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The Key of Kappa Kappa Gamma links each member with the Fraternity. The mission of The Key is

- •To inform, inspire and challenge
- •To promote leadership, scholarship and friendship
- •To sustain and nurture loyalty and interest
- •To recognize the accomplishments of individuals, groups, the Fraternity and its Foundation
- •To provide a forum for an exchange of information and opinion
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president's message

Embracing Change

y time serving as Fraternity President is coming to an end after four terrific years, and I will be forever grateful for having had this opportunity to serve. But now it's time to make a change. Fresh ideas are percolating in younger minds. Dedicated volunteers are ready to step up. The 2012–2014 Fraternity Council created a strategic plan to guide our future leaders into new territory, just as our six young Founders set a path for us to follow almost 144 years ago!

For 2013–2018, the strategic plan focuses on redefining how we support chapters, associations and members. A regional meeting structure has been developed to allow for more meaningful training and development of volunteers. A space analysis has taken place to determine the long-term needs for our staff at Fraternity Headquarters. Training modules will be created around core competencies for volunteers and chapter and association officers. And, we want to create a better way of delivering the message that Kappa is for a lifetime, so one of our initiatives is to identify and publicize the benefits of alumna membership.

Change can be challenging, but sometimes you just have to go for it! Reflecting on the changes this past biennium, there are many accomplishments: Kappa's new website is fully up and running. Our new tagline, Aspire to Be, communicates how we build an infrastructure to support women's aspirations. And a new vision statement, Kappa Kappa Gamma will empower women to pursue a *lifetime of excellence*, created by the 2010–2012 Fraternity Council, continues to remind me of former Council member BETH SHARP, Penn State, (1951–2012), who touched our lives so deeply. A mentor and a friend, Beth would be pleased to see the changes that continue to be made in order to make our Fraternity as passionate and soul-touching as she was.

Growth in Fraternity operations took place as well, and Kappa's social media presence is ever expanding. "Throwback Thursdays" (on Kappa's Facebook page, Twitter and Instagram) is a popular connection between our past and present. Communication among Kappas has changed drastically in the past four years, but we are embracing the changes.

I'm looking forward to slowing down. Maybe I will have time to figure out how to make those beautiful online photo albums that can be printed into a book. And I'll want to read compelling stories—maybe one about a Kappa sister who decided to make a change . . . and did.

There will be one more change before I pass along the Fraternity jewelry to the new President during the Candlelight Banquet at the 2014 General Convention in June. You'll see a whole new redesign of *The Key* magazine soon. I look forward to sitting peacefully and reading it from cover to cover and smiling, knowing that the Fraternity continues to prosper with the change that comes with new leadership.

Loyally,

Julie Marine Leshay, Colorado College

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In Memoriam # Honoring Those We Have Loved and Lost

These names were submitted to Fraternity Drake University Headquarters between November 15, 2013, Hawley, Janice Sedgwick, '37, d. 7/13 and February 3, 2014.

Adrian College Stockwell, Betty Fatchett, '40, d. 12/13

AKRON, UNIVERSITY OF Bader, Barbara Dettling, '42, d. 12/13 Brightman, Nancy Fowkes, '42, d. 7/13 Cohan, Helen Dewhirst, '39, d. 1/14 Herzog, Janette Roderick, '54, d. 5/13 Kniss, Juanita Gamble, '40, d. 11/13

ALABAMA, UNIVERSITY OF Curry, Susan Hayes, '73, d. 12/13

ARIZONA STATE UNIVERSITY Sorensen, Willa Thomas, '60, d. 9/13

ARIZONA, UNIVERSITY OF Finley, Patricia, '55, d. 7/12

Arkansas, University of Brenner, Trilby Earnheart, '48, d. 4/12 Ward, Pamela Brunelle, '67, d. 10/13

BUCKNELL UNIVERSITY Buck, Ann Steele, '49, d. 11/11

BUTLER UNIVERSITY Nelson, Phyllis Barnhill, '44, d. 7/13 Schneider, Ruthe Maxime, '42, d. 11/13

CALIFORNIA, U. OF, BERKELEY Hudgins, Nancy Easley, '49, d. 6/13 Purrington, Laurie, '76, d. 1/14

CALIFORNIA, U. OF, LOS ANGELES Hayden, Charlotte Sloane, '37, d. 2/13 Paul, Joyce DaSilva, '68, d. 12/12

California, U. of, San Diego Navarra, Katie, '99, d. 3/13

CINCINNATI, UNIVERSITY OF Zopff, Eileen Hogan, '49, d. 6/13

COLORADO COLLEGE Teglas, Jane Boardman, '49, d. 1/14

COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY McCauley, Barbara Lorton, '57, d. 8/13

COLORADO, UNIVERSITY OF Blind, Mary Ellen Waters, '47, d. 1/14 Brill, Katherine Manning, '40, d. 7/13 Fitzpatrick, Mary Shelton, '68, d. 12/13 Hughes, Diane King, '57, d. 11/13 Stanfill, Virginia Vollers, '56, d. 1/13 Stinson, Louann Kidd, '49, d. 12/13 Writer, Carolina Ennis, '52, d. 12/13

CONNECTICUT, UNIVERSITY OF Dorrie, Constance Balentine, '51, d. 8/13 Luke, Ruth Baker, '45, d. 10/13

CORNELL UNIVERSITY Harbison, Juledell Rickert, '47, d. 11/13

DENISON UNIVERSITY Hubbard, Bess Hickey, '74, d. 6/13 Hudson, Barbara Anderson, '38, d. 7/13 Kaess, Judith Exman, '58, d. 12/13 McCann, Ellen Chalmers, '37, d. 12/13 McKinney, Ann Cooper, '32, d. 11/13

Tille, Jane Jones, '42, d. 11/13 DePauw University Morris, Jean Wilcox, '48, d. 12/11

Stewart, Marion Brewer, '33, d. 8/13

DUKE UNIVERSITY

Stephens, Deborah Manders, '59, d. 6/13

FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY Seymour, Robin Williams, '68, d. 12/13

FRESNO STATE

Coats, Willa, '54, d. 9/12 Henderson, Mary Henningsen,

GEORGIA, UNIVERSITY OF French, Wilhelmina Jordan, '51, d. 12/13 Hay, Laura, '60, d. 10/13

Idaho, University of Balch, Marjorie, '45, d. 11/13

Illinois Wesleyan University Powell, Jessie Howell, '27, d. 3/99 Rausenberger, Patricia Corley, '62, d. 6/13 Rodgers, Barbara Stubblefield, '42, d. 9/13

Illinois, University of Frazier, Jeanne Berger, '51, d. 8/11 Kanara, Maureen Nelson, '76, d. 1/14 Ogle, Margery, '43, d. 9/13

Indiana University Volkman, Marcia Hahn, '64, d. 5/13

Iowa, University of Bisbee, Harriet Mugge, '55, d. 2/11 Greer, Madeleine Collester, '39, d. 12/13

KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY Loyd, Karen Kenney, '52, d. 11/13 Parker, Judith Fehr, '40, d. 11/13 Sartorius, Mary Beckmeyer, '55, d. 12/13

Kansas, University of Gunsolly, Maxine, '45, d. 10/13 Hearst, Sue Elliott, '43, d. 1/14 VanDyke, Sharon Edgar, '58, d. 1/14

KENTUCKY, UNIVERSITY OF Lewis, Patricia, '54, d. 9/07 Morrison, Sally Buckner, '43, d. 5/13 Saunders, Anne Winburn, '49, d. 11/13

* Maryland, University of Storti, Elna Staman, '44, d. 10/13

MASSACHUSETTS, UNIVERSITY OF Entwisle, Doris Roberts, '43, d. 11/13

MIAMI UNIVERSITY Batson, Betty Beitzel, '52, d. 6/13

MICHIGAN STATE UNIVERSITY Freeman, Margaret McCarten, '49, d. 12/13 Hahn, Mary Welles, '34, d. 9/10 Miller, Jane, '81, d. 12/13 Rix, Diane Drake, '52, d. 1/14 Wolff, Barbara Wheeler, '53, d. 1/14

MICHIGAN, UNIVERSITY OF Sinor, Margaret Faulk, '48, d. 11/12 Slaughter, Susan Dwan, '49, d. 12/03 Woodworth, Nancy Upjohn, '50, d. 1/14

MINNESOTA, UNIVERSITY OF Andersen, Adella Nichols, '38, d. 12/13 Ensign, Diana Abrahamson, '61, d. 10/13

MISSISSIPPI, UNIVERSITY OF Cothren, Foy Taylor, '56, d. 12/13 Haltom, Eleanor Lamb, '50, d. 6/13 Hunt, Doris Wright, '49, d. 5/11

MISSOURI, UNIVERSITY OF

Callaway, Martha Johnson, '35, d. 1/07 Carpenter, Joanne Fisher, '45, d. 11/13 Dale, Jane Keeter, '54, d. 1/14 Denebeim, Libby Bennitt, '49, d. 11/13 Paschal, Carolyn Smith, '50, d. 12/13

Monmouth College

Allebrand, Jan Smith, '44, d. 4/11 Keane, Kristin Hawk, '97, d. 1/14 Mangram, Shirley Johnson, '44, d. 12/03 McMichael, Vivian Cook, '42, d. 8/13

Montana, University of Meyer, M Lovless, '48, d. 11/13

NEBRASKA, UNIVERSITY OF Lunner, Marilyn Lingo, '55, d. 12/13 Moe, Mary Cox, '41, d. 8/00

New Mexico, University of Mattingly, Laura Treat, '40, d. 12/13 Phinney, Ernestine Lowrey, '48, d. 1/14 Purdy, Joan, '50, d. 10/13

