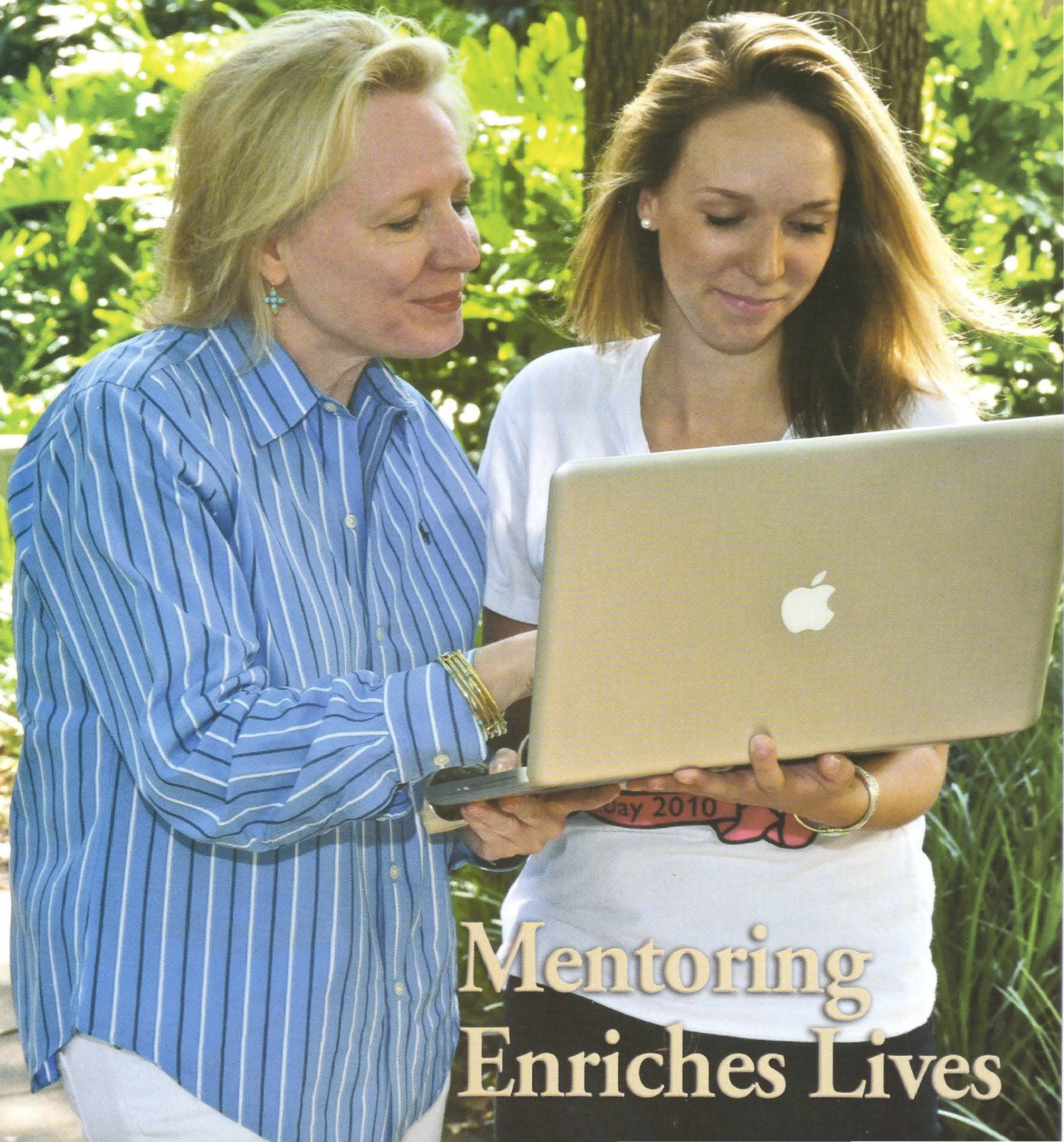


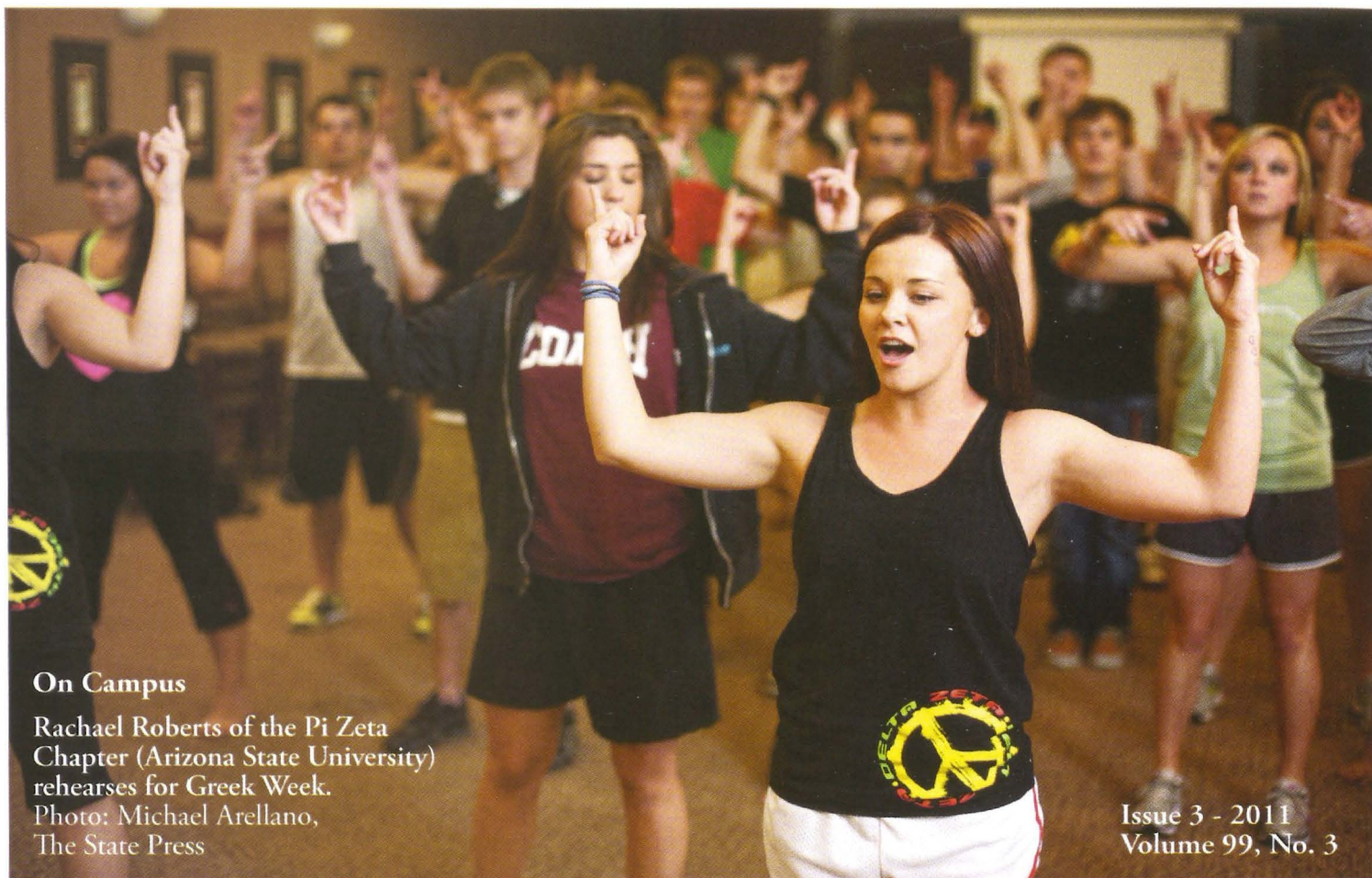
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On Campus

Rachael Roberts of the Pi Zeta Chapter (Arizona State University) rehearses for Greek Week.

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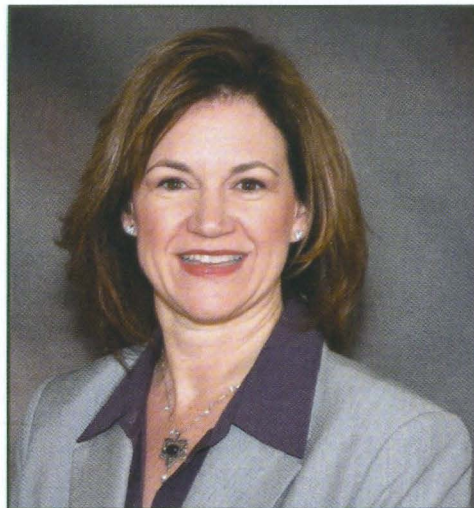


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From the President



For all of us who came of age in college and as a member of Delta Zeta, we remember those who provided guidance and advice to us, who enriched our lives and helped us develop into women who enrich today's world.

