she shares.

As she continued to move forward, Valerie eventually developed a career in advocacy, speaking both nationally and internationally on cyber security issues, nuclear

proliferation and women in intelligence—a deeply rooted passion that only grew stronger from her own experience as a woman in the CIA. She also began hosting the popular conference, "Spies, Lies and Nukes," alongside some of her CIA colleagues. This conference gives attendees the opportunity to dive deep into the world of international espionage and engage with experts on a

From left: Valerie and Pennsylvania Epsilon **STELLA TSAI**.

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variety of topics. By giving others a glimpse into the CIA world, Valerie has also been able to take a glimpse into her previous life—a positive way to reconnect with that version of herself.

Through her advocacy work, Valerie discovered new passions beyond her experiences with the CIA—including a commitment to maternal mental health. Echoing the dismissive treatment from her male colleagues, Valerie felt her doctors overlooked her health during her recovery from childbirth in 2000. Having faced postpartum depression herself, without recognizing it at the time, she became aware of the significant lack of understanding and resources surrounding the disorder. While she was trained to withstand even the toughest situations, Valerie says espionage doesn't compare to postpartum depression.

Although she briefly detailed this experience in her memoir, Valerie has expanded her advocacy through educational speaking and volunteer work—standing up for not only her past self, but for the many women who have been overlooked in their health, careers and more.

"Postpartum depression is relatively easy to diagnose, but it can be devastating if you don't know what's going on," she shares. Valerie herself experienced sleep deprivation, lack of emotion and shame for having these feelings in the first place—all because she didn't have the tools or knowledge

to navigate the disorder. "I'm grateful I could make my experience public because so much work still needs to be done in that area. So many women experience postpartum depression, and I want them to know they're not alone."

As both new and old passions surfaced in Valerie's life, so did connections from her past—including Pi Beta Phi. As a collegian, Valerie was immediately drawn to our sisterhood because of the effortless bond she felt with the members of Pennsylvania Epsilon. During her college years, Pi Phi became an anchoring presence, providing both a support system and a way for Valerie to channel her love for service in a meaningful way. "You're pulled in so many directions as a young woman in college," Valerie says. "Having a group of women to ground you is so important as you grow throughout those years."

Although Valerie held a deep appreciation for Pi Phi, her engagement diminished during the leak scandal. But everything shifted when she reconnected with a sister a few years ago whom she had been close to in college. Valerie's daughter—California Nu **SAMANTHA WILSON**—was traveling to Amsterdam, where Valerie's old friend had since moved. "We hadn't spoken in decades, but I found her number and reached out to tell her my daughter was coming to Amsterdam," Valerie recalls. "She took my daughter in and made her

part of the family; from there, we picked up our relationship right where it left off—just as older, wiser women."

Though the two had just reunited, Valerie's friend unfortunately passed away a few years ago. "Her passing hit me so deeply," she shares. "I found a new friend only to lose her again." This loss brought immense grief, but it also brought Valerie closer to the bonds of Pi Phi sisterhood—a place where she can truly be herself. "A group of Pi Phis and I gathered for her memorial, and I reconnected with so many sisters I hadn't spoken to in years—it's been lovely to reengage in a way I never thought would happen."

Despite the uncertainty and grief that has marked her life, Valerie always had one constant she could rely on: her own strength. What had once been a clear, straightforward path gave way to challenges that forced her to rebuild—brick by brick—crafting a new journey from the ground up. "My identity leak profoundly shifted the trajectory of my life, but you play the hand you're dealt," she reflects. "I had no choice but to take those lessons learned and continue to grow and evolve." Through moments defined by courage, perseverance and hope, Valerie has built an even stronger foundation for the woman she is today and the life she continues to shape. ←

YOUR SUPPORT KEEPS *pi phi* strong



From left: South Carolina Betas **ADDIE RUTH** and **NICOLE BARSUM** during Pi Beta Phi's 2025 College Weekend leadership development training.

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Each year, Pi Phis and friends from around the world come together through the collective power of giving to Pi Beta Phi Foundation. This power of sisterhood is seen in every tangible outcome—from scholarships awarded to first generation college students, leadership programs that help women to reach their full potential, literacy grants funded to underfunded schools and communities, and emergency assistance grants provided to sisters in need. Behind these life-changing moments is something less visible, yet equally essential: the operational support that makes it all possible.

Pi Beta Phi Foundation is uniquely positioned to ensure the Fraternity can fulfill its mission—promoting friendship, developing women of intellect and integrity, cultivating leadership potential and enriching lives through community service. Donors can support areas of Pi Phi that are deeply

meaningful to them—whether through gifts to The Literacy Fund at Pi Beta Phi Foundation, leadership giving, scholarship donations, Pi Beta Phi housing campaigns or other restricted funds. These gifts are incredibly impactful and essential; however, restricted gifts can only be used for their designated purpose.

To meet the evolving needs of our sisterhood and sustain all areas of Pi Phi, we must first ensure the Fraternity can operate at full strength. Unrestricted gifts to the Friendship Fund can provide the flexibility needed to fulfill our commitment to the Fraternity and continue lighting the way for a bright future. Friendship Fund dollars help bridge the gap between the Fraternity's needs and the Foundation's impact. They support the salaries of dedicated professional staff who guide our programs, the technology that keeps our sisterhood connected and the everyday expenses that allow our Foundation to respond to the Fraternity's greatest needs. Once operational needs are met, Friendship Fund dollars can be directed toward other critical funds such as scholarships, literacy, emergency assistance, leadership and more. Because these funds are unrestricted, our Board of Trustees are empowered to make thoughtful, strategic decisions about where support is needed most—ensuring your gift has the greatest impact.

Operational support isn't just behind the scenes—it's the bedrock of everything we do. "Last year, Friendship Fund donors provided more than \$1.2 million in unrestricted support, which covered roughly two-thirds of essential expenses. Without the support from Pi Phi sisters and friends and additional unrestricted gifts, we cannot fully fund the programs and resources that make the Pi Phi experience possible," shares Pi Beta Phi Foundation Board of Trustees President **WENDY**

LABRECHE PRATT, Massachusetts Beta. "That generosity is what gives our Foundation the capacity to plan confidently, meet urgent needs and keep every part of our mission moving forward. I can't help but think of how many more life-changing moments Pi Phi could deliver with more dollars raised."

Your gift—no matter the amount—provides the flexibility to meet the Fraternity's most immediate needs and supports the programs that keep our sisterhood strong. If you're looking for a way to give back but don't know where to begin, give to the Friendship Fund. Gifts to the Friendship Fund fuel every aspect of the member experience that shapes confident women and lifelong friendships. When you think back on what Pi Phi has given you, consider how your gift can ensure those same meaningful experiences for future generations. When we give together, we make it possible for Pi Phi to remain a strong, vibrant source of friendship, leadership and lifelong impact. ←

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The leaders we could develop.
The communities we could serve.

If half of our members gave \$20, we could raise more than \$2.4 million for our Foundation, fulfilling the Fraternity's operational needs and expanding the impact of leadership programming, literacy initiatives and scholarship and grants for our members.

Your gift today can turn that vision into reality. Scan the QR code or visit pibetaphi.org/give to make a gift and create a bright future for Pi Phi.



The History of Headquarters

When we think of the rich history of Pi Beta Phi, thoughts of Monmouth College, Holt House and our 12 courageous founders come to mind. But behind every milestone in our sisterhood's history stands another powerful symbol of Pi Phi Pride—the Central Office behind the scenes. From our modest beginnings to the bustling Headquarters we know today, each location and leader has reflected Pi Phi's enduring commitment to friendship, service and sustaining a premier organization for women.

Currently in St. Louis, Pi Phi Headquarters was first located in East Hartford, Connecticut, just one century ago. A vote taken at the 1925 Lake of Bays, Ontario, Canada Convention established the first Headquarters—then known as Central Office—and named D.C. Alpha **MABEL SCOTT BROWN** to lead this momentous organizational effort. When Mabel and her husband moved to Pennsylvania, she became the unofficial Pi Beta Phi Cataloguer, a job which required updating several sets of index cards whenever a Pi Phi changed her name or address. This work was done out of a bedroom in her small New England home.