NORTH CAROLINA, UNIVERSITY OF Doelling, Jenny, '80, d. 1/14

* North Dakota State University Dixon, Sarah Eaton, '37, d. 11/13 Guy, Jean Mason, '41, d. 7/13 McEnroe, Dolores Raymond, '39, d. 2/06

Northwestern University Baker, Betty Perkins, '44, d. 12/13 Shaw, Pat Watson, '45, d. 10/13 Sorenson, Ann Levine, '43, d. 11/13

Ohio State University Jackson, Carolyn Dunning, '38, d. 11/13

Ohio Wesleyan University Jones, Martha Allen, '43, d. 11/00

OKLAHOMA, UNIVERSITY OF Deupree, Shannon, '88, d. 4/05 Love, Linda, '62, d. 11/13 Newton, Janet Porter, '59, d. 4/12 Vickers, Judith Compton, '57, d. 4/13 Yadon, Sondra Mills, '54, d. 6/98

OREGON STATE UNIVERSITY Gentry, Marjorie Wilson, '42, d. 8/02 Havens, Charlotte Anderson, '39, d. 12/13 Parsons, Lynne Enyeart, '58, d. 12/13

OREGON, UNIVERSITY OF Burns, Shirley Potter, '48, d. 12/13 Piers, Eleanor Jacobs, '43, d. 10/13 Scharpf, Martha Switzer, '42, d. 9/13

PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY Hasek, Jane Hess, '34, d. 11/07 Rink, Evelyn Boger, '36, d. 1/14

* Pennsylvania, University of Borgerding, Mary Hemes, '51, d. 3/12 Garrison, Anne McCarthy, '49, d. 11/13

Matthews, Elizabeth Wing, '41, d. 12/13

* San Jose State University Day, Elsa Groverman, '50, d. 11/13

Southern Methodist University Folsom, Margaret Dalton, '46, d. 12/13 St. Lawrence University Borkland, Margaret Mac Bride, '38, d. 11/13

STANFORD UNIVERSITY Joseph, Mary Yeon, '28, d. 11/13

SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY Copeland, Seena Hauerbach, '44, d. 10/13

TENNESSEE, UNIVERSITY OF Johnson, Elizabeth Morton, '68, d. 4/13

Texas Christian University Newell, Anne Manning, '66, d. 11/13

TEXAS TECH UNIVERSITY Foerster, Georgia Moore, '67, d. 11/10 Weichsel, Patsy Stice, '56, d. 12/13

Texas, University of Roach, Rosemary Allen, '48, d. 12/13 Wolf, Dee Dee Kilpatrick, '42, d. 1/14

Tulsa, University of Hill, Anita Fiorella, '57, d. 11/13

Washington & Lee University Durkin, Kelsey, '11, d. 12/13

Washington State University Peck, Lee Bundy, '33, d. 4/05 Thiele, Patricia Clapp, '41, d. 10/12

Washington, University of Berlin, Barbara Quinn, '46, d. 12/13 Lincicome, Mary Acker, '65, d. 11/13 Shorett, Barbara Albers, '51, d. 10/13

West Virginia University Beatty, Elizabeth, '71, d. 4/12 Deeds, Margaret Jackson, '44, d. 11/13

WHITMAN COLLEGE Luhrs, Ellen McGillivray, '53, d. 8/13 Mackin, Elizabeth Storie, '34, d. 11/13

WILLIAM AND MARY, COLLEGE OF Conwell, Elizabeth Douglas, '40, d. 11/13 Joyce, Sue Brown, '58, d. 11/13

WISCONSIN, UNIVERSITY OF Faulkner, Betty Brown, '38, d. 4/95 Janes, Marjorie Pugh, '39, d. 2/09 Kilgour, Martha Porter, '53, d. 4/10 Maas, Cecelia Moore, '37, d. 12/98 March, Mary Trebilcock, '50, d. 8/13 Mueller, Ruth Sharpe, '43, d. 12/13 Nagle, Louise H'Doubler, '47, d. 10/13 Sherer, Patricia Kelly, '42, d. 10/13 Wall, Alene Turner, '41, d. 2/14

* Indicates inactive chapters.

In Memoriam Reminder

When reporting a deceased member, please include her full name, including maiden name, her chapter or university, date of death, your name and contact information, and your relationship to the deceased. Copies of obituaries are appreciated.

Call Membership Services at 866-KKG-1870 or email membershipservices@kkg.org.

fraternity news

NPC Selects College Panhellenics Chairman

—By Judy Stewart Ducate, Texas Tech

ATTY COFFEE GESELL, *Penn State*, Kappa's delegate to the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC), has been named chairman of the College Panhellenics Committee, a two-year appointment that began Sept. 1, 2013. This committee works directly with College Panhellenics and the campus professionals, advising them on organization and recruitment procedures. There are 90 area advisers on the committee who serve in assigned areas to assist 570 College Panhellenic organizations.

Patty has been a member of the NPC delegation since 2006 and has served as an area advisor and area advisor coordinator in the Northeast region. As the Kappa delegate, she serves on the NPC Board of Directors and attends Kappa's Fraternity Council meetings. She has served Kappa in many roles during the past 35 years, including Province Director of Alumnae, Regional Director of Chapters and Director of Chapters.

The annual meeting of NPC was held in October and a new executive committee was installed for the 2013–2015 biennium. The chairman for this biennium is Jean Mrasek, Chi Omega, who also has served as Chi Omega's national president and as vice president of the Chi Omega Foundation.

The executive committee goals were announced in January 2014 by the chairman. These goals are the following:

- Execute the 2013–2015 strategic plan
- Review our tenets and affirm our standards
- Enhance advocacy efforts
- Foster relationships and education among stakeholders
- Share our truth and shape our message
- Encourage exemplary Panhellenic communities.

At the fall meeting of NPC, Unanimous Agreement X was revised by the delegates. The primary purpose of this unanimous agreement is to protect the single-sex status of sororities and fraternities. The requirement under law for such groups to remain single-sex organizations was a hard-fought battle that was won in the 1970s. NPC has an ongoing responsibility to publicly demonstrate that our recruitment, education and inculcation of members into our organizations is without need or dependence on others—especially those of the opposite sex.

As a result, Unanimous Agreement X was revised to include undergraduate and alumna members of NPC member groups and now states, "Men's Recruitment. Each College Panhellenic shall denounce the participation of Panhellenic women in men's fraternity events when or where the primary purpose is recruitment."



PATTY GESELL, Penn State, is the 2013–2015 chairman of the College Panhellenics Committee of NPC.

NPC Scholar Spotlight

NPC highlighted Wichita State University during February, NPC's Month of the Scholar, for promoting academic excellence and scholarship. The university Panhellenic Council holds an annual scholarship dinner each spring and the 2014 dinner included a guest speaker from the Barton School of Business. Kappa is proud to include its newest chapter, ETA UPSILON, among this group of NPC scholars!

NPC Stats

- ▶ 4.4 million initiated members of NPC
- ▷ 3,000 chapters on college campuses
- ▶ \$1.5 million raised for philanthropy
- ▶ 60 new chapters established in 2012-2013

Chapter and Alumnae Association Giving

These chapters and alumnae associations supported the Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation with gifts received between Nov. 9, 2013, and Jan. 7, 2014.

Chapters gave a combined \$11,045

Eta, Wisconsin

Chi, Minnesota

Sigma, Nebraska

Gamma Theta, Drake

Gamma Kappa, William & Mary

Delta Omicron, Iowa State

Delta Phi, Bucknell

Epsilon Zeta, Florida State

Epsilon Lambda, Tennessee

Zeta Upsilon, Georgia Southern

Alumnae associations gave a combined \$2,140

Annapolis

Asheville

Brevard County

Chattanooga

Cleveland West Shore

Desert, Calif.

Essex County, N.J.

Hammond, Ind.

Hawaii

Jackson, Miss.

Little Rock

New Hampshire

Norman

Pensacola

Pullman

Santa Cruz County

Shoreline East Connecticut

Fee Increase Proposed

As a leader in the Greek community, Kappa Kappa Gamma has been teaching and expecting sound financial management at all levels for 143 years. Kappa's operating expenses continue to escalate as our members expect better value, streamlined reporting, real-time training and more reliance on technology, staff and infrastructure.

This fall, Fraternity Council voted to propose amendments to the Fraternity *Bylaws* at the 2014 General Convention. The proposals include increasing the alumna per capita fee from \$17 to \$22, active per capita fee from \$82 to \$87 and the new member fee from \$165 to \$170.

Fraternity Council is proposing what is right for Kappa Kappa Gamma today. This fee increase is necessary to stay relevant to our incoming undergraduates, stay competitive in the Greek community, and to allow Kappa to continue to offer the sisterhood experience to all members for a lifetime.

Per capita and new member fees will be used for member services that keep us running efficiently and staying connected. These include administrative support, chapter and alumna assistance, advancements in technology and establishing new chapters. Other items include *The Key* magazine, educational outreach, numerous meetings including Convention, offices at Fraternity Headquarters and more.

These amendments will require delegate approval during the 2014 General Convention. Chapters and associations should plan for this possibility when forecasting your budget this spring for the 2014–2015 fiscal year.

We thank you in advance for your support of these proposed fee increases, and, most importantly, your unwavering commitment to Kappa Kappa Gamma.

fraternity news

Gamma Rho Celebrates 125 Years at Allegheny

GAMMA RHO CHAPTER celebrated its 125th anniversary Oct. 19, 2013, a milestone in its rich legacy at Allegheny College.

More than 120 members of Gamma Rho gathered in Meadville, Pa., for the event, which included a luncheon, a skit performed by active members and a ritual review. To everyone's delight, the renowned Gamma Rho "owls," Hoot and Annie, made an appearance and shared a few antics. Alumnae toured the chapter suite, recently renovated with help from House Board member SHIRLEY MERTZ ARTHER and members of her 1953 pledge class.