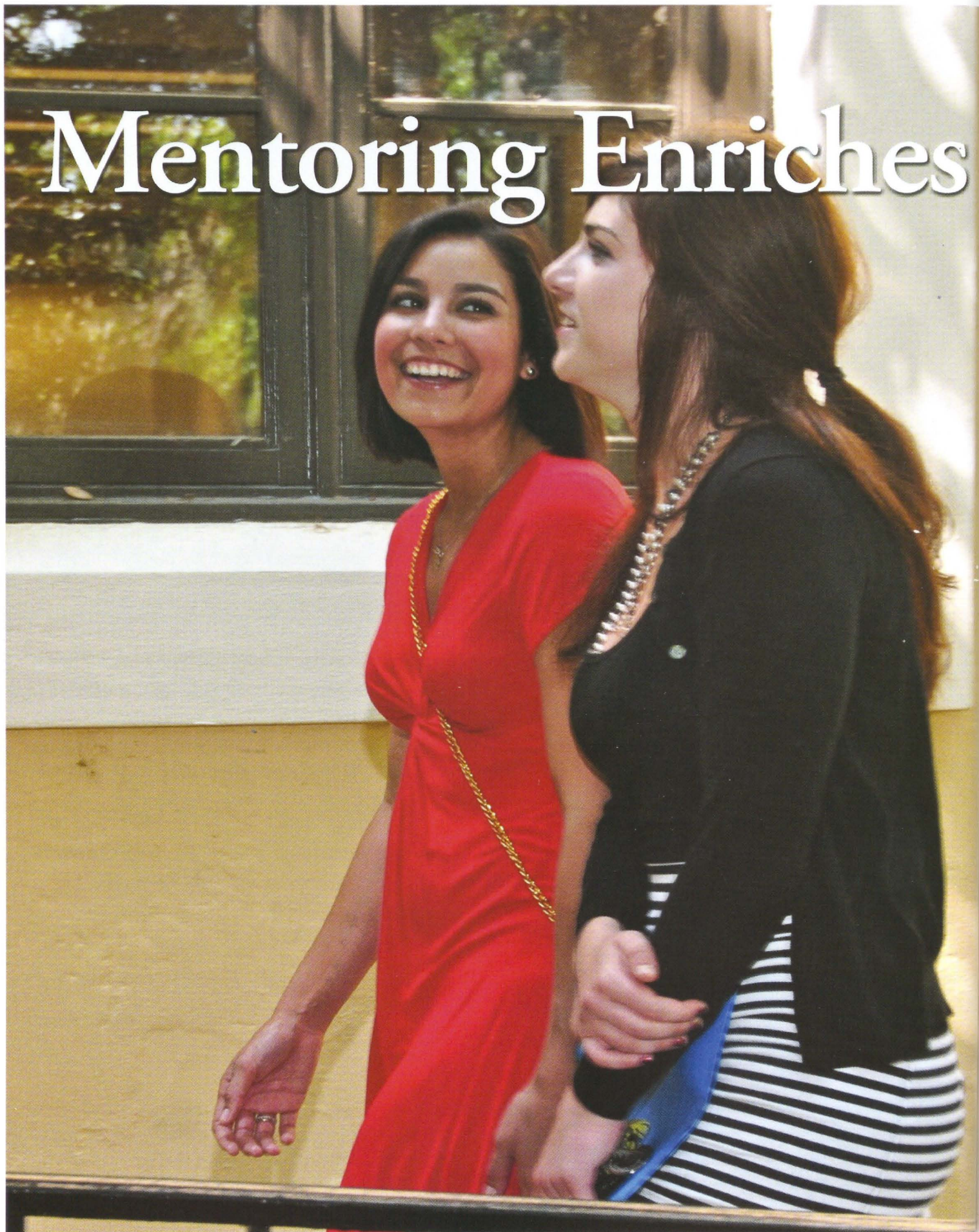
You never forget a mentor – someone you look up to, someone you emulate, and someone who inspires you to be the best that you can be. I will never forget my mentors – those within and outside of Delta Zeta who wanted to share their time and knowledge with me, to help me grow and learn. I knew they cared about me, but more importantly, they cared about the world around us. Mentoring is an act which has incalculable value – its influence is felt far beyond that of the initial mentor/protégé relationship. The protégé will go on to mentor someone else, and so on and so on. Mentoring lives on in every person who mentors or is mentored beyond that first connection.

Think of those mentors who have guided you – and be inspired to mentor someone who will enrich Delta Zeta and go on to enrich the world.

In Delta Zeta,

Michelle A. Smith, National President

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Mentoring Enriches

Mentoring is a concept from Ancient Greece. Mentor was a friend of Odysseus who was entrusted with the education of Odysseus' son, Telemachus. Thus, a mentor is defined as "a trusted counselor or guide."

(Webster's New Collegiate Dictionary)

LIVES

It is fitting that this Greek concept is carried into a fraternal organization such as Delta Zeta Sorority. Each member is a mentor – no matter what her role in life: parent, wife, teacher, professional colleague, advisor or student. The Founders, of course, were the original mentors, setting forth the principles of the Sorority that serve as the guiding light for Delta Zeta today. They worked closely with early collegiate and alumnae members to continue the perpetuation of the Sorority with care and forethought.

With each generation, Delta Zeta members are prepared to take leadership into their chapters and onto their campuses. Mentoring is a large part of that preparation process. After graduation, these women lead in their professions and communities, and continue to enrich Delta Zeta with their leadership.

The Benefits of Mentoring

Mentor/protégé relationships are less structured and more personal than traditional teacher/student situations. Mentoring denotes a relationship between a more experienced person — the mentor — and a less experienced person — the protégé (Source: <http://ezinearticles.com/>). Because friendship and personal relationships are the foundation of Greek life, the sorority experience enhances the mentoring experience for the mentor and the protégé.

Mentoring gives one the extraordinary opportunity to facilitate a protégé's personal and professional growth by sharing knowledge learned through years of experience. While the primary intent of a mentoring role is to challenge the protégé to think in new and different ways, the protégé is not the only one who gains from the arrangement. The mentor is enriched by the experience as well.

From experience and the limited research that has already been compiled, we know that when done well, mentoring holds great promise in helping people succeed in life (Source: <http://www.mentoring.org/>). It has been found that close connections with mentors, in turn, can foster improvements in adolescents' ability to connect with others, especially their parents ("Making Mentoring Work." Dr. Jean Rhodes, University of Massachusetts –

Boston, July 2002). Therefore, mentoring helps the protégé learn how to build important relationships throughout her life, possibly even inspiring her to become a mentor herself.

While mentoring is trusted guidance, it is also leading by example. Mentoring is more important than ever in today's society – especially as the traditional models of home and family change. Because Delta Zeta can often provide the connection of an extended family (for both collegiate and alumnae members), this is an excellent opportunity to mentor or look to another Delta Zeta as a mentor.

With Delta Zeta's emphasis on character building and leadership opportunities, mentoring provides a unique way to help women develop confidence and strength as they go forward in the world.



How Does Delta Zeta Support Mentoring?

Delta Zeta advisors and alumnae, who volunteer to assist a college chapter or work with collegiate members, provide the connection that facilitates the mentoring process. Juniors and seniors in the chapter are also valuable guides to younger members, offering assistance and support in academics and other aspects of college life, as well as guiding new members and newly initiated members as they begin their journey in Delta Zeta.

Academics

Because Delta Zeta believes that academic development and achievement should be the primary concern of all collegiate members, the Sorority supports students with tutoring and academic advising. A junior or senior collegian or alumna member can provide advice about studying, majors, graduate schools, career opportunities, etc.

New Member Education

New members are paired with initiated members of the chapter who guide them through their first months in Delta Zeta. Sometimes called a "Big Sister," this person becomes a trusted, equal friend who often remains a special connection throughout the member's life.

Personal Development and Growth

Delta Zeta gives members the opportunity to grow in roles that interest them. While the Sorority offers a variety of programming to provide self-improvement opportunities which enrich the lives of our members, mentors are key to making life skill development a success.

Leadership Development

Today's leaders must be multi-faceted individuals with the knowledge, skills, motivation and charisma to make positive

changes and to inspire others to do the same. Delta Zeta recognizes the importance of leadership. Many leaders will say that a mentor was the catalyst that motivated them to lead. College Chapter Directors, other advisors, collegiate chapter officers and upperclassmen influence the college chapter member to enrich her life and the lives of others by taking on a leadership role, whether in the chapter, on campus or in her community.

Risk Management

Risk management is more than just education. Role models who lead upstanding lives, are respectful of others, and exhibit responsible behavior, including that of "bystander behavior" (taking responsibility and standing up for what is right when one is part of a group)* serve as mentors to chapter members, directing them in a path of safe and responsible behavior.

Professional and Career Support

Before graduation, and throughout her professional life, a Delta Zeta member has the ability to network with alumnae to hone her job acquisition skills (resume writing, interviewing) and to build a professional network to help find internships and jobs. Many of these connections take on the mentor/protégé mantle.

*See the RESPONSE ABILITY website at <http://beck-company.com/>, which provides the RESPONSE ABILITY program in which Delta Zeta participates.

January is National Mentoring Month

National Mentoring Month is held each January to promote youth mentoring in the United States. It was inaugurated in 2002, and is spearheaded by the Harvard School of Public Health, MENTOR and the Corporation for National and Community Service.

A highlight of the campaign is Thank Your Mentor Day, in which Americans thank and honor their mentors. People are encouraged to contact their mentors directly to express appreciation, become a mentor in their community, make a financial contribution to a local mentoring program, or post a tribute on WhoMentored You.org (<http://www.hsph.harvard.edu/chc/wmy/>).

For more information, visit <http://www.nationalmentoringmonth.org/>.



How Can I Mentor or Connect with a Mentor?

If you are an alumna member and interested in mentoring, please visit Metro (<http://metro.deltazeta.org/>) and go to Quick Links > Chapter Directory to connect with alumnae chapters in your area that will know of mentoring opportunities with nearby collegiate chapters. Or, contact Delta Zeta National Headquarters at (513) 523-7597 for alumnae chapter contact information.

Collegians can check with their College Chapter Director to connect with a mentor or be paired with a protégé if they are interested in mentoring others.

Delta Zeta is the constant that unites members and makes mentoring successful — the shared values, compatible goals and structure of contact ensure a positive and mutual beneficial relationship — one that enriches the lives of the mentor and the protégé, while enriching the Sorority as a whole.



A big ΔZ “Thank You” to 2010-2011 Annual Campaign Donors! Delta Zeta sends a big “Thank You” to each and every alumna, collegian, parent and friend who supported our scholarship, personal growth and leadership programs this year.

Your generosity over the past year has helped create life-changing experiences for over 12,000 collegians, supported 52 women with their tuition through scholarships totaling \$129,000, funded five full-tuition grants for the Undergraduate Interfraternity Institute, sponsored 395 current and emerging chapter leaders at the 2011 Norma Minch Andrisek Leadership Conference and so much more.

The 2010-2011 Annual Report of Donors recognizes those Delta Zetas, family members and friends who supported Delta Zeta through donations to the Foundation. This Annual Report was posted online as part of Delta Zeta’s commitment to responsible fiscal management of the resources you have entrusted to us and decreased our administrative expenses by \$20,000. Thank you for the trust you have placed in us. You make a difference, and we are proud to recognize you in this report.

See the 2010-2011 Annual Report of Donors online at Metro under the Delta Zeta Foundation > 2010 – 2011 Honor Roll of Donors. If you cannot access the lists online, please contact the Foundation Office at (513) 523-7597.



Give

The Sigma Chapter (Louisiana State University) to Host 2012 Delta Zeta Foundation Phonathon

The ladies of the Sigma Chapter will be calling alumnae on February 26 - 29, 2012 to ask for support of Delta Zeta’s educational and leadership programs. Collegiate members Lindsey Mancuso and Easton Croson are the Phonathon liaisons for this event and will organize scheduling and activities in advance of and during the Phonathon.

Look for additional information in the February issue of “In Touch with Delta Zeta” e-newsletter.

“This conference made such an impact on me. I not only realized how much I need to grow, but I also gained the confidence from my sisters that I can grow. To be so inspired by women who were strangers to me before this weekend will remain with me forever ... I am truly proud to be a Delta Zeta.”

Amanda Smith, Academics Chairman
Gamma Kappa Chapter (Kent State University)

The 2011 Norma Minch Andrisek Leadership Conference

Enriching Lives, Keeping the Promise, Changing the World

Today, Delta Zeta's Emerging Leaders enrich lives and make a difference in Delta Zeta. They are the leaders who will make a difference in the world.