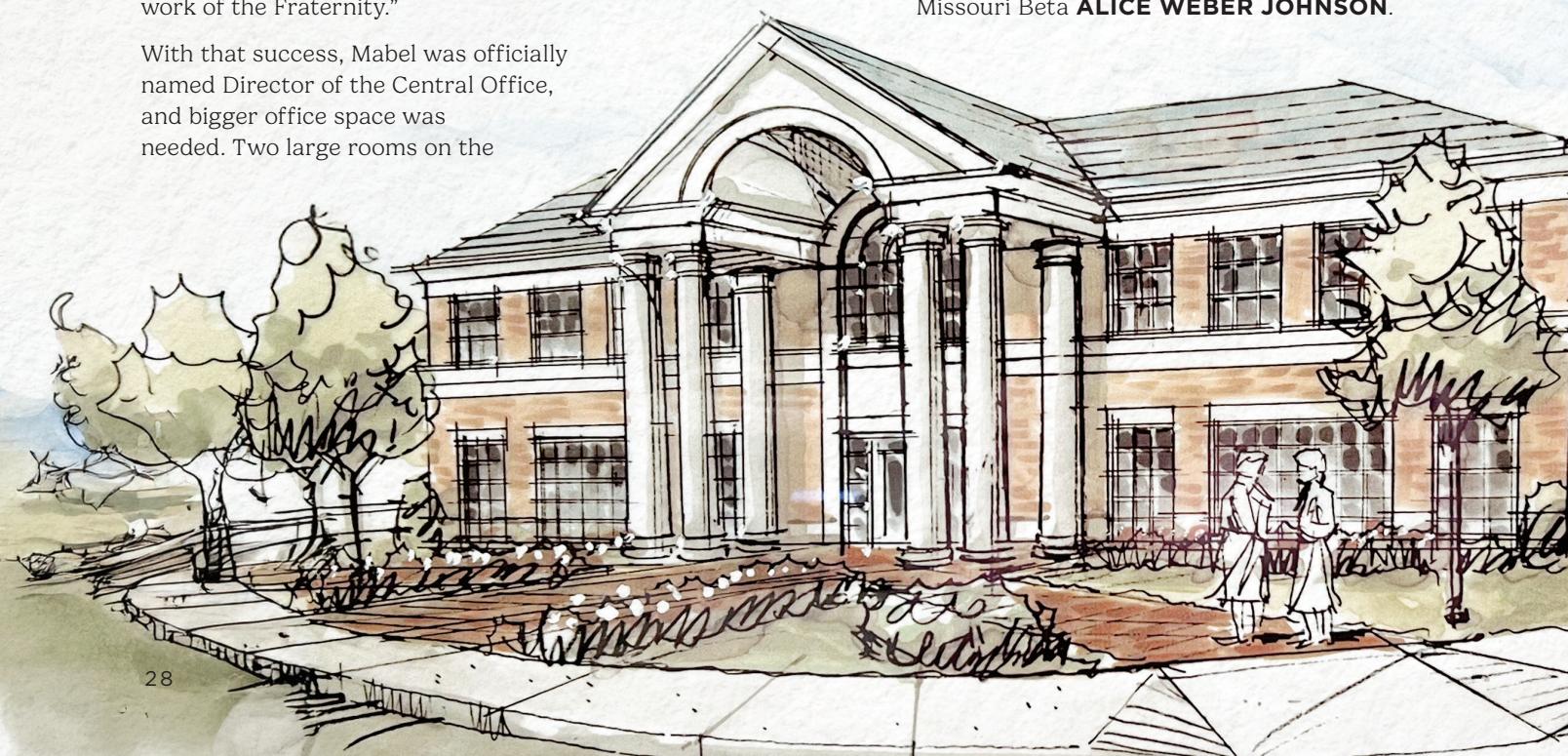
In the September 1926 issue of *The Arrow*, Mabel was praised for her splendid success in establishing and conducting Pi Beta Phi's first Central Office and Supply Office. "It's difficult to conceive the vast amount of time, hard work and thought which have gone into making the first year of the Central Office a successful one..." the article wrote. "Grand Council believes this non-executive office of Pi Beta Phi is developing the ideal solution to the problem of heavy clerical work of the Fraternity."

With that success, Mabel was officially named Director of the Central Office, and bigger office space was needed. Two large rooms on the

third floor of the Hartford Women's Club in Connecticut were leased and consisted of tiers upon tiers of wooden card catalogs—including Fraternity chapter records, member lists and correspondence from coast to coast. Mabel was heralded as the Pi Phi who not only created Central Office—but made it thrive. The job demanded constant attention and long hours, but as *The Arrow* noted, she had "the capacity for accomplishing things in the most efficient way and no better person could have been found in the Fraternity to undertake this new work."

By 1928, Mabel's Central Office responsibilities and Pi Phi's membership had grown exponentially. In addition to her regular clerical work, she edited and published the Fraternity directory, served as alternate to the National Panhellenic Congress (now Conference) and made two official chapter visits. As chapters, alumnae clubs and Pi Phi membership grew, the Central Office expanded from one part-time assistant to two full-time secretaries and increased its budget to meet the Fraternity's ever-growing needs. When Mabel resigned in 1932, she left behind more than just catalogues and letters; she left a legacy that laid the foundation for decades of progress. Central Office moved to Illinois, evolving with each location—first Bloomington, then Marshall, then Decatur—each move marking a new beginning as technology and tools made record-keeping more efficient and essential to the Fraternity's history.

In 1964, Pi Phi found a more permanent home in St. Louis—a central city growing rapidly, rich with alumnae support and home to Grand President at the time, Missouri Beta **ALICE WEBER JOHNSON**.



St. Louis quickly became the home base for not only Fraternity records, but also Pi Phi jewelry, an extensive archive collection and even a Magazine Agency. A decade later in 1974, Central Office moved just around the corner to a larger building to accommodate nine full-time employees and six part-time employees. Over the years, the office continued to expand as additional office space was rented until the Fraternity and the newly created Foundation took up most of the floor.

The 21st century brought yet another milestone. Under the leadership of Grand President **SIS MULLIS**, South Carolina Alpha, Pi Beta Phi broke ground on a new home in Town and Country, Missouri. Doors opened on November 3, 2002, and included a ribbon cutting, facility tours and a reception. Today, more than 50 staff members work at Pi Beta Phi Headquarters, including remote staff across the United States, collaborating across functions that Mabel could never have imagined from her small bedroom office. What began as meticulous record-keeping has evolved into international communications, marketing, event planning, data management, housing and so much more.

From our humble beginnings in Mabel's New England bedroom, to today's 11,516 square foot facility, Pi Beta Phi's Headquarters supports the full member experience. Through our strategic work with every chapter, alumnae club and more than 2,000 volunteer leaders, Headquarters serves our members to ensure our sisterhood remains a premier organization for women for generations far into the future. ←



Mabel in her office.



Decatur member files.

"My office and me. It has been a long hard winter and I surely look it! The only part of the office which was straightened up for the pictures was my desk and I am still hunting for things."

—Illinois Zeta **PEGGY DICK**, Director of Central Office from 1957-1961.

"The Graphotype (far side) and Addressograph machine. The former makes the addressograph plates. The Arrow run is done on the Addressograph (takes 2½ days) and we use it for addressing mailing labels and envelopes."

—Excerpt from the Summer 1959 issue of *The Arrow*.



ALUMNAE news



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ALABAMA

Alabama Beta Alumnae

Alabama Beta **DELANEY DUNN** was recognized as part of Forbes' 2025 "Best in State Wealth Management Teams," published January 2025. She credits Pi Beta Phi for instilling values of leadership and service that continue to guide her career. "Pi Phi taught me to pursue excellence while lifting others up along the way," Delaney says. "Those lessons shaped the way I care for my clients every day."

ARIZONA

1. Arrowhead-West Phoenix, Arizona, Alumnae Club

The Arrowhead-West Phoenix, Arizona, Alumnae Club installed its fifth Little Free Library® at the Legacy Foundation Christown YMCA in central Phoenix. Named the "Just My Size" Little Free Library, the new library delighted children who eagerly selected books to take home.

CALIFORNIA

2. California Eta Alumnae

California Eta sisters **NOELLE PEDACE, JOANNE AMASH SCHROEDER** and **MONICA BROWN JUNG** completed a four-day, three-night trek on the Inca Trail to Machu Picchu in August 2025. The adventure was a once-in-a-lifetime experience for the trio.

