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- To inform, inspire and challenge
- To promote leadership, scholarship and friendship
- To sustain and nurture loyalty and interest
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- To provide a forum for an exchange of information and opinion
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## Membership Recruitment Brings Heartache and Healing

### *How Sisterhood Comes Full Circle*

—By **MARIA (RIA) RILEY HART**, *Northwestern*

When my daughter Sarah went through Panhellenic Recruitment at Colorado State University, I secretly wanted her to be a Kappa; so did my Kappa mother. Kappa Kappa Gamma has been a defining force in my life—my mother’s Kappa friends were some of her closest. She served the Advisory and House Boards, and she belonged to a Kappa luncheon group called “Stitch,” made up of **UPSILON**, *Northwestern*, alumnae. My mother was thrilled when I pledged Kappa at her chapter. Many years later, it was exciting to see my mother pin her badge on my niece as she had on me and the surprised look on my niece’s face to find us there.

Even though her grades and activities were excellent and she had many friends, I was anxious when Sarah went through Recruitment. We called her the quadruple legacy—her grandmother, mother, aunt and cousin were all Kappas. Yet, for the third round of Recruitment when Sarah was not invited back to Kappa, I was stunned. My mother was very disappointed; my daughter, too, was surprised.

Sarah joined Kappa Alpha Theta, which turned out to be wonderful for her. She was voted junior class president and was president of the chapter her senior year. Sarah is rightfully proud of her Theta involvement. The Thetas were voted best on campus by the CSU faculty for the four years she was on campus. I also have enjoyed my connection with Sarah’s Theta friends and their families.

After Sarah graduated from college, my pledge daughter’s daughter was initiated into the Kappa chapter at Northwestern. Privately, that weekend I came to peace with the chapter releasing my daughter. The woman who wrote Sarah’s Theta recommendation thought it was fitting that my daughter join Theta—her Theta-legacy daughter had joined Kappa the year before me at Northwestern and is my dear sister-in-law.

I have maintained my Kappa connections and enjoy my involvement with the **DENVER ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION**. I have been on their board for 20 of the last 25 years. I was on the House Board at the University of Colorado, and now I am on the board of the Kappa Book & Author Dinner, a charitable fundraising event. This past summer, I attended a reunion of my pledge class. Sometimes I still have those pangs of disappointment, wishing Sarah could attend Kappa meetings with me. But, I know Sarah loves her Theta sisters as much as I love my Kappas, and she has the friendship and support from her sisters that I have from mine. All is good.



**MARIA (RIA) RILEY HART**, *Northwestern*, and her Theta daughter, Sarah, enjoy their Panhellenic ties.



# membership recruitment

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## Legacy Policies:

- ▶ Legacies shall be voted upon at a time determined by the chapter.
- ▶ A legacy letter will be sent to the potential member's closest Kappa relative, provided the potential member's reference has been received 10 days prior to the first day of Recruitment.
- ▶ A self-addressed, stamped envelope must be included with the reference in order to receive an acknowledgment.
- ▶ If a legacy is invited to the final (preference) round, her name must be included on the bid list above the quota break.
- ▶ To protect a legacy's privacy, chapters do not notify her relative if she is not invited to a round or extended an invitation to membership.
- ▶ Chapter members are not permitted to discuss Recruitment with alumnae.

## Legacy Notification Form

To assist our chapters in identifying Kappa legacies, please complete this form and send it to the chapter address listed in the membership directory available on the Kappa Website in the "Write a Reference" section.

*Please note: This notification does not replace a Membership Reference Form or letter of reference.*

This is to advise you that my ☐ daughter ☐ sister ☐ granddaughter ☐ great-granddaughter  
will be attending \_\_\_\_\_ this year.  
College or University

### Member Information

\_\_\_\_\_  
First Name                      Maiden                      Last Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City                      State/Province                      Postal Code

\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_\_  
Chapter                      Initiation Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone                      E-mail

### Legacy Information

\_\_\_\_\_  
First Name                      Middle                      Last Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Street Address

\_\_\_\_\_  
City                      State/Province                      Postal Code

\_\_\_\_\_  
High School Attended

\_\_\_\_\_  
Academic Class Entering



# membership recruitment



ATTACH  
PHOTO  
(OPTIONAL)

## MEMBERSHIP REFERENCE FORM

(To be used by members of Kappa Kappa Gamma only)

### What to Send

Complete the Membership Reference Form. If available, attach a current photograph of the potential new member.

### Who Can Send

Any alumna member may submit references. An active member may write a reference for a potential new member, except to her own chapter.

### Where to Send

Return the completed form to the Membership Chairman of the appropriate chapter. Addresses are available on the Kappa Web site ([www.kappa.org](http://www.kappa.org)) in the "Write a Reference" section.

### Academic Requirements

A potential new member who has attained at least a "B" average or its equivalent under any other grading system from high school or at least a "C+" average or its equivalent under any other grading system for the previous completed term as a full-time student at a college or university may be considered for membership. In extraordinary cases, the chapter may petition the Director of Membership for an exception.

### Remember Kappa Kappa Gamma and NPC Guidelines

- Once Recruitment has started, alumna and active members from other campuses must NOT contact chapter members to inquire about a PNM's progress.
- Alumnae should neither expect to receive any information about the status of a specific potential new member nor expect to receive bid list information.
- Alumnae are prohibited from sending food or gifts in any form to the chapter on behalf of a potential new member.
- Violation of Panhellenic rules by alumnae may cause the chapter to be sanctioned.

### Legacies

- A legacy is a sister, daughter, granddaughter or great-granddaughter of an initiated member.
- If a legacy is invited to the final (preference) round, her name must be included on the bid list above the quota break.
- To protect a legacy's privacy, chapters do not notify her relative if she is not invited to a round or extended an invitation to membership.

## 1. Potential Member Information:

Name of Potential Member:	_____	Attending:	_____
	(Last) (First) (Nickname)		(College/University)
Home Address:	_____		
	(Street Address)	(City)	(State) (Zip Code)
Home Phone Number:	( )	Home E-mail Address:	_____
Name of Parent(s) or Guardian(s):	_____		
High School:	_____		
	(Name)	(City)	(State) (Zip Code)
Class Size:	_____	Rank:	_____
GPA:	_____	SAT/ACT (if known):	_____
Year Graduated:	_____		
School(s) attended after high school, if any:	_____		
	(Name)	(City)	(State) (Zip Code)
GPA:	_____	Number of Terms Completed:	_____
Class:	Fr. <input type="checkbox"/> So. <input type="checkbox"/> Jr. <input type="checkbox"/> Sr. <input type="checkbox"/>		

## 2. Potential Member Connections:

Kappa Kappa Gamma Legacy:	<input type="checkbox"/> Sister	<input type="checkbox"/> Mother	<input type="checkbox"/> Grandmother	<input type="checkbox"/> Great-grandmother
Name:	_____			
	(Last)	(First)	(Nickname)	(College/University Attended)
Address:	_____			
	(Street Address)	(City)	(State)	(Zip Code)
Phone Number:	( )	E-mail Address:	_____	
Other NPC Affiliations:	_____			



# membership recruitment

## 3. Qualifications:

**Kappa Kappa Gamma at its core is about an arc of qualities: leadership, scholarship and friendship.**

Please check and add comments and examples in order to provide more information about the qualifications of the potential member. (May attach sheet if space provided is not adequate.)

### Leadership

- ☐ Extracurricular activities
- ☐ Volunteer activities
- ☐ Leadership abilities
- ☐ Commitment
- ☐ Ability to set standard

### Comments:

### Scholarship

- ☐ Honor student
- ☐ National Honor Society
- ☐ Awards (list)
- ☐ Committed to lifelong learning
- ☐ Likely to finish college

### Friendship

- ☐ Congenial
- ☐ Poised
- ☐ Compatible in a group
- ☐ Reserved/quiet
- ☐ Enthusiastic
- ☐ Loyal
- ☐ Integrity
- ☐ Supportive

## 4. Other Information:

Suggested topics of conversation during Recruitment:

With what type of person should the potential new member be matched during Recruitment (i.e., leader, academic, socially-oriented, etc.):

## 5. Endorsement:

Please check one of the following:

- ☐ Close KKI connection (i.e., aunt, cousin, stepmother, stepsister, other) \_\_\_\_\_ years
- ☐ Personally know the potential member for \_\_\_\_\_ years
- ☐ Personally know the potential member's family for \_\_\_\_\_ years
- ☐ Do not personally know potential member; information from \_\_\_\_\_

**I hereby endorse this potential member for membership in Kappa Kappa Gamma.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature) (Print First Middle Last) (Date)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Street Address) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

Phone Number: ( ) Chapter: Initiation Date:

E-mail:

- ☐ Please send an acknowledgement that my reference has been received in the self-addressed, stamped envelope I have included with my reference form.
- ☐ Please send an acknowledgement by e-mail that my reference has been received.

## fraternity news



The first-ever Greek Education Summit was held at Kappa Kappa Gamma.

### Kappa Hosts Greek Education Summit

On March 31, a Greek Education Summit was held at Kappa Kappa Gamma Headquarters, gathering 26 education and program staff from 20 Greek men's and women's organizations.

This first-time event was created by Kappa's Education and Training Department after many conversations with Greek organizations about tackling similar education topics. The purpose for gathering was simple: to collaborate, share ideas and foster relationships from which new educational partnerships can be built.

"The ability to brainstorm and learn ideas from the other individuals/Greek groups was the most important learning outcome for me," said one attendee. "To have the ability to provide and gather feedback on a variety of programming ideas was extremely helpful."

The agenda for the two-day event included an e-learning presentation by Lori Beale, Founder and CEO of InVision Learning, located in Boston. Also, Daniel Newhart, Director of Research and Assessment at The Ohio State University, Department of Student Life, shared insights on assessment and its importance to education.

Additionally, participants shared a current or recently completed project, gaining valuable feedback and ideas. Roundtable discussions included education topics focusing on the Greek-

letter and higher education communities, such as risk management, mental health, values-based leadership and academic success.

"It is great to see that we have many of the same goals," said one attendee. "I am looking forward to more idea sharing and collaboration in the future."

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### New @ Kappa Learning Institute: Why Do People Haze?

In a series on hazing, the second course on the Kappa Learning Institute (KLI) explores the myths and facts about hazing and the possible consequences. Sadly, many people believe hazing is a necessary rite of passage that creates bonds and team building within a group. Although this is not true, the misconception lives on.

YOU can take action to stop hazing today! Start by visiting the KLI website. Go to [www.kappa.org](http://www.kappa.org) and find KLI under the Education tab.



KLI courses can be found on [www.kappa.org](http://www.kappa.org), under the Education tab.



## Welcome New Associations!

### ***Hattiesburg-South Mississippi***

For more information, contact **HERMINE McLARTY GRANBERRY**, *Mississippi*, [herminegg@bellsouth.net](mailto:herminegg@bellsouth.net) or 601-296-1773.

### ***Chico-Redding***

For more information, contact **JENNIFER FULLER ARN**, *Massachusetts*, [jena@localnews1.net](mailto:jena@localnews1.net) or 530-343-2820.

Joining an association is a great way to support Kappa! Currently, more than 16,000 women are dues-paying members of a Kappa Kappa Gamma alumnae association. Help us grow by joining today—it's never too late! Not sure how to contact your local association? E-mail Fraternity Headquarters at [kkghq@kappa.org](mailto:kkghq@kappa.org) or visit [www.kappa.org](http://www.kappa.org).

## Special Interest Alumnae Associations

*Alumnae association growth is key to Kappa's success. Perhaps one of Kappa's special interest alumnae associations offers just the niche for you!*

**The Golden Key Alumnae Association** is a virtual alumnae association that holds monthly meetings via a chat room, has officers, pays dues and participates in philanthropic endeavors including rescuing lost badges. For more information, visit [www.gkaa.org/](http://www.gkaa.org/) or request to join The Golden Key Alumnae Association of Kappa Kappa Gamma on Facebook.

**The Stars & Stripes Alumnae Association** was formed to benefit Kappa alumnae who are affiliated with the military. This group includes Kappas who are serving in the military, as well as Kappas who are spouses, parents or siblings of members of the military. The goal of the Stars & Stripes Association is to connect all military-affiliated alumnae to Kappa Kappa Gamma, no matter where they may be located. For more information, visit the Stars and Stripes Facebook page by searching "Kappa Kappa Gamma Stars and Stripes AA" on Facebook or visit their website at <http://associations.kappakappagamma.org/starsandstripes/>.

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## Learning to LEAD in a New Style!

Four Florida chapters of Kappa, including **ETA ETA**, *Central Florida*, **DELTA EPSILON**, *Rollins*, **EPSILON PHI**, *Florida*, and **EPSILON ZETA**, *Florida State*, gathered on the University of Central Florida campus for a Kappa LEAD Seminar: Leadership Education and Development. This new style of Kappa Trainer visit puts a twist on leadership training, gathering three to five Chapter Councils to hone their leadership talents and share creative ideas.