Nurturing potential leaders, guiding current leaders and providing a vision for the future are the fundamentals of the Norma Minch Andrisek Leadership Conference. The National Leadership Conferences were established in 1980 through the progressive, persistent direction of Norma Minch Andrisek, then National President, and her Council.

Mrs. Andrisek told the collegians in the opening evening of the conference, “I hope these leadership conferences give you added reason to be in Delta Zeta and lead in Delta Zeta. You will return to your campus with a new purpose – to cherish and maintain what Delta Zeta is. For Delta Zeta now is yours, and what you do with Delta Zeta is what Delta Zeta will be. I have every confidence that through you we place Delta Zeta in good and loving hands.”

This year's leadership conference, held on Miami University's campus in Oxford, Ohio on July 21–24, 2011, began with excitement and anticipation. Conversation

circles gathered with facilitators who are Delta Zeta alumnae or Friends of Delta Zeta (FODZ), interfraternal professionals in fraternal or student life on college campuses, to:

- Discuss the basic concept of leadership
- Explore their leadership journey and how they have become the leaders they are today
- Learn how to utilize the Delta Zeta Ritual as leaders
- Experience how leaders in Delta Zeta have changed the world
- Engage in conversations to create change
- Commit to bringing change back to their worlds

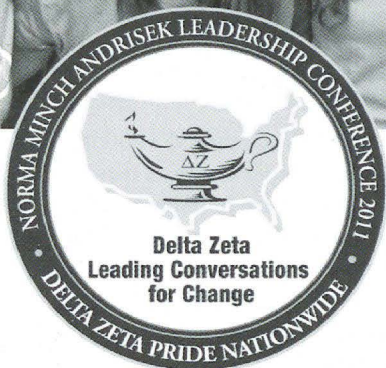
Conversations for Change opened the leadership journey for these collegiate women. That journey was enhanced throughout the weekend as they listened to Scott J. Allen, Ph.D., an assistant professor of management at John Carroll University and the founder of the Center for Leadership Development (<http://www.centerforleaderdevelopment.com>), which provides individuals who have a passion for leadership development a gathering place on the Internet.



Scott discussed Emotionally Intelligent Leadership (EIL), which combines the concepts of emotional intelligence and leadership in one model. EIL emphasizes that leadership is a learnable skill that is based on developing healthy and effective relationships.

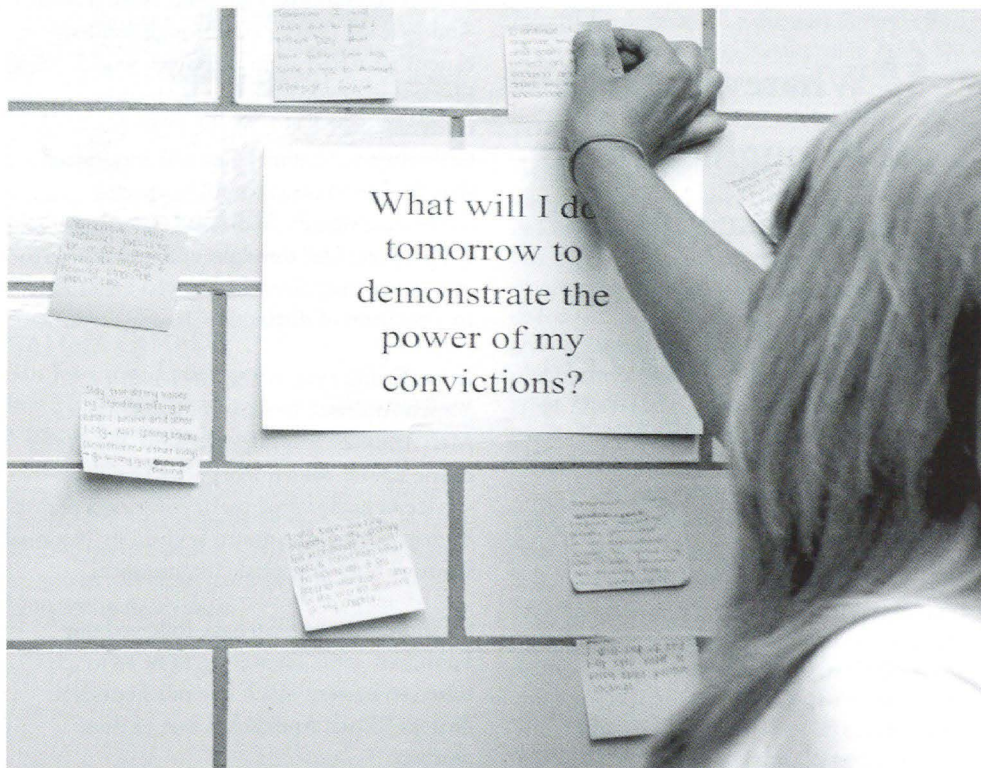
Collegians also enjoyed the Legacy Tours, which took them to notable Greek landmarks on Miami University's campus, and the Heritage Tours, which unveiled the new Women of Achievement exhibits and the newly renovated National Historical Museum and National Headquarters.

As each collegiate officer prepared to leave Oxford on Sunday afternoon, she took with her the learning and inspiration gained from a weekend of shared values, strong sisterhood, extraordinary history and resolute leadership. She knows that by creating conversations for change, she can change the world.



"Our facilitators and sessions challenged my previous view of leadership and shaped my new philosophy which I will follow for the remainder of my Presidency and in my life as a Delta Zeta alumna. Miami University's campus and visiting the National Historical Museum and Headquarters was amazing -- walking where our Founders walked and learning about their lives and the challenges they faced when founding our Sorority. It became real to me that we are all sisters regardless of location, background and interests. Delta Zeta is not just a collegiate experience; it is a lifetime of sisterhood."

Hallie Mast, Chapter President
Theta Psi Chapter (Ashland University)



The Order of the Laurel is Bestowed Upon Norma Minch Andrisek ΓA (Baldwin-Wallace College), Past National President



Norma Minch Andrisek ΓA (Baldwin-Wallace College), Past National President, with Michelle Albrecht Smith AX, National President.

“Whatever can be done through exchange, compromise and faith that best serves the interest of Delta Zeta is what we will do.”

Norma Minch Andrisek ΓA,
Past National President

Norma Minch Andrisek ΓA (Baldwin-Wallace College), Past National President, is a leader for change. From President of the Gamma Alpha Chapter at Baldwin-Wallace College to National President, Norma Minch Andrisek led Delta Zeta through challenging times that tested all in the Greek world. Her vision created the first leadership conferences in 1980. At the 1983 National Convention, National Council announced that the conferences would be named the Norma Minch Andrisek Leadership Conference. Her foresight was responsible for innovative initiatives that moved Delta Zeta to a position of distinction among sororities.

It was fitting that, at the 2011 Norma Minch Andrisek Leadership Conference, Mrs. Andrisek was honored with The Order of the Laurel, which recognizes sorority service of exceptional merit covering a period of many years. The award is given by National Council only in special circumstances.

Of those women who have followed our Founders, some are willing to be so much more, to be very much like our Founders. Norma Minch Andrisek is one of those women.

Only four other women in Delta Zeta's history have received this honor:

- Irene Caroline Boughton I (University of Iowa), National President - 1936-1938
- Grace Mason Lundy E (Indiana University), National President - 1940-1946
- Elizabeth Coulter Stephenson A (Miami University), National President - 1912-1916
- Myrtle Graeter Hinkly Δ (DePauw University), National President - 1928-1934

Michelle Albrecht Smith AX (University of California/Los Angeles), National President, bestowed the honor upon Mrs. Andrisek. "Norma Andrisek epitomizes all that is Delta Zeta," she said. "She is a visionary and creative leader who has and continues to give of herself to make Delta Zeta the best she can be. Delta Zeta would not be the sorority it is today if it were not for Mrs. Andrisek's innovative leadership. I am honored to present this award to her on behalf of National Council."

Mrs. Andrisek accepted the honor as the conference attendees rose to their feet to applaud her. "I am honored to receive this award and all that it represents," she said with deep emotion. "It is a privilege to work and share Delta Zeta with so many Delta Zeta members and others associated with the Sorority."

Those attending the Norma Minch Andrisek Leadership Conference knew that they had witnessed history. The Order of the Laurel was established at the 1966 National Convention, where it was awarded to Irene Caroline Boughton I and Grace Mason Lundy E. The last time The Order of the Laurel was awarded was in 1987 when it was given to Myrtle Graeter Hinkly Δ posthumously.

In the masthead of this issue of The LAMP, for the first time since 1987, a new name appears under The Order of the Laurel designation. That is the name of Norma Minch Andrisek ΓA -- giving graciously, living courageously and leading audaciously.

On Campus with Delta Zeta

ALPHA

Miami University

held an open house during Alumni Weekend, welcoming alumnae from the 1950s to the 1980s. The chapter placed sixth out of 17 sororities during Greek Week and collected 1,093 canned food items, among other philanthropic endeavors during the week. Alpha Chapter also welcomed the Lambda Gamma Chapter (Jacksonville State University) to Oxford, Ohio for a visit.

IOTA

University of Iowa

held a "Trivia Bowl" which featured questions on pop culture, science and music. Proceeds from the event benefited the Delta Zeta Foundation.

RHO

University of Denver

invited local alumnae to a barbeque and the chapter's annual volleyball tournament. The alumnae also assisted in the chapter's formal recruitment.

Source: <http://www.uofdenverdz.com/alumni-relations>

SIGMA

Louisiana State University

joined the Greek community at the university's seventh annual Greek Gala, which recognizes accomplishments of LSU Greek alumni and serves as a fundraising event for the Greek community. Nancy Trahan Σ '91 was among those honored. The chapter hosted its first annual Turtle Tug event to benefit speech and hearing and The Painted Turtle camp.

Source: *The Advocate*, 2011

ALPHA ALPHA

Northwestern University

received the "Best Member Education" and the "Community Spirit" awards from Order of Omega at the university's Greek Awards.

ALPHA BETA

University of Illinois

won first place at the Atius-Sachem Mom's Day Sing Competition for the second year in a row. Atius-Sachem, a leadership organization on campus, sponsored the competition which involved writing a script and presenting a mini-musical.

ALPHA RHO

Ohio Wesleyan University

hosted a Tug of War, a video game night and the popular "Professor Dunk" event, in which 11 Greek organizations participated, to raise money for the Delaware Speech and Hearing Center located in Delaware, Ohio. All events were a success, and the chapter raised over \$3,800 for the Center.