3. La Jolla, California, Alumnae Club

For decades, the La Jolla, California, Alumnae Club has supported the Rady Residence Library, operated by The Salvation Army's Door of Hope, which provides transitional housing for families in crisis or experiencing homelessness. Residents are encouraged to select and keep books from the library—often their first personal book. In September, club member and Vice President Philanthropy **PATTIE ASQUITH WELLBORN**, California Epsilon, coordinated a donation of funds and dozens of books to the library.

Pattie has volunteered with The Salvation Army for over 50 years.

4. South Bay, California, Alumnae Club

In September, Pi Beta Phi Foundation and Fraternity staff members visited the South Bay, California, Alumnae Club to celebrate their fundraising accomplishments.

COLORADO

5. San Juan, Colorado, Alumnae Club

The San Juan, Colorado, Alumnae Club gathered for an end-of-summer garden party celebrating sisterhood and literacy. Members posed with a statue of Mark Twain in honor of the Fraternity's literacy initiatives.

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Connecticut Alpha Alumnae

Connecticut Alpha **MALLORY KOZUCH MOLINA**, a lyric soprano and music educator, co-founded the Pan Global Music Initiative



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(PGMI) in 2024 with her husband, Dr. Patricio Molina. PGMI is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit dedicated to promoting classical music from underrepresented cultures through performance, education and cultural preservation. This past October, Mallory performed at Carnegie Hall in PGMI's debut concert, *Cantos de Quisqueya: A Celebration of Dominican Classical Music*. She also recently launched the Pan-Asian Music Initiative to spotlight songs by Asian composers, aiming to make them more accessible to Western singers and audiences.

DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

6. Nation's Capital, D.C., Alumnae Club

In celebration of Read > Lead > Achieve® month, the Nation's Capital, D.C., Alumnae Club partnered with Everybody Wins DC, a local literacy nonprofit. Members processed books for the organization's back-to-school service event and wrote

personalized, encouraging notes for the young readers who would receive them. The club has partnered with Everybody Wins DC since Fall 2023.

FLORIDA

Florida Beta Alumnae

Florida Beta **JENNIFER MCCOLLUM MARSHALL** is celebrating 25 years as founder and CEO of Marshall Advertising, one of the nation's leading independent media buying agencies. What began in 1994 as a solo venture grew into a Tampa-based firm managing campaigns in more than 100 markets with a team of 25 professionals. Jennifer and her husband, Kevin, have led the agency to national success with clients including Disney Entertainment, Suncoast Credit Union and the Tampa Bay Lightning. Jennifer credits her Pi Phi experience with instilling the leadership, courage and vision that helped her grow the business.

1. Oklahoma Alpha BARBARA ALBEE SAUNDERS at the Little Free Library installed by the Arrowhead-West Phoenix, Arizona, Alumnae Club.

2. From left: California Etas NOELLE PEDACE, JOANNE AMASH SCHROEDER and MONICA BROWN JUNG at Machu Picchu.

3. Members from the La Jolla, California, Alumnae Club supporting the Rady Residence Library. From left: Mississippi Beta **NANCY STASIAK CARDEN**, Indiana Delta **LOLITA BEATY BACHE**, Ohio Zeta **JUDITH MEAD JOHNSON**, Nebraska Beta **JAYNE LINDBERG**, Major Rob Reardon of the Southern California Division of The Salvation Army, Michigan Gamma **LUCY ANDERS GOODWIN**, California Epsilon **PATTIE ASQUITH WELLBORN** and California Eta **LAURA JARMAN FARRAR**.

4. Members from the South Bay, California, Alumnae Club and Pi Phi Headquarters staff during their alumnae club gathering.

5. Members from the San Juan, Colorado, Alumnae Club during a summer garden party. Back row, from left: Illinois Alpha **MELISSA MELVIN McDONALD**, Colorado Epsilon **KELLY KAY MAESTAS**, Oregon Beta **CAROLE MUNROE HOWARD**, Oklahoma Alpha **JOAN HANN ROSE**, Kansas Beta **PATTY DAVISSON BROWN** and Texas Gamma **PAULA BARRETT TENNANT**. Front row, from left: Colorado Beta **MARY BUCKLEY BAILLY**, Illinois Theta **MARY HUTCHISON ROTHCHILD** and Grand Vice President Finance/Housing **LISA GAMEL SCOTT**.

6. Members from the Nation's Capital, D.C., Alumnae Club processing books for Everybody Wins DC. From left: Missouri Gamma **ASHLEY HOLST**, Michigan Gamma **MONICA WATT ELMS**, Virginia Theta **BETHANY REITSMA**, Virginia Zeta **BETHANY TSIARAS SMEETON**, California Delta **HAROULA KYRIACOU** and North Carolina Alpha **CHRISTINE SENICH**.



1. From left: Mississippi Alpha **SANDIE FOWLER DELLACROCE**, Indiana Beta **SUSAN CRANE KYLE** and Alabama Beta **SAMANTHA DELLACROCE** at Convention 2025.

2. Illinois Iota alumnae at their first-ever reunion.

3. From left: Indiana Epsilons **MARTHA FORESTER BRUSS**, **SALLIE REID TASTO**, **MARYLIN WEHRMAN LEVINE**, **PATTI SEE ZURCHER** and **KATHLEEN JONES MATTOX**, during their New Member class of 1960 reunion.

4. Indiana Epsilon alumnae on the front porch of the chapter facility during their 40-year reunion.

5. Indiana Zeta alumnae at The Brown Hotel.

6. Kansas Beta alumnae received their Golden Arrow pins.

7. Members of the Louisville, Kentucky, Alumnae Club at their fall kickoff event.

8. Members of the New Orleans, Louisiana, Alumnae Club at their philanthropy event.

1. Fort Myers Area, Florida, Alumnae Club

For three members of the Fort Myers Area, Florida, Alumnae Club, Pi Beta Phi convention is a beloved tradition. Mississippi Alpha **SANDIE FOWLER DELLACROCE**, her daughter Alabama Beta **SAMANTHA DELLACROCE** and Indiana Beta **SUSAN CRANE KYLE** have now attended five conventions together. Samantha and Sandie have shared six total conventions, including the 2021 virtual event. Susan marked her 14th convention in 2025—each commemorated on a special shirt embroidered with every year she's participated.

ILLINOIS

2. Illinois Iota Alumnae

Members of the Illinois Iota New Member class of 1991 reunited on June 27 for their inaugural reunion in Bloomington/Normal, Illinois. For many, it was the first time seeing each other in over 30 years—but the connection felt immediate. The weekend was filled with shared memories, campus tours and joyful dance parties.

INDIANA

3. Indiana Epsilon Alumnae

For more than 60 years, members of the Indiana Epsilon New Member class of 1960 have gathered every two years—traveling to cities across the U.S. and nearly making it to Montreal. This devoted group of sisters continue their cherished tradition, proving that Pi Phi friendships truly do last a lifetime.



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4. Fifteen members of the Indiana Epsilon New Member class of 1982 gathered for their 40-year reunion, celebrating decades of friendship and memories. The group recreated a photo on the chapter facility porch swing—just as they did 40 years ago.

5. Indiana Zeta Alumnae

Sixteen Indiana Zeta sisters initiated in 1973 and 1974 reunited during Pi Beta Phi's 75th Biennial Convention in Louisville, Kentucky. Many hadn't seen each other in 50 years, making the luncheon at The Brown Hotel—where one sister works—a heartfelt celebration of reconnection. Some attended convention events, and the group is already planning next year's reunion.

KANSAS

6. Greater Kansas City Alumnae Club

Seventeen members of the Kansas Beta 1975 New Member class received their Golden Arrows during the Greater Kansas City Alumnae Club Founder's Day Soirée at Mission Hills Country Club on June 5, 2025—the club's founders' day. The celebration was part of a three-day reunion where sisters shared memories, reconnected over life milestones and celebrated 50 years of friendship rooted in their time at Kansas State University.

KENTUCKY

7. Louisville, Kentucky, Alumnae Club

In September, the Louisville, Kentucky, Alumnae Club hosted its fall kickoff event, welcoming alumnae from across the country

to reconnect and celebrate sisterhood. The gathering featured a joyful Cookie Shine with one of the 2025 Convention alumna initiates, Kentucky Alpha **SUSANNE JENKENS**.