## fraternity news

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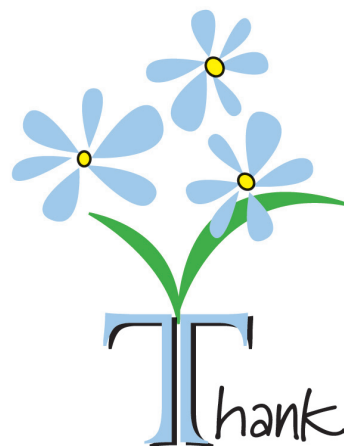
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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State/Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter/University: \_\_\_\_\_ Init. Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

☐ New Address? ☐ New to Area? E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Address: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ I would like to work with a chapter in an advisory position.

Mail to **Kappa Kappa Gamma**, Attn: Owl Out On A Limb, P.O. Box 38, Columbus, OH 43216 ([kappaowls@kkg.org](mailto:kappaowls@kkg.org))

# Are you an owl out on a limb?



# Welcome, Eta Omicron Chapter!

Kappa Kappa Gamma welcomes our newest chapter, **ETA OMICRON** at Northeastern University!

Following an open house attended by more than 200 interested women, interviews with Boston-area Kappa alumnae and the colonization team, and an invitation-only, iris-adorned brunch, the charter members of Eta Omicron colony were pledged on January 30, 2010.

Congratulating the 86 charter members of Eta Omicron, installed March 27, 2010, Sarah Decker, Northeastern's Director of Fraternity and Sorority Life, challenged the charter members to continue their excellent work as they begin a new era of sorority life on campus and in the Boston community.

Eta Omicron is the seventh NPC women's fraternity to be established at Northeastern, which was founded in 1898. A private research university, Northeastern is located in the heart of Boston near the financial district and in the biomedical research corridor. Northeastern enrolls more than 15,000 undergraduate and 5,000 graduate students where 9,600 students are residents of the campus dorms and apartments. With more resident students than ever, the desire for more students to be part of a Greek-letter community has increased.

Northeastern's signature cooperative education program (co-op)—as well as student research, service learning and global learning—build the connections that enable students to transform their lives and the lives of others. The university offers a comprehensive range of undergraduate and graduate programs leading to degrees through the doctorate in six undergraduate colleges and eight graduate schools.

The university's outstanding support of Greek life was one of many attractions to this institution for Kappa. The charter new member class boasts the highest GPA of any Greek-letter organization at Northeastern. Eta Omicron members are campus and community leaders, bringing much to this new chapter as leaders, scholars and philanthropy-focused women.

Installing officers were Fraternity President **DENISE RUGANI**, *UC Davis*; Director of Membership **ELIZABETH BAILEY**, *Mississippi*; Region 1 officers **CLAIRE ST. MARTIN COLLINS**, *Emory*, and **KELLY MATYAS MAGYARICS**, *Pittsburgh*; Rho Province Directors **ALLYSON KINNEY**, *Connecticut*, and **JULIE CARLEY REILLY**, *Puget Sound*; Coordinator of Chapter Development **JANICE FRANKLIN LARSON**, *Akron*, and Chapter Consultant **MELISSA SHEARER**, *Vanderbilt*.



Charter members of **ETA OMICRON**, *Northeastern*, celebrate the installation of their chapter.





# The Value of Being **KIND**

—By LOIS CATHERMAN HEENEHAN,  
*Adelphi*

*To keep that golden chain bright and shining takes thought and imagination. LAUREN PARSEKIAN, Pepperdine, has found a unique way to make others aware of the need for kindness, along with a way for kindness to be passed from person to person.*



*Kindness is the golden chain by which society is  
bound together. —Goethe*





Having suffered from unkind behavior from others in middle school, Lauren recalls that as the hardest period of her life. Entering middle school, she had friends. Then some of these “friends” decided she wouldn’t be one of them. Seventh and eighth grades were so bad that she became afraid to go to school. Her grades dropped; she battled depression and even thought frequently about suicide. She felt worthless, ugly and stupid.

One girl took Lauren’s side throughout, though Lauren said it meant that this girl had to “sacrifice her seat at the ‘cool’ lunch table.” Sadly, girls think that this cattiness and cruelty will fade away as they grow older, but this is not always true. The “mean girls” may continue to be mean.

College was a very different experience for Lauren. She had not planned to go through recruitment but her Rho Chi (Recruitment counselor) encouraged her, and Lauren says, “I really connected with Kappa.” Her pledge class was very supportive, and by junior year, Lauren was Vice President-Academic Excellence. It was about the same time that her thoughts turned to a special project.

As a film student at Pepperdine, she was fortunate to intern for Tom Shadyac, producer/director/writer, known for *Ace Ventura: Pet Detective*, *Bruce Almighty* and other hits.

Working with him on a documentary, Lauren realized that this was a means to creating a movement and the KIND Campaign was born. Traveling with him to a film festival, Lauren pitched the idea of a documentary about girls who suffer such abuse from “friends.” He supported the concept and Lauren was off and running.

Molly Stroud joined Lauren in founding KIND. Also a film student at Pepperdine, Molly had similar experiences, though not until her junior year in high school. She says, “Getting hurt emotionally or physically by other girls should not be considered a ‘rite of passage’ or be expected as the norm.” She hopes that the KIND Campaign will “touch others’ lives through dialogue, awareness and kindness.”

“You are not alone,” says the home page of the website [www.kindcampaign.com](http://www.kindcampaign.com). And the Mission Statement explains: “A movement based upon the powerful belief in Kindness, that seeks to bring awareness and healing to the negative and lasting effects of abuse within the Girl World.” Volunteers do the work of the nonprofit organization, including **PATTI GRANDIDGE**, *Pepperdine*, who serves as secretary/treasurer. The Internet, Facebook, Twitter and word of mouth spread the word. Lauren appeared on the *Dr. Phil Show* and was quoted in a *New York Times* article.

Financial support for a documentary came largely from Tom Shadyac, but the members of **ETA BETA** Chapter stepped up and raised \$15,000 through various campus projects. The documentary crew of five set off in a van on a cross-country filming trip.

“The documentary road trip was amazing!” says Lauren. “It was life changing! We put 10,000 miles on the van, traveling from Los Angeles up the west coast to Washington, along the Oregon Trail, east to New York, down the east coast and across the south for about six weeks. We had 60 cities scheduled for stops but ended up with more than 100.” They made presentations at school assemblies, interviewed girls, talked with professionals in the field, and covered varied age groups and communities. They stayed with friends or interested people along the way, sometimes in rooms donated by the Marriott Corporation.

“We would wake, pack the van, do interviews and make presentations, sometimes visiting three cities a day,” Lauren says. “And Molly and I had our mothers with us—they loved it! It was so nice to have the support of my mother before and after every interview and presentation and they both had a lot of fun.”

“Every day was a new adventure for the five of us,” Debra Parsekian says. “We met such KIND people along the way and saw some of the most beautiful parts of the country. I am so proud of my daughter Lauren. As a young girl, she always told me she would use her experience in middle school to speak out about girl-against-girl ‘crime.’ I always knew she



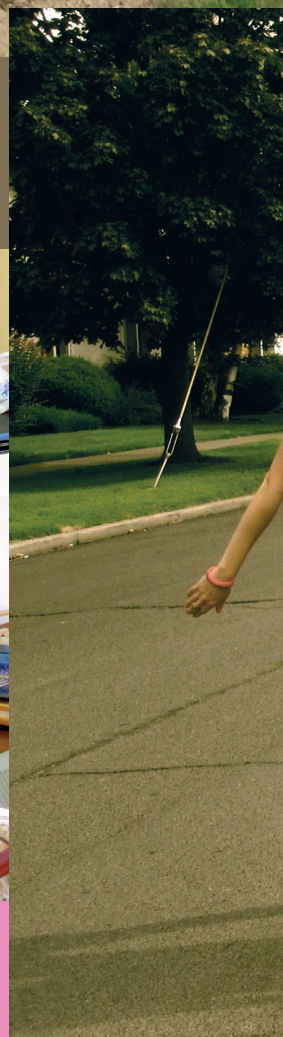




Watch the Finding Kind documentary trailer at [www.findingkind.com](http://www.findingkind.com).









would do something special. To see my daughter's dream become a reality fills me with immense joy."

Now it will begin again. Hundreds of e-mails from school officials nationwide asked for the KIND program in their schools this fall. Realizing that flying everywhere would be difficult, the group will hit the road again from September to December 2010, hopefully backed by a major donor and public donations funding the tour. "Finding Kind," the documentary, is "looking amazing" in its first cut, according to Lauren, and it will be included in school presentations.

"At the root of so many problems is a lack of human connection and respect for others," Lauren sums up, adding that girls in these young age groups don't know who they are yet and society has placed so many pressures on them. The KIND Campaign has realistic goals:

"Look, we know it's hard to be a girl sometimes. We aren't asking everyone to become best friends ... that's simply unrealistic. However, we are suggesting something very simple: to STOP the competition, STOP the cattiness, STOP the hate and BE KIND." 🗝️

## KIND Tips:

- Love and accept who YOU are.
- If you don't have anything nice to say, find something or say nothing at all.
- Give one compliment a day to a complete stranger. You'll be shocked to see how happy that makes the person.
- Smile and laugh often. Even if you have nothing to smile or laugh about.
- Apologize to people you have wronged in the past.
- Love and accept others for who THEY are. Don't be scared of people who are different.





# Manners—A Living Language

## *How to Enhance Your Life with Graciousness*

—By **JACQUELINE GILBERTSON**, *Wisconsin*

*Our Kappa ideals of compassion for friends and social responsibility teach us that manners really do matter. Our membership experience reinforces the concept that courteous behavior paves the way for getting along in life and creates a life that is joyful and fulfilling. But, navigating the guidelines of etiquette can seem daunting, especially in a fast-paced, high-tech global culture. The landscape has shifted, and the “rules” our grandmothers abided by may seem out of touch.*

An unfortunate consequence of our modern-day society is that civility has eroded. All around us people bellow into cell phones, push to get in line, do not bother to send handwritten thank-you notes and often forget to send R.S.V.P.s. Just when I thought that we had reached the nadir, I was taken by complete surprise when recently invited to dinner by a purported society matron. After offering me a glass of wine, she agitatedly mentioned that she had better not open an expensive bottle since those were reserved for her high-roller friends. Momentarily speechless, I thought of Letitia Baldrige, “We are perhaps on the cusp of a renaissance of educated taste—a movement in its early stages. Like a garden, it requires constant, tender care.”

Rules of etiquette are not etched in stone. We should preserve the best lessons from history and assimilate those from our modern society. For example, Madame de Pompadour was the declared mistress of Louis XV in the French court where etiquette reigned supreme. Her life was not without controversy, and today such a role no longer has meaning. However, she displayed exemplary resilience, discipline, and loyalty to her country during both buoyant and tumultuous times. And in her quest for beauty, she left a rich, artistic legacy. Despite generational differences, the fundamental code of conduct does not change over time. There are three principles that I believe

facilitate not only enjoying life’s feast, but also making it tastier.

### ► *Put Others at Ease*

Putting others at ease is the truest mark of social savvy. In our culture, which is geared toward personal achievement and looking out for number one, it is easy to forget that the way we treat others is far more important than a last name, an address, a robust financial statement or a remarkable job. An inner glow shines from someone who sincerely considers others’ feelings, expresses gratitude and embraces a selfless outward perspective, rather than an inward selfishness. Personal magnetism comes from the generosity of spirit—people are drawn to it.

### ► *Model Integrity*

Integrity is the second ingredient for getting the most out of life. All the grace and charm imaginable, physical beauty and superior intelligence are ineffective without impeccable integrity. The recent scandals on Wall Street provide sufficient testimony.

### ► *Use Discretion*

Lastly, discretion is the art of developing taste and prudence in what we think, and this will translate accordingly to what we say and do. It is a question of balance. Consider the following takes on the same situation:

- ▶ Boasting about one's accomplishments vs. being appropriately self-effacing, but unforgettable
- ▶ Name-dropping vs. discovering common acquaintances
- ▶ Being too eager to impress vs. showing genuine, infectious enthusiasm.

Also, with today's flurry of e-mailing, texting, blogging and social networking, it's worth noting that no written word can be taken back. Think carefully before putting thoughts down in writing because they may be in existence for future generations. Moreover, with the spate of reality shows, tell-all autobiographies and confessional interviews, it may seem that unloading intimate and personal history is honest and authentic. Alternatively, it may be burdensome, tedious and reckless. To each his own! But, an ounce of discretion may be worth a pound of good manners.