ALPHA SIGMA

Florida State University

hosted philanthropic events to raise money for the FSU Speech and Hearing Clinic, donating \$4,400 to the facility. They also held their spring philanthropy event, the Turtle Tug.

BETA DELTA

University of South Carolina

held its annual "Delta Zeta Draft," where members, clad in camouflage, face paint and Army gear, brought donations for the troops serving overseas. The chapter won the Silver Chapter Excellence award, the Greek Unity award and the Achievement in Scholarship and Involvement awards during Greek Week.

BETA KAPPA

Iowa State University

hosted its third annual "DZ Dogs" philanthropy event. The all-you-can-eat hot dog buffet event raised \$3,405 for The Starkey Hearing Foundation. The community looks forward to the food, costumes and door prizes donated by local businesses at this event.

BETA LAMBDA

University of Tennessee/Knoxville

received the Outstanding Academic Programming Award and was named UT Panhellenic Chapter of the Year.

BETA XI

Auburn University

supports the Lee County Humane Shelter's (LCHS) annual "Woofstock" celebration, where dogs and their owners come to play in a local park and enjoy fun activities.

BETA TAU

Nebraska Wesleyan University

held its DZ Dogs Fundraiser to benefit The Starkey Hearing Foundation and the Melanoma Research Foundation.

GAMMA LAMBDA

San Jose State University

held a fundraiser dinner to benefit Kappa Sigma, a neighbor to the Gamma Lambda Chapter on campus. The fraternity suffered a fire, which destroyed their chapter house. The chapter also volunteers with local alumnae for the Cambrian Relay for Life, recruiting other Greek organizations on campus to participate and raising more than \$200,000 to fight cancer.

GAMMA XI

New Mexico State University

hosted the Mr. NMSU pageant, the proceeds of which went to speech and hearing.

Source: <http://roundupdaily.com>

GAMMA PI

Western Michigan University

is number one in grades for all sororities on campus and above the all-women's and all-undergraduate average.

GAMMA OMICRON

San Diego State University

recycled the most materials for Urban Corps, a locally-based nonprofit conservation corps that provides a high school education and green job training to young adults.

GAMMA RHO

Northern Illinois University

raised more than \$4,000 in the chapter's 16th annual Dream Man and Greek Goddess competition. Andrew Cinelli of Delta Chi was named the 2011 Dream Man and Abbie Molnar of Alpha Sigma Alpha won the 2011 Greek Goddess. The funds benefit Gallaudet University and The Painted Turtle camp.

Source: <http://northernstar.info>

DELTA BETA

University of Tampa

built 120 teddy bears at the Build-A-Bear workshop, and donated fleece blankets to The Painted Turtle camp. The chapter's devotion for the children of the camp is reflected in the 3,000 hours volunteered this past year.

DELTA DELTA

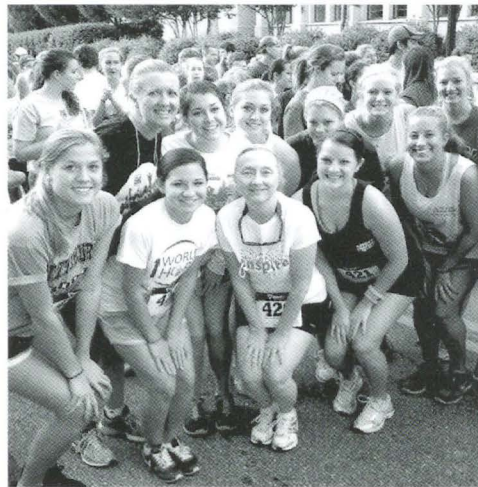
Georgia State University

was recognized with the Five Star Status by the university for the 2010-2011 academic year. The Five Star Chapter Enhancement Program provides an opportunity for social Greek organizations to document their contributions to the university and greater Atlanta communities. Delta Delta's accomplishments included participation in the Inter-group Dialogue component of the Five Star Program and Panhellenic involvement and support by officers and delegates.

DELTA OMICRON

Northwestern Oklahoma State University

helped CORE (Citizens Organized to Recycle our Environment) with the organization's recycling event to make northwest Oklahoma a cleaner place to live. CORE has conducted several recycling drives and is continuing to help the environment. With Delta Omicron's aid, they have encouraged others to keep their local areas clean.



From top, clockwise -

Alpha Chapter (Miami University) wins second place during the Obstacle Course Greek Week event.

Sigma Chapter's (Louisiana State University) Turtle Tug

Zeta Pi (University of Georgia) members, new members and advisors in UGA's inaugural Relay for Life.

A Zeta Psi Chapter (Stephen F. Austin State University) member displays a Build-A-Bear.

The Theta Omicron Chapter (University of Texas/Pan American)

The Pi Lambda Chapter (University of Tennessee/Chattanooga) wins Student Government Association awards.

Members of the Kappa Iota Chapter (Wright State University)

Members of the Beta Kappa Chapter (Iowa State University)



DELTA UPSILON

Marshall University

participated in the Greek-wide lip sync competition to benefit Autism Speaks, and held its Turtle Tug event with proceeds going to The Painted Turtle camp.

DELTA OMEGA

Fort Hays State University

hosted an open house welcoming all alumnae to visit after recent updates were made to the chapter house. The chapter hosted a Turtle Relay Race to benefit FHSU's Herndon Clinic, which offers comprehensive services for individuals needing assistance in speech, language and hearing.

EPSILON DELTA

Concord University

has the highest GPA of all sororities on campus and was named Greek Week Champions for 2011. The chapter also hosted Region IV Day and sponsored a No-Talent Talent Show on campus to raise money for Gallaudet University.

EPSILON EPSILON

California State University/Fresno

raised money for speech and hearing through its Dee Zee Bowl, an all-day flag football tournament for student and fraternal organizations. This event is refereed by some of the members' fathers. Dee Zee Bowl proved to be the biggest Greek fundraiser on campus this year.

EPSILON ZETA

Drexel University

tried for first place with Phi Sigma Sigma during Greek Week's ultimate soccer tournament and placed third in the CANstruction event, which collects canned goods for Philabundance, a food bank and hunger relief organization.

Source: <http://thetriangle.org> and *Drexel Greek Columns*

EPSILON NU

Missouri State University

participated in a community blood drive and donated the most blood out of all sororities on campus. Their effort was estimated to save approximately 132 lives.

ZETA BETA

University of Wisconsin/Stout

won first place in the Greek Week competitions as the All-Sorority Champions. The chapter scored the highest in several activities such as the three-legged race, kickball and the Sorority Dance Contest.

ZETA KAPPA

Ohio Northern University

was recognized as a Silver Chapter through the fraternal Standards of Excellence program. The Standards of Excellence Program in the Office of Greek Life and the Division of Student Affairs focuses on creating a system of positive reinforcement for individual members, chapters and the Greek community as a whole.

ZETA LAMBDA

East Carolina University

In honor of the life and spirit of the late Kay Yow ZA '62, 1987 Delta Zeta Woman of the Year, the Zeta Lambda Chapter commissioned a painting of the chapter house by Raleigh artist David Starbuck to capture the past 50 years of memories.

ZETA PI

University of Georgia

participated in the Sexy Hair Corporation's "Caring is Sexy Sorority Contest." Their video explained why they think caring is sexy by demonstrating their outstanding philanthropic work. The chapter won \$1,000 for The Painted Turtle camp and also received free hair makeovers and Sexy Hair products.

ZETA PHI

Slippery Rock University

joined 50 students who spent the night on the campus quad in a cardboard city to raise awareness for the homeless. Hundreds of students participated in shifts throughout the night. The chapter also donated 15 Build-A-Bears, outfitted with hearing aids, to The Starkey Hearing Foundation.

Source: <http://alliednews.com>

ZETA PSI

Stephen F. Austin State University

started an alumnae "study buddy" program where each new member received a buddy to encourage them to excel in their academic progress. The chapter met its goal of a 3.0 GPA, and 11 members were recognized for their 4.0 GPA. The new member classes hosted two spaghetti dinners to raise money for The Starkey Hearing Foundation, and donated 80 bears to The Starkey Hearing Foundation.

THETA ETA

Creighton University

joined students from the university's School of Pharmacy and Health Professions and other Greek members for a park cleanup. "Operation Playground" is part of an initiative to rebuild Gifford Park's community playground in order to provide a safe play environment. The chapter celebrated 25 years of having a chapter house and invited alumnae and collegiate members from the Omaha and Nebraska area to gather for a "Welcome Back to School Barbecue." The local house corporation donated and dedicated a new

permanent sign on the property to commemorate the occasion.

Source: <http://www.omaha.com>

THETA IOTA

Western Carolina University

did yard work in preparation for the Clean Slate House open house. The Clean Slate House houses women who are overcoming substance abuse as they improve their education, sharpen their job skills and learn to live addiction-free. The chapter worked with elementary school students to create birthday cards for terminally and chronically ill children attending The Painted Turtle camp. Theta Iota was recognized as a Four Pillar Chapter through the university's Standards for Success program.

Sources: <http://www.crossroadschronicle.com> and *The Sylva Herald*

THETA MU

St. Cloud State University

received the 2010-2011 Minnesota State Colleges and Universities Academic and Student Affairs Award for innovative student affairs programming for sponsoring and implementing House Party 101, a social event hosting guide where students learn about making smart and safe decisions at a fun, interactive house party.

THETA OMICRON

University of Texas/Pan American

The Theta Omicron Chapter supported National Hazing Prevention Week by distributing and wearing purple and yellow ribbons, demonstrating that the members are against hazing. "National Hazing Prevention Week is something that all chapters should recognize and show their support for. We need to prove to our community and others that hazing should never be done," said Letty Alanis, Risk Management Chairman.

THETA RHO

California State University/Los Angeles

volunteered at the Fourth of July Parade in Rosemead, California, wearing their Greek letters and carrying the city's large parade balloons down the parade route.

IOTA RHO

West Chester University

held "A Day at the Beach with Delta Zeta" on campus which raised money for speech and hearing. The new members' bake sales contributed \$300 to the philanthropy. The chapter's annual West Chester's Best Dance Crew was another successful philanthropic project. The chapter also participated in community events such as the Hanging of the Greens in downtown West Chester, Adopt a Block, making blankets for children in need, and the annual Black and Latino Greek Council Step Show.

IOTA PHI

University of Nevada/Las Vegas

won Sigma Alpha Mu's 3-on-3 basketball championship for philanthropy and participated in Phi Gamma Delta's canned food drive.

KAPPA ALPHA

Nicholls State University

was highlighted in an article about recruitment on campus in The Nicholls Worth student newspaper.

KAPPA BETA

Northern Kentucky University

hosted its Turtle Tug fundraiser for The Painted Turtle camp. Several teams participated and the event was declared a success.