LOUISIANA

8. New Orleans, Louisiana, Alumnae Club

The New Orleans, Louisiana, Alumnae Club hosted its "Wine, Silver Blue and Philanthropy Too" event, inviting members to support local literacy efforts. The club collected 45 books, six magazines, and \$70 in donations for Start The Adventure In Reading (STAIR), benefiting Little Free Libraries throughout the New Orleans community.



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MARYLAND

1. Baltimore, Maryland, Alumnae Club

The Baltimore, Maryland, Alumnae Club celebrated its 125th anniversary and recognition as the small club Premier Club second runner-up at Convention 2025 with cupcakes, candles and a visit from Region One Alumnae Engagement Director **MONICA WATT ELMS**, Michigan Gamma. Members shared stories spanning coast to coast, honored past sisters and looked ahead to supporting local literacy efforts and the Maryland Gamma Chapter.

MASSACHUSETTS

2. Bostonian, Massachusetts, Alumnae Club

In September, members of the Bostonian, Massachusetts, Alumnae Club participated in the Mass General Brigham Eversource Cancer Walk/Run 5K, raising more than \$1,300 for cancer research. This year's team honored

Pennsylvania Beta JENNIFER RAFFETTO GALE

a longtime club member and breast cancer survivor. The event paid tribute to those affected by cancer while supporting a brighter future for patients and families.

NEW YORK

3. Rochester, New York, Alumnae Club

The Rochester, New York, Alumnae Club kicked off its 111th year with a "Cider, Donuts & Friends" gathering hosted by Michigan Beta **DIANA WHITE HOWK**. Members enjoyed local treats, reconnected through Pi Phi sisterhood and opened the year with the newly updated meeting Ritual. The club looks forward to a full calendar of events in partnership with the Rochester Alumnae Panhellenic.

NORTH CAROLINA

4. Charlotte, North Carolina, Alumnae Club

The Charlotte, North Carolina, Alumnae Club kicked off the fall season with a festive "Pink Party," welcoming 29 alumnae, including 12 Golden Arrows. In support of Read > Lead > Achieve®, members collected school supplies for children at Atrium Health Levine Children's Hospital.

5. North Carolina Delta

A fashion designer in New York City, North Carolina Delta **RYSA RUTH** turned her love of knitting and basketball into a viral project after creating a New York Liberty-inspired halter top and posting her work on Instagram. Noticing a lack of fan merchandise, she designed and knitted her own Liberty jersey—researching patterns and measuring official jerseys to create an authentic look. Her creativity caught the attention of the Liberty, who invited



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her to present the jersey to the WNBA player Natasha Cloud, a player Rysa admires for her talent and advocacy work.

OHIO

6. Ohio Beta Alumnae

Nearly 50 Ohio Beta alumnae from the 1990s gathered in Columbus, Ohio, for a joyful reunion, joined by current chapter members and a very special guest—Brutus Buckeye! Coordinated through the Ohio State Spirit Committee, Brutus posed for photos with both collegians and alumnae, celebrating a fun and meaningful Pi Phi connection. Created in 1965 by Ohio Beta **SALLY HUBER LANYON**, Brutus celebrates his 60th birthday this year. To honor that legacy, Ohio Beta Chapter President **AISLIN DAUGHERTY** was invited to Brutus' official celebration.

7. Ohio Zeta Alumnae

Ohio Zeta alumnae gathered to celebrate multiple sister's birthdays, reminiscing about their college days and the friendships that have stood the test of time. The celebration was made even sweeter by the recent reinstating of their beloved chapter at Miami University. These sisters are excited for what's ahead and look forward to supporting the next generation of Ohio Zetas.

OKLAHOMA

8. Tulsa, Oklahoma, Alumnae Club

Oklahoma Beta **JOAN O'BRIEN HUBBLE** had the honor of presenting Golden Arrow pins to the same sisters she helped initiate as Chapter President 50 years ago. The celebration was held at the new Oklahoma Beta Chapter facility in Stillwater and included her own sister, Oklahoma Beta **ANN O'BRIEN FRAWNER**.

1. Members of the Baltimore, Maryland, Alumnae Club gather to celebrate the club's anniversary.

2. Members from the Bostonian, Massachusetts, Alumnae Club after participating in the Mass General 5K. Front row: Michigan Epsilon **VICTORIA GASIDLO**; middle row, from left: New York Delta **JUDY ASHBY**, Ohio Lambdas **GABRIELLE NIVAR** and **SARAH HYMAN** and Michigan Gamma **LYNN SEEBER WENTZEL**; back row: Pennsylvania Beta **JENNIFER RAFFETO GALE**.

3. Members from the Rochester, New York, Alumnae Club during their "Cider, Donuts & Friends" event. From left: Michigan Beta **DIANA WHITE HOWK**, New York Delta **SUSAN MILLER LOWE**, Kentucky Gamma **DARCY DUNN SMITH**, Illinois Beta-Delta **BARBARA LINDEN HEINTZ**, Tennessee Gamma **CLAIRE DEBARROS MILES**, West Virginia Gamma **DAWN WILKINS**, Pennsylvania Zeta **ERICA GREEN** and New York Delta **SARA RICE CRONIN**.

4. Members of the Charlotte, North Carolina, Alumnae Club at their Pink Party.

5. North Carolina Delta **RYSY RUTH** with New York Liberty basketball player Natasha Cloud.

6. Brutus poses with Ohio Beta alumnae and collegians in front of the Pi Phi chapter facility.

7. From left: Ohio Zetas **LINDA TOMPKINS**, **DEANNA TURNER KENNELLY**, **MOLLY STAMER LYNCH**, **AMY VANDEN BOOM** and **MISSY LINSCOTT WHITE** during their birthday celebration dinner.

8. The Oklahoma Beta New Member class of 1975 with their Golden Arrow pins.



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1. From left: South Carolina Alphas **EVE MORRIS** and **SIS MULLIS** at the Taco Fiesta.

2. Members from the Nashville, Tennessee, Alumnae Club during their Christmas Village annual fundraiser. From left: Arkansas Alpha **CHARLOTTE ANN ECKEL EDWARDS**, Tennessee Beta **BERENICE MILLER DENTON** and Tennessee Gamma **CHRISTY CASON ROBINSON**.

3. Tennessee Beta Pi Phis at their reunion in Sea Island, Georgia.

4. Members of the Southlake Area, Texas, Alumnae Club at their September kickoff meeting.

5. From left: Texas Betas **PAIGE TACKETT JANSEN** and **ANN WARMACK BROOKSHIRE** at the SMU Greek Awards in May 2025

6. Members of the Seattle, Washington, Alumnae Club gathered to celebrate nine new Golden Arrows.

SOUTH CAROLINA

1. Columbia, South Carolina, Alumnae Club

The Columbia, South Carolina, Alumnae Club kicked off the year with a festive Taco Fiesta on September 11, welcoming 28 sisters ranging in age from recent graduates to 84. In honor of Read > Lead > Achieve® month, members donated 54 books to a local children's hospital. South Carolina Alpha **EVE MORRIS** shared a convention report, and Grand President Emerita **SIS MULLIS**, South Carolina Alpha, proudly wore her wine and blue racing silks from the 2025 and 1983 Convention in Louisville, Kentucky.

TENNESSEE

2. Nashville, Tennessee, Alumnae Club

This year, the Nashville, Tennessee, Alumnae Club launched the Abiding Angels initiative, led by Tennessee Beta **ANN GEHRET MCKINNEY**, Arkansas Alpha **CHARLOTTE ANN ECKEL EDWARDS** and Tennessee Gamma **CHRISTY CASON ROBINSON**. The group was created to reconnect with alumnae over age 75 who once played active roles in the club and in its annual fundraiser, Christmas Village. Since March, the Abiding Angels have made home visits to eight of 11 alumnae in their 80s and 90s, rekindling friendships and honoring their Pi Phi legacies. Notably, Tennessee Beta **BETTY PIRTEL DAUGHERTY** received her Diamond Arrow at





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Founders' Day, and Tennessee Beta **BERENICE MILLER DENTON**, a founding co-chair of Christmas Village, joined the club for its July supper.

3. Tennessee Beta Alumnae

Nineteen Tennessee Beta sisters reunited in Sea Island, Georgia, for a three-day summer getaway filled with laughter, games and Pi Phi memories. Organized by **SHAIZA RIZAVI** and hosted by **CATHY McNAMARA GRIER**, the weekend included a sunset boat ride, pickleball, beach time and a spirited game of Salad Bowl.