Mastering the living language of social savvy broadens the range of opportunities, both socially and professionally. Doors open, paths are smoothed, and delicate situations are handled with aplomb. It is altogether liberating and provides a distinct advantage to stepping out into the world feeling confident and knowing how to act in any social situation. It can lead to an *art de vivre* in all spheres of our life and an immeasurable appreciation for others. 🔑

## About the Author

JACQUELINE GILBERTSON, *Wisconsin*, is the founder and director of Culture Capsules, The Passport to Social Savvy. She is a recognized specialist in international social and business etiquette. Having trained at the Nadine de Rothschild Academy in Geneva, as well as The English Manner in London and with Princess Marie-Blanche de Broglie in Paris, she brings a cosmopolitan expertise to the art of modern civility. For the past 10 years, Jacqueline has organized authentic, behind-the-scenes cultural



## Kappa is...

*The contentment of friendships, but never the complacency of the clique. The encouragement of individual development, instead of strict conformity to the group. The curiosity to learn and to achieve, not limited to the quest for grades nor to a special time of life. The joy of serving others without the smugness of the do-gooder. The pride in a great heritage of a sound organization, but never the self-satisfaction of the status quo.*

*Finally, Kappa is the ability to build on yesterday while doing today as a preparation for tomorrow.*

—The History of Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity, 1870-1930

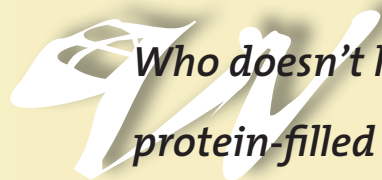
programs in select European destinations, including Paris Fashion Week.

A resident of Beverly Hills, Jacqueline has been an active member in such charitable organizations as the Costume Council and the Decorative Arts Council of the Los Angeles County Museum of Art. And of course, she enjoys her membership in the GREATER LOS ANGELES KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION.

Jacqueline offers customized classes for both children and adults. *Culture Capsules, The Passport to Social Savvy*, Jacqueline's new book, will be available soon. Questions may be directed to Culture Capsules at 310-276-6828 or [culturecapsules@earthlink.net](mailto:culturecapsules@earthlink.net).



# Saving the World—One Nut at a Time



*Who doesn't love cashews? And how do these golden, protein-filled delicacies make it to store shelves?*

*MIKAL NOLAN, Ohio State, knows, and she can tell you firsthand about the painstaking process cashew farmers go through to grow, harvest and sell these pricey nuts.*

## Agribusiness Expert Puts Comfort Aside to



During a post-harvest training for cashew nut farmers in the village Raja (on the island of Flores), Mikal and others discuss how the villagers can increase income through more efficient participation in the value chain.



**MIKAL NOLAN**, *Ohio State*, works in a village named Gero (on the island of Flores) with a women's group to create *kebun gizi organik* (an organic nutrition garden) to increase awareness of the importance of proper nutrition. The surplus vegetables can be sold in the market so the women can earn an income.



# Help Poverty-Stricken Farmers

—By **JENNY STRUTHERS HOOVER**, *Bowling Green*

► As an agribusiness adviser working in Flores, Indonesia, through Volunteer Service Overseas ([vsinternational.org](http://vsinternational.org)), an international development organization that works through volunteers to fight poverty in developing countries, Mikal teaches local farmers how to earn a better living.

“At first, they [the farmers] sold only raw cashews for a minimal price—around the equivalent of 55 cents per kilogram, because they didn’t know about processing,” Mikal explains. “But we taught them about cracking open the outer nut and drying, skinning and cleaning the cashews to earn a better market price, about four times what they could get for the raw nut.”

What many people don’t know is that cashews grow beneath a pear-shaped fruit, which falls from the tree after it ripens. Children are often seen making piles of the fallen fruit, which sit until the attached cashews are

ripe. (The fruit is typically sacrificed for the higher-value nut.)

“The edible bit is inside a hard shell, which is difficult to crack, and there is a sticky, black oil between the outer and inner nut,” explains Mikal, who found out the hard way that she is allergic to this sticky substance, resulting in an itchy mess.

“It’s amazing how many farmers have never tasted the cashew nut, partly because it requires a bit of skill to get to and partly because of the high value,” says Mikal, whose work involves developing group cooperatives to give farmers in high-poverty areas more marketing power and the ability to reach larger markets, instead of losing potential income to a middleman or manufacturing company.

When she’s not working on post-production and agribusiness-marketing plans, Mikal enjoys exploring



## *The people are warm and giving, with a strong sense*

Indonesia, which comprises more than 17,000 islands with unique cultures.

On the island of Flores, Mikal says most people live in bamboo houses, cook over paraffin stoves, enjoy sporadic electricity and draw water from wells or the ocean. "It's primitive but beautiful," says Mikal. "I love looking out at volcanoes and the mountainous view surrounded by the sea. The people are warm and giving, with a strong sense of community." She says food is happily shared even when scarce, and visitors and friends are called aunts or uncles. The owners of the home where she rents

a tiny room insist she call them Mother and Father. Living four hours from the nearest VSO volunteer, Mikal is adept at making friends, especially with those who have water.

In addition to her work in Indonesia, Mikal spent several months in a similar role in Zambia, a landlocked country in Southern Africa, assisting a regional farmers' organization made up of 600 farmers, mostly women. Her work focused on developmental land rights, which included securing long-term commitments from village chiefs to help support the women's efforts, and building



# of community.

local democracies and marketing opportunities. “These women worked hard to produce fruits and vegetables but they couldn’t find markets and new linkages,” says Mikal. Her goal was to help them find new ways to transport and sell their onions and tomatoes by building trustworthy relationships so their vegetables could be sold a longer distance away, thereby increasing marketing opportunities and income.

One of Mikal’s main concerns is for the village children. “The women are often raising their children and those of extended family,” she explains. “Poverty results from the snowball-effect since many are widows or are married to men who can’t provide for their families. It’s a massive responsibility.”

Despite the challenges in these high-poverty areas, Mikal thrives on using her knowledge of commodity tracking, market linkage and post-harvest processing to make a difference. “To see it working, to see their crops and income increasing, has such a positive impact and gives a great sense of accomplishment.”

When Mikal returned home to her family farm in Wakeman, Ohio, in January for a visit, she enjoyed the comforts most of us take for granted—clean, running water, her favorite foods and a hot shower, to name a few. She says that what began as challenges during her VSO experience (lack of personal space, primitive living conditions) have become a way of life and even a source of contentment.

Mikal’s mother, **JILL EVERSOLE NOLAN**, *Ohio State*, who speaks weekly with Mikal by phone, says, “We love to hear her stories about the people, village events and adventures . . . and even her entanglement with the mouse that eats her clothes and food! She seems to immerse herself in the culture, which allows her to adapt.”


After earning a master’s in international world development from the University of

Reading in the U.K. in 2006, Mikal wanted a grass-roots experience. Her dissertation title was “Reaffirming the Cooperative Model in Masculine Societies: A Future for Feminine Leadership,” and she was drawn to VSO’s mission. With a working knowledge of the Bahasa Indonesia language, Mikal began her VSO assignment in February of 2008.

Although her contract is almost complete, Mikal is considering renewing her commitment to work in Indonesia or Africa. Either way, she plans to continue in this field. “It can be very rewarding to work with underrepresented people, share your skills and increase public awareness,” says Mikal. “It’s always an adventure!”

A cum laude graduate, Mikal earned a bachelor’s in agribusiness and applied economics in 2004. She was a John Glenn Fellow, a member of several honor societies, and she served **BETA NU CHAPTER** as Vice President-Organization and Treasurer.

Mikal says her Kappa experience helped her gain self-confidence and the ability to work with a diverse group. “Working toward the good of the organization and problem solving are skills I use every day,” explains Mikal, who has tried to find Kappa sisters on her voyages but to no avail. Her parents always include *The Key* when they send care packages, and Mikal shared a copy with the VSO secretary in Zambia who says she wants to come to America and be a Kappa!

Mikal, like her mother, is a Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation donor. “It is important to give to the Foundation to support opportunities for collegians and alumnae to build leadership skills so they can contribute to the greater good,” says Mikal, who is humbly and fearlessly doing just that. 

Mikal says good-bye to a group of women, many of them widows, who care for orphans in a village in the eastern province of Zambia. Mikal and others had delivered corn, vegetable seeds and fertilizer. Mikal says, “There was much singing, dancing and clapping as a means of ‘thank you’... really amazing as they followed our car all the way down the dirt road like this! In the photo, they are laughing at my clapping ‘technique’ and trying to show me the proper way.”



# A Year to Remember

*We have just finished another Foundation year, and what a showstopper! Here are some highlights:*

- ▶ At the 68th Biennial Convention in June, we proudly announced that the Leadership Academy Endowment Campaign to raise \$2,500,000 was a success. With a matching gift from The Walton Family Foundation, our \$5 million endowment for Leadership Academy is complete!
- ▶ Also at Convention, Tribute Tables were set up so that attendees could make a contribution to honor someone special. The goal was to raise \$75,000. What wonderful success we had when \$80,000 was raised for the Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation in just four days!
- ▶ Our Foundation had its 20th birthday! In two decades, we have grown to an organization with more than \$30,000,000 in assets.
- ▶ We kicked off a new giving society called the Iris Circle where we ask members to contribute \$1,000 annually as an unrestricted gift to the Foundation. In the first year of this program, we have 104 new donors.
- ▶ We completed year two of our Parent Campaign where we asked parents of Kappa collegians to make a contribution in honor of their daughter. More than 1,200 parents have made gifts since the program began!
- ▶ At Convention in Phoenix, Ariz., we shared information on the terrific programs we support including financial assistance, scholarships, educational training and the operation of two historic museums. A tremendous new exhibit was showcased—"Tradition of Leadership: Education to Enfranchisement." We hope to duplicate this exhibit and share it at Province Meetings in 2011.



Loyally,

**KERRIE QUINN MURRAY, Idaho**  
Foundation President

*Thank you to the chapters and alumnae associations that made gifts to the Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation from March 1 to June 15, 2010.*

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# Letters of Thanks—

## Rose McGill Aid Comes Full Circle

I have been wanting to write since I read *The Key* issue that highlighted the Rose McGill Fund. I was moved while reading the stories of the women whose lives were affected by support received from this fund.

I, too, took advantage of the Rose McGill Fund while in college. I grew up in a family of domestic violence, but one that was very financially secure. After 27 years of marriage, my mother finally decided to file for divorce. My father's response was to cut my mother, my sister and me completely off financially. I was determined not to be "bought" by him, so in addition to getting a job, I reached out to other sources of income, one of which was the Rose McGill Fund. All these years later, I am still grateful not only for the funds I received, but also for the gentle and respectful way my request was handled.

As a result of my experience, I ask that you apply the enclosed donation directly to the Rose McGill Fund.

Loyally,

**NAN EPPOLITO WHEELER, St. Lawrence**

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** *If you or a Kappa you know is in need of emergency financial aid, please visit [www.kappa.org/foundation](http://www.kappa.org/foundation) or call the Foundation office at 866-554-1870 to find out more about the Rose McGill Confidential Aid program.*



A former Rose McGill Confidential Aid recipient and now a donor to the Rose McGill Fund, **NAN EPPOLITO WHEELER, St. Lawrence**, was thrilled when her daughter recently joined Kappa. Nan's mother-in-law is also a Kappa.



**MEREDITH HARDAGE**

## Circle Key Grants Help Kappas Reach Their Potential

During the fall of 2009, thanks to a Kappa Kappa Gamma Circle Key Grant, I completed two courses toward my master's degree—Psychology of Classroom Learning and Introduction to Counseling Practice.

Psychology of Classroom Learning expanded upon my prior knowledge as an elementary teacher. I was able to relate my classroom experiences to my peers as practical examples of the learning theories presented in the text. Intro to Counseling Practice was so exciting for me. It provided my first opportunities to learn and polish counseling skills. Each week we were videotaped in a mock counseling session. It caused a bit of anxiety for me at first, but as the weeks rolled on, I began to eagerly anticipate my next chance to practice.

After reviewing and comparing a video transcript of my first counseling session and my last video transcript, I was amazed at the growth displayed. Going back to school after seven years, five of which were spent as a stay-at-home mother of two, I was very apprehensive about whether or not I would measure up to my peers. I am very honored and proud to report that I achieved a 4.0 for this semester! I know now without a doubt that I can succeed at my chosen goals, and this scholarship has helped make all of this possible for me. Thank you!

Loyally,

**MEREDITH HARRELL HARDAGE, Georgia Southern**, Advisory Board Chairman for **ZETA Upsilon**, *Georgia Southern*





Members of the **LAKE WASHINGTON ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION** join **BARBARA WARE FEATHERSTONE, Idaho**, (back row, far left) at her home for a rose-themed luncheon to support the Rose McGill Confidential Aid program.

## ◀ Alumnae Enjoy a Fundraising Tea for Rose McGill

"I love 'taking tea' and have always enjoyed tea parties," says Barbara Featherstone. "A friend in another organization had offered a tea at her home as a fundraising auction item. I have so enjoyed being a guest at her fundraising teas that it occurred to me that it would work for Kappa. Since demands on the Rose McGill Fund are increasing as time goes on, it seemed the perfect combination—roses and tea! I created seven invitations for our auction and asked that each 'bidder' make a \$25 donation to Rose McGill. I chose to have a maximum of seven guests, as eight is a perfect number to sit around our dining table and be able to converse easily. To my delight, seven Kappas made their donations.