Keynote speaker VICKI LIPNIC, Allegheny, commissioner of the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, paid homage to the chapter's vibrant history and instilled a sense of pride among the women. Vicki announced that Gamma Rho alumnae, in conjunction with the Allegheny College Annual

Fund, formed a \$5,000 scholarship that will be awarded to one active member in the spring of 2014. "The depth of feeling for and the pride in this chapter, at this school, is enormous . . . this scholarship is part of our legacy, our loyalty, and our love for you," she said. Advisory Board Chairman BROOKE MURRAY, *Allegheny*, presented the chapter with a commemorative golden gavel on behalf of the House Board and Advisory Board.

Gamma Rho's celebration brought together seven decades of Kappas to acknowledge the accomplishments of the chapter and look ahead toward its future. But most importantly, the event reminded alumnae and undergraduates that, "As Kappas, we must strive to be 'members for life,' and remember that membership in the Fraternity extends beyond college days," says Chapter Council Adviser Nikki Kacerik, *Allegheny*. Here's to another 125 years!



The University of Miami mascot, Sebastian, with SAMEERA MATHAN and CATHERINE HUANG

Beta Nu Chapter Celebrates 125 Years

Kappas traveled from all corners to Columbus, Ohio, to celebrate **Beta Nu's** 125 years at The Ohio State University.

On Oct. 25, more than 175 Kappas gathered at the recently renovated Thompson Library to kick off a weekend of reunion. "The celebration was a wonderful opportunity to meet Beta Nus of all eras and renew the bond we share as members of the same chapter. The weekend also served as the perfect time to release the plans for our facility renovation and expansion scheduled to break ground this summer," says TANYA RUTNER, Ohio State, House Board President.

Members enjoyed listening to songs performed by the seniors and videos and photos containing favorite Kappa memories, and of course – questionable hairstyles. Five members of the 1963 class received honors for their lifelong commitment, as well as their 50-year pins.

Guest speaker Javaune
Adams-Gaston, vice president
for student life at Ohio State,
spoke about the chapter's steady
leadership at the university.
After the renovation, Beta
Nu will be the first sorority
on campus with a "STEP
(Second-year Transformational
Experience Program) approved"
facility, which will allow
sophomores the opportunity
to live in the Kappa house as
opposed to a dormitory.

Celebration continued
Saturday with brunch, tours of
the chapter house, and favorite
songs of the past led by co-host
LIBBY GERMAIN, Ohio State.
A large group of alumnae sat
together for the Oct. 26 football
game against Penn State, a win
for the Buckeyes.

To view photos from the weekend visit www.mypicturesnow.com >RecentEvents>Kappa KappaGammaBeta Nu125thAnniversary2013.





Delta Kappa Chapter Celebrates 75 Years

More than 250 alumnae and collegians gathered for a luncheon at the Coral Gables Country Club, Coral Gables, Fla., on Nov. 10 to celebrate the 75th anniversary of Delta Kappa Chapter, *Miami*. The event was planned by both active members and alumnae and was held at the same venue where the chapter celebrated its installation 75 years ago. In attendance was charter member, Rebekah (Becky) Parham Shelley, whose granddaughter, Jennifer Shelley Robinson and daughter-in-law, Susan Goldsmith Shelley, both Delta Kappa, presented an emotional testament to Becky.

The University of Miami Hurricane's mascot, Sebastian, joined the group for some pre-luncheon festivities, and a slide show showing decades of memories entertained during lunch. While gathered to celebrate this milestone, the group took the opportunity to recognize the recent achievements of two chapter members, MICHAELA HENNESSY, for receiving induction into the Iron Arrow, the university's most prestigious honor society, and BECKY TAYLOR, crowned Homecoming Queen the week prior. Following a keynote address by Dr. Patricia Whitely, vice president of student affairs, several 25- and 50-year pins were awarded.

Welcome, Upperclassmen!

Sorority Recruitment was once thought of as a freshman pursuit. Today, more and more women are joining as sophomores and beyond. Welcoming these students with proven grades and eager interest in the Greek system is highly beneficial—don't overlook the opportunity.

GREEK life is thriving and with it has come the trend of upperclassmen joining. On several campuses, separate quotas for freshmen and upperclassmen have been established. These are two different quotas—and chapters are expected to match both. It is up to the College Panhellenic to determine if two quotas will be used and the decision is made in consultation with the National Panhellenic Conference Area Adviser and Release Figure Specialist working with the campus. While secondary quotas are not for all campuses, they can be helpful in situations where older students are interested in joining but traditionally have not been matched with a chapter.

Why a woman might pledge beyond her freshman year ...

- ▶ As a freshman, she was not interested in sorority life.
- ▶ She wanted to focus on her academics or other campus opportunities during her first year of college.
- ▶ She met members on campus or in her residence hall who spoke highly of their experiences.
- ► The formal Recruitment process was not of interest or seemed daunting when she was a new student.
- ► She lacked family support for joining the Greek community.
- ► She withdrew from Recruitment because she didn't feel a strong connection to any chapters.
- ► She received a bid but later broke her pledge to membership and is now going through Recruitment again.

The value of pledging sophomores, juniors and seniors ...

- ▶ She wants the sorority experience.
- She wants to be a Kappa because of positive interactions with our members on campus, in class, through student organizations or work.
- ▶ She wants to make the most of her chapter experience and will seek involvement opportunities and leadership roles. Because she is a bit older and more comfortable with campus life, she is ready to get involved.
- ► She might already be connected and involved on campus, which will help Kappas build relationships.

Finding My Place . . . Never Mind the Missteps

—Ву **Lівві Rettew**, Virginia Tech

Before I even went to college, I had planned to join Greek life. I attended Panhellenic events once I got to Virginia Tech, researched each chapter, and read the Greek-life booklet cover to cover. Little did I know that my next move would crash my plan. In a last-minute decision to drop a class, I did not realize that my status as a part-time student would prevent my participation in Recruitment. Ineligible, I was heartbroken. As my friends came home each night talking about their parties, I felt left out.

During my sophomore year I signed up for Recruitment again but ended up dropping out before it even started. I had joined the rugby team, had a solid group of girlfriends and felt like I belonged. I decided that I didn't need Greek life. But as time passed, I still had a twinge of doubt—the "what ifs" lingered. My friends who were in sororities seemed to be enjoying it—date parties, sister socials, philanthropies. After a while, I realized that I really wanted to be a part of it all. As junior year began, I decided to go through Recruitment despite what I perceived as a stigma against going through Recruitment as a junior. People told me, "no one is going to want you."

I certainly had my doubts: What if no one likes me? What if I don't get asked back to any houses? But, I got invited back and actually enjoyed it. And they were honest, open and real. I could be myself and never felt judged. By the end of preference round, I had made my decision and hoped that the sisters felt the same way.

On Bid Day, as I opened my envelope, I didn't even need to see what it said. I knew that coat of arms in an instant! I started to cry. Things really had worked out for the best.



LIBBI RETTEW, Virginia Tech

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Allegheny - Gamma Rho (Beta West) - P.O. Box 179, Allegheny College, Meadville, PA 16335-0179

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Where to Send

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Membership Reference Form

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- 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.

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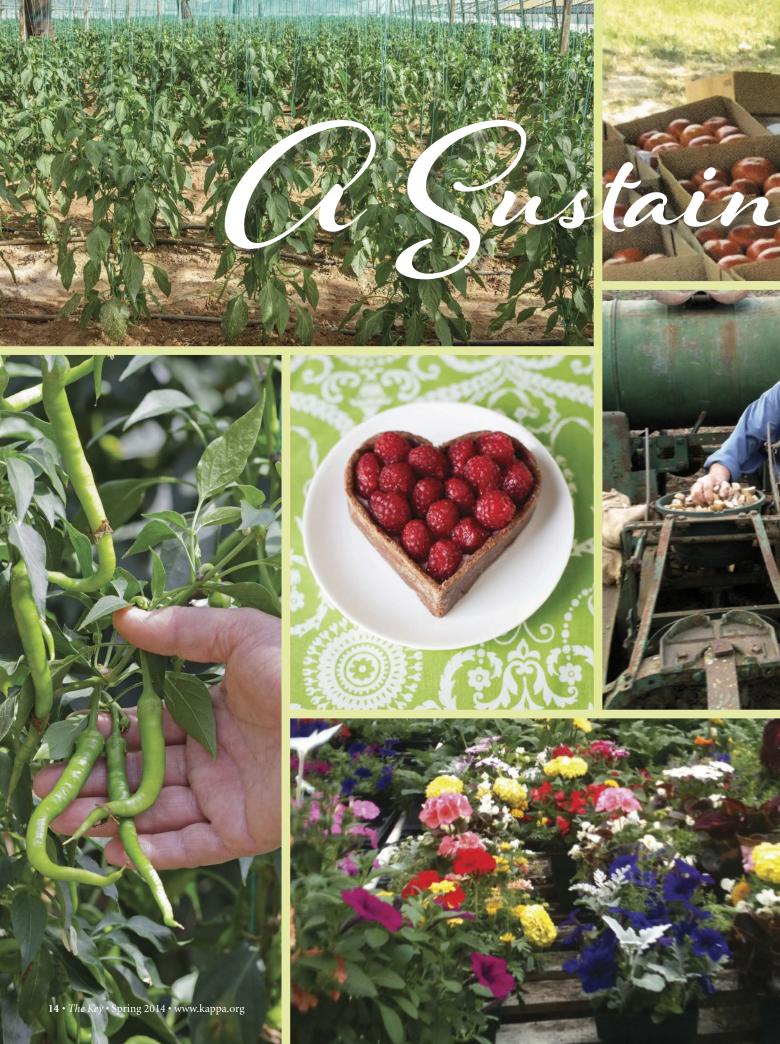
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Phone Number: ()	Email Address:				
Other NPC Affiliations:						

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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.)								
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Sisterhood

With nowhere to turn, Kristen Lacy Murray turned to her Kappa sisters. What she found would sustain her garden and her heart.