TEXAS

4. Southlake Area Alumnae Club

The Southlake Area Alumnae Club kicked off the year in true Texas style with its largest gathering ever—45 members strong.

With the theme "Pi Phi Proud," the September meeting set the tone for an exciting year ahead.

5. Texas Beta Alumnae

Texas Betas **ANN WARMACK BROOKSHIRE** and **PAIGE TACKETT JANSEN** were honored as Advisors of the Year at the Southern Methodist University (SMU) Greek Awards in May 2025. As alumnae advisor co-chairs, they were recognized for their outstanding service to the Texas Beta Chapter and the Panhellenic community.

Texas Delta Alumnae

Texas Delta **VALERIE NEAL**, Ph.D., recently published her fifth nonfiction book, "On a Mission: The Smithsonian History of U.S. Women Astronauts." A leading space historian, Valerie wrote the book to spotlight the 61 American

women who have served as NASA astronauts since 1978—many of whom remain largely unrecognized despite their groundbreaking achievements.

WASHINGTON

6. Seattle, Washington, Alumnae Club

The Seattle, Washington, Alumnae Club celebrated nine newly minted Golden Arrows from four chapters with an afternoon tea hosted by California Delta **JEANETTE BARTHEL DERRY**. Guests enjoyed homemade treats and a joyful performance from the Fort Worth, Texas, Alumna Club—featuring three songs celebrating the honorees. Among the 30 attendees from 13 chapters was special guest California Delta **JANE BONY HEISERMAN**, past Music Committee Chair. ←



Sydney making her debut on Stanford University's track and field team.
(Photo by John P. Lozano)

In the Pursuit of Passion

“Some things in life are so good you won’t even know how to ask for them,” says California Alpha **SYDNEY BARTA**, reflecting on what she would tell her six-year-old self who was uncertain she would ever walk again. After losing her left leg to a sudden injury, Sydney has now made history as Stanford University’s first Paralympian to compete for the track and field team—a testament to her journey defined by grit, determination and gratitude.

In October 2010, Sydney participated in a kids’ fun run around Washington, D.C., with her first-grade class. Following the race, Sydney was waiting for her mother in a parking lot when metal scaffolding suddenly fell onto her foot, shattering her ankle. She was transported to the hospital to assess the damage—only to face four long months of complications. She first developed compartment syndrome, resulting in severe pressure buildup around her foot, and eventually sepsis. A rising fever indicated an emergency, and doctors made the difficult decision to amputate Sydney’s left leg.

From intense phantom pain to prosthetic complications, the recovery process was not without challenges. After months of trial and error, Sydney finally found a prosthetic that suited her, learned to walk again and returned to what she loved most: school and sports. She eased in by playing softball and eventually transitioned to basketball at eight years old. But after complaints arose from other parents about Sydney competing with a prosthetic leg, she was met with a new set of challenges—ones that targeted her self-esteem. “I realized that in order to compete at the level I wanted to, I had to make myself appear more normal,” she shares. Although a difficult weight to carry at her age, the experience led to Sydney’s resilient mindset which she still leans on today. “I quickly learned I can’t control what people say about me, but I can control the effort I put in.”

After discovering a love for running and its demand for perseverance, Sydney began devoting her life to training. In hail, snow or freezing temperatures, Sydney would be on the track until 10 p.m. most nights, pushing herself in pursuit of personal growth.

Channeling this tenacity, Sydney went on to become an accomplished track and field athlete, winning several notable championships including the Para Pan American Games in Santiago, Chile—a moment she describes as one of her proudest. Despite lack of emotional support, academic stress and training inconsistency at the time,

Sydney didn't let self-doubt win even as it spiraled in the moments leading up to the starting line. "If you can give yourself even two seconds of courage and confidence, you will open so many doors instead of closing them on yourself," Sydney says. "I showed up in that moment, and I won because of it."

Sydney trained independently during her first two years at Stanford University, but after coaches recognized her innate talent and ability, she was added to Stanford's track and field team. "My life completely changed in the best way possible," she reflects. Not only did this give Sydney access to top-tier training and a supportive team, but it also helped her achieve a dream so many athletes chase. "I know many athletes who have had to choose between education and their career, so I feel incredibly lucky I get to live this life."

Being the first Paralympian to make the Stanford track and field team also fueled a deep sense of purpose for Sydney: Para-athlete advocacy. "I'm sure there are hundreds of people with disabilities who have wanted to compete for Stanford's track and field team," she explains. "For me to be able to prove the value we bring is an incredible experience." Although Sydney is proud to witness the rising recognition of Para-athletes, her hope is to continue making actionable changes at the policy level to make room for even more opportunity. "I want to ensure these athletes are supported, but just having representation is a huge step."

From the fear she felt at six years old, lying in a hospital bed, to competing for one of the most prestigious universities in the country, every finish

line Sydney crosses is a step forward for Para-athletes around the world. Even in inevitable moments of self-doubt, uncertainty and exhaustion, Sydney credits her success to the mindset that continuously fuels her drive. "My life is shaped by gratitude," she says. "To me, it's such a blessing to be tired in the pursuit of something you love." ←

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If you can give yourself even two seconds of courage and confidence, you will open so many doors instead of closing them on yourself.

Sydney winning bronze at the 2025 World Para Athletics Championships in New Delhi.
(Photo by Markus Hartman/USATF)





COLLEGIATE news

ARIZONA

1. Arizona Alpha - University of Arizona

Co-host of NBC News The Today Show and Arizona Alpha **SAVANNAH GUTHRIE** recently visited the University of Arizona to film a special hometown news segment and had the opportunity to meet with Arizona Alpha Chapter members. The collegians loved hearing how her time in Pi Phi shaped her collegiate experience and were excited to share with her the chapter's recent accomplishment of receiving the 2024 Balfour Cup. Savannah shared stories of the friendships she built with her Pi Phi sisters that she still cherishes today—a reminder of the power of sisterhood and Lifelong Commitment.

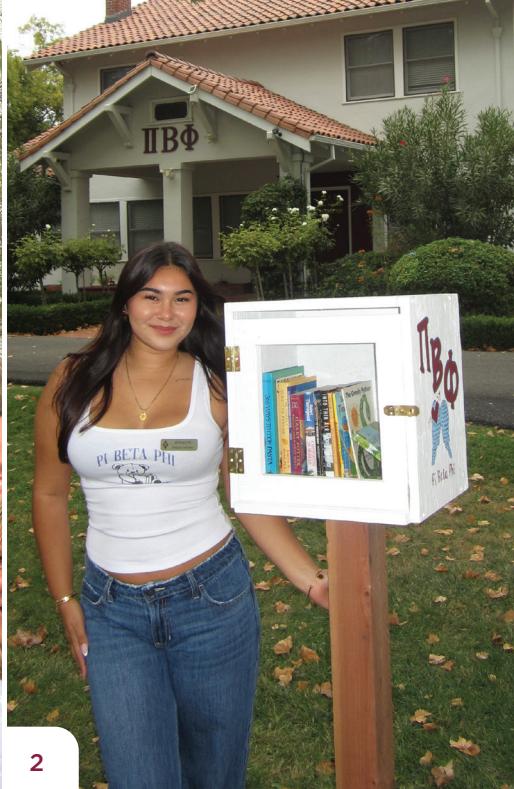
CALIFORNIA

2. California Theta - University of California, Davis

In Fall 2025, California Theta launched their Little Free Library® to give back to the Davis, California, community. Vice President Community Relations **BRIANA GONZALES** shared, "I became deeply involved with our philanthropy and learned more about literacy rates both in Davis and around the world. It was important for me to help our chapter grow while finding a meaningful way to strengthen our Read > Lead > Achieve® initiatives, leading us to create the library."

3. California Zeta - University of California, Santa Barbara

California Zeta is proud to highlight **FRANCESCA PINON**, who has spent the past several summers volunteering as a counselor at Rad Camp in Southern California. Rad Camp is a week-long overnight program that provides one-on-one support for individuals in the neurodivergent community while giving caregivers time to rest and recharge. Reflecting on her experience, Francesca shares, "Rad Camp is a space where each person feels accepted, celebrated and acknowledged for the incredible human they are." She explains one of the most meaningful parts of volunteering is knowing the caregivers feel at peace. "We have the chance to give caregivers the



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much-needed time to rest and recharge, knowing their loved ones are in good hands."