"The rose theme is wonderful to work with," explains Barbara. "I enjoyed every minute of planning and putting the china, silver and crystal to use. Folding the napkins to look like rose blossoms in the tea cups is a technique I learned at the Women's University Club of Seattle. We had such a good time, I am sure that there will be another Rose McGill Tea in my future!"



**BRITTANY PAYN MCGINLEY, Babson**, President of the **PHILADELPHIA ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION FOUNDATION**, helped to coordinate the association's participation in Kappa's Holiday Sharing Program. Association members also donated toys for 30 children through Family Support Services during the 2009 holiday season. To learn more about Holiday Sharing, visit [www.kappa.org/foundation](http://www.kappa.org/foundation).



**DENVER ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION** and **EPSILON BETA, Colorado State**, members raise money for the Kappa Foundation and the community through the ever-popular Iris Foundation Kappa Book and Author Dinner 2009.

Former Leadership Consultant and scholarship recipient Rev. **DEANIE WALBURN STRENGTH, Alabama**, and her family



# Kappas Helping Kappas Makes the World a Better Place!

## Q & A with former Leadership Consultant and scholarship recipient **DEANIE WALBURN STRENGTH, Alabama**

### **Q: Why did you apply for a scholarship through the Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation?**

*A: When I worked for the Fraternity as a Leadership Consultant from 1993-94, I became aware of the support programs the Foundation offers. As I applied for master of divinity programs, I also applied for the Foundation Graduate Scholarship. I was newly married and wanted to do my part in lessening the costs of my seminary education for my husband and me.*

### **Q: How did your scholarship make a difference?**

*A: The scholarship provided helpful financial support as well as moral support. When I got discouraged about the challenges of my educational program, I would think about the many people in the Fraternity, in my church, and in another scholarship agency that, through their financial awards, believed I was a good candidate for the ministry.*

### **Q: What does Kappa mean to you?**

*A: Lifelong friendship. I count the friendships with the women whom I served alongside as a Leadership Consultant the most valuable gift the Fraternity has given me. It was a delight to work with women of all ages who were leading the Fraternity ... I continue to enjoy gathering local alumnae in my area to share fellowship and strengthen the ties that bind us.*

*I'm an idealist, so Kappa's focus on leadership, scholarship and friendship is right up my alley! I appreciate the efforts the organization makes in these areas in the midst of cultural forces that do not always do the same.*

### **Q: How did receiving a scholarship influence your feelings about charitable giving?**

*A: It is a goal of mine to return to the Foundation the amount of my scholarship and then some. My husband and I are committed to charitable giving and passing onto others the gifts of scholarship that we received. Kappas helping Kappas makes the world a better place!*

### **Q: Do you feel Kappa is relevant to future generations?**

*A: As long as Kappa collegians and alumnae continue to focus on leadership, scholarship and friendship, Kappa will always be relevant to future generations of women. We need strong experiences of community to help one another succeed in these areas, and when Kappas are at their best, they provide this—and more!*

## How You Can Help!

Would you consider supporting Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation scholarships to help Kappas achieve their dreams? Online donations are safe and simple—please visit [www.kappa.org/foundation](http://www.kappa.org/foundation) to donate or to learn more about scholarships. Or contact the Foundation office toll free at 866-554-1870.



More than 20 years after Initiation, **Kansas State** pledge sisters attend a Welcome-Home Brunch held for a sister moving back to the area.



For this year's RIF project, the **GREATER RALEIGH ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION** honored those members of their group who are teachers and, through "All About Books," selected and ordered books they could use in their classrooms. Four teachers are in the association and those pictured above receiving their books are from left to right, **MAUREEN (Mo) ROGNE-PERCY, UCLA**, **SHANNA SWANN ROBERTS, Auburn**, and **WENDY VALAER BARBER, Auburn**. Not pictured is **ALEX MOJZIK, North Carolina**.

Members of the **EAST BAY ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION** put together "Kappa Study Kits" filled with treats and school supplies to deliver to active members of **PI DEUTERON, UC Berkeley**. Last year they filled 45 kits, this year 77, which were appreciated by the active members.



There is something magical about a Kappa connection, that instant bond that forms between former strangers. For **KIRSTEN BUCCIGROSSI, Central Florida/Akron**, who works as a licensed deckhand for Cruise West, it happened when she noticed that her Alaskan cruise passenger **BETTY DIECKMANN DECHERT, Cincinnati**, was from Ohio. Kirsten struck up a conversation—and they soon discovered their membership in Kappa. "We become instant friends and have corresponded frequently ever since," writes Kirsten.

A recent event was the first time so many former Presidents of the **PHILADELPHIA ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION** assembled in one large group.





Alumnae of **CHI, Minnesota**, enjoy an afternoon of miniature golf. From left are **MOLLY SCHULTZ, NATALIE ARNOLD, ANNA LARDY** and **BECKY SANTELE**, all members of the **TWIN CITIES ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION** in Minneapolis/St. Paul.



**NAOMI RATNER, Syracuse**, visits with **VIRGINIA WHITE, Syracuse**, a 98-year-old alumna who still enjoys her membership in Kappa. Virginia, who was even married in the chapter house, “shows us that Kappa truly is a sisterhood for a lifetime,” says Naomi. During the chapter house’s 80th birthday party, the art room was dedicated in Virginia’s name.



During “Kappa Kookie Night,” members of the **CHEYENNE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION** enjoy a potato bar dinner before beginning to decorate Valentine cookies to deliver to a local Veterans Administration hospital.



Members of the **GLENDAL/BURBANK (CALIF.) ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION** enjoy a tour and lunch at Descanso Gardens in La Cañada, Calif.



# accent on alumnae

Kappa Pickers from **ZETA SIGMA, North Texas**, perform during a day-long Reading Is Fundamental event hosted by the **DALLAS ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION** in partnership with Barnes and Noble. A percentage of proceeds from purchases during the day went to help the association underwrite their Reading Is Key event with Educational First Steps in March. During the event, children participated in story time, crafts and other activities, in addition to the Pickers' entertainment. **PAULA WIER SCOFIELD, LSU**, left, back row, chaired the event for the Dallas alumnae.



**JULIA TOOMEY, Florida**, and **AMANDA TOOMEY, Florida**, don't let a little rain dampen a visit to Boston's Fenway Park.



Eleven members of **GAMMA THETA, Drake**, visit their chapter house during a trip to Des Moines for the 2009 Drake Relays.



Five sisters from **Drake** gather in Chicago for an annual reunion. From left are **RUTH ANN MILLS SANDROCK, MARILYN BEARDSLEY HEISE, EBY WOODS LUNDBECK, ROMA ACHENBACH HARE** and **HELEN STEWART LUTZ**, all members of **GAMMA THETA's** class of 1957.





Santa Fe is the setting for an annual girls trip for Kappa friends from *SMU* and *Vanderbilt*.



Photo by Paris Blogger Virginia Jones.



While visiting the *Manufacture des Gobelins* in Paris, **MARY RUHING GILBERT**, *DePauw*, and **MARY BENNETT GRAUB**, *DePauw*, pose in front of a tapestry depicting Minerva, complete with the owl on her helmet.



Members of **GAMMA BETA**, *New Mexico*, stop at the Coyote Cafe during a reunion weekend in Santa Fe.

Recent **EPSILON ETA**, *Auburn*, graduates **KATIE HARRIS**, **ADAIR ACKLEY**, and **MARGARET ANNE MCGUIRE**, sport appropriate "KKI" T-shirts during their visit to the Acropolis in Athens.



Seven members of **ILLINOIS WESLEYAN's** class of 1985 celebrate their 25th reunion in Las Vegas with shopping, dining and a show.



# Key Achievements

Two members of the **OKLAHOMA CITY ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION** have been recognized by the state of Oklahoma. **POLLY PUCKETT NICHOLS**, Oklahoma, left, was inducted into the 2009 Oklahoma Hall of Fame as a community volunteer and philanthropist. A survivor of the Oklahoma City bombing, she served as co-chairman of the \$29.1 million fundraising drive to build the Oklahoma City National Memorial and Museum and serves on the Memorial board. Oklahoma Assistant Superintendent of Education **RAMONA WARE PAUL**, Ph.D., Oklahoma State, has been named by Oklahoma Today magazine as the 2009 Oklahoman of the Year. She developed Oklahoma's public early childhood system nearly 30 years ago.



**JULIE CHILDERS HENRY**, Miami (Ohio), is one of 40 individuals nationwide selected as a 2009 TogetherGreen Fellow awarded by the National Audubon Society. The fellowship offers specialized training in conservation planning and execution and the chance to work and share experiences with gifted conservation professionals. She is currently the Director of USA activities and projects for Conservation Enterprises Unlimited, a company she owns in partnership with colleagues in Australia and Canada. Her project, Wild Carbon, will work with groups on wildlife habitat protection and carbon offsetting, providing small businesses with ways to reduce the climatic impacts of their energy use. Audubon Society President John Flicker says, "Julie is the kind of person who can make a real difference in the health of our environment and the quality of our future." Julie says, "I would not be where I am today without my Kappa experiences. I am so happy for the growth opportunities Kappa provided me during college, which have helped me to grow into the successful businesswoman I am today."

**DIANE GEBETSBERGER LOWRY**, Tulsa, and **MARY FRANCES EDWARDS**, Oklahoma State, present at the World Down Syndrome Congress in Dublin, Ireland. Both women provide speech and language therapy services to children with Down Syndrome and their parents. Their presentation, "Accommodations and Modifications in the Mainstream Classroom" was well received by an international audience. Mary Frances and her husband, Dana Snodgress, moved to Ireland in 2006 to provide speech and language therapy for the County Kerry branch of Down Syndrome Ireland. In 2007, the neighboring county branch, Cork, asked her to help them recruit a speech-language therapist and Diane accepted the position. In addition to discovering their Kappa connection, the women found they had grown up 100 miles apart in Oklahoma.



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🔑 **LINDA SCIFERS GLICK**, Kansas, has chronicled her leap at age 65 from a retired university instructor to a Senior Olympian. Her book, *Yes, I Can* details her journey as a grandmother, breast cancer survivor and senior citizen, who never exercised regularly, to a competitor running 100-meter sprints and long jumping, winning 12 medals despite challenges and vulnerabilities common for older adults.



🔑 Two Kappas organized the first "Bowling for Breastcancer" event in Philadelphia in 2007, and today more than twenty events have been held all over the world in major cities such as Chicago, Dubai and Indianapolis, with the most recent in New York, where more than \$500,000 was raised. **SHERI LAMBERT**, Purdue, pictured, and **KILY BATTISTA**, South Carolina, hosted the inaugural event in 2007, and to date they have raised more than \$20,000 with this local event. As

part of National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, they orchestrated their first ever bowl-a-thon, "Bowling for Boobs," with bowlers and guests wearing pink. Both Kappas are members of the **PHILADELPHIA ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION**, where Sheri has served as Vice President and as Public Relations Adviser to Villanova. Kily is a philanthropy associate for a nonprofit organization.



🔑 **LISA HOSFIELD COCHRANE**, Missouri, has been recognized by *Working Mother* magazine and Advertising Women of New York (AWNY) with the 2010 Advertising Working Mother of the Year Award. Lisa is vice president of marketing for Allstate Insurance Company, overseeing the integrated marketing communications department. The mother of two grown children, Lisa says, "Maintaining balance in my career and in my personal life has

always been important to me and my family. I am appreciative that Allstate recognizes the importance of work/life balance among its employees." Among Lisa's list of awards are the 2008 Ad Woman of the Year from the Chicago Advertising Federation, and the 2007 NASCAR's Marketer of the Year award. Lisa and husband, Cary, are proud parents of Kate and Christopher.



🔑 **VIVIAN EYNATTEN BENEDICT**, Missouri, is surprised during Missouri's Founders Day ceremonies as collegiate member **ELIZABETH (BETH) FORD** honors her with the Vivian Benedict Outstanding Alumna Award from the **COLUMBIA ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION**. Beth told the audience that Viv was the stick to which everyone else should be measured. As a member of Theta Chapter's Advisory Board, Viv spent many years as Membership/ Recruitment Adviser, working tirelessly to help the chapter. Beth said she came to know that Viv wasn't just an alumna to be respected, but a friend, too, who was always honest with her when she faced a difficult decision. Vivian, who also received her 50-year pin, has helped in all areas of the Advisory Board for many years, and currently serves as Panhellenic Adviser. Beth says that when anyone needs anything, Viv is there and gives tirelessly to the Fraternity, showing how rewarding alumna life can be.



🔑 **MELANIE HERSCHORN**, Toronto, is a reporter for WITF 89.5 FM, the National Public Radio station in Harrisburg, Pa., and hosts the station's local "All Things Considered."