Source: *The Cincinnati Enquirer*, May 1, 2011

KAPPA IOTA

Wright State University

celebrated its annual Mr. WSU. All proceeds from the event went to The Starkey Hearing Foundation and other Delta Zeta philanthropies. The chapter's campus-wide Turtle Tug event raised money for The Painted Turtle camp.

Source: <http://theguardianonline.com>

KAPPA RHO

Kutztown University

held its Turtle Tug event which raised \$410 for The Painted Turtle camp. At the Greek Week competition, Kappa Rho was the Greek Week winner, and received \$1,175, which was donated to The Painted Turtle camp, Gallaudet University and a local philanthropy, Berks Deaf & Hard of Hearing Services.

KAPPA PHI

University of North Carolina/Charlotte

hosted a Turtle Tug to benefit The Painted Turtle camp.

Source: <http://campusevents.uncc.edu>

LAMBDA DELTA

University of Virginia

participated in the UVaClub of Charlottesville's Cavaliers Care: Day of Service. Chapter members also took part in the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure. The chapter participated in a number of educational programs on nutrition, drug and alcohol education and responsibility, and used the "Turtle Time" activity as an opportunity to get to know new members and foster sisterhood.

LAMBDA THETA

Michigan Technological University

Marlene "Tommy" Thompson Gilpin ΔN '60 (Parsons College), College Chapter Director, was named Greek Advisor of the Year by the university Panhellenic.

LAMBDA KAPPA

University of Alabama/Huntsville

held its annual "Turtle Tug" competition to benefit the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society.

Source: <http://www.ato.org>

LAMBDA XI

Texas A & M University

held its 15th Annual "Run to the Chicken" event, a 5k and 3k fun run benefitting the Delta Zeta Foundation and Isaiah's Place, an educational facility which helps the deaf community and their families and friends. The chapter hosted an open house for alumnae in honor of Aggie Greek Weekend.

LAMBDA OMICRON

Angelo State University

was recognized with awards for excellence in formal recruitment, most spirited, top officer, standards of excellence, high GPA, and its Diamond and Region Scholars for the 2010-2011 school year at Region XII Day. The chapter was profiled in ASU Magazine about the service projects members participated in to improve the community.

Source: *ASU Magazine*

XI IOTA

Muhlenberg College

participated in events such as Minute To Win It, Ultimate Frisbee, Mount Olympus Dance, Toga-Themed Dance, dodge ball and kickball tournaments and a lip sync competition during Greek Week. The chapter's performance in the latter was judged as creative and entertaining.

Source: <http://www.muhlenbergweekly.com>

XI LAMBDA

University of San Francisco

held its annual Teeter-Totter-a-thon to benefit the Hearing and Speech Center of Northern California.

Source: *The USF Newsroom*

XI NU

Tarleton State University

raised over \$1,200 for The Painted Turtle camp with its Delta Zeta Man of the Year event.

Source: <http://www.tarleton.edu>

XI UPSILON

Northeastern University

hosted its annual volleyball tournament, "Spikes for Tykes," one of two big philanthropic events the chapter sponsors. The tournament this year was well attended and raised money for The Painted Turtle camp.

Source: <http://huntnewsnu.com>

OMICRON EPSILON

Arkansas State University

had the biggest new member class on campus, and welcomed its new members to Delta Zeta.

OMICRON MU

University of South Carolina/Upstate

was named Sorority of the Year on campus.

OMICRON PI

Frostburg State University

was named Chapter of the Year at the 2010-2011 All Greek Awards Banquet, and also won awards for Excellence in Community Service, Chapter Management, Philanthropy, Risk Management, Fundraising, Recruitment, and Chapter Excellence.

PI ALPHA

University of Florida

donated clothing to the Children Home Society of Gainesville. The chapter hosted its annual Clay Classic event, a trap shooting competition in which the Greek community, families and corporate sponsor teams participated. More than \$22,000 from the event was donated to The Painted Turtle camp. Pi Alpha won the campus Panhellenic's Ritual and Sisterhood Annual Award for Outstanding Event or Celebration.

Source: *University of Florida News*

PI GAMMA

California State University/Northridge

participated in an event with Food Forward, picking oranges from CSUN's orange groves to provide food for local food pantries and those in need. The chapter won the Sorority 3A Soccer Championship for the third year in a row. Maegan Murray organized the Greeks for a Cure team for the Relay for Life, raising over \$1,000 to fight cancer.

PI THETA

Rollins College

participated in Kappa Kappa Gamma's philanthropy event, "Kick it with Kappa," which benefited Kappa's national philanthropy, Reading is Fundamental. Pi Theta also took part in the Miracle at Rollins dance marathon, an annual Children's Miracle Network philanthropic event.

PI LAMBDA

University of Tennessee/Chattanooga

hosted a Turtle Tug event during Philanthropy Week on campus, raising funds for The Painted Turtle camp, speech and hearing, and Camp Horizon, where children with physical challenges step outside their limits in an outdoor environment.

Source: <http://media.www.utcecho.com>

PI ZETA

Arizona State University

participated in a Greek sing and dance competition with Tau Kappa Epsilon and Lambda Chi Alpha Fraternity members. The chapter won Greek Week, and surpassed its goal of raising \$10,000 in the Relay for Life event, in which all fraternal groups participated.

Source: *State Press*

Flame Eternal

From June 1, 2011 through October 7, 2011

ALPHA

Dolores Simons McClanahan '57

GAMMA

Helen Coaker Wright '41

DELTA

Georgienne Burow Cleveland '54
Delight Mace Dowell '55

EPSILON

Anne Novak Sikora '59
Sue White Lockwood '60

ETA

Ferne Samuel Lacey 1909
Pauline Parker Kaesler '23

THETA

Mary Tobin Judd '46
Martha Darnell Baum '53

IOTA

Bernice Tigges Fox '27
Dorothy Shrader Ford '61
Jessica Peavey Lemek '97

KAPPA

Verna Jensen Draper '31
Harriette Catterall Henshaw '43
Mary Jo Forsell Dvorak '44
Virginia Price Buse '58

LAMBDA

Kathleen Sloan Hedrick '65

MU

Helen Pedersen Pugh '52

NU

Frances Daniels Reed-Lombard

XI

Patricia Ostrander Hogue '64

RHO

Constance Anderson David '46

SIGMA

Agnes Landry Romero '21
Coralie Gilfoil Montgomery '27
Isabel Bull Smith '28
Merle Alexander Adams '31
Mabel Skinner Slay '32
Laura Winslow Kent '33
Ruth Dyer Reuther '35
Lucile Robinson Mulhearn '38
Virginia Moreland Willingham '38
Orient Wild DesBordes '39
Valerie Lafleur Soileau '40
Winifred Chiasson Michelet '41
Evelyn Roques Landry '42
Nancy Fisher Faulkner '43
Gloria Tabor McPherson '44
Gwendolyn Davisson Hogan '45
Sherry Root Watson '47
Mary Babin Wedemeyer '48
Marj Livingston Bond '49
Edna Amiss Kelley '51

TAU

Enid Davis Luetscher '31
Gretchen Schmidt Duescher '35

UPSILON

Jacquelyn Fix Stordal '53

CHI

Maxine Riggs Freeland '36
Dorothy Davolt Ingle '38
Barbara Jenkins Orem '48

PSI

Lisbeth Innis Francis '39
Jane Leach Stillman '45

ALPHA BETA

Irene Curtis Page '45
Patricia Trevelyan Thomas '63

ALPHA GAMMA

Mary Rebecca Averyt '41
Betty Morgan Gray '51
Linda Caudle Sciple '62

ALPHA DELTA

Carolyn Lyon Muehlhaue '42
Patricia Holmes Olien '57

ALPHA ZETA

Jean LaVine Reeves '46

ALPHA ETA

Grace House Arnold '28
Beatrice Collins Kane '31
Goldia Lightfoot Blanding '32
Marian Robinson Sanders '48
Catherine Murtha Southern '49
Ruth Renner Percy '51
Delma Mae Loyer
Emmalou Rea Pine

ALPHA THETA

Wilma Frances Robinson '26
Barbara Holstein Bates '61

ALPHA IOTA

Dorothy Delavan Coon '30

ALPHA MU

Helen Sprowls Short '29

ALPHA XI

Letitia Morgan Davenport '30

ALPHA OMICRON

Jane Hasson Bennett '40

ALPHA PI

Irma Tichborne Strange '41
Kimsey Wasson Lawrence '42
Martha Purser Brown '43

ALPHA RHO

Margaret G. Campbell '32

ALPHA TAU

Ann Cook Campbell '30
Mary Frances Watkins '52

ALPHA PHI

Margaret Wolf Elvig '33

ALPHA PSI

Sally Bowling Hudson '55

ALPHA OMEGA

Margaret R. Buchanan '26
Mernelle Heuck '26
Claire Sistrunk Weathersby '27
Glenna Moore Canterbury '28
Josephine Cotton Flournoy '28

Doris Draper Huddleston '28
Evelyn Myers Rhinewalt '30
Ida Moffitt McCool '34
Margaret Myers '35

BETA ALPHA

Yolanda Santulli Panciera '44

BETA BETA

Dixie Jackson Duke '28
Audrey Blocksom Kinzer '28
Mary Miles Hathorn '30
Corinne Higgs McLendon '33
Martha Sheffield Gibbs '37
Mary Kate Heard '39
Joan Herring Dorr '47

BETA GAMMA

Barbara Burke Mueller '48

BETA ETA

Frances Marie Burlingame '30

BETA THETA

Susan MacIntosh Houts '71

BETA KAPPA

Helen Jane Kading '45

BETA LAMBDA

Marguerite Copelan Pridgen '68

BETA MU

Mary Stevens Bateman '48
Doris May Brown '49

BETA NU

Laura Green Boggs '39

BETA XI

Ethel Cook Ragsdale '63

BETA PI

Joyce Greenman Haugh '44

BETA RHO

Adoree Evans Bystrom '45

BETA SIGMA

Alice Zosel Mizner '42
Wilma Ellis Wennblom '42

BETA TAU

Barbara Spearow Helfrich '56
Carol Turek Seymour '60
Sally Hughes Chipman '61

BETA UPSILON

Dorothy Toppino Bacher '18
Beverly Gallo Caulfield '41
Elinor Konrad Murphy '41
Jane Taltavull Smith '41
Betty Finnegan Vath '41
Ethelyn Everett Verlaner '41
Rosalie Vaccaro Wood '41
Mary Finley Eason '47
Norma Kirchberg Heintz '47
Rosalie Ketcham Kobetz '47