ILLINOIS

4. Illinois Kappa - University of Chicago

Vice President Recruitment

ALLEGRA HAMACHER guided Illinois Kappa during Spirit Week with activities designed to create a welcoming and supportive space for Potential New Members. In preparation for Bid Day, members designed creative postcards and filled them with heartfelt, handwritten messages to future sisters. The postcards served not only as a fun and meaningful craft but also as a way to remind

New Members they are joining a community built on love, support and genuine connection.

IOWA

5. Iowa Zeta - University of Iowa

The Iowa Zeta Chapter proudly established a Little Free Library outside the chapter facility to serve the local community. This free book-sharing spot invites neighbors and passersby to take a book or contribute one—fostering a love of reading and supporting literacy in the neighborhood.

1. Arizona Alpha

SAVANNAH GUTHRIE

(middle, black dress) poses with Arizona Alpha members holding the 2024 Balfour Cup.

2. California Theta

BRIANA GONZALES

poses with the Little Free Library outside the chapter facility.

3. California Zeta

FRANCESCA PINON

with her buddy while volunteering at Rad Camp in Southern California.

4. From left: Illinois Kappas

SIENNA SATEGNA,

LAUREN SHU and **CLAIRE EASTERLING** writing postcards to future Pi Phis.

5. The Little Free Library

established in front of the Iowa Zeta Chapter facility.

1. From left:
Kansas Alphas
DIANE UNRUH,
KAMMIE GREEN
and CHC President
PAM RUSSELL
ALEXANDER with
their SFL Awards.

2. Michigan Beta
ABBY BUTER before
her volunteer shift at
the hospital.

3. Missouri Gamma
ABBEY OLIVER
poses with her book,
"My Pi Phi Pal."



KANSAS
1. Kansas Alpha – University of Kansas
The Kansas Alpha Chapter proudly celebrated a remarkable night of recognition at the 34th Annual Sorority and Fraternity Life (SFL) Awards in Spring 2025. Kansas Alpha was named Panhellenic Association Chapter of the Year, and also received the SAPEC Partners in Prevention Award, recognizing its proactive efforts in promoting education and safety on campus. Chapter House Corporation (CHC) President **PAM RUSSELL ALEXANDER**, Kansas Alpha, was honored with the Outstanding Sorority and Fraternity Volunteer Award, while Director Member Conduct **DIANE UNRUH** received the Outstanding Campus Leader

Award for her impactful leadership across the university. Director New Member Experience **MADELYN MEYER** was also recognized as the Outstanding SFL New Member/Neophyte, highlighting her remarkable contributions as a New Member.

MICHIGAN

2. Michigan Beta – University of Michigan
ABBY BUTER devotes her time to the University of Michigan's Post-Anesthesia Care Unit and Ronald McDonald House Charities of Ann Arbor (RMHCAA). At the hospital, she loves talking with patients, noting these conversations "not only provide comfort during what can be an anxious time, but also

allow her to learn from the diverse, and sometimes hilarious stories they share." At RMHCAA, Abby helps create a welcoming space for families with children receiving care at the hospital. Whether she is cleaning shared spaces, restocking snacks or assembling care packages, she sees how the simplest actions can make a big impact. "Even small gestures such as a thoughtfully prepared care package can bring a sense of comfort and relief during an incredibly difficult period," Abby shares.



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MISSOURI

3. Missouri Gamma - Drury University

For her small press publishing course, **ABBEY OLIVER** created "My Pi Phi Pal," a children's book inspired by Missouri Gamma's pen pal program with local students at Disney Elementary. The book highlights the meaningful connection between Pi Phi sisters and their young pen pals and features artwork from the students. "It's amazing how much the kids look forward to our letters," shares Abbey. "They start to see us as people they want to grow up to be." Abbey expanded the project by turning one student's artwork into custom t-shirts. These unique shirts became a fun, meaningful feature

during recruitment and sparked conversations with Potential New Members. Through this project, Abbey has gained professional skills while giving back to her community and sisters, showing what it truly means to be a Pi Phi.

MONTANA

Montana Alpha - Montana State University

This year, many Montana Alpha members have taken on professional roles far beyond the walls of their chapter facility. **KELSEY BUSHARD** works as an equipment manager in a micro-fabrication research lab where she leads a team of mechanical engineers to make sure her lab runs smoothly. Vice

President Community Relations

KERRIANNE KIMBRELL served as a summer intern in Washington, D.C., for a Senator's office where she gained hands-on experience in government while representing both her chapter and Montana State University. Vice President Recruitment **MORGAN WHERRY** is interning with the Bozeman Health Deaconess Regional Medical Center, working alongside the nurse educator for the mother/baby unit and the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit. And Chapter President **MELANIE IRWIN** worked as a process engineering intern at a refinery in Laurel, Montana, where she contributed to various engineering projects under senior engineering mentorship.



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OHIO

1. Ohio Lambda – Case Western Reserve University

The Ohio Lambda Chapter hosted its first “The Arrow Open,” a pickleball tournament fundraiser to support The Literacy Fund at Pi Beta Phi Foundation. With more than 50 teams signing up to play, everyone who participated shared how much they enjoyed the event’s atmosphere and organization. Ohio Lambda members loved engaging with fraternity and sorority life and the broader campus community while supporting their commitment to Philanthropic Service to Others.

OKLAHOMA

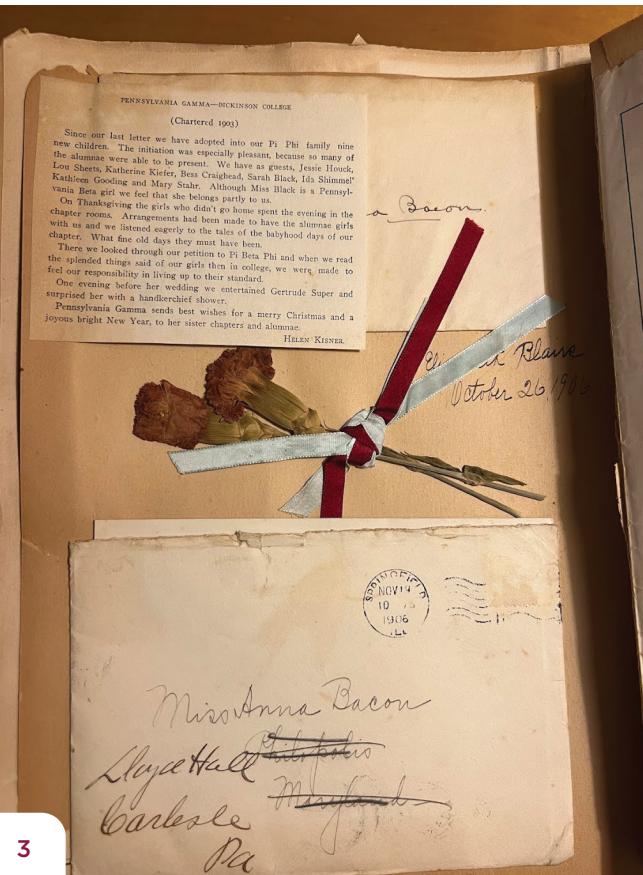
2. Oklahoma Alpha – University of Oklahoma

Growing up side by side, **ZADIE** and **ELLA BALDWIN** shared everything—from family traditions to countless childhood memories. This year, their bond grew even stronger as Zadie ran home to Ella on Bid Day. “I feel incredibly blessed to have my biological sister also as my sorority sister,” shares Ella. “Pi Phi has given me more than I could have ever dreamed of, and now my sister gets to experience that same magic.” Zadie also shares what this experience means to her. “Growing up, I always wanted to be just like Ella. She has been my role model and the person I look up to in every aspect of my life. Getting to see Ella make such strong, lifelong friendships through Pi Phi has been such a blessing and a privilege, and I can’t wait for my future in Pi Phi!”

PENNSYLVANIA

3. Pennsylvania Gamma – Dickinson College

This summer, Chapter President **LILY NEEMES** interned at Dickinson College’s archives, where she discovered mementos from several Pi Phis from the early 1900s—including **ANNA BACON**, initiated in 1906. In Anna’s scrapbook, Lily found pressed wine carnations, Pennsylvania Gamma programs, paper arrows and composite pictures. This experience made Lily reflect on the importance of maintaining Pennsylvania Gamma’s archives and ensuring that events, programs and memories are recorded—just as Anna had done more than a century ago.