Members of Iota Chapter, *DePauw*, gather in the sitting room.

## A Professional Home Makeover—Kappa Style

**K**AREN ROBINSON JACKSON, *DePauw*, says she never really understood what went on behind the scenes when she was a collegian living in the Iota Chapter house, or what members of the House Board did to keep a sorority house running smoothly. Returning for a 25th reunion, she, as an interior decorator living in Atlanta, was dismayed at the condition of the chapter house. She said it seemed more like a dorm than a gracious home, and it spurred her to get involved in the Iota House Board.

She soon found what a struggle it was to find members for the House Board. One woman, **SALLY CROWDEN BARRETT**, *DePauw*, had handled it solo for more than ten years. At first, Karen says, there were only three members, and two were from a very long distance. But she thought that as an interior decorator she could help, and she says she really enjoyed getting the “old house” back to a state of grace.

For four years Karen and other volunteers worked to update the house. It was a labor of love for her, since her mother and aunt are also alumnae of Iota Chapter. The main goal was to come up with an eight-year plan for restoring the rooms from a “dorm” look to the look of an inviting home. Members love

the second- and third-floor lounges, one with an owl theme, the other with fleur-de-lis glamour.

Last summer, the rarely used formal room was finished in silk drapes embossed with fleurs and with blue and blue accents against beige neutrals. Now the members study, entertain and relax there every day. Curio cabinets display silver pieces Karen found tarnished in a basement closet. The chapter women seem to love the connection to these past glories of Iota, and alumnae love to reminisce. During one reunion weekend, 50-year members were shown presentation boards of the redecoration plans, and were told about the silver and the plans to display it in new cabinets. They all trudged down to the basement to see these “found” treasures, engraved trays, bowls and candlesticks, and began laughing about how they had to spend Saturday mornings polishing.

Karen knows that with any old structure, like the Iota house, maintenance is an issue. They have handled window problems, HVAC nightmares and will be re-tucking a large portion of three stories of brick. Yearly, she says, whole house reviews must take place so that unwelcome surprises are kept to a minimum. At first she thought that being far away





would be difficult, but she found it was not. "I enjoy finding and using local contractors and am challenged to keep it under budget," she says. "I am happy to pass my trade savings along, and it is a way for me to give back to Kappa, which has given me so much."

During the past four years, more women have pitched in and joined the House Board. **MARISSA GEE, DePauw**, is now President; Karen is Vice President; **BRITNEY ROSE WALKER, DePauw**, is Treasurer; and **SARA SCHADT DUGDALE, DePauw**, Karen's "pledge mom," serves as Secretary. Karen says she didn't "think about the fun a House Board position can offer, but we sure do laugh and carry on." The best compliment, however, she says, is how the changes have impacted the chapter. She feels that if it looks nice, they take better care of their home. She even received a sweet note saying how well Recruitment went due to the new Kappa look. 🗝️

A member sits at the piano, the curio cabinet with newly found silver memorabilia behind her.

A member enjoys comfortable surroundings in the newly redecorated chapter house.





# A Hearing-Impaired Kappa Paves the Way in Corporate America

—By ANN GRAHAM SCHNAEDTER, *Missouri*

Today's college graduates have a wide array of female role models, many of whom have made strides in what just a few decades ago were considered male bastions. For LINDA BEERBOWER BURKE, *William and Mary*, the challenges she faced climbing corporate ladders during the 70s paled compared to the challenge of being hearing impaired.

Linda had done well in high school, but in college she struggled to hear professors and relied on friends' lecture notes to be sure she had not missed anything. She says when she was 4 years old, her mother was amused that she had a preschool friend whom she called "Bed." His name was Ned. No one suspected these gaffes were linked to her hearing until she was tested at school, but even then she passed the "whisper test," and her parents were told that she just wasn't listening. This pattern continued through high school.

Before going off to college, Linda's hearing was tested at West Virginia University's medical center, and she was diagnosed with sensorineural hearing loss in both ears. She says she was a unique case, as she lost low-frequency tones and retained high-frequency tones (thus passing the whisper test.) She could hear vowel sounds and some consonants in human speech. At that time, though, her doctor suggested that she was doing well and did not recommend hearing aids since she was adjusting to a new environment in college. She now thinks that was the wrong advice.

She says, "Socially, I don't remember problems, except trying to identify who was asking me out on dates on the telephone." She says people tend to swallow their names when they identify themselves on the phone. "One time, in the Kappa house, I accepted a date from someone who knew me well and was in a fraternity with which I was familiar, but I was not sure who would arrive to pick me up. Two of my sisters went down to the living room to identify my date before I came down. It turned out to be someone I knew and liked a lot."

Despite her limitations, Linda was able to maintain a B average. But when she was fitted with her first hearing aid during her senior year, "It was phenomenal. I remember shrinking back in the doorway as I left the clinic, amazed at the loud sounds of passing traffic." She says her grades improved dramatically that semester.

Linda went on to attend the University of Pittsburgh's law school, graduating in 1973. That same year she landed her first job at Alcoa in Pittsburgh, as one of the first women in its legal department. At age 25, she consulted a nationally known ear specialist who informed her that by age 50 she would be completely deaf. The deterioration of her hearing continued gradually until she reached her late 40s. She says while she was careful to inform people that she was hard of hearing, she found many were not patient enough to deal with repeating things and speaking clearly. She became proficient at lip reading, as well as diffusing frustration with humor.

Linda spent 27 years at Alcoa during a time when few women were entering corporate America; eight of those years were spent as head of Alcoa's worldwide tax function. The challenges were immense, as the company was growing rapidly and expanding globally. As she became a top executive, the competitive landscape got rougher. "Being a mother was a bigger issue than merely being a woman," she says. "I had lots of help. My husband was a hands-on dad who cooked dinner every night. I had good household help and carved out enough flexibility to attend my children's events."

Linda firmly believes that today's professional women should take advantage of modern advances, such as flex- and part-time work and on-site daycare. She says women of her generation worked hard to ensure that use of such accommodations does not derail careers. "I am proud of that," she says.

After retiring from Alcoa, she spent three years at the IRS. She says it was a good time to work for the IRS. "Change was demanded and expected, so



that many barriers were down. I also assumed a new job with few boundaries, so that I was able to shape the job around things I liked best and at which I was experienced and capable.”

All this made it possible for Linda’s next leap, teaching third-year law students at Pittsburgh and doing part-time tax consulting. She says that teaching corporate tax law has been the most challenging, trying to keep it engaging and meaningful.

During her tenure at the IRS, Linda lost almost all hearing very quickly. After she left, she learned that she qualified for a cochlear implant. The technology uses electronic signals to replace the damaged hair cells of the inner ear that no longer function to transmit signals to the auditory nerve. The surgery was not easy, and the healing took about six weeks. But she says the system is a miracle. Her comprehension of one-syllable words (for which there is no context) improved from 10 percent with hearing aids, to more than 80 percent. She says she still has a hard time hearing in noisy environments, but her life has been transformed. “I can actually hear people without looking at them.”

Of her days at William and Mary, Linda says the Greek system was excellent. Her mother had been a Kappa at the University of Pittsburgh, so she was familiar with the sorority system. “Kappa gave me a first-rate group of girlfriends, many of whom are still good friends today, especially my former roommates, **BETSY EWING TEBOW** and **DALE BRUBECK** (former Executive Director of the Kappa Kappa Gamma Fraternity and Foundation).”

Linda feels her Kappa relationships made her value interaction with other women in achieving goals. She is active with the YWCA and the FISA Foundation (which focuses on the needs of women) as well as the **PITTSBURGH ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION** in activities advancing Reading Is Fundamental in a public school.

In 2008, William and Mary honored Linda as a Medallion Recipient. She has served as a member of the Alumni Board of Directors, and has recently endowed diversity programming. She thinks the lack of diversity in the late 60s inspired her passion for supporting racial and cultural diversity as a human and business necessity. Linda is passionate about embracing diversity as our country continues its multiracial, multicultural and multiethnic heritage in our global society.



Photo by Mark Portland



**LINDA BEERBOWER BURKE**, *William and Mary*





MARY-ELLEN MITCHELL, *Allegheny*, a volunteer with the Peace Corps, has formed a Girl Guide group at a local primary school on Saint Lucia.

## Kappa Friendships Form During Peace Corps Experience

—By ANN GRAHAM SCHNAEDTER, *Missouri*

Peace Corps volunteers, MARY-ELLEN MITCHELL, *Allegheny*, and KIMBERLY PARKER MATRANGA, *UC Davis*, experienced the special bond of Kappa, which transcends age and geography, when they met during training in St. Lucia prior to assignments on separate Eastern Caribbean islands. Though they graduated seven years apart on opposite sides of the United States, they discovered that the Kappa values of leadership, philanthropic work and community service are universal.

Mary-ellen says that the semesters she spent with her GAMMA RHO sisters “taught me the importance of interpersonal skills, leadership development, philanthropic work and service to my community. Two years after my graduation I have found a job that has tested all of the skills I learned in Kappa.”

In Saint Lucia, Mary-ellen is a community development worker and has started a Girl

Guide program at a primary school teaching life skills, community service and HIV/AIDS prevention. Tying into the Reading Is Fundamental program, she has started an after-school remedial reading program for students in grades three to six. Although Kim and she were together only for a short time while training in St. Lucia, it comforts her to know that she has a Kappa sister nearby.


On St. Kitts, Kim works with organizations that help persons with disabilities, helping them to build the capacity of their organizations. Her work has consisted of making strategic plans, mission statements, creating financial management procedures and creating annual reports, vital steps toward ensuring invaluable services to persons with disabilities.

She also works with children on a farm at the foothills of Mount Liamuiga, a dormant volcano, teaching the importance of sustainable agriculture. A pumpkin soup project allows the





children to learn to grow pumpkins, process them into soup and market the soup in local groceries.

Peace Corps volunteers range in age from 21 to 80 years old and can be recent college graduates, those in a mid-career change or retired. Kim says becoming a Peace Corps volunteer has been a life-changing experience for her and her husband, Geoff, who shares the adventure with her. She says every volunteer learns something different from their service. "Some of the lessons I have learned are the struggles that come with having little money or resources, and that community service is essential to any healthy society." For more information on the Peace Corps, visit [www.peacecorps.gov](http://www.peacecorps.gov). 

**KIMBERLY PARKER MATRANGA**, *UC Davis*, enjoys a Halloween party with Tony Mills, President of the Association for Persons with Disabilities on St. Kitts. As a Peace Corps volunteer, Kim works with organizations that provide services to persons with disabilities.

**MARY-ELLEN MITCHELL**, *Allegheny*, right, with village children on Saint Lucia, where she works as a Community Development volunteer with the Peace Corps.





# ROTC Cadet Dispels Stereotype of Sorority Girls


—By ANN GRAHAM SCHNAEDTER, *Missouri*

Just before graduation, **AMY RARIG**, *William and Mary*, was commissioned a 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Army and will report for Basic Officer Leadership Course (BOLC) at Fort Huachuca, Ariz., in November. She is assigned to the 501st Military Intelligence Brigade and will be stationed in Seoul, South Korea, a half a world away from the front porch of the Kappa house in Williamsburg, Va.

Amy is a Distinguished Military Graduate and is in the top seven percent of cadets in the country. She was selected as the nominee from the 4th Brigade vying for a very prestigious award, *Pallas Athene*, which goes to the top female cadet in the country.

Amy says that as a freshman she wasn't sure she was the "sorority type." Though her mother, **KRISTEN WAGNER RARIG**, *William and Mary*, is a Kappa, and her father had been an ROTC cadet at Seattle University, she thought at first she would have to choose between the two. This future geology major had just returned from two weeks climbing glaciers on Mount Baker and had made the soccer team. She says she felt more at home in a T-shirt and shorts than a sun dress and wasn't sure a "Go-Army-athlete-tree hugger" would fit in the Greek system. Giving Recruitment a chance, she found that the chapter women embraced her interests. She also was eager to connect with others with different experiences from herself and found a solid foundation of support within Kappa. She said there were times she was very active in social and service events, but there was an entire semester when she couldn't. She says, "The sorority [Kappa] remained constant for me, there when I needed it, waiting when I couldn't fit it in."

Amy also enjoyed breaking down stereotypes—she found people changing their opinions on Army cadets, geology majors or sorority girls, as she was seen on campus wearing Kappa letters one day and a uniform the next. She was quoted in a *William and Mary News & Events* article that "Geology majors can wear makeup, athletes are smart and sorority girls care about more than guys and parties."

Amy says, "I love being both a Kappa Kappa Gamma and a future Army officer. Both have developed my leadership skills and shaped the person that I am today." She was thrilled to learn recently that she can continue both her Kappa and military connections after graduation, no matter where her career takes her, by joining the online **STARS AND STRIPES ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION**. 



Amy and her mother, **KRISTEN WAGNER RARIG**, *William and Mary*, recreate a pose on the chapter house front porch similar to one taken when Amy was three years old.