—By Joann Barton Vaughan, Virginia

Mike Murray, Kristen's husband, works in their fields.

It can happen to anyone.

Many of us are one medical, home or car repair bill away from not being able to pay all of the bills. According to a CNN report in June 2013, 76 percent of Americans live paycheck to paycheck and 22 percent have fewer than \$100 in savings.

So who would you turn to if you had a medical emergency or a business setback?

Kristen Lacy Murray, Colorado State, turned to her Kappa sisters.

"Many of us have everyday worries, some more than most," Kristen says, "but when it comes down to putting gas in the car or food on the table or natural disasters, where do you turn?

"I turned to my sisterhood, and they provided."

Rose McGill grants from the Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation kept Kristen and her husband, Mike, in business. The grants weren't large, but they made a difference in Kristen's ability to stay in business.

Kristen and Mike own and operate Riverview Garden Center in Kansas City, Kan. They grow annuals, perennials and vegetables with 13 greenhouses and 10 acres.

A stockbroker for 19 years, Kristen's love of gardening took root in 1997 when she moved to Kansas City to help care for her mother, who had taught Kristen a love of growing plants and flowers at an early age.

She started working for Mike at the Garden Center, escaping the stress of 10-hour days investing other people's money. Instead, she invested sweat equity in the Garden Center, bringing in new customers and growing the landscaping side of the nursery to 80 percent of the business.

Sharing a passion for making things grow, Kristen and Mike's romance bloomed and they married in 1998—but the business still ran right on the edge of profitability. With the economic downturn that followed 9/11, their business began to suffer as companies cut back on extras like landscaping.

They got by, barely, by refocusing the business on retail consumers and began farming three acres with organic produce. Kristen opened a farmer's market on their property, which helped immediately with cash flow.



Kristen's produce stand often sells out.

Then came the collapse of the stock market and the recession in 2008, along with medical bills for Mike, who needed triple bypass surgery. Facing equipment breakdowns and loss of discretionary purchases such as poinsettias at Christmas, Kristen and Mike began falling behind on their bills. By January 2012, the bank threatened foreclosure unless Kristen and Mike could come up with \$40,000 and \$10,000 in back property taxes. Kristen had no idea where to turn

"We just needed a little bit of breathing room," she says. "We had no savings, no 401K, no investments, no trusts. We just needed to hang on until spring when the sales come in."

Not knowing what else to do, Kristen applied for Rose McGill assistance in November of 2012. She received a \$4,000 grant to help pay bills including utilities, insurance and supplies. With no revenue coming in during February and March, she cut expenses and lived off food she had canned in the summer.

"I told my husband people don't have to buy flowers, but they do have to eat, so I am now 'all in' on food," she said. In February, she contacted nine restaurants that wanted to buy local produce and got commitments. In 2012 their first tomato crop was 750 plants; the next year they planted 2,500 in the first crop and had to add more crops. They also started growing oyster mushrooms.

The grant also gave Kristen and Mike the breathing room to refinance their mortgage, which

"I've never seen anything like this," a sisterhood. Why wasn't I involved

they had been trying to do for two years but were unable to complete because of back-due bills.

But then the loader broke.

No loader meant no sales of rock, soil, compost or mulch—plus the produce production would stall. Upon the urging of ALICE JACKSON CURTIN, William & Mary, chairman of Rose McGill Confidential Aid to Alumnae, Kristen applied for reconsideration of her award. "I didn't even know this was possible," Kristen says. But in May 2013, Kappa came through again with a grant for \$2,000.

Overwhelmed with gratitude and relief, Kristen wrote to Alice: "When I read your email this morning at 9:15, I started to cry. I had been up for 5 hours trying to get our first crop of tomatoes in the field."

With the loader fixed, Kristen and Mike were almost stable. Alice encouraged Kristen to apply for Rose McGill assistance for a third time, and again Kappa came through with a grant. "I've never seen anything like this," Mike says. "You truly have a sisterhood. Why wasn't I involved in something so great?"

Without worrying about day-to-day subsistence, Kristen could focus on the garden, letting customers know the farm could supply zucchini, yellow squash, cabbage, broccoli, onions, green beans, beets and carrots. The produce stand started selling out. The summer weather in 2013 cooperated, and rain blessed the ground and grew crops in abundance. Kristen and Mike hit an all-time high in sales. They are paying off their loans and planning to expand.

All Kristen had needed was a hand up. "I remember writing my first request to the Rose McGill fund in November 2012 in my back bedroom, contemplating what was next for me and my husband and our business," she says. "I was reading The Key when it hit me that I could apply for the fund. To this day it amazes me that there are sisters who want to help.

"When you are so low and you have no other help, it is comforting to know that Kappa sisters are there. I only hope that I will be able to pay back the Rose McGill assistance I have received.

"Sisterhood is amazing," Kristen says. "If every Kappa gave \$10, imagine how many sisters we could help!"

It really could happen to anyone. 🖰 🥆



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- ► Buy fresh, in-season produce.
- ► Local foods sustain the local economy, growers like Kristen and Mike.
- ► Feel good inside and outside.
- ► No shipping required.
- Local growers often use sustainable farming methods.
- ► Learn tips, ideas and recipes.
- ► Connect with your community.

Kristen's Home Grown Recipes

Baked Corn

Never boil corn again!

Want to know the easiest way to cook corn on the cob? Throw it in the oven at 350° for 25—30 minutes. That's it. Leave the husk on. It will trap in the moisture, leaving you with juicy, tender corn. The husk and silk will peel away easily once it's cooked. Cut off the large end and it slides right out with no silk.

Grilled Cabbages

If you've never had it grilled, you are missing out! Here's how to do it:

- ► Cut a head into 4—6 pieces
- ► Put each on a piece of foil
- ► Add a few pats of butter
- ► Top with bacon and season with salt, if desired
- ► Grill cabbage, covered, over medium heat for 40 minutes or until the cabbage is tender, turning twice.





Six Women Show How It's Done.

Strategist, builder, thinker, planner, energizer ... Shining a Light on the Best and Brightest

Service and achievement define the 2014 Alumnae Achievement Award recipients. They are beacons of hope for others. From a senator championing bipartisan legislation to the highest-ranking female executive in the NFL, these Kappas exhibit leadership and innovation across multidisciplinary fields. Whether surviving cancer and becoming an international ambassador for survivors across the globe, or training people in developing countries to build structurally sound houses in the wake of natural disasters, these women embody the confidence, strength and vision that all Kappas "aspire to be." And whether you happen to be one of the leading landscape architecture theorists in the U.S. or the founder of a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping victims of sexual assault, Kappa has one thing to say: thank you for what you do.

Kirsten Rutnik Gillibrand

—By Naomi Ratner, Syracuse

Senator **Kirsten Rutnik Gillibrand** (D-NY), **Dartmouth**, knows a thing or two about making a difference. The attorney-turned-congresswoman-turned-junior senator of New York was listed as one of "150 Women Who Shake The World" by **Newsweek/The**



KIRSTEN RUTNIK GILLIBRAND, Dartmouth

Daily Beast, and over the past four years she—along with her legislative agenda and commitment to open and honest government—has been making the country a better place, one vote at a time.

Sworn in to the Senate in January 2009, Kirsten replaced Hillary Clinton when Clinton was appointed as President Obama's Secretary of State. Kirsten was reelected to a full six-year term in 2012, and since then she has celebrated a number of legislative victories including the James Zadroga 9/11 Health and Compensation Act and leading the fight to pass landmark legislation to repeal "Don't Ask, Don't Tell," bringing Democrats and Republicans together to win both.

The mom of two has been charging forward since she graduated magna cum laude from Dartmouth College in 1988, received her law degree from the UCLA School of Law in 1991 and served as a law clerk on the Second Circuit Court of Appeals.

She has worked hard to represent New York as senator and, as one of only two women in the Senate with young children, Kirsten uses that experience as she writes legislation to address the nursing shortage, affordable autism treatment, improved asthma treatment, safe drinking water and baby products and the epidemic of sexual assault in the military.

"Women's voices are not better than men's, they're different, and the broader perspective that we bring often leads to better results," said Kirsten in an essay for *PolicyMic*. "That's why I've been such an advocate for more women to run for office and make their voices heard."

There are always challenges to face and people who will have doubt, but Kirsten is a role model for staying strong and working hard to reach goals, whatever they may be.

"I know it's hard, and nothing will ever be perfect," shared Kirsten with *Forbes* in October 2013, "but there's nothing that you can't do."



Five Issues That Gillibrand Fights For

1. Veterans' Benefits

Kirsten advocated an agenda to improve access to benefits for veterans, ensure job availability when active duty service members return home, and expand access to training tools to help service members successfully transition to work in the private sector.

2. Keeping Families and Children Safe

During her time in Congress, Kirsten worked to increase funding to put thousands more police on the street, crack down on the meth epidemic, protect children from sex offenders, and implement recommendations from the 9/11 Commission to protect against terrorist threats.

3. Education

With student debt at an all-time high, Kirsten took action by sponsoring the College Affordability Tax Relief Act to allow families to deduct up to \$10,000 of the cost of college tuition from their federal taxes.

4. National Security

In 2011, Kirsten led the fight to pass legislation to create a national, interoperable broadband network for our nation's first responders. This law fulfilled a major recommendation of the 9/11 Commission and will ensure that all first responders will be able to communicate with each other in the event of an emergency.