SOUTH DAKOTA

South Dakota Alpha - University of South Dakota

In the spring, South Dakota Alpha members invited Girl Scout troops to the chapter facility for an afternoon filled with fun. They engaged in Dr. Seuss themed crafts and activities to celebrate National Read Across America Day and Dr. Seuss's birthday. To celebrate Read > Lead > Achieve® month in September, South Dakota Alpha hosted the event again, naming it "Bookworms and Badges." This event was nature themed, and the Girl Scouts enjoyed an outdoor scavenger hunt, games and a group activity with a parachute.

TEXAS

4. Texas Alpha - University of Texas

Texas Alpha helped improve literacy in the Austin, Texas, area by donating 2,000 new books to three Title 1 elementary schools. They partnered with a local literacy nonprofit, Book Drive for Kids, to distribute and run the free book fairs. Texas Alpha members loved helping students choose the perfect book to take and read at home. "It was so fun to see the kids' faces light up when they realized the books were free!" shares **MELANIE KOCUREK**.

1. Ohio Lambda members at "The Arrow Open" pickleball tournament philanthropy fundraiser.

2. From left: Oklahoma Alpha sisters and biological sisters **ZADIE** and **ELLA BALDWIN** on Bid Day.

3. Mementos from Pennsylvania Gamma **ANNA BACON**'s archives in 1906.

4. From left: Texas Alphas **KATIE TATUM** and **MELANIE KOCUREK** pose with students from Del Valle Elementary School.



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1. From left: Texas Zetas **TAYLOR HELD, WHITNEY SCHOUTZ** and **KENDALL SMITH** during their All University Howdy philanthropy event.

2. From left: **MALLORY BURTON** and **RILEY LYLES** at Virginia Delta's Fall 2025 Bid Day.

3. Washington Alpha members at the chapter facility during a book workshop event honoring their House Director Jane Howard's new book, "Hey Nature Lady."

4. From left: Wisconsin Epsilons **LYDIA LANZEL, JORDYN OSSMANN, MADDY HARTMANN, EMMA ROWE** and **ELIZABETH BURGER** accept the FSL Award.

1. Texas Zeta - Baylor University

A tradition at Baylor University since 1962, Texas Zeta's All University Howdy serves as the "first official Texas welcome to campus" for all students. This philanthropy event allows Texas Zeta to spread awareness about Pi Phi's literacy initiatives, and with nearly 5,000 people in attendance, this is the largest philanthropy event held on Baylor University's campus.

Day with a basketball-themed "Pi Phi for the Win" celebration. They joined the Old Dominion tradition of chanting and carrying their letters to the football stadium where New Members ran home across the field.

WASHINGTON

3. Washington Alpha - University of Washington

Vice President Community Relations **PAYTON KELLY** planned a sisterhood event honoring Read > Lead > Achieve® month and the book, "Hey Nature Lady," written by Washington Alpha's House Director Jane

VIRGINIA

2. Virginia Delta - Old Dominion University

Virginia Delta was thrilled to welcome New Members on Bid



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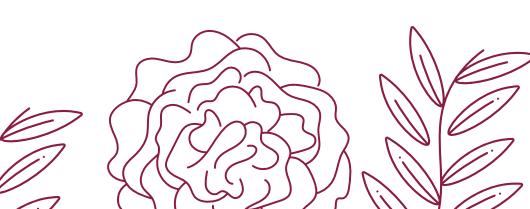
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Howard. Each member made Jane a card congratulating her on this incredible accomplishment and showing gratitude for all she does for Pi Phi. At the event, Jane conducted a mini workshop on her book, which documents her experiences with nature in places she has lived all around the world. Jane also shared advice on the writing process and answered questions from chapter members. This event not only promoted literacy but allowed Washington Alpha to celebrate Jane, who has been so influential on the chapter's member experience.

WISCONSIN

4. Wisconsin Epsilon - University of Wisconsin-Green Bay

The Wisconsin Epsilon Chapter was selected as the first recipient of the Fraternity and Sorority Life (FSL) Pillar Award created by the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay. The award celebrates the organizations that go above and beyond in supporting their philanthropies. The chapter was recognized for its commitment to Pi Beta Phi's philanthropic effort, Read > Lead > Achieve. Wisconsin Epsilon has demonstrated creativity and dedication with fundraising, most notably by collaborating with local businesses to raise money together.



UTAH

Utah Alpha - University of Utah

Utah Alpha is proud to highlight **SOPHIA MORSE** for the incredible work she's doing with African refugee families at the University of Utah's Neighborhood Partners Hartland Center. Each week, Sophia volunteers at the after-school program, where she reads with students and assists with arts and crafts. "When I'm reading with the kids and one of them finally sounds out a tough word, their whole face lights up," Sophia shares. "It makes me so proud of them. Even if we don't speak the same language, we connect through laughter and creativity." 

In Memoriam

We honor the Pi Phi sisters who have passed away and celebrate their part in our sisterhood. This list reflects notification by public obituary received at Pi Beta Phi Headquarters between June 1 and September 30, 2025. Obituaries may be submitted at pibetaphi.org/in-memoriam. Memorial gifts made to our Foundation are a lasting way to honor the memory of a Pi Phi sister. To make a memorial gift, call our Foundation at (636) 256-1357 or visit pibetaphi.org/foundation.

ALABAMA ALPHA

Phyllis Anderson Hunt, 1946
Lee Herren Stimson, 1960

ALABAMA BETA

Brittney Blake, 2007
Holley Barnes Broughton, 1980
Betty Huguley David, 1956
Sara Stuart Johnston, 1952
Misty Fowler McGehee, 2000
Carol Keese Stephenson, 1955

ARIZONA ALPHA

Alana Meyer Burke, 2004
Jane Landreth Russell, 1962

ARIZONA BETA

Sally Grayson Cullum, 1966

ARKANSAS ALPHA

Carolyn Carson Crossley, 1954

CALIFORNIA BETA

Maurine Storm Babicky, 1950
Joan Moffitt Drum, 1958
Mary Ann McCrary Thomas, 1955
Anne Stuart Wheatcroft, 1952

CALIFORNIA DELTA

Betsy Roberts Ulf, 1950

CALIFORNIA EPSILON

Dolores Groat Long, 1953,
affiliated California Delta
Elizabeth Smith Goodbody, 1954
Carmel Campbell Repp-Pearl, 1960
Lisa Ryman, 1980

CALIFORNIA GAMMA

Cheryl Jones Dumler, 1963

CALIFORNIA ZETA

Nancy Williamson Forbush, 1962
Maylo Lewis Harding, 1957
Gretchen Gingg Simpson, 1967

COLORADO ALPHA

Patricia Mooney Brynestad, 1949
Katie Dunn Parkhill, 1980

COLORADO BETA

Ruth Eitelgeorge Mills, 1949
Ilene Eberhardt Swartz, 1951

CONNECTICUT ALPHA

Barbara Smith Anderson, 1950
Donna Moseley Connors, 1967

D.C. ALPHA

Mary Cogswell Keller, 1945

FLORIDA BETA

Elizabeth Thornton Robinson, 1941

FLORIDA GAMMA

Shirley Malcom Devaughn, 1954

GEORGIA ALPHA

Jean Kerr, 1964
Bobbie Schow Mangham, 1946

IDAHO ALPHA

Jacqueline Smith, 1962

ILLINOIS ALPHA

Carolyn Emons Hinton, 1950,
affiliated Illinois Zeta
Dee Ann Smith Shuff, 1961

ILLINOIS EPSILON

Sally Vinnedge Haake, 1958
Adrienne Driftmier Widell, 1979

ILLINOIS THETA

Kathryn Knoesel Tice, 1962

ILLINOIS ZETA

Dorothy Armstrong Baker, 1949
Barbara Bishop Berger, 1963
Martha Ward Honnold, 1962
Dwayne Dalton McBride, 1946
Gwen Peterson Stacell, 1952

INDIANA BETA

LaVonne Mannfeld Bastnagel, 1947
Patricia Ann Kane Erickson, 1966

INDIANA GAMMA

Barbara Claudon Green, 1950

INDIANA HODGE

Carolyn Hill Pain, 1953

INDIANA DELTA

Mary McCabe Crowe, 1956
Valerie Berger McKinney, 1978
Linda Patterson Mitchell, 1964
Beverley Farnsworth Sunderland, 1949