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AMY RARIG, *William and Mary*, commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant following an illustrious ROTC college career, is headed to Seoul, Korea with the 501st Military Intelligence Brigade.



Photo courtesy of The College of William and Mary.



# Kappa Pens Inside Story of Woman Behind the Jimmy Choo Shoe Line

—By **ANN GRAHAM SCHNAEDTER**, *Missouri*

**F**ormer staff writer for *Time Magazine*, **LAUREN GOLDSTEIN CROWE**, *Wisconsin*, in collaboration with friend Sagra Maceira deRosen, has published the story of how a young woman helped build one of the most successful luxury brands in modern times.

Titled *The Towering World of Jimmy Choo: A Glamorous Story of Power, Profits and the Pursuit of the Perfect Shoe*, (Bloomsbury) the telling of this “behind-the-scenes” saga met several obstacles on its journey to publication.

In 2005, Lauren and Sagra, having left their respective jobs, discussed writing a book together.

After tossing around several ideas among friends, agents and publishers, it was agreed that the untold story of the Jimmy Choo line was the strongest, since it is the first real luxury brand created in the 21st century. Other high-end brands are either much older or make most of their profits from less expensive diffusion lines. Plus, says Lauren, “(there is) nothing like living in a Kappa house for three years to make you understand just how much women love shoes.”

Much more than “chick-lit,” the story covers the early beginnings when a young shoemaker, Jimmy Choo, creating one-of-a-kind shoes for a wealthy few in London, caught the eye of Tamara Yeady, who used the shoes in Vogue layouts. She persuaded her father to join Choo and invest in the luxury shoe line. Tension between Tamara and Choo soon developed as she began to turn the line into one of the most successful mass-produced brands of our age. The book discusses the various business takeovers and intrigues, as well as the personalities involved.

Lauren says the most difficult part of writing the story was negotiating the three personalities involved. By the time they had sold the proposal to a publisher, relationships between the then CEO, the president (Tamara) and the owner at that time had deteriorated to the point that they no longer wished to collaborate. Also, Jimmy Choo, who had sold his rights, was forbidden to speak about the company, so Lauren and Sagra scrambled to find other sources for information.

One reviewer says that this peek into the “changes the company has gone through in a few short years and the fact such an empire can be built from the Jimmy Choo name while having nothing to do with the real Jimmy Choo is a fascinating look behind the scenes.” 🔑

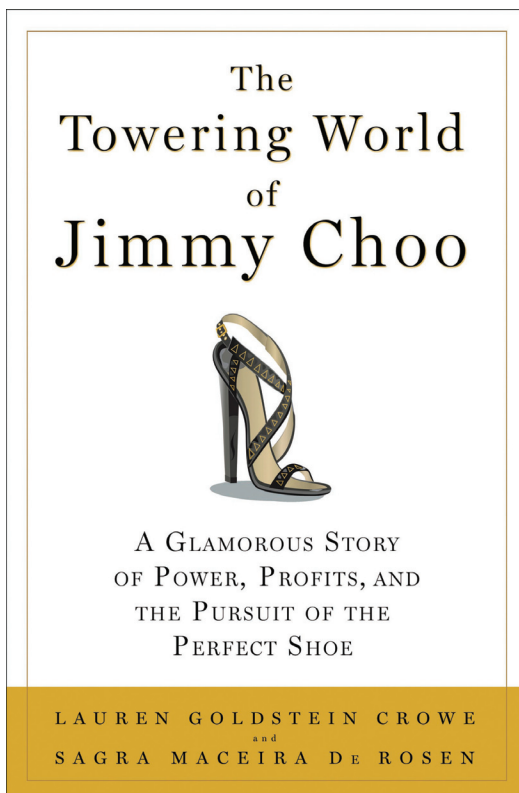




Photo by Chris Terry

Author **LAUREN GOLDSTEIN**  
*CROWE, Wisconsin*






Kappas, friends and family attend the dedication of the April Zorn Stadium in Monmouth, Ill. The stadium is named in memory of **APRIL ZORN HUFF, Monmouth**.

## Monmouth Football Stadium Named for a Kappa

**T**he April Zorn Stadium on the campus of Monmouth College was dedicated in memory of **APRIL ZORN HUFF, Monmouth**, 1938-2007. The main benefactor of the football complex is April's husband, Walter S. Huff, Jr., a Monmouth graduate. As part of the dedication day festivities, he requested that a breakfast be held at The Stewart House, since he and April had visited it several times during Homecoming and Alumni Weekend Open Houses.

In addition to Huff family members, several Kappas attended the events surrounding the dedication of the stadium. A group of Kappas pictured on the bleachers includes a good friend of April from the **DESERT ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION** in California's Coachella Valley, **PENNY PENROSE BIGNOLD, Whitman**, a member of the Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation Development Committee, seated to Mr. Huff's right, and **JULIE MARTIN MANGIS, George Washington**, front far right, Museums Chairman of the Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation. 



# In Memoriam

These names were submitted to Fraternity Headquarters between March 5, 2010, and August 6, 2010.

## \* ADELPHI COLLEGE

Yates, Anne Ireland, '31, d. 05/10

## AKRON, UNIVERSITY OF

Churchill, Elsie Gregory, '34, d. 04/10  
Dunn, Helen Heller, '42, d. 04/10  
Kiernan, Mary Brown, '45, d. 01/10  
Miller, Geri Young, '29, d. 03/10  
Sweeney, Janet Blair, '41, d. 09/03

## ALABAMA, UNIVERSITY OF

Jernigan, Gordon Unger, '51, d. 06/10  
Jones, Margherita Swift, '35, d. 03/10  
Klinker, Ann Davis, '46, d. 05/10  
McCorvey, Emily, '37, d. 09/04  
Newman, Dixie Jones, '38, d. 02/10  
Newman, Blair Aldridge, '73, d. 03/09  
Striplin, Evelyn Smith, '49, d. 07/10  
Sullivan, Margaret Mostellar, '56, d. 05/06  
Woodworth, Marie Rushing, '50, d. 12/06

## ALLEGHENY COLLEGE

Wilhelm, Betty Whitfield, '32, d. 06/10

## ARIZONA, UNIVERSITY OF

Gattmann, Dorothy Mc Kee, '38, d. 02/10  
Hill, Elizabeth Jones, '40, d. 04/10  
Smith, Patricia Phillips, '82, d. 01/09

## ARKANSAS, UNIVERSITY OF

Holman, Frances Carlee, '39, d. 03/10  
Massey, Frances Leath, '33, d. 12/92  
Warren, Suzanne Baker, '81, d. 03/10  
Young, Bettye McKelvy, '55, d. 03/10

## BAYLOR UNIVERSITY

Duckworth, Susanna Van Hoove, '77, d. 04/10

## BRITISH COLUMBIA, UNIV. OF

Jones, Mary Phelan, '44, d. 05/10

## BUTLER UNIVERSITY

Beck, Vel Judd, '40, d. 05/10  
Billheimer, Jessie Brayton, '49, d. 04/08  
Blair, Marcia Miller, '58, d. 05/10  
Garrison, Carolyn Wilson, '54, d. 03/10  
Lynn, Kathryn Mayer, '39, d. 06/10  
Mercer, Carolyn Favre, '51, d. 01/10

## CALIFORNIA STATE U., FRESNO

Craghead, Judy Hanna, '55, d. 05/10  
Eason, Phyllis Peterson, '56, d. 02/10

## CALIFORNIA, U. OF, BERKELEY

Blackaller, Betty Farnum, '35, d. 02/10  
Burford, Dorothy, '84, d. 11/03  
Burke, Josephine Hendrickson, '44, d. 04/10  
Costello, Jill, '06, d. 06/10  
Gunderson, Margaret Hawkins, '38, d. 03/10  
Holabird, Helen Rankin, '28, d. 04/10  
Merritt, Nancy Leland, '39, d. 11/09

## CALIFORNIA, U. OF, LOS ANGELES

Brown, Mary Adams, '41, d. 05/09  
Herick, Theodora Overton, '35, d. 05/10

## CARNEGIE MELLON UNIVERSITY

Pratt, Marjorie, '44, d. 02/10  
Walters, Maureen Kane, '51, d. 12/09

## CINCINNATI, UNIVERSITY OF

Biehl, Gilda Jensen, '47, d. 03/10

## COLORADO COLLEGE

Glover, Elizabeth Hollingsworth, '41, d. 02/10  
Pfeiffer, Patricia Bridwell, '47, d. 03/10

## COLORADO, UNIVERSITY OF

Buchenau, Harriet Moyer, '39, d. 04/10  
Larson, Kay Whiteley, '50, d. 04/10  
Patterson, Gloria Schabes, '45, d. 03/10

## CONNECTICUT, UNIVERSITY OF

Whitham, Dolly Rogers, '42, d. 04/10

## CORNELL UNIVERSITY

De Venney, Mildred Paul, '35, d. 04/10  
Everett, Elizabeth Lind, '44, d. 05/10  
Guthrie, Nancy Houston, '51, d. 07/10  
Steffee, Nina Dean, '35, d. 08/07

## DARTMOUTH COLLEGE

Jordan, Leanne Eberly, '80, d. 03/10

## DENISON UNIVERSITY

Cibbardi, Beverly Bell, '52, d. 04/10  
Cureton, Portia Miller, '36, d. 03/10  
Enos, Donna Bewley, '50, d. 03/10  
Hunter, Jean Lepan, '54, d. 01/10  
Randall, Margaret Wiseley, '46, d. 02/10  
Stanley, Marquerite Sundheim, '42, d. 03/10

## DEPAUW UNIVERSITY

Jarvis, Jane Wells, '28, d. 02/10  
Mabee, Doris Goodenough, '36, d. 06/10  
Williamson, Margaret Keach, '44, d. 04/10

## DRAKE UNIVERSITY

Eikenberry, Josephine Peterson, '34, d. 03/10  
Juergens, Marcia Connolly, '47, d. 03/10

## DUKE UNIVERSITY

Gross, Catherine Dillon, '43, d. 02/10  
Vosburgh, Barbara Ellithorp, '40, d. 11/09

## FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY

Dennis, Mimi Mc Gaw, '63, d. 04/10

## GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY

Bayer, Marcia Grady, '48, d. 04/10  
Dvorachek, Helen Bunten, '33, d. 03/10  
Miller, Virginia Keimig, '45, d. 06/10  
Peppers, Marjorie Cole, '50, d. 05/10  
Plummer, Kate Prentiss, '44, d. 06/10  
Schellhorn, Adrienne Barry, '44, d. 05/10  
Speaker, Jane Gass, '41, d. 11/09

## GEORGIA, UNIVERSITY OF

McNamara, Mary Mills, '57, d. 06/10  
Robertson, Kelly Hines, '88, d. 12/09  
Scott, Mildred Neal, '80, d. 03/10  
Smitherman, Mary Alexander, '51, d. 02/10

## \* GOUCHER COLLEGE

Kanne, Elizabeth Mueller, '34, d. 03/10

## HILLSDALE COLLEGE

Hiltabide, Harries Pasmore, '27, d. 11/09  
Thomas, Irma Van Bree, '42, d. 02/10

## IDAHO, UNIVERSITY OF

Craven, Maureen Mc Gourin, '58, d. 02/10  
Drips, Lois Messerly, '49, d. 07/10  
May, Margaret Van Engelen, '43, d. 06/10  
Pyrhah, Karen, '64, d. 05/10

Story, Patricia Jordan, '48, d. 03/10

Swindaman, Ruth Garver, '28, d. 04/02

Whittaker, Violet Bohman, '28, d. 04/10

## ILLINOIS WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

Chesnut, Gail Eby, '52, d. 04/10  
Mirbaha, Betty Ewins, '36, d. 08/72

## ILLINOIS, UNIVERSITY OF

Givens, Mary Marsh, '48, d. 07/10  
Kieser, Alice Stoik, '51, d. 04/10  
Knittle, Judith Drznik, '59, d. 12/08

## INDIANA UNIVERSITY

Barr, Zerelda Frick, '30, d. 03/10  
Gardner, Mary Ann Sohn, '49, d. 05/10  
Waugh, Juanita, '42, d. 02/10  
Winter, Nancy Cherry, '44, d. 04/10

## IOWA STATE UNIVERSITY

Nolan, Joanne Emery, '56, d. 02/10  
Smith, Dana Schreck, '87, d. 04/10

## IOWA, UNIVERSITY OF

French, Geraldine Genung, '38, d. 12/08  
Harris, Katherine Kraft, '36, d. 04/10  
Wagner, Emily, '98, d. 05/10

## KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY

Bruton, Carol Collins, '52, d. 04/10  
Depew, Edith Willis, '42, d. 06/10  
Hutton, Prudence Bennett, '46, d. 03/10  
Lindahl, Helen Teichgraber, '29, d. 06/10  
Northup, Arma Jo Smith, '44, d. 07/10  
Robinson, Mary, '40, d. 10/09  
Salisbury, Phyllis Patrick, '40, d. 07/10  
Swan, Maxine Fowler, '34, d. 03/10  
Yordy, Doris Ann Collins, '45, d. 02/10