5. Agriculture

Kirsten championed the Food Safety Modernization Act (FSMA) that was signed into law by the president in January 2011. This legislation represents a monumental shift in our approach to food safety by transitioning from a system that typically reacts to food safety concerns to one that targets prevention.

Source: Adapted from www.gillibrand.senate.gov

Dorothy Slator Paterson

As a 16-year breast cancer survivor, **DOROTHY SLATOR PATERSON**, *Texas*, has a strong and resilient spirit. Of her passion for global breast cancer awareness, she says, "Although this wasn't the path I had originally chosen, I'm thrilled to be able to offer hope to others in the battle against cancer and finding a cure. We're closer than ever before."

—By Judy Darmer Ferguson, Texas

Before her 16th Susan G. Komen Houston Race for the Cure®, Dorothy said, "How sweet it is that I am still here to participate. Yet, how bitter it is that three of my close girlfriends and long-term supporters were recently diagnosed with breast cancer and joined this so called sorority of 'Kappa Kappa Cancer'... they

> now wear the PINK shirts as fellow 'sister survivors'... they not only survive, but thrive!" And, Dorothy thrives. Once traveling the world as a geologist for large oil companies, Dorothy transitioned to International

Race Ambassador. In that role, she coordinated new Komen races in Bosnia, Georgia (former republic), Greece,

Egypt and Israel. She explained, "The Race is all about keeping hope alive. It is such a powerful vehicle for raising awareness and

spreading the life-saving message of early detection."

While serving on the Susan G. Komen for the Cure® Board, Dorothy represented more than 120 Komen Affiliates in communities worldwide. She learned firsthand that much of the world trails far behind the U.S. in early detection and treatment of breast cancer. Her tireless advocacy for global health education has



DOROTHY SLATOR PATERSON, Texas

increased women's ability to discuss their breast health without fear of rejection by family and friends.

She has met and bonded with breast cancer survivors around the globe, encouraging them to share their stories, rising above the shame and stigma that are still prevalent in many countries. They become the face of hope and inspire other women to seek treatment earlier.

Dorothy remains dedicated to supporting others on their cancer journeys. She is a founding member of the Pink Ribbon Program at MD Anderson Cancer Center and also volunteers in its Inflammatory Breast Cancer Clinic. She was the recipient of MD Anderson's "Outstanding Patient Educator" Award in 2002, the president's "Call to Service Volunteer Award," presented to her by President George W. Bush in April 2005, and the Komen Houston Affiliate's Lifetime Award in May 2008.

5 Myths About Breast Cancer

1. Breast cancer is one disease.

Fact: Breast cancer specialists make treatment decisions based on four major subgroups of breast cancer. In the future, treatment will be targeted based on at least ten subtypes of breast cancer now recognized on the molecular level.

2. Breast cancer is largely genetic. If it doesn't run in my family, I am at low risk.

Fact: Most breast cancer cases are NOT due to inherited genetic mutations. Only 5 to 10 percent of cases are linked to inherited faulty breast cancer genes (BRCA1 and BRCA2).

3. Breast cancer appears as a lump.

Fact: 10 percent or more of those diagnosed with breast cancer have no lumps, pain, or other indications of a problem. For example, inflammatory breast cancer, a rare yet particularly aggressive form, is frequently misdiagnosed because it typically has no lump; signs include scaly, red, or swollen skin of the breast, areola, or nipple, perhaps with ridges or pitting that resembles an orange peel.

4. Mammograms cause breast cancer.

Fact: The risk of harm from radiation is minuscule compared to the huge benefits of early detection. The American Cancer Society recommends that women 40 and older have a mammogram every one to two years. Radiation doses are regulated by the FDA and are fairly low.

5. Young women don't get breast cancer.

Fact: While the disease is more common in older women, breast cancer can affect people of any age. Women under 50 account for 25 percent of all breast cancer cases, and they tend to have higher mortality rates. This may be partly explained by the fact that younger women tend to have denser breasts, which makes it harder to spot lumps during mammograms. It's a good idea to perform monthly self breast exams starting at age 20, have a clinical exam by a doctor every 3 years, and speak with your doctor about whether you should start mammographic screening at age 40. www.komen.org

Five Ideas for Creating a Great Public Garden or Park

1. Listen to the site.

Soil, wind, water and solar orientation are the structural foundations of a healthy, enduring designed landscape.

2. Seek out what works.

Recognize the local novel ecologies of native and non-invasive exotic plants that characterize a place.

3. Provide spaces for the encounter of strangers.

People watching and birdwatching are more than diversions. They open up insights into the lives of human and non-human others, a precondition of building a socio-ecological community.

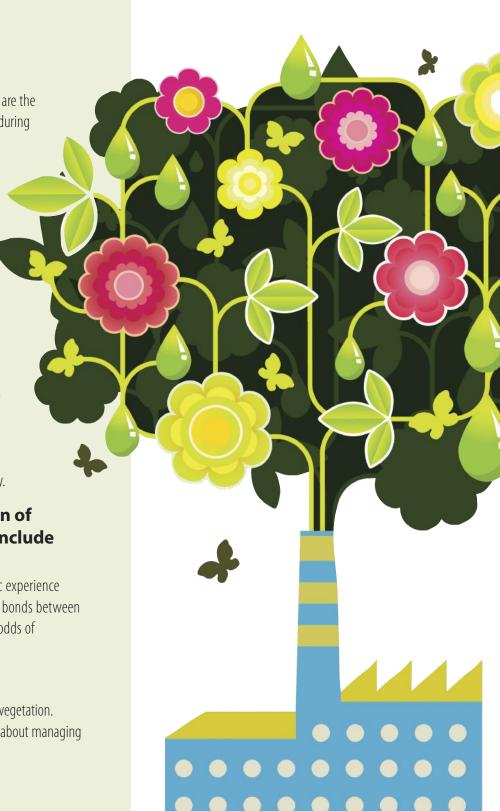
4. Expand the definition of sustainable design to include aesthetics and beauty.

A memorable multi-sensual aesthetic experience prompts curiosity and wonder, forms bonds between people and places and increases the odds of long-term care.

5. Allow for chance.

There are no weeds, just spontaneous vegetation. Design requires curation; it is as much about managing change as arranging form and space.

Professor



Beth Meyer

—Ву **J**odi **N**oding, *Florida*

Professor **Beth Meyer**, *Virginia*, is not your garden-variety landscape architect. With undergraduate and master's degrees in landscape architecture from the University of Virginia and a master's in architectural history and historic preservation from Cornell, Beth is one of the leading landscape architectural theorists in the U.S. It was that reputation that led President Barack Obama to appoint her in 2012 to the U.S. Commission of Fine Arts. In that role, she helps guide the future of such American iconic public spaces in the nation's

Beth's selection doesn't surprise anyone who knew her as a charter member of the EPSILON SIGMA CHAPTER of Kappa Kappa Gamma at Virginia, or as a graduate counselor at Cornell, though Dale Brubeck, William & Mary—who later encouraged Beth to continue her education at Cornell—says Beth was instrumental in building a strong chapter at Virginia. She held several offices in the chapter, including vice president.

capital as the National Mall.



Professor Beth Meyer, Virginia

But it was the opportunity, provided by Kappa with the tuition and board of a graduate counselor scholarship with Psi Deuteron Chapter, to attend Cornell that proved to be a turning point, Beth says. "Going to grad school there changed me. I was exposed to so much. It allowed me to understand how to read a landscape as a culture and social scape. The instruction and the library were amazing. A lot of what I got out of Cornell was the raw material for the next 30 years of my career. It was an incredible gift."

Rosemary Dunaway Trible

—By Ann Graham Schnaedter, Missour

Students stand mesmerized as **Rosemary Dunaway Trible**, *Texas*, speaks of being violently raped at gunpoint at age 25 and how that led her to write her story, *Fear to Freedom*, and to form the Fear 2 Freedom Foundation, which partners college campuses with local hospitals to provide after-care kits for assault victims.

The event, "Where Is the Line?," is a campus awareness program about the effects of sexual assault, date rape, intimate partner violence and sex trafficking. The crowd learns that one in four girls and one in six boys are victims of sexual abuse. The "2" in Fear 2 Freedom illustrates that every two minutes someone in America is sexually assaulted. Women are four times more likely to be assaulted during their college years.

Fear 2 Freedom programs began in 2011 with three colleges and three hospitals in Virginia. By spring 2014, it will involve 13 hospitals and 12 universities throughout the state. By 2015, the program will go national, beginning in Texas with Dallas, Midland and Austin. Rosemary plans to

take the program global, to a country each year, to the 29 million victims of sex trafficking around the



world. This year, 500 kits will go to Thailand, followed by Guatemala next year and then the Philippines.

During these campus events, students fill boxes with clothing and toiletries. The adult kits and Bear Gear book bags for children are delivered to a local hospital. The bear in each kit offers love. comfort and an option to write a note about their fears and place it in the bear's heart. The note can be destroyed when healing occurs. Women and children who come for treatment relinquish their clothes for evidence and often have to leave the hospital in paper scrubs. In 2013, 3,500 kits were donated to local hospitals.

Other problems such as bulimia, anorexia and panic attacks are often based on sexual assault, which steals self-esteem. This crime affects mind, body and soul. "We are working to change the cultural understanding. The greatest challenge is getting people to talk about it, not keep it a secret," Rosemary says.

Rosemary's mission today is to restore and give hope and healing to assault victims.







ROSEMARY DUNAWAY TRIBLE, Texas

Five Ways to Support Victims

- 1. Listen to their story—be non-judgmental.
- 2. Believe them.
- 3. Don't try to fix it —you can't.
- 4. Walk along side them on their journey of healing.
- 5. Be a safe place for them to share their pain.