INDIANA EPSILON

Joanne Leaton Walker Keller, 1949
Rosanne Nelson Watson, 1956

INDIANA GAMMA

Sandra Williams Pierson, 1955
Charlotte Forsyth Whitt, 1956

INDIANA ZETA

Kayla Warner, 2011

IOWA ALPHA

Jeanne Eaton Scott, 1974

IOWA BETA

Guinevere Waterman Eaton, 1969
Jo Stark Eddy, 1952

IOWA GAMMA

Evelyn Dilts Gore, 1954

IOWA ZETA

Carol Burger Davidson, 1952
Rosanna DeWitt Young, 1946

KANSAS ALPHA

Georgann Vandenberg Byrd Tompkins, 1952
Virginia Ward Graves, 1956
Rae Heath Hederstedt, 1961

KANSAS BETA

Marcella Ecord Barrett, 1953
Gwen Weaver Eckert, 1950
Sandra Arnold Hausler, 1956
Jo Ann Niemeier Heim, 1950

KENTUCKY ALPHA

Betty Currens Morton, 1952

NORTH CAROLINA ALPHA

Ella Montgomery Flower, 1966,
affiliated Louisiana Alpha

LOUISIANA BETA

Elizabeth Conger Craft, 1954
Alice Witherspoon Ewing, 1963
Shirley Duke Hundemer, 1953
Judith Fingerle Simmons, 1959

MAINE ALPHA

Molly Inman Nagle, 1955

MARYLAND BETA

Janice Peairs Coursey, 1956
Joline DeHart Krolicki, 1961

MASSACHUSETTS ALPHA

Alice Estey Dahms, 1950

MASSACHUSETTS BETA

Ruth-Ann Kirby Flynn, 1960
Janice Reid Tipert, 1957

MICHIGAN BETA

Sharon Belle Andrews Rowley, 1973

MICHIGAN GAMMA

Mary Ellen Curtis Kingdom, 1945

MISSISSIPPI BETA

Peggy McClure Lyons, 1962

MISSOURI ALPHA

Roseann Knauer Bentley, 1956
Kay Cougill Farr, 1955

Kristen Lee Livergood Fricks-Roman, 1974
Joan Gregg Zacher, 1962

MISSOURI BETA

Grace Marie Hall Upshaw, 1947

MISSOURI GAMMA

Kathryn Kobbermann Rowett, 1996

MONTANA ALPHA

Marilyn Milburn Asbridge, 1951
Patricia Robinson Johnson, 1945
Ann Harstad Pasha, 1971

NEBRASKA BETA

Nancy Hemphill Dawson, 1952

NEVADA ALPHA

Susan Herrmann Connelly, 1968
Sheila Murray Lawson, 1951
Brenda Barnes Nenzel, 1960

NEW MEXICO ALPHA

Judy Dramer Honegger, 1965
Elisabeth Peirce Schultz, 1953
Elizabeth Hull Vivian, 1959

NEW YORK ALPHA

Jane Bannerman Dunham, 1959
Sharon Murphy Kissel, 1967
Kristin Sunser-King, 1980

NEW YORK DELTA

Diane Elliott Hansen, 1950
Ann Penney Ross, 1950
Terrill Duke Walters, 1949

NORTH CAROLINA ALPHA

Ella Montgomery Flower, 1966,
affiliated Louisiana Alpha
Luanne Thornton Frank, 1954
Jean Roberts Holt Morgan, 1948
Bonnie Hoyle Rumsey, 1963
Mary Long Thomas, 1958

NORTH CAROLINA BETA

Beth Shand Hall, 1965
Georgia Meyer, 1960

NORTH DAKOTA ALPHA

Marlene Thompson Bang, 1949
Phyllis Lahren Rosscup, 1947
Wanda Klipfel Teply, 1973

OHIO ALPHA

Joan Herrold Wood, 1949
Martha Nolan Wood, 1956
Kathleen Bivens Young, 1965

OHIO BETA

Joanne Dilley Dannemiller, 1950
Janeth Underwood Lindborg, 1942

OHIO DELTA

Myra Rowley Gallant, 1946
Martha Pierce Glatthaar, 1951
Helen McBride Oaks, 1960
Jo Young Taylor, 1948

OHIO EPSILON

Mary Baensch Schell, 1954

OHIO ETA

Joanne McMath Bath, 1954

OHIO ZETA

Kathryn Ruddock Snow, 1966
Antoinette Kleine Walker, 1955

OKLAHOMA ALPHA

Nancy Nofstger Arnold, 1951
Barbara Beames Billings, 1972
Camilla Duncan Cloney, 1949
Nancy Newton Torcom Walter, 1961

OKLAHOMA BETA

Mary Gage Dunkin, 1963
Susan Rippy Matlock, 1966
Jane Barrow Parnell Alexander, 1958
Gloria Grady Ray, 1954
Mary Lee Gilstrap Spinks, 1955
Jane Abbott Williams, 1953

OREGON BETA

Retha Rendahl Brophy, 1945

PENNSYLVANIA BETA

Margaret Welham Altman, 1955
Anne Wagner Silberfarb, 1959

PENNSYLVANIA ETA

Katherine Heyn, 1992

SOUTH CAROLINA ALPHA

Alice Gates Schwelm, 1951
Linda Wise Suddeth, 1960

SOUTH DAKOTA ALPHA

Tamara Ullerot Baker, 1959
Linda Dewhirst Dillavou, 1957
Karla Gunderson Greenlee, 1956
Maryann Myron Jernstrom, 1950
Mary McKeon Rath, 1952

TENNESSEE ALPHA

Lydia Whisenant, 1975

TENNESSEE BETA

Rosemary Drumright Cantrell, 1947
Janet Terry Kollock, 1962
Janelle Cortner O'Keeffe, 1951
Alexandra Scavnick Scarnicky, 1962
Betsy Harrison Smith, 1952
Sarah Walker, 1956

TENNESSEE DELTA

Sue Sherwood Vickery Adams, 1965
Cheryl McAnespie Eatherly, 1967

TENNESSEE GAMMA

Mary Gennoe Bullard, 1957
Peggie Schimpf Hixson, 1974
Susan Rose Murray, 1954
Aline Gray Roberts, 1956
Lisa Stanford, 1979
Lucy Jared Stanton, 1949
Sharon Kelly Thomas, 1961

TEXAS ALPHA

Judith Gosnell Cavender, 1953
Patricia Seidenglanz Chapman, 1954
Julia Corley Fish, 1960
Anne Thomas Lasater, 1959
Beverly Smith Lide, 1947
Sara Sharkey Walker, 1994

TEXAS BETA

Mary Lou Iglehart Bookhout, 1947
Anne Toole Cottingham, 1950
Elizabeth Settle Haney, 1961
Diane Seay McNulty, 1968
Ann Martin Walke, 1948

TEXAS DELTA

Peggy Timmons Bergmann, 1973
Melissa Swords Boyer, 1983
Karen Hall Cooper, 1971

TEXAS GAMMA

Ginger Rodgers Hardage, 1974
Jacquelyn Spears-Burford, 2014

UTAH ALPHA

Marie Likins Kotter, 1965

VERMONT BETA

Joanne Kelty Giles, 1957
Beatrice Bickford Hicock, 1946
Nancy Burden Tapley, 1951

VIRGINIA DELTA

Carlotta Bell Cochran, 1976

WASHINGTON ALPHA

Sandra Ferguson Frederick, 1959
Shirley Rector Gilbert, 1948
Mary Markey Linnell, 1944
Nina Merendino-Sarich, 1972
Carolyn Hopkins Morales, 1968
Patricia Ivy Parker, 1950

WASHINGTON BETA

Evelyn Fisher Jones, 1948

WASHINGTON GAMMA

Jeanne Hein Holroyd, 1949,
affiliated New Mexico Alpha
DeEtte Slater Johnson, 1960
Linda Campbell Monroe, 1975
Leslie McKeen Schmidtke, 1956

WEST VIRGINIA ALPHA

Lucy Love Skinner, 1952

WISCONSIN ALPHA

Margaret Winding Haesler, 1955

WISCONSIN BETA

Janice Chester Cutshall, 1960
Mary Marty Stark, 1946
Harriet Van Uxem Stork, 1951

WYOMING ALPHA

Anne McGowen Chesebro, 1953 ←



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