## KANSAS, UNIVERSITY OF

Holmer, Elizabeth Kester, '37, d. 12/09  
Minor, Ellen Irwin, '39, d. 03/10  
Mowery, Sandy Puliver, '53, d. 05/10

## KENTUCKY, UNIVERSITY OF

Cantrill, Ewing Brown, '43, d. 07/10  
Fishback, Mary James, '40, d. 06/10  
Kelly, Glenna Ballard, '40, d. 06/10  
Long, Fay Moore, '60, d. 02/10  
Taylor, Virginia Hunter, '30, d. 05/98

## LOUISIANA STATE UNIVERSITY

Moscoso, Caroline McHenry, '44, d. 11/09  
Pierson, Mary Clark, '46, d. 05/10  
White, Martha Scaife, '56, d. 06/10

## \* MANITOBA, UNIVERSITY OF

Heffelfinger, Barbara Bacon, '54, d. 03/10

## \* MARYLAND, UNIVERSITY OF

Chenault, Ruth Richmond, '37, d. 04/10  
Clark, Jean Highbarger, '44, d. 03/10  
Meyer, Frances King, '29, d. 03/10  
Moseman, Jacquelyn Purnell, '51, d. 08/09  
Thomason, Kitty Dennis, '31, d. 04/10

## MASSACHUSETTS, UNIVERSITY OF

McGraw, Barbara Conroy, '58, d. 04/10

## MCGILL UNIVERSITY

Smith, Sylvia Howard, '35, d. 04/10

## MIAMI UNIVERSITY

Cottrell, Gretchen Bonn, '49, d. 04/10  
Erickson, Amy, '68, d. 05/10  
Paterson, Nancy Lou, '73, d. 03/10  
Rehse, Jane Storer, '40, d. 12/09

## MIAMI, UNIVERSITY OF

Coleman, Ruth Diestelhorst, '38, d. 02/10  
Thomson, Muriel Laub, '48, d. 03/10

## MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY

Lighthammer, Jody Carpenter, '52, d. 06/10  
Stamberger, Elizabeth Dixon, '36, d. 03/10

## MICHIGAN, UNIVERSITY OF

Field, Judy Diggs, '45, d. 12/09  
Garrett, Joanna Jury, '59, d. 11/09  
Pence, Mary Elliott, '35, d. 05/10

## MINNESOTA, UNIVERSITY OF

Cargill, Mary Morse, '45, d. 02/10  
Florence, Mary Ibberson, '50, d. 03/10

## MISSISSIPPI, UNIVERSITY OF

Macaulay, Mary Mc Call, '48, d. 03/10

## MISSOURI, UNIVERSITY OF

Dollar, Pamela Barton, '42, d. 03/10  
Eskridge, Diza Pepper, '61, d. 06/10  
Heller, Janice Woodbury, '43, d. 02/10  
Hicks, Jayne Gray, '45, d. 03/10  
Knight, Frances Ronayne, '45, d. 04/10  
Uhler, Janie Russell, '46, d. 03/10  
Wells, Anne Turner, '51, d. 04/10

## MONMOUTH COLLEGE

Nolis, Claudette Kordt, '54, d. 03/10  
Willey, Helen Wagner, '35, d. 05/10

## MONTANA, UNIVERSITY OF

Andersen, Dorothy Gosman, '43, d. 06/10  
Gagermeier, Barbara Brough, '46, d. 05/10  
Koppang, Karalee Stewart, '63, d. 04/10

## NEBRASKA, UNIVERSITY OF

Gillen, Ruthann Burns, '36, d. 02/09  
Heldridge, Shirley Vandecar, '41, d. 06/10  
Kendall, Jane Good, '59, d. 07/10  
Kratz, Barbara Blackburn, '44, d. 03/10  
Sommermeier, Nancy Sayre, '47, d. 03/10

## NEW MEXICO, UNIVERSITY OF

Clawson, Eleanor Stewart, '44, d. 04/10  
Cline, Lenore Pettit, '26, d. 05/10  
Ewing, Mary Cox, '42, d. 04/10  
Howey, Susan Glen, '56, d. 08/09  
Loken, Marybeth Stone, '40, d. 04/10

## NORTH CAROLINA, UNIVERSITY OF

Hollister, Susan Green, '59, d. 05/10

## \* NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

Boese, Winnifred Clemens, '37, d. 04/09  
Sievers, Jean Newman, '44, d. 03/10

## NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY

Anderson, Joan Philbrick, '42, d. 03/10  
Davis, Chermaine Ryser, '49, d. 05/10  
Gellersted, Marilyn Dunkelberg, '50, d. 03/10  
Jacobson, Genevieve Weck, '62, d. 06/09  
Stevenson, Mary Frank, '53, d. 01/03  
Weltmer, Josephine Woodbury, '48, d. 01/10

## OHIO STATE UNIVERSITY

Bock, Susan Lambert, '58, d. 05/10  
Busler, Margaret Coulter, '37, d. 01/10  
Chester, Cynthia Johnson, '53, d. 07/10  
Dickerson, Roberta Stevenson, '41, d. 04/10  
Greek, Nadine Berry, '30, d. 05/10  
Hendrix, Margaret Shannon, '52, d. 07/10  
Kapsos, Vicki, '87, d. 07/10  
Purtz, Ann Dones, '42, d. 02/10  
Reynolds, Jeannette Alexander, '44, d. 05/09

## OHIO WESLEYAN UNIVERSITY

Currier, Doris Parker, '38, d. 12/09  
Downs, Barbara Beck, '58, d. 01/10  
McKnight, Jane Carran, '38, d. 06/10  
Ruch, Rosalind, '58, d. 05/10

## OKLAHOMA STATE UNIVERSITY

Rushton, Carol, '59, d. 05/10

## OKLAHOMA, UNIVERSITY OF

Diaz, Randee Scott, '71, d. 02/10  
Jones, Nancy Bean, '45, d. 05/10  
Lewis, Mary Arnold, '43, d. 12/09  
Lindsay, Beverly, '62, d. 11/09  
Miller, Dorothy Holtzendorff, '36, d. 01/10  
Roberts, Paula Landrith, '64, d. 04/10

## OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY

Baker, Nancy Byrne, '51, d. 04/10  
Bowman, Marjorie Peery, '43, d. 03/10  
Leahy, Patricia Strand, '44, d. 10/09

## OREGON, UNIVERSITY OF

Burrows, Gayle Nelson, '44, d. 05/10  
Bushnell, Barbara Dielschneider, '31, d. 03/10  
Denton, Joan Wizner, '62, d. 06/10  
Gibson, Virginia Klepper, '42, d. 08/09  
LeCocq, Janet Rieg, '41, d. 04/10  
Myrans, Katharine Manerud, '31, d. 11/09  
O'Connor, Marian Dryer, '35, d. 05/10

## PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY

Eby, Elizabeth Boger, '40, d. 04/10  
Erickson, Mary Behney, '49, d. 07/09  
Gunn, Meredith Miller, '55, d. 03/10  
Hinnman, Jean McIntyre, '32, d. 07/98  
Moorhead, Carol Chalk, '49, d. 03/10  
Pierson, Margaret Fletcher, '37, d. 04/10

## \* PENNSYLVANIA, UNIVERSITY OF

Kistler, Anita Harding, '42, d. 04/10  
Peters, Patricia Yocum, '36, d. 04/10  
Turner, Mary Marvin, '30, d. 12/07  
Zonsius, Patricia Milestone, '47, d. 05/10

## PITTSBURGH, UNIVERSITY OF

Nordholt, Louise McKirdy, '33, d. 04/10

## PURDUE UNIVERSITY

Arensman, Harriet Davis, '48, d. 07/10  
Conley, Mildred Fitch, '34, d. 06/10  
Douglas, Anne Beard, '40, d. 03/10  
Wannemacher, Barbara Turner, '55, d. 07/10  
Williams, Dorothy Fasan, '53, d. 05/96

## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA, U. OF

Freeman, Marsha, '83, d. 07/10

## SOUTHERN METHODIST UNIVERSITY

Beene, Diane Laugenour, '57, d. 06/10  
Burnette, Linda Lawson, '76, d. 04/10  
Davis, Patsy Oliver, '51, d. 04/10  
Epsen, Leslie West, '63, d. 06/09  
McCall, Anna Baker, '37, d. 08/03  
Riley, Martha Erb, '54, d. 01/10  
Rogers, Emily Warner, '57, d. 11/09  
Rogers, Betty Andrews, '49, d. 03/10  
Smitham, Frances Hemphill, '43, d. 05/10  
Tomlin, Erlene Schuessler, '32, d. 04/10  
Ware, Maureen McLendon, '36, d. 03/10  
Worsham, Harriet Lang, '33, d. 11/08

## ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY

Ackerman, Barbara Derge, '34, d. 02/10  
Coles, Jeannette Hubbard, '39, d. 04/10  
Couffer, Louise Sterling, '50, d. 03/10  
Fisher, Emily Long, '33, d. 03/10  
Gleason, Eleanor Parsons, '30, d. 04/10  
Hamilton, Catherine Schulte, '80, d. 02/10  
Mahagan, Charlotte Peacock, '29, d. 03/08  
Peckham, Patricia Reichart, '55, d. 12/05  
Sisson, Carolyn Robbins, '36, d. 03/10

## STANFORD UNIVERSITY

Mahony, Ann Byington, '40, d. 05/10  
Witter, Ann, '40, d. 05/10

## SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY

Belden, Margaret Mc Cain, '39, d. 04/10  
Bellinger, Kathryn Shafer, '37, d. 12/09  
Burke, Patricia Allis, '37, d. 02/10  
Duffy, Bella Werner, '63, d. 03/10  
Larash, Gloria Dobihal, '47, d. 03/10

## TEXAS CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY

Daniel, Ginger Fite, '64, d. 05/10  
Keeling, Clarissa Becker, '83, d. 04/10

## TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY

Weiss, Kathleen Webb, '53, d. 05/10

## TEXAS, UNIVERSITY OF

Bronson, Elizabeth Boswell, '35, d. 02/10  
Connelly, Brenda Baird, '58, d. 06/10  
Curran, Eleanor Altman, '56, d. 08/09  
Edson, Catherine Half, '59, d. 07/10  
Gregg, Clara Harris, '40, d. 06/10  
Kelo, Marjorie Runge, '48, d. 01/09  
Morgan, Elizabeth Welder, '57, d. 04/10  
Peebles, Elizabeth Kay, '31, d. 05/10  
Perkins, Mary Knotts, '51, d. 08/04  
Reynolds, Eugenia Head, '57, d. 08/09  
Ross, Lucy Owings, '46, d. 03/10  
Saigh, Rose Terry, '46, d. 06/10  
White, Jane Dunkle, '44, d. 04/10  
Wynn, Elizabeth Brown, '37, d. 12/09

## TULANE UNIVERSITY

Ewin, Ethelyn Sherrouse, '45, d. 05/10  
McKinne, Betty Hochenadel, '38, d. 06/10  
McVay, Frances Priest, '53, d. 08/05

## TULSA, UNIVERSITY OF

Chapman, Connie, '65, d. 04/10  
Fenn, Barbara Goble, '52, d. 04/10  
Martin, Patricia Kohn, '46, d. 01/09  
Setser, Joan Marks, '48, d. 06/10  
Yeager, Charlene Franke, '50, d. 07/09

## UTAH, UNIVERSITY OF

Hewlett, Arda Anderson, '45, d. 07/10

## VIRGINIA, UNIVERSITY OF



**WESTMINSTER.** In November, **ZETA ZETAS** celebrate the 20th anniversary of the fall of the Berlin Wall. *Jessie Johnson, Tori Sloan, Raghela Scavuzzo, Jaclyn Muff, and Mateja Pehar* shared in the weeklong celebration on campus. Jaclyn and Mateja even shared their opinions and ideas in a *USA Today* article.



**DUKE.** **DELTA BETA** members *Haley Spitz* and *Alyssa Kuhn* strengthen their sisterly bond while studying abroad together in Florence, Italy. Haley said, "Together, we met some incredible people, saw some of the most famous sites and cities, ate delicious food, and even more importantly, learned more about ourselves and each other than we ever imagined."



**VIRGINIA TECH.** *Alyssa Sharp* and *Brittany S. West*, of **ZETA MU**, try out their marketing skills while selling pearls. The semiannual pearl sale, held in the campus student center, benefits Reading Is Fundamental.





**UCLA.** For their original philanthropy event, “Day in the Life,” **GAMMA XI** brings students from an inner city elementary school to the UCLA campus for a day of reading, sports and games. *Kelsey Moore, Amanda Popelar, and Maddie Hunt* show their group of students the importance of education.