Elizabeth Hausler Strand

—By Ann Graham Schnaedter, Missouri



ELIZABETH HAUSLER STRAND, Ph. D., *Illinois*, a civil engineer, founder and CEO of Build Change, was a Fulbright scholar in India assisting with postearthquake construction when she got the concept of training locals in developing countries to build earthquake-resistant houses. Her idea won a 2004 fellowship from Echoing Green, a N.Y. nonprofit that funds people who merely have an idea. She says, "They believed in me and my idea and helped me incorporate and do the planning necessary." Then, the December 2004 tsunami devastated Indonesia and the idea became reality.

The pilot project in Indonesia began by hiring local engineers and architects and training them. She says, "It is not the earthquake that kills people, it is the collapse of a poorly built building." At first locals were skeptical of Elizabeth and her crew, so they started a fun competition to see who could lay bricks faster. Elizabeth is a brick, block and stone mason in her own right, having worked for her dad's masonry construction company as a teen. She says that once they saw that she could do this, she got a lot of respect.

The first builders were not good at laying bricks and the workmanship was poor quality. They soon learned the changes were for the better, and began taking pride in their workmanship. By using local artisans and working with the homeowners, Build Change also stimulated the local economy with jobs

ELIZABETH HAUSLER STRAND, *Illinois*

and helped homeowners obtain low-interest loans, empowering them to make decisions about their own construction.

To date, Build Change has affected 15,000 people and built more than 160,000 houses throughout Bhutan, China, Haiti and Indonesia. New programs will be introduced in Colombia and Guatemala to train local residents before an earthquake occurs. These programs leave in place engineers who can continue to educate workers in safe building practices, a program that won a 2011 award for sustainability.

Following the 2007 earthquake in Sumatra, Build Change helped build earthquake safe homes.
Returning after a 2009 earthquake, Elizabeth found that none of the homeowners they previously taught sustained any damage, but also, during that interval, other new homes had been built using their designs. As one woman told Elizabeth on the completion of her home, "I can sleep now."

Five Steps to Structurally Safe Houses

- **1. Learn First**—Why do houses collapse? Make low cost changes to existing buildings.
- **2. Build Local Skills**—Teach local engineers.
- **3. Stimulate Local Demand**Convince locals with little money to invest in safe homes.
- **4. Facilitate Access to Capital**Partner with governments and finance companies to promote access to capital.
- **5. Measure the Change**—See them build safe homes themselves, not just live in ones built for them.

Charlotte Jones Anderson

—By Kristen Desmond LeFevre, Indiana

CHARLOTTE JONES ANDERSON, Stanford, has often been quoted as saying, "I think I was a juggler in another life." In her line of work—handling everything from stadium design to fan engagement, from entertainment to licensed apparel, and from cause marketing to community service for the Dallas Cowboys—that's either an occupational hazard or a cosmic blessing. Throw in her family commitments as a wife and a mother of three children, and you can see it clearly: juggling is an act she's got down pat—and it suits her beautifully.

As Dallas Cowboys Executive Vice President and Chief Brand Officer, Charlotte has become one of the most innovative and versatile front office executives in professional sports holding the top position by a woman in the NFL and overseeing all things related to the iconic Cowboys brand, including its cheerleaders. In May 2010, Charlotte became the first woman to be named chairman of The Salvation Army's national advisory board after partnering with the organization for more than 15 years. Most recently, Charlotte was named chairman of the NFL Foundation. As the first woman to serve in this capacity, she does more than spearhead the foundation's promotion of health and safety at the youth level—in 2013, her committee awarded more than \$23 million in charitable grants.



CHARLOTTE JONES ANDERSON, Stanford

Charlotte's father, Cowboys owner Jerry Jones, anticipated from the beginning that the entire family—his only daughter included—would eventually get involved with the team. "A lot of people go into the family business and end up working for their fathers," Charlotte says. "But we all kind of began at the same level. . . . Jerry never told us, 'You're not doing it the right way.' It was always, 'Try whatever you can, and if it doesn't work, we'll just keep on going.""

For Charlotte, the juggling act that is her life means being comfortable in her own skin regardless of her high profile in a traditionally male-dominated industry—and not changing in the face of critics or naysayers. "There's always going to be people who resist and don't like change, no matter what," Charlotte says. "And there are always going to be those who think you should constantly be reinventing yourself. You're never going to make everybody happy."

Five Things You Might Not Know About the Dallas Cowboys:

1. Real women watch (and work for) the NFL

Women are a large part of the fan base; in fact, 45 percent of NFL fans are women. Today there are nearly 70 NFL executives—including at the Dallas Cowboys—who are women.

2. Fashion in football is no faux-pas

Gone are the days of making something pink and calling it *female fashion* in football. Today, brands like Victoria's Secret PINK, and Peace, Love, World design Cowboysspecific clothing tailored for female fans.

3. Behind every good Cowboy ... is a Dallas Cowboys cheerleader

As brand ambassadors, the Dallas Cowboys Cheerleaders meet thousands of fans each year. Annual auditions are full of beautiful and talented dancers, but there's more to the job than that; they must be able to talk the talk when it comes to football in general—and the Cowboys in particular.

4. The art of the football stadium

Art has been a part of stadiums dating back to the time of the Greeks and the Romans, but there's never been a venue quite like AT&T Stadium. It features a public art collection showcasing 50 prominent pieces of contemporary art throughout the stadium's grand public spaces.

5. Charity begins at home games

Since 1997, the Dallas Cowboys' traditional Thanksgiving Day halftime show has launched The Salvation Army's annual holiday Red Kettle Campaign—helping raise almost \$2 billion to help those in need.



JUDITH STANTON (center), Hillsdale, a member of the FORT LAUDERDALE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION, was featured in the Sun Sentinel with her story as a breast cancer survivor. Judith attends a Party in Pink event to benefit Gilda's Club of South Florida.



Friends from ${\bf R}{\bf H}{\bf o}^{\Delta},$ Ohio Wesleyan, celebrate their 70th birthdays together at Hilton Head Island, S.C.

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Kappa K9s of the **Salt Lake City Alumnae Association** take part in Strut Your Mutt, an event organized by the Best Friends Animal Society. The Kappas raised \$500 for the society and enjoyed walking around Liberty Park. The pups wore owl bandanas while the Kappas wore their keys.



Members of **Beta Upsilon**, *West Virginia*, from the 1970s, have been gathering on Topsail Island, N. C., since 1992. It all began when **KAREN HAMRICK MILLER** offered her beach house. Then it grew into three houses and 32 people. **Melissa Haught Stanley** has a beach house nearby and now the group numbers about 60. The group is known to perform "Oh Pat" just about anywhere—restaurants, on the beach and in the ocean while slapping the water.





CHARLOTTE SQUIRE McCARTER, Emory, is the adviser for William & Mary's House Chairman, Morgan Jolliffe.
Charlotte discovered that Morgan's mother, Mancy Crosby Jolliffe, is also an alumna from Emory, a year ahead of her.





Seven friends from the **Beta Mu**, *Colorado*, classes of 1955–57 enjoy a small reunion luncheon at the St. Francis Yacht Club in San Francisco.



MARGARET SCARBOROUGH
ECKEL, Mississippi, President
of the DENVER ALUMNAE
ASSOCIATION, and JULIE
BLOSS STONE, Colorado
State, BOULDER ALUMNAE
ASSOCIATION President,
hosted a thank you party
for advisers and House
Board members in Eta East
Province.

Eight friends from the class of 1953 of ETA, Wisconsin, celebrate 60 years of friendship in Shelburne, Vt.





HILDA BECKH SHERMAN, William & Mary, GRETCHEN PRELLWITZ JERLSTROM, Massachusetts, and CAROL ALLEN BAUGH, Pennsylvania, members of the WILLIAMSBURG ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION, sample olive oils and balsamic vinegars from around the world at Imperial Olive.



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Members of the Fort Bend County (Texas) Alumnae Association, pictured on the staircase at the home of hostess Nancy Davis Olson, Duke, celebrate the 25th anniversary of their charter.





The 1963 class of **GAMMA Mu**, *Oregon State*, gather at Black Butte Resort in Sisters, Ore., in July for a 50th anniversary reunion.



Junior Night Group, part of the **Dallas Alumnae Association**, has been re-energized with a slew of fun activities geared toward young alumnae. Recently they created fleur-de-lis works of art at Painting with a Twist.

Key Achievements

**ALICE FAIRCHILD HEATH, Illinois Wesleyan, was honored with the Illinois Wesleyan University Loyalty Award for her community involvement and contributions to the Wesleyan Fund for more than 15 years. Alice's community service includes: chairman of her 60th class reunion; Steering Committee member for Rock Valley College Curriculum Development Human Services Department; past president of the Northern Illinois Southern Wisconsin Association of Volunteer Administrators; past president of the Rockford Chapter Lyric Opera Chicago; and deputy voter registrar for the League of Women Voters. Alice wears her Kappa badge with 13 of her relatives who also attended IWU. Alice served as president of the Rockford Alumnae Association.



Photo by Marc Featherly



MONICA OWENS, Colorado State, is a veteran political and nonprofit consultant specializing in campaigns and fundraising. A 2012 "Top 40 Under 40" recipient, Monica has worked on many political campaigns including presidential, senatorial and congressional campaigns as well as advising leaders in the corporate and charitable sectors. Monica was elected as a delegate to the past two Republican National Conventions. She owns Owens Public Affairs and is a trustee of the Colorado Ballet.

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CAROL COVERT CROWLEY, Texas, and her husband, Tim, were recognized as the 2013 Philanthropic Honorees at the Champions for Children awards luncheon benefiting Helping Hand Home for Children in Austin, Texas. This event recognizes philanthropic and nonprofit honorees from the Austin community who have worked in support of children in need. The Crowleys also serve their community through their devotion to the Ronald McDonald House Charities, the Junior League of Austin, Dell Children's Medical Center, Goodwill Industries of Central Texas, and many more deserving causes in the Central Texas area. Pictured are Tim, Carol, Christopher, and ELIZABETH CROWLEY, Texas.