BETA CHI

Carolyn Dugan Silas '46
Gail Niethamer Laybourne '49

BETA PSI

Marjorie Peale '42

GAMMA ALPHA

Marguerite Olsen Black '51
Karen Thomas Weller '55

GAMMA GAMMA

Marjorie Jacobs Pile '45

GAMMA THETA

Katherine Kuran Neddersen '56

GAMMA LAMBDA

Dorothy Johnson McDonough '48

GAMMA MU

Mildred Leiner Delano '49

GAMMA NU

Jeanette Mitchell Duzan '49
Beth Vail '49

GAMMA PI

Lou Ann Becker Hulse '50
Carol Gamble Lennon '55

GAMMA CHI

Jeanne McPhedran Barbier '56

GAMMA OMEGA

Patty Lamont Davis '53

DELTA THETA

Paula LeBouef McDevitt

DELTA MU

Elsie Muller '56

DELTA OMICRON

Evelyn Hadwiger Trout '37

DELTA RHO

Frances Northrup Charlton '57
Alice Gordon '57
Jessie Messick Alexander

DELTA OMEGA

Nella Marshall Moss '56

EPSILON ALPHA

Helen Wiley Pigg '60

EPSILON GAMMA

Marcy Clow Sapp '81

EPSILON EPSILON

Madeleine Schwartzler Murphy '57

EPSILON ZETA

Elizabeth Quinn Gutekunst '56
Virginia O'Donnell Lavery '56
Nancy Overholzer McManis '56
Pauline McSparran Wellfare '56
Janet Conrad Anderson '57
Donna Weber Hopper '57
Mary Ballard McCann '57
Dorothy Biddle Smith '57
Joanne Lapinski Stabinski '57
Betty Cassel Zorn '57
Barbara Rickner Miller '58
Mary Dugan Leiper '59
Rose Consalvo Gortian '60
Ellen Beckwith Hemmey '60
Lois Demberger Keezel '60
Geraldine Galli Loose '60
Susan Rowe Neill '65
Karen Andes Rosenberg '66
Judith Ina Safra '66
Tanya Arlene Binder '69
Joy Merrie Janice '80
Marie Teresa Boyd '82

EPSILON KAPPA

Joan Doss Stanley '63

EPSILON OMICRON

Shirley Guthrie Boruff '57
Lois Schoen Nickson '58

EPSILON SIGMA

Barbara Bondy Collison '56
Margaret Knapp '56

EPSILON PHI

Theresa Podracky Boyer '56

ZETA ALPHA

Myrna Douglas Massey '62

ZETA GAMMA

Agnes Pettit Reily '58
Ramona Irene Wigley '58

ZETA EPSILON

Marilyn Bartoletti Comet '61

ZETA THETA

Davie Browder LaFoy '66

ZETA KAPPA

Marilyn Vance Fry '59
Ruth E. Weir '59

ZETA NU

Brianne Tiffany Roelfs '05

THETA BETA

Frances Dean Taylor '62
Sandra Seale Clark '69

THETA EPSILON

Thelma Digby Tarbutton '42

THETA IOTA

Pamela Carroll Minnix '73

THETA MU

Gail Marie Fokken '84

THETA XI

Sue Garrett Coughlin '63

THETA CHI

Suzanne Sandusky Wood '63
Judith Ann Hetrick '64
Rhoda Reidell Fasano '65
Nancy Virg Smith '65
Carolyn Ann Swatsler '65
Paula Miller Minnis '75

IOTA DELTA

Heather Jane Baierl '65
Esther Wilson Campbell '65
June Newhouse Shaner '66

IOTA PSI

Lisa Mae Horton '88

KAPPA BETA

Lisa Bruner Nusbaum '93

LAMBDA PI

Ann Simpson Smith '74

LAMBDA RHO

Luanne Schwaninger O'Shea '75

XI ETA

Erica Gough Paul '01

OMICRON ALPHA

Maria Hernandez Hague '92

PHI BETA

Lois Rowland Klein '57

Shelley Williams Beaumont ZΨ '93 (Stephen F. Austin State University), College Chapter Director for Zeta Psi, was named Teacher of the Year at Pace Dropout Retention Program. She is a high school math teacher. **Happi Deason ZΨ '95** (Stephen F. Austin State University) was named Teacher of the Year at Andy Woods Elementary School. She is an elementary physical education major.

Courtney Donohoe ΓK '06 (Kent State University) served an internship with the Foundation for Sustainable Development (FSD), which works to address local health, social, environmental and economic issues, and is committed to grassroots, community-based action for meeting human needs and basic rights for all. Based in Masaka, Uganda, Courtney has written a blog about her time there at <http://fromblondetobrunette.blogspot.com/>.

Laura Eilers ZP '97 (William Jewell College) was crowned Ms. United States in Las Vegas, representing the state of Virginia. Laura is a model and directs the dance team, mascot and community promotions for the Richmond Raiders arena football team. She was a NFL cheerleader for six years; five years with the Kansas City Chiefs and one year with the St. Louis Rams. "Delta Zeta taught me the value of service, which I hope to carry over within my role as a Ms. United States titleholder," Laura said. "My platform is 'Let's Move in Schools,' encouraging our children to make healthy choices and get active. I also hope to empower women to focus on passion and happiness in order to discover their true professional calling." Read more at <http://msunitedstates2011.blogspot.com/>.

Kara Garofas OE '97 (Arkansas State University) was featured in Thrive! magazine in an article entitled "Thriving Thirty-Somethings." In the issue, Kara discussed her work as area supervisor of Gulf Coast Social Services and how she helps others who have suffered great mental, physical and emotional loss. Source: *Thrive! Magazine, May 2011*

Dayna Hloska ΓT '94 (Bowling Green State University) was named a member of the Charles F. Scanlon American Inn of Court in the Akron, Ohio area. The Court is comprised of more than 25,000 judges, attorneys, legal scholars and law students nationwide, and makes up some of the fastest growing legal organizations in the country. Dayna was selected for the Barristers Class, recognizing attorneys who have been in practice between four and 15 years.

Sandra Hart Horton BK '59 (Iowa State University), Past National Officer, and her husband, Richard, received the Iowa State University Alumni Association's Alumni Medal, the premier award given to alumni, which recognizes long and loyal service to the university from alumni activities. Source: *Iowa State University*

Laura Marthaler Meder KT '90 (Morehead State University), Alumnae Vice President of the Morehead Area Alumnae Chapter is one of Fairborn City School's (Fairborn, Ohio) Employees

of the Year. Laura also received the Superintendent's Award for outstanding service to Fairborn children.

Michele "Shelly" Hepke Moore ΞB '89 (Eastern Kentucky University) appeared on the CBS TV show, "Big Brother." Shelly is a devoted mother to her little girl, and said she used her strengths as a team builder and leader to succeed on the show. Source: <http://bigbrotheraccess.com/>

Kasia Pilewicz I '02 (University of Iowa) appeared on "America's Next Top Model," Cycle 16, and is a model based in New York, New York. Kasia also works as a makeup artist and studies acting. A full-figured model, Kasia says, "I want ... to impact people in a positive way and to show them that you don't have to fit into a narrow mold to be successful. I hope through me they see that being an open person, being true to yourself and doing what you love is so important." Source: <http://dailyvenusdiva.com>

Denise McPhee Streit IΘ '79 (Mansfield University) received the national Mail Manager of the Year award at the Mailcom conference in Washington, D.C. Denise is the office services manager at the Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund (IMRF).

Mallory Schwartz ΒΔ '04 (University of South Carolina) was chosen to join a focus group for Ford cars where she was cast and performed in a Ford car commercial, the national campaign entitled, "Swap Your Ride." Mallory graduated with honors with a degree in Sport & Entertainment Management and was communications intern for the U.S. Bobsled & Skeleton Federation. Now in Los Angeles, Mallory does event planning and is working to become an on-air hosting personality.

Galadriel Stineman KB '03 (Northern Kentucky University), actor and director, has appeared on two episodes of HBO's "True Blood" television series as the character, Joyce Watley. Galadriel made her feature film debut in 2009's "Junk Yard Dogs." She also starred in Cartoon Network's live action film, "Ben 10 Alien Force." She graduated Magna Cum Laude with a Bachelor of Arts in Radio/Television and was named NKU's Outstanding Senior of the Year. Source: *IMDb*

Christine Schlegel Whipp ΔA '88 (California State University/Long Beach) is president of the Greater Long Beach Alumnae Panhellenic. She was installed in a ceremony held aboard the Queen Mary. Source: <http://www.presstelegram.com>

Melissa M. Williams IA '01 (Texas State University) is the author of the "Iggy the Iguana" series and the "Turtle Town" series for kids. She is also the owner of LongTale Publishing and founded the Literacy Foundation called "READ3Zero." She connects to her young readers by visiting schools and speaking to students, as well as conducting writing workshops, summer camps and book clubs. Source: <http://www.melissamwilliamsauthor.com/>

Below-
Shelley Williams Beaumont ZΨ '93, College Chapter Director - Zeta Psi Chapter and Happi Deason ZΨ '95 (Stephen F. Austin State University)



At Left -
Laura Eilers ZP
'97 (William Jewell
College).
Photo courtesy
of United States
Pageant

Below -
Mallory Schwartz
BA '04 (University
of South Carolina)
Photo: The New
York Times



Left - Sandra Hart Horton BK '59 (Iowa State University),
Past National Officer, and her husband, Richard. Photo courtesy
of ISU Alumni Association

Right - Melissa M. Williams IA '01 (Texas State University)

Lisbeth Innis Francis Ψ '39 (Franklin College), Delta Zeta Past National President, Passes Away



Lisbeth Innis Francis Ψ '39 (Franklin College), Delta Zeta Past National President, died on June 26, 2011. Mrs. Francis served Delta Zeta as National President from 1971-1973. She also oversaw business operations consolidation for Delta Zeta, which improved efficiency for the Sorority.

Active in every alumnae chapter where she lived, Mrs. Francis became President of the Montgomery Alumnae Chapter and was honored when that chapter chose her as their Woman of the Year for Outstanding Service. The Birmingham Alumnae Chapter established the Lisbeth Francis Achievement Award, presented to a college chapter showing the greatest improvement during a given school year.

Mrs. Francis' mother, Helen Greening Innis, was an alumna initiate of the Epsilon Chapter (Indiana University) and her sister, Evelyn Innis Witzerman, a member of the Psi Chapter (Franklin College).

Michelle Albrecht Smith, Delta Zeta National President, said, "With Lisbeth's passing, we are losing a part of Sorority history. Lisbeth Francis' dedication to Delta Zeta remained with her all of her life, and the Sorority is the better for it. Our sympathy goes to her family, her Delta Zeta sisters and her many friends."