**BRITISH COLUMBIA.** *Antonia Lazarova, Bree Nakatani, Paige Tibbles, and Vassi Tcholakova* love Recruitment at the **GAMMA UPSILON** Chapter. Bonding with sisters and meeting new friends is just part of the fun.

**NORTH TEXAS.** **ZETA SIGMA**’s Kappa Pickers singing group meets actress Doris Roberts during a holiday meet and greet that raises money for Ranch Hand Rescue. Doris Roberts complimented the Kappas by saying, “To be so beautiful and to sing so beautifully is truly a gift.”



**IOWA STATE.** Always a highlight on Bid Day, **DELTA OMICRON** members eagerly await serenades. Fraternity members arrive at the Kappa Kappa Gamma house to sing to the women. Member *Kaitlin Lurquin* says, “It is a great way for our new members to get to know some familiar faces in the Greek community.”

**AKRON.** **LAMBDA** loves participating in Relay for Life for the American Cancer Society. It is an annual event the collegians look forward to, and this year their team theme was *The Wizard Of Oz*.





**VALPARAISO.** Competing at Songfest, an all-Greek competition that signifies the culmination of Greek Week, **ETA DELTA** shines with their well-rehearsed and choreographed routine.



**UC DAVIS.** EPSILON OMICRON's Allyson Knight, Krissy Janes, and Candace Bracht share feelings of pride for Kappa at a recent Recruitment event.

Kappa Kappa Gamma leaders participate in the Western Regional Greek Conference. This conference honors Greek organizations for scholarship and philanthropy, and it allows participants an opportunity to network with fellow Greek leaders. Kappas in attendance are from California, Oregon, Washington, Montana, Idaho, Utah, Wyoming, Colorado, New Mexico, and Arizona.



**CORNELL.** The newest members of Psi<sup>Δ</sup> add more beautiful smiles to the already fantastic group of sisters at Cornell University.



**HARVARD.** In support of Reading Is Fundamental, **ETA THETA** volunteer their time to read to the students of Graham & Parks Alternative School. More than 100 books were donated to the school, and more collaborative philanthropic efforts between the chapter and the school are planned for the future.





**AUBURN.** At **EPSILON ETA's** homecoming tailgate, members *Taylor Bell*, *Kelsey Lott*, and *Zellie Duvall* enjoy a barbecue on a beautiful fall day with family and friends. Go orange and blue!



**NORTH CAROLINA.** Chapter Council retreats for **EPSILON GAMMA** are always productive and enjoyable. President *Caitlyn Bostock* said, "The strongest asset to our Chapter Council is that we are united in our goals. We drive each other to stay focused and maintain momentum because we all aspire to reach a common standard."



**TORONTO.** At **BETA PSI**, celebrating members' birthdays means enjoying the bonds of sisterhood through quality time spent together.



# A Kappa Experiences the Presidential Inauguration

—By **LINDSEY SANDERS CROCKER, UCLA**

Unique and extraordinary opportunities exist for Kappa undergraduates across the continent. One such opportunity came for **KATHERINE SMITH, Lawrence**, when she was invited to attend the University Presidential Inaugural Conference in January 2009, which included being present for the President of the United States' swearing-in at our nation's capital. Previously a participant of a National Youth Leadership Forum of Medicine, Katherine was invited to attend along with students from the Congressional Youth Leadership Council and the International Scholar Laureate Programs. This conference gave Katherine insight and participation in the historic event of President Obama's Inauguration as the 44th President of the United States.

The conference included more than 5,000 students from around the world who wanted to be a part of the January 20th event and see democracy in action. The conference invited delegates to attend exclusive inaugural events—keynote speakers, interaction with government leaders and a gala inaugural ball.

An integral part of the experience was exposure to keynote speakers and government leaders. Speakers talked about the impact the current generation will have on politics, the environment, and technology. Katherine heard about the impact Generation Y will have on the world from Luke Russett, the difference between leadership and management from Gen. Colin Powell, technology and global communication from Mary Matalin, and how students can have a governmental influence from former Vice President Al Gore. James Carville spoke to the idea that it does not matter where a student obtains her education; rather it is the hard work she puts in that determines her success.

"Attending this conference gave me an opportunity to hear speakers I would otherwise never hear and that was an incredible feeling."

On the day of the Inauguration, Katherine and her conference roommate watched the inaugural parade proceed down Pennsylvania Avenue from the U.S.

Capitol Building to the White House from their table on the second floor of the Hard Rock Café. Katherine managed to stay warm and have a great view of the masses of people as the parade went by. She attended the Conference Gala event at the Air and Space Museum later that evening.

Katherine recently transferred to University of Houston, where she is majoring in biology with a history minor. 🗝️



**KATHERINE SMITH, Lawrence**, experiences the Inauguration of President Obama as an insider while at the University Presidential Inaugural Conference in Washington, D.C.





Upsilon members work to build Habitat for Humanity homes as a part of Northwestern University's GreekBuild philanthropy.

# GreekBuild—Kappas Build Habitat for Humanity Homes

—By **LINDSEY SANDERS CROCKER, UCLA**

**I**n collaboration with Habitat for Humanity of Lake County, Northwestern University Greeks are helping to raise the roof on homes in Waukegan, Ill. **UPSILON CHAPTER, Northwestern**, has held a significant part in the now ongoing effort to provide affordable housing to deserving members of their community. All 40 fraternities and sororities on Northwestern's campus, from the Interfraternity Council, Multicultural Greek Council, National Panhellenic Council, and Panhellenic Association are united to help sponsor homes with Habitat for Humanity in an all-Greek, hands-on effort called GreekBuild.

GreekBuild was established to challenge Greek stereotypes and break down boundaries between Greek organizations. Many philanthropic events in the Greek community force teams to face off in physical competitions that raise money for philanthropies. Instead of pitting one organization against another, GreekBuild brings Northwestern University's Greek organizations together in a cohesive group with a worthy cause.

Upsilon Kappas have been leaders in the GreekBuild project, and they were one of the first chapters on campus to contribute significant time and money to the building of Habitat for Humanity homes. Kappas are represented on the GreekBuild executive board and all committees, and they have continued to show tireless enthusiasm toward this project that has now spanned over two years.

In its first year, GreekBuild raised almost \$100,000 to sponsor a home for a single mother and her 8-year-old daughter. Money raised paid for building supplies, land, and professional builders, but the labor force came from Northwestern student Greeks. In the first year, 289 GreekBuild volunteers visited the site, which was 25 miles from campus.

The first GreekBuild-sponsored home was completed in June 2009. **GRACE BANNER**, former GreekBuild Fundraising Chairman and a senior member of Upsilon, shares, "The most rewarding moment was when we dedicated the house to the recipient family, and there were so many people gathered around to celebrate."

"Working hard labor all day with a group of Greek members, many of whom you've just met for the first time, is invigorating. You realize the purpose of the fundraising and all the tedious parts of the project when you sweat it out with other enthusiastic students alongside the recipient family who put in a lot of work themselves," reflects Grace.

Since the first home was completed, efforts have been focused on a second Habitat for Humanity home. Upsilon members are again volunteering to build and fundraise the money needed to support the building of a home. A recent event raised \$1,245 for GreekBuild. "It was so nice to be able to come together, regardless of our letters, with a common goal and have a good time raising money for our cause," says junior **EMMA ALTER-REID**.

Grace Banner is proud of her Kappa sisters and hopes Kappas elsewhere will become interested. "Upsilon Kappas have been great advocates of the effort on campus. We look forward to other Greek communities possibly taking on GreekBuild to bring their community together like it has ours."

For more information on Northwestern University's GreekBuild, please visit [www.greekbuild.org](http://www.greekbuild.org). 



# Scholastic Honors Report



## Chapters at or Above the All-Sorority GPA

Hillsdale  
John Carroll  
Penn State  
Texas  
Texas A&M  
Texas Tech  
Tulane  
Virginia  
Wake Forest  
West Virginia

## Scholastically Ranked First on Campus

Hillsdale

## Kappas with 4.0 GPA

### BOWLING GREEN:

Delaney Malley  
Lauren D'Alessandro  
Nicole Urcheck  
Mackenzie Whitmer  
Brooke Holland  
Kate Doney

### UC DAVIS:

Chelsea Green  
Madison Gwizalski  
Kelly Walker

### UC Irvine:

Cassandra Adams  
Allison Shiraishi

### DARTMOUTH:

Lauren Amery  
Elizabeth Bennett  
Hannah Conant  
Daisy Duan  
Chelsea Place  
Alina Plavsky  
Hannah Raila  
Nina Skagerlind  
Zoe Stasel-Gottlieb

### DRAKE:

Kayleigh McCullough

### FLORIDA:

Madeline Chivington  
Kellie Church  
Danielle Crisco  
Elizabeth Foppe

Paige Kortas  
Karly Lorbeer  
Lauren Malone  
Shannon O'Reilly  
Rachel Rodriguez  
Katelyn Schneider  
Lauren Smith  
Valerie Tainsh  
Amanda Toomey  
Shealy Weeks

### HILLSDALE:

Lauren Gribble  
Sarah Larson  
Elizabeth Peters  
Amanda Snider

### NORTHWESTERN:

Kathleen Barrett  
Chelsea Callahan  
Rachel Eisenpress  
Dana Farber  
Allison Gross  
Zhongying Jiang  
Elizabeth Lehman  
Remy Mars  
Eva Ryan  
Stephanie Schreiber  
Kyra Weiss  
Jessica Young

### OHIO STATE:

Courtney Smaltz  
Jacqueline Yunker  
Kimberly Shookman  
Andrea Blinkhorn  
Taylor Olvey  
Katie Maggiore  
Lauren O'Donnell  
Stephanie Spoerl

### OREGON STATE:

Casey Anderson  
Elisa Gooding  
Michelle Hancock  
Whitney Hodnett  
Kari Miller  
Dayna Remmers

### PENN STATE:

Christina Donato  
Jaymee Frankel  
Jodie McAllister  
Kara Pellicchia  
Kathryn Reedman

### STANFORD:

Maya Amoils  
Alexandra Bollaidlaw

Kelley Bonney-Ache  
Joanna Evans  
Emma Hantoot  
Sherry Ho  
Hallie Ivester  
Arden Madsen  
Ali Riley  
Annie Rutherford  
Annie St. Geme  
Xanthe Travlos  
Midori Uehara

### TEXAS:

Scarlette Barrow  
Jenna Dailey  
Jessica Delaisse  
Lauren Hendrix  
Courtney Hoisager  
Kristin Hudson  
Laurel Lackey  
Laura Martin  
Carol McClung  
Katie Nelson  
Katie Palmerton  
Lauren Roberts  
Sarah Snelling  
Meredith Thompson  
Kathryn Uecker  
Browning Vaughn  
Natalie Vesti  
Sarah Wallace  
Kathryn Weissler  
Ady Wetegrove

### TEXAS A&M:

Aryn Akin  
Megan Alford

Christine Brett  
Ashley Brown  
Lauren Bula  
Rachel Castleberry  
Francesca Delgado  
Grace Dilhoff  
Annie Duggan  
Amber Fichtner  
Amber Holzman  
Angeline Holub  
Emily Johnston  
Sarah Krawietz  
Houston Lewis  
Lindsey Lopez  
Tracey Mellina  
Lorin Pereira  
Becca Pinkston  
Stephanie Scofelia  
Sarah Sisoian  
Jessika Stewart  
Laura Terrell  
Kyla Terry  
Amanda Wheeler

### Texas Tech:

Lauren Anderson  
Paige Baker  
Baileigh Butler  
Kristin Culp  
Ashley Curry  
Kaitlin Dahlquist  
Natalie Doyle  
Whitney Ensor  
Rebecca Fisher  
Hannah Freeman  
Lisa Guisinger

Jennifer Gurney  
Natalie Hansen  
Katie Horton  
Paige Kiecke  
Jenny Mayants  
Maggie McIlhenny  
Bailey Miller  
Betsy Mosquera  
Nichole Poehler  
Rebecca Sanders  
Julie Schmitz  
Layton Sellers  
Lauren Vaisipour

### SAN DIEGO:

Mahaila Berman  
Robin Blumberg  
Lauren Cantrell  
Kaylie Fernald  
Kelsey Lamberto  
Tonia Leung

### WISCONSIN:

Patrice Arnold  
Mallory Geschke  
Kelly Koshoshek  
Susan Light  
Stephanie Wolf

Based on Scholarship Reports received at Fraternity Headquarters by May 25, 2010.



**IOWA. BETA ZETA** scholars Kelly McConnell, Lindsay Erger, Treacy Weldon, and Sarah Kelly are thrilled to receive "Kappa Kappa Genius" T-shirts for making the Dean's List.



## Chapter News Needed

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3. Sisterhood
4. Philanthropy
5. RIF
6. Leadership Academy
7. Advisory and House Board—an adviser who goes above and beyond
8. How your chapter supports KKG Foundation
9. Hot topics relevant to college students (careers, education, surviving the social scene like spring break, health, etc.)  
or...your topic of interest (you tell us what interests a collegian!)

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