⊕ NANCY MILLER,

Oklahoma, a renowned writer, director and producer of TV and film, has been inducted into the Oklahoma Women's Hall of Fame. Her films often feature a strong female lead. She has created and executive produced The Round Table for NBC, Leaving LA for ABC, Any Day Now for Lifetime and Saving Grace for TNT. Nancy also has worked on Nashville, CSI, Miami, and other shows and is currently developing new projects.





PHYLLIS WHITE GEESLIN, Indiana, received the Eli Lilly Lifetime Achievement Award from the Indiana Historical Society. Phyllis has served as president of the Benjamin Harrison Presidential Site since 1993. During her tenure, maintenance and restoration of the home and property have included rebuilding the carriage house to complete

the historic campus and restoring the original home's wallpaper, carpets, sidewalks and ornamental plantings. Phyllis also spearheaded an effort to save a large collection of Harrison's papers, personal items, family history and documents from public auction. Phyllis is also a member of the Kappa Foundation Museums Committee.

**ENNA BEAUPRE RATHAI, Illinois, is president of the National Agri-Marketing Association, the U.S.'s largest association for professionals in marketing and agribusiness. She leads the strategic direction of this 1,500-member organization that provides networking and professional development opportunities for its members. Kenna is an independent public relations



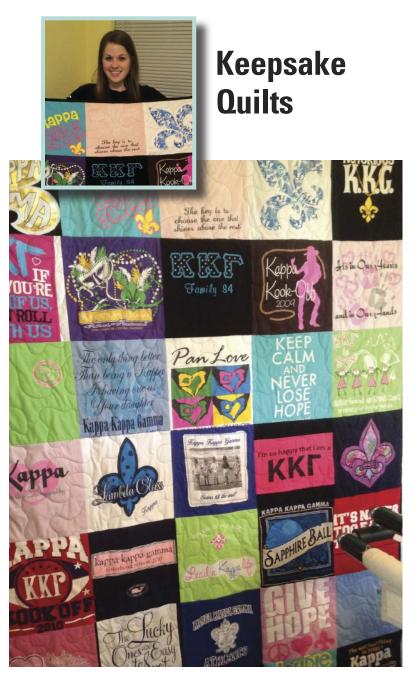
consultant and freelance writer in northeast Illinois and her 20 years of experience includes positions with agencies in Minneapolis and Chicago. She also serves as associate director of the American Agricultural Editors' Association and on the University of Illinois Agricultural and Environmental Communications Alumni Leadership Council.



Ger Jamia Jasper Case Jacobsen, Indiana, received a Keystone Award as a Partner in Philanthropy from the University of Indiana, from where she holds three degrees. Jamia founded the Central Indiana Family Support Center and was director from 1980-86. Ronald Reagan appointed her to the U.S. Advisory Board on Child Abuse and Neglect and she went on to found The Family Counseling Center, where she served as president until 2004. Jamia serves on the University of Indiana Alumni Association's executive council and she led the effort to establish the Paul George Jasper Scholarship for the Maurer School of Law in honor of her late father.



ADDIE BOSTON, Colorado State, won her first jury trial while a student at the University of Tennessee College of Law. Employed by the District Attorney's Office in Nashville, Tenn., Addie was certified to practice law using her legal intern's license under the supervision of a licensed attorney. Assistant District Attorney, RACHEL THOMAS, Virginia, supervised Addie and helped her to succeed in her trial, an attempted first-degree murder charge. Addie says, "I couldn't have done it without Rachel's support. Being Kappas from different years and universities across the country, both Rachel and I thought it was a serendipitous experience."



Like many Kappas, Caitlin Lawler, Central Florida, graduated with a drawer full of Kappa T-shirts. They held so many memories that she couldn't bear to let them gather dust in her drawer. Instead, she decided to repurpose them so that her Kappa memories would always be near her heart—and in her dreams! Caitlin designed a layout for a T-shirt quilt and then her stepmother sewed it together and sent it to Sweet on Stitches of Fort Lauderdale to complete the quilting. The result was a beautiful Kappa quilt commemorating Caitlin's college memories.

Canadian Annual Meeting Notice

The Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation of Canada Annual General Meeting will be held June 2, 2014, in Toronto. To register or find out more about the meeting, please contact Foundation Secretary CAROLYN LOVE, McGill, by phone at 416-928-2327 or by email at Carolyn.love@ gmail.com. The Foundation awards scholarships to Canadian women, both Kappas and non-Kappas, pursuing Ph.D. studies. Three women were granted scholarships in 2013 in the fields of biological diversity, family planning and software engineering. ALICIA GRUBB, Toronto, Faculty of Engineering, was awarded a scholarship to further her studies in applying computer science-based methodologies to global, social and environmental issues. Visit www.kkgfoundationof canada.org to find out more.



Fay, her daughter Robyn Lorain, Gwen and Jayne

Sisters Swim for Life

Sisters FAY SUTTER SCHULZ, GWEN SUTTER KUBASAK and JAYNE SUTTER, all Arizona State, hosted a three-hour swim-a-thon to raise money for Langston Navarro, a Mesquite, Nev., boy who has stage 4 kidney disease. Fay also has chronic kidney disease and wanted to help someone locally with a similar condition. After searching for more than a year to find a local recipient for her cause, Fay found Langston when he appeared on the front page of a local newspaper. On Aug. 18, 2013, these Kappas were able to use their love for competitive swimming to raise more than \$9,000 during their Laps for Langston event. Langston is currently on the waiting list for a kidney transplant and the money raised will help pay for the potentially life-saving procedure. Fay, Gwen, Jayne, and all of Langston's supporters are hopeful a new kidney will come soon.

Career Night Links Collegians and Alumnae

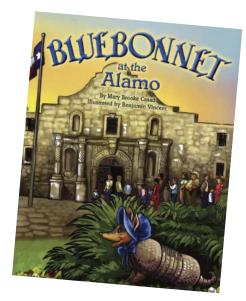
In January, juniors and seniors from Epsilon Delta, Arizona State, gathered with career women who are members of the SCOTTSDALE ALUMNAE ASSOCIATION to network, polish their interviewing skills and prepare for entering the job market after graduation. The alumnae association hosted "Career Night" as a service to collegians as well as an outreach to area alumnae who have a limited amount of time to participate in alumnae association activities but are interested in mentoring. "We wanted to have a more meaningful connection with the chapter and, since the economy is difficult, area alumnae want to share connections in the job market with juniors and seniors," says Susanne Wolff VANDER HEYDEN, Washington State, Fraternity Ritual Chairman.

Collegians were matched by their major with professional Kappas. For example, four undergraduates aspire to be lawyers, so two alumnae who are lawyers attended the event. A speaker presented resumé and cover letter advice, as well as tips for working with human resources departments. In small groups, alumnae shared their career paths, connections, internship advice and some shared job openings in their field. As a result of Career Night, members of the Scottsdale Alumnae Association and Epsilon Delta seniors are looking forward to meeting again for a spring graduating seniors event.



JESSELYN YARISH BENSCOTER, *USC*, an account manager at General Mills, offers **Anna Lewis**, *Arizona State*, advice about pursuing a career in sales.

Arts&Letters

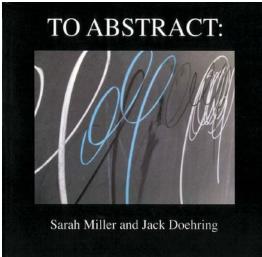


To Abstract

By SARAH MILLER, Rollins, and Jack Doehring

Abstraction reduces art to its essence. Sarah Miller's art relates an open active transient experience, much like music without lyrics. Her work, juxtaposed with Doehring's freestyle poetry, removes the unnecessary and only the essentials remain. These two artists have uncovered the power of the line and the word.

To Abstract features Sarah's multimedia art series "Open," created from chalk, pastel and water on slate. The works are improvisational and non-permanent and were photographed to document the artworks in their current state. Sarah's images are complemented by Doehring's poetical works.



Bluebonnet at the Alamo

Review by SARAH KROPP, Allegheny

By Mary Brooke Casad, SMU

MARY BROOKE CASAD created the Bluebonnet Series to teach Texas children about local history through the travels of Bluebonnet, a curious armadillo. In the latest installment, Mary writes her titular character's latest Texas adventure: a visit to the Alamo.

Bluebonnet at the Alamo recounts the history surrounding the Battle of the Alamo and the importance of the Alamo museum in preserving Texas heritage. Upon arriving in San Antonio, Bluebonnet meets Digger Diller, an elderly armadillo who is the proud owner of Jim Bowie's famous knife. Digger Diller's ancestor discovered Bowie's knife following the fall of the Alamo in 1836. The knife had been hidden in an armadillo burrow ever since, passed down from one generation of armadillos to the next.

Bluebonnet believes Digger Diller should give Jim Bowie's knife to the Alamo museum so everyone can appreciate the historic artifact. However, Digger Diller is reluctant to part with his prized family heirloom. Bluebonnet spends time with Digger Diller trying to convince him to give the knife to the Alamo museum, for she wonders, "What good is a special treasure unless you share it?" As a plan to donate the knife unfolds, it is certain that young readers will always "remember the Alamo."

The Bluebonnet Series, appropriate for ages 5-8, is composed of nine picture books which are used in elementary schools for Texas studies. Mary is a resident of Sulphur Springs, Texas. She is a member of the Writers' League of Texas, the Texas State Historical Association and the Daughters of the Republic of Texas. For more, visit bluebonnetarmadillo.com/.