She gave of her time and talent to many worthy organizations, such as the P.E.O. (Philanthropic Educational Organization) and the League of Women Voters. Donations in Mrs. Francis' memory may be made to the Delta Zeta Foundation, 202 East Church Street, Oxford, OH 45056 or online at <http://www.deltazeta.org>. Go to Foundation > How You Can Give.

Membership Recognition and Sisterhood

CENTRAL PLAINS AREA - COLORADO, IOWA, KANSAS, MINNESOTA, MISSOURI, NEBRASKA, NORTH DAKOTA, SOUTH DAKOTA

Alumnae from the **Epsilon Rho Chapter (Northwest Missouri State University)** reunited at the home of Connie Surprise Kramer '70 to celebrate their 60th birthdays. The alumnae reunite every summer.



Alumnae from the Epsilon Rho Chapter: Cindy Votipka Sills '71, Connie Surprise Kramer '70, Debbie Surprise Couch '71, Debbie Parman Jensen '72, Kathy Lech Koenig '71, Mary Lou Rogers Bowman '70, Jeannie Marvin Stock '71, Roni Hernandez '71, Francie Brown McDonald '71, Linda Grantham Kimsey '71, Debbie Pawlowski Blazek '72 and Karen Pasternak Stephens '73. Kneeling is Kathy Koenig's sister, Kaylee Shedrick.

GREAT LAKES AREA - CANADA, MICHIGAN, OHIO, UNITED KINGDOM

The **Alpha Chapter** at **Miami University** hosted a successful open house during Alumni Weekend. Alumnae in attendance ranged from new member class years 1951 to 1981. The chapter enjoyed hearing about their experiences as Miami students. Alpha alumnae are encouraged to visit the chapter's website at <http://alphaofdeltazeta.com/>.



Alpha Chapter alumnae at the open house included Roberta Raynak Nelson '68, Michelle Garnette Swetland '69, Janis Knipper Rinehart '68 and Elaine Melech Kirkland '68.

GREAT WESTERN AREA - ALASKA, ARIZONA, CALIFORNIA, HAWAII, IDAHO, MONTANA, NEVADA, OREGON, UTAH, WASHINGTON, WYOMING

Delta Alpha (California State University/Long Beach) alumnae reunited in Sonoma, with sisters from Southern California, Seattle and New Mexico joining the reunion. Some of them had not seen each other in more than 20 years.



Alumnae of the Delta Alpha Chapter: Tracy Raley Feyder '86, Debbie Jaquez Parkan '87, Christine Schlegel Whipp '88, Heather Archibald Campbell '88, Jennifer Beckett Sorensen '87, Lori Sibert Shinkle '88, Stacey Hodson Rounsavall '89, Lisa Felbinger Thomas '88, Melissa Chiodo Granda '88, Lisa Wallin Rodriguez '87 and Meagan Macdonnell Farrell '89.

April 30, 2011 marked the 45th anniversary of the **Theta Rho Chapter** at **California State University/Los Angeles**. **Pasadena Foothill Alumnae Chapter** members joined in the celebration as the collegians hosted a Family Day at the Park in Alhambra.

The Southern California Lamplighters, alumnae from Delta Zeta alumnae chapters in Southern California, held their annual Flame Fantasy event at Santa Anita race track in Arcadia. The event included the presentation of the Betsy Bradley Leach Service Award, named on behalf of the late Betsy Bradley Leach AI (University of Southern California), Past National Officer and Past Trustee of the National Historical Museum Board. The award is presented to a Delta Zeta member who serves her community and Delta Zeta. The event marked the introduction of the Miss Flame Fantasies – six collegiate seniors attending local universities in Southern California who receive Lamplighters' scholarships every year. Fifty-five years ago, Southern California Lamplighters was formed to support the House Research Institute. The first Flame Fantasy event was held in 1957, and over the years the event has ranged from fashion shows held in Beverly Hills, to

Mad Hatter tea parties at the Ritz Carlton in Pasadena, to events at the Queen Mary, and featuring distinguished alumnae such as Edith Head M '60 (University of California/Berkeley), eight-time Oscar-winning costume designer and 1968 Woman of the Year, and Gail Patrick AP '29 (Samford University), actress and Emmy-winning television producer, and 1962 Woman of the Year.



At the Flame Fantasy: Nancy Russell IY '76 (California State University/Fullerton), Foundation Trustee; Tania Vasquez Roney OP '95 (California State University/Los Angeles), Pasadena Foothill Alumnae Chapter President; Karen Martin Campbell AA (California State University/Long Beach), National Director; Michelle Albrecht Smith AX (University of California/Los Angeles), National President; Lorrie Preuss Samalot TK '82 (Kent State University), National Academics Committee Member; and Karen Severloh Moffitt TO '65 (San Diego State University), National Awards Committee Chairman, with a jockey from the track.

Photo: Benoit Photo, Santa Anita Race Track

SOUTHEAST AREA - ALABAMA, FLORIDA, GEORGIA, PUERTO RICO, VIRGIN ISLANDS

The Alpha Gamma "Golden Girls" hosted a reunion at the **University of Alabama** in Tuscaloosa, arriving shortly after the devastating tornadoes that hit Alabama this spring. The alumnae were glad to help by contributing to Tuscaloosa's One Place, a family resource center, while there. Formed in 2009 to find sisters who had graduated 50 or more years ago from the university, the Golden Girls host annual reunions in Tutwiler Hall across the street from the chapter house. If you were a Delta Zeta at the university and would like to learn more about the Golden Girls or add your name and address to their roster, please email Pat Barnes Harmer '58 at rustnot@aol.com.



The Golden Girls include Pat Barnes Harmer '58, Betty Wills Hudgins '62, Rachel Hammett Frederick '55, Patricia Wright Burks '57, Judith Redding Lehmann '59, Susanne Acker Munson '54, Judy Tidmore Campbell '61, Bethany Weston '60, Beverly "Scooter" Richmond Francis '62, Sarah Lindsey Scholl, Jean Wickstrom Liles '61, Delta Zeta 2002 Woman of the Year, Patty Davis Kimbel '60, Carroll Barrett '59 and Anna Catherine Cook Fowler '59.

SURVIVING THE STORM

Learn how the Alpha Gamma Chapter at the University of Alabama/Tuscaloosa and the Tuscaloosa Alumnae Chapter stepped up to help the community hit by the April 2011 tornado that ravaged Alabama. Read about the experience of one alumna, Laurel Walker AG '07 (University of Alabama), as she lived through the devastating storm. Visit <http://lamp.deltazeta.org/> for this feature.

Delta Zeta Memories

As Delta Zeta recognizes her 25-, 50-, 65- and 75-year members, we asked our treasured alumnae to tell us more about themselves and how Delta Zeta enriched their lives.

THE ORDER OF THE DIAMOND (75 YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP)

Marian Mehler Ludwig AΘ '36 (University of Kentucky)

Marian married Tom Ludwig in 1940. Tom passed away in September of 2010. She lived in Louisville and Philadelphia, and then retired to Williamsburg, Virginia. Marian has three children, two grandchildren and one great-grandchild. Marian lives in an assisted living facility and is an accomplished craftsman who excels in Early American decoration.

THE ORDER OF THE PEARL (65 YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP)

Roberta Dutro Burgess M '44 (University of California/Berkeley)

Roberta was an officer in her college chapter. After her third child was born, she moved to Chicago, and later joined the Freedom Foundation at Valley Forge. She became their chapter president and raised thousands of dollars to send high school students and future leaders to Valley Forge and Washington D.C. to learn about American history. Roberta and her husband now live in a retirement community, but she stays very active. She meets with her Delta Zeta sisters twice a year and appreciates them all.

Glenna Manning Richards K '44 (University of Washington)

Glenna graduated with a degree in education and married in 1947. She was a stay-at-home mother to three boys for 10 years. She then taught art in a private school in Bellevue, Washington. She and her husband travel and have visited England and the Caribbean. They saw much of the world when teaching ballroom dancing on cruise ships during vacations. She volunteered and organized the Orcas Island Library's Annual Art Auction. Glenna was also a member of the Friends of the Library board. She paints Orcas Island landscapes in watercolor and pastel and has a small picture framing business in her art studio.



Patsy Crox Underhill BA '44 (University of Tennessee/Knoxville)

After graduating in 1945, Patsy taught in Greene County where she met her future husband. They married in 1946, and she continued teaching until she became pregnant and moved to Kingsport, Tennessee. Later, they moved to Washington D.C., where she joined the local Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR). After retirement, Patsy moved to Tappahannock, Virginia where she helped organize the Lettice Lee chapter of Colonial Dames XVIIIC and was active in DAR and the Huguenot Society of Virginia. She was the chapter president in each organization and held state offices as well.

THE ORDER OF THE GOLDEN ROSE (50 YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP)

Norma Bevelheimer Houchin BT '59 (Nebraska Wesleyan University)

Norma taught elementary school for 32 years. She was a member of the Omaha Symphonic Chorus for 22 years, performing two concerts each year. Married to Donald for 48 years, the couple has one son, a daughter-in-law and two grandchildren. Norma enjoys playing golf and traveling.

Helene Brysacz Osowski ZK '59 (Ohio Northern University)

Helene has enjoyed 14 years of retirement after working as a pharmacist, which is a family tradition. Her parents were pharmacists, as are her husband, three children and grandson.

Betsy Coleman Katko ZE '61 (California University of Pennsylvania)

Betsy married Joseph in 1965. They have three daughters, Beth, Amy and Jennifer, and six grandchildren. Betsy and Joseph have lived in Richmond, Virginia for 19 years. She taught speech therapy in Northampton City and English as a Second Language (ESL) at an elementary school. She enjoys traveling and gardening.

Ruth Myers Whitbeck E '61 (Indiana University)

Ruth lives in Texas with her husband, George, where they retired after George served on the Indiana University faculty. They enjoy visiting two of their grandchildren, who live in Texas, ages seven and 10. They travel to Indianapolis often to see another grandson aged two.

Stars in Our Service Flag

The Zeta Phi Chapter (Slippery Rock University) has three members serving our country. Alumna **Amanda Kalkowski '07** and collegian **Nicola White** are in the Army Reserves, and collegian **Rose Brandberg** serves in the ROTC (Reserve Officers' Training Corps).

Katherine "Kiri" Haggans ΔΣ '03 (Truman State University) has lived and worked in Basra, Iraq since November of 2010. She is a project manager for Mercy Corps, an international humanitarian and development organization. With USAID (U.S. Agency for International Development) funding, Mercy Corps works with local governments and communities to address their most pressing development needs -- from school additions to water networks to road reconstruction. The government and community investment in the projects creates a sense of ownership at the grassroots level, rather than solutions being handed down to the citizens.