The Green Line

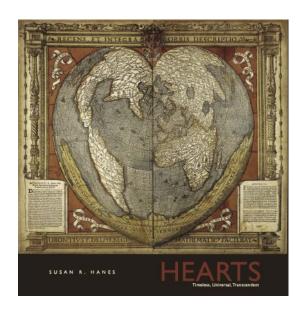
By **E.C. D**ISKIN, *TCU*

▶ Simply stated, Abby Donovan's late night ride on the Green Line of the Chicago subway led to a spellbinding, heart-throbbing adventure. In this mystery-thriller, the reader is taken on a ride through crime-infested neighborhoods in Chicago, excitedly following Abby's fast-paced exploits. A former Chicago attorney herself, ELIZABETH CAIN DISKIN has created a suspenseful debut novel; her self-confident writing style is convincing and captures a sense of adventure and intrigue.

Abby, an overworked associate with aspirations of becoming a partner in her Chicago law firm, is driven to investigate the alarming events of her late night misstep. She has apprehensions about the dangerous world in which she has found herself. A kind convenience store owner with serious legal problems gives Abby a ride to her townhouse. She offers to help with his legal problems. When he is found dead, she becomes suspicious. With an undercover cop, Abby uncovers questionable drug busts linked to the death. A widely-abused legal maneuver creeps into the investigation. A myriad of colorful characters weave this tapestry in spell-binding fashion.

Abby is a smart and engaging heroine. Her story unveils itself in non-stop suspense and with eager anticipation. The story is a speedy read, captures the reader's interest and provides a thrilling conclusion.





Hearts: Timeless, Universal, Transcendent

By Susan Rountree Hanes, Emory

► The product of 30 years of photographs taken in 35 countries and a dozen U.S. states, Hearts is not a typical gift book. Rather, it is a trip around the world as seen through a magnifying glass. For years, independent traveler and avowed heart-lover Susan HANES has found hearts along the paths of her travels down back roads and in the countryside, as well as in major cities of the world. As she began to notice these pleasing forms in surprising places, she started to document them with her camera. Cleverly matching a heart from one location to another across the globe, Susan presents a visual essay about our human connections that goes beyond borders and boundaries. Hearts encourages us to seek what is good and hopeful in the world.

Quotes from philosophers, teachers and leaders from different cultures accompany some of the photographs, enriching a message that embraces human connections, rather than featuring a more traditional "love" kind of book.

collegiate

SIMPSON. Members of Omicron^a cheer on the chapter's car wash, an annual event that benefits Reading Is Fundamental.



UTAH. DELTA ETA members enjoy a sisterhood event at Wheeler Farm in Salt Lake City, Utah, complete with fall leaves and tractors.



CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE. EPSILON XI members KATIE McCormick, Hayley Taylor, Natalie Day, SYDNEY PHAVORACHIT and KATIE LOPINSKI enjoy sisterhood time while preparing for Recruitment.

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MISSISSIPPI. ABEE JENSEN, LAUREN BUBERGER, MAGGIE BROOKS, RACHEL MARSH and SARAH **DougLass** spent winter term traveling through India, Sri Lanka and Bangladesh with a guide from Feed the Hunger, an organization that provides food packages to areas of the world that struggle with basic necessities. Delta Rho organizes several mission trips each year.







TENNESSEE. Four members of EPSILON LAMBDA are serving on Panhellenic Council: MADISON KAHL, campus liaison; JACQUELYN COOK, vice president of recruitment counselors; BETH SHARBER, director of scholarship; and FAULKNER EMERSON, co-philanthropy director.



INDIANA. This past fall, Delta Chapter launched a new philanthropy, Kappasta, with proceeds from the ticket and T-shirt sales going to The American Cancer Society.







UC MERCED. A key family from **ETA XI CHAPTER** captures their sisterhood memories in front of the "Beginnings" sculpture on campus.

CHAPMAN. Trivia was just one of the events during **ETA SIGMA's** philanthropy event, Kappa Klassroom. Four-player teams competed in many events, including a pie-eating contest and donut challenge. A wise Kappa owl was on the T-shirt design and proceeds benefited the Kappa Foundation.

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CENTRAL FLORIDA. Members of ETA ETA CHAPTER visit Magic Kingdom for a sisterhood retreat.





USC and UC MERCED.

ARIEL BLANDFORD,
USC, reunites with
LEAH BEZA and SARAH
SPOLJARIC, both
UC Merced, after
transferring schools.
The women took a
scenic trip to the Santa
Monica Pier together.



Iowa. With a Kappa Karaoke event, Beta Zeta Chapter raised \$1,600 for the Joy Recovery Project, an organization that supports Eleanor (Ellie) Joy Cizek, Kansas, who is recovering from a traumatic brain injury.



COLGATE. ZETA RHO, along with Theta Chi, Sigma Chi and Colleges Against Cancer, held a "Kick Cancer" kickball tournament. The campus-wide event raised close to \$1,500 for the American Cancer Society. Philanthropy Co-Chairman Amanda Brown was recognized as Colgate's Student of the Week for her role in organizing the event.

MIAMI. DELTA KAPPA hosted LAUREN PARSEKIAN PAUL, Pepperdine, co-founder of The Kind Campaign. They viewed Lauren's documentary, Finding Kind, about the effects of female bullying.







KENTUCKY. CHELSEY POOLE,
ASHLEY BLYSTONE and
KATELYN SANDELL hike
the Kodai Mountains in
Kodaikanal, India, while
on a medical mission trip
with the Foundation of
International Medical
Relief of Children.







TEXAS. BETA XI celebrates improving its chapter GPA to a 3.38, moving up six places among Panhellenic standings at Texas. **WILLA JOLINK, MARGARET SMITH, CAROLINE COOPER, JACLYN COLEMAN** and **BECCA JOHNSON** show the celebration cake!





WICHITA STATE. Members of **ETA UPSILON** wear their best "ugly sweaters." Some of their advisers join in the fun, too!

"This is a little girl from Phaeton Shoal, Dominican Republic (near Haiti). I just really love this photo. To me, it captures the beauty, the fear, the moment the girl is trapped in." — Kelly

Helping Haiti

Making the Most of Every Opportunity

—By ALI Brown, Ohio State

After dinner a young girl gathers leftover chicken parts and begins to eat the bone itself. The child, new to Damou Christian Mission's orphanage in Jacmel, Haiti, had grown accustomed to not knowing when food would be available again and made the most of every opportunity.

Kelly Reeves, *DePauw*, would not forget what she saw in Haiti—the poverty, hunger and physical maladies. In fact, after her trip, Kelly would return three more times, bring donations and change the course of her career path.

As a college junior, Kelly searched for an opportunity to document a developing nation, but she needed a place to go. She learned that her hometown church, Cicero Christian Church in Cicero, Ind., was organizing a mission trip. Her grandmother, Charlene Reeves, *Butler*, sponsored her.

Arriving in Haiti, Kelly witnessed death, sickness and hunger unlike anything she knew existed.

According to The World Bank, Haiti is the poorest country in the Americas and one of the poorest in the world with significant deficits in basic services. Close to 80 percent of the population survives on less than two American dollars a day with a Gross National Income per capita of \$760 in 2012.

One mother walked all over the country to try to find someone to help her young boy, Daniel, who had cancer. Kelly learned that sometimes in Haiti doctors will not offer treatment to a terminally ill patient, or even tell them what is wrong, in fear of how loved ones will react. Inadequate treatment contributes to the rapid spread of AIDS, present in many communities. After finally visiting a Cuban hospital and facing a severe language barrier, it was determined nothing could be done for Daniel. He died just before his second birthday.

According to the Human Rights Watch website, "Election delays, natural disasters and the persistence of a deadly cholera epidemic continue to hinder the Haitian government's efforts to meet the basic needs of its people and address long-standing human rights problems, such as violence against women and inhumane prison conditions."

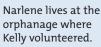
Many times, the conditions in Haiti seemed hopeless. Yet, there was happiness and accomplishment in spite of hardship. An infant, Samuel, was brought to the orphanage after being discovered at the bottom of a restroom basin, was miraculously saved and given a positive prognosis for a healthy future.

What started as a project to document a country changed Kelly's career projection. "Haiti has become a spark to learn more about the world and really become a global citizen." Friends and family admire how passionate she is about the country and cause and have supported her efforts. Members of IOTA CHAPTER, DePauw, donated books, medical supplies and money to the Damou Mission's school and orphanage.

After her first trip to Haiti, Kelly quickly began planning to return and by summer she was back—this time with her mother, a teacher. The mother-daughter team directed a teaching seminar where American and Haitian teachers were able to come together to improve their teaching and communication skills. In total, Kelly has been to Haiti four times, each time encountering unpredictability and gaining inspiration.

Tina Eisenhower, director of the mission, has lived in Haiti for nearly 30 years running the school, church, infant food program, orphanage and center for the blind in Jacmel. She is lovingly referred to as "Mamma Tina"—a parent to those without a family, an uplifting personality for the weary, and a driving agent of change in the community. As a mentor, Tina played a large part in Kelly's calling to help the people of Haiti.





Kelly says, "It is very difficult for women in Haiti and seeing them thrive inspires me to do more and be a strong, independent woman like they are."

After graduating from DePauw in May 2013, Kelly began working with a refugee resettlement agency in Indianapolis. She advocates for refugee clients and assists them with everything from obtaining housing to job training. But Kelly will soon continue her work outside the U.S. borders. She is excited to be joining the Peace Corps to teach English in Guyana from July 2014 to 2016.

Thanks to Kelly's hard work and commitment, otherwise unavailable tools were sent to Haiti. Kelly has administered thousands of dollars raised, ensuring that the funds are used to better equip Haitians to learn, grow and overcome many hardships.

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