Ashley Rae Sanchez OA '04 (St. Mary's University) has enlisted in the U.S. Army. She is attending Officer Candidate School at Ft. Benning, Georgia. The San Antonio Alumnae Chapter surprised Ashley with a farewell party. Ashley has a degree in International Relations and completed her MBA in 2010.



Front: Ashley Rae Sanchez OA '04 (St. Mary's University) and Nancy Kirchoff Novak ΓΩ '59 (Southern Illinois University). Center: Nicole Vance ΖΨ '03 (Stephen F. Austin State University); Monica Rodriguez Harness OA '93 (St. Mary's University), San Antonio Alumnae Chapter President, and Brooke Haley ΔΞ '99 (Texas A & M University). Back: Cyndi Haugeland Munch ΒΙ '70 (University of Arizona), Heather Tschirhart ΔΟ '09 (Angelo State University), Alyssa Austin OA '07 (St. Mary's University), Mallory Philman Unger OA '05 (St. Mary's University); Christy Tayloe LeRoy ΙΕ '98 (University of Missouri/St. Louis) and Diana Baudo Sarfin ΔΕ '67 (Queens College).

Read more about our Stars in Our Service Flag during World War II at <http://lamp.deltazeta.org/>.

Deydre Smyth Teyhen AP '90 (Ohio Wesleyan University) was named Commander of the Public Health Command Region-South at Fort Sam Houston in San Antonio, Texas. The post evolved into the "Home of Army Medicine" after World War II and into the "Home of Military Medicine" with the establishment of the Medical Education and Training Campus in 2010. "The Public Health Command Region-South ... represents a long legacy of excellence," Deydre said, as she explained the Army Surgeon General's vision to move from a sick-care paradigm to a paradigm of health. "It is our charge to optimize health and promote wellness across the southern region."



Brig. Gen. Timothy K. Adams (right), commander, U.S. Army Public Health Command passes the new colors to the incoming region south commander Lt. Col. Deydre Smyth Teyhen AP '90 (Ohio Wesleyan University) during a ceremony July 21 at the Fort Sam Houston flagpole.

Photo by Lori Newman

Lacey Walters, Xi Xi Chapter President (North Georgia College & State University), serves in the Georgia Army National Guard. Her hometown is Cartersville, Georgia, and she is commissioned as a second lieutenant.

You can share in the election of National Council

Delta Zeta's National Council will be elected by the delegates at the 2012 Convention held at the Grand Hyatt Hotel in San Antonio, Texas, as provided in the *Constitution of the Delta Zeta Sorority*. As a member of Delta Zeta, you have the privilege of sharing in this democratic procedure by making recommendations to the Nominating Committee.

Recommendations for candidates may be submitted by an individual, an alumnae chapter or chapter association, or a collegiate chapter to the Nominating Committee. Nominations may also be made from the floor by official delegates at the Convention. The Nominating Committee invites you to assist in this very important process, and will give careful consideration to all recommendations received.

The Nominating Committee is made up of a Chairman who is a Past National Officer appointed by National Council, and eight members from the following groups: National District Directors, Regional Collegiate Directors, Area Alumnae Directors, College Chapter Directors, National Standing Committee Chairmen, Alumnae Chapters, and College Chapters.

Help Delta Zeta choose the officers who will lead the Sorority by submitting your recommendation forms today.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN

Ruth Weider Patterson BX
Past National Officer, Foundation President

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Pamela Gehlhausen Asher ΓK
Regional Collegiate Director, Region V

Andi Cooper Howard EN
Area Alumnae Director, Southwest Area

Karen Severloh Moffitt ΓO
National Standing Committee Chairman

Kristy Sanford Goodwin ET
Old Dominion University
Margaret Ila Christian AT
University of Alabama
College Chapter Directors

Heidi Bobo AK
Huntsville Alumnae Chapter
Alumnae Chapters

**University of Missouri/
St. Louis - Iota Xi Chapter**
**California State University/
Fresno - Epsilon Epsilon Chapter**
College Chapters

Delta Zeta Sorority Recommendation for National Council Nomination

This form must be postmarked no later than February 10, 2012 and mailed to **both**:

Ruth Weider Patterson
2012 Nominating Committee Chairman
Past National Officer
3623 Devereaux Road
Columbia, SC 29205

AND

Anne Marie Jones Gavin
National Constitution Chairman
3264 Swan Drive
Vineland, NJ 08361

I recommend:

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Do you know the nominee personally? YES ☐ NO ☐

If yes, how long have you known this nominee and in what capacity?

If not, why are you nominating this person?

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Please use an additional sheet of paper if more space is needed. This form may be copied if making more than one recommendation.

This form must be completely filled out and sent to **both** the Nominating Committee Chairman and the National Constitution Chairman to be considered.

Delta Zeta Sorority 50th National Convention

Grand Hyatt Hotel in San Antonio, Texas

July 3-7, 2012

Delta Zeta's 50th National Convention is an event not to be missed. Watch for registration information on the Delta Zeta website (<http://www.deltazeta.org>). Join us for an enriching experience in San Antonio! Discover a San Antonio luxury hotel offering an exciting blend of modernism and Latin culture.

The Carolyn Barnes Gullatt Symposium

Delta Zeta is proud to present **Pete Smithhisler**, president and CEO for the North-American Interfraternity Conference (NIC), as the keynote speaker for the 50th National Convention. Pete is one of the nation's foremost advocates for the fraternal movement due to his extensive work with students, higher education partners, and governmental agencies. He has been working with college students for more than 25 years in a variety of professional roles.

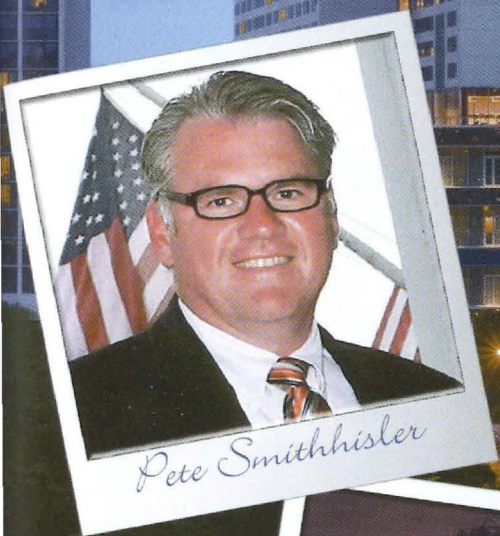
As president and CEO of the NIC, Pete represents and advocates the needs of member fraternities through the enrichment of the fraternity experience, advances collaboration and growth among the fraternity community, and coordinates daily interactions with any of the NIC's 75 member organizations, five million alumni, or 800 campuses.

He is passionate about the fraternity experience and regularly affirms that "when done right, fraternities are the premier leadership experience on college campuses."

Ginny Carroll is the CEO of inGiNuity, a company focused on building personal competence and improving team synergy through possibilities planning, skill development workshops and retreats, governance coaching, and keynotes.

Ginny is a strong proponent of the Greek experience, evidenced by the Anson Award, presented to her by the Association of Fraternity/Sorority Advisors in 2006. The award is presented nationally to a "well-respected individual who fosters positive change to advance the fraternal movement." In 2010, she received Tri Delta's Vision Award and Alpha Sigma Tau's McCrory Award for contributions to the interfraternal movement.

Also in 2010, Ginny founded the Circle of Sisterhood Foundation, whose mission is to leverage the collective wisdom and influence of sorority women to uplift girls and women from poverty and oppression through education.



Pete Smithhisler



Ginny Carroll

A Gift in Your Will: Getting Started

Make a lasting gift to Delta Zeta by including a bequest to the Delta Zeta Foundation in your will or living trust. Called a charitable bequest, this type of gift offers these main benefits.

Simplicity. Just a few sentences in your will or trust are all that is needed. The official bequest language for the Delta Zeta Foundation is: "I, [name], of [city, state, zip], give, devise and bequeath to Delta Zeta Foundation of Oxford, Ohio [written amount or percentage of the estate or description of property] for its unrestricted use and purpose."

Flexibility. Because you are not actually making a gift until after your lifetime, you can change your mind at any time.

Versatility. You can structure the bequest to leave a specific item or amount of money, make the gift contingent on certain events or leave a percentage of your estate to us.

Tax Relief. If your estate is subject to estate tax, your gift is entitled to an estate tax charitable deduction for the gift's full value.

How It Works

To make a charitable bequest, you need a current will or revocable living trust.

Your gift can be made as a percentage of your estate or you can make a specific bequest by giving a certain amount of cash, securities or property. After your lifetime, Delta Zeta Foundation receives your gift.

Putting Your Family First

When planning a future gift, it is sometimes difficult to determine what size donation will make sense. Emergencies happen, and you need to make sure your family is financially secure. Including a bequest of a *percentage of your estate* ensures that your gift will remain proportionate no matter how your estate's value fluctuates over the years.

We Can Help

Contact Chris Kolodgie Kern IE '86, Foundation Director of Development, at (513) 523-7597 or chris@dzshq.com with any questions about naming the Delta Zeta Foundation in your will or living trust, or providing for special programs through your gift. We are happy to help, without obligation.

Additional resources are available at <http://www.deltazeta.org/foundation> under How Can I Give > Planned Giving. Alumnae and friends who make a charitable bequest to the Delta Zeta Foundation are recognized in The Oxford Society.



Delta Zeta 2011 Woman Of The Year

Carol M. Mabe

Carol M. Mabe ZA '69 (East Carolina University) enjoys watching sunsets with her husband, Bob, from the veranda of her home overlooking the Neuse River, on which the tiny harbor town known as the "Sailing Capital of North Carolina," Oriental, is located. But those quiet moments are rare; Carol's life is one of new ventures, lending her leadership skills to nonprofit and higher education institutions, and embracing life with curiosity and enthusiasm.

Carol, Delta Zeta's 2011 Woman of the Year, is a well-known independent consultant in brand development and strategic marketing for both business and higher education, and was one of the first women to break into the senior ranks within the male-dominated apparel industry in the 1980s and 1990s. A successful, respected leader in consumer products marketing, Carol was instrumental in building some of the world's best-recognized, most successful brands, including Hanes, Hanes Her Way, Leggs, Victoria's Secret, Lee, Wrangler and Russell Athletic.

After "retiring" in 2005, Carol and Bob returned to their native North Carolina, and Carol began a brand building and strategic development consulting business, focused on working with smaller to mid-sized companies and non-profits. Today, after scaling back on her consulting business, she has joined a friend in a boutique real estate company focusing on unique waterfront properties on the Inner Banks. "My business associate, another friend who is an interior designer, and I have also just designed and opened a casual coastal home furnishings and accessories shop – The Screen Door," says Carol, adding with a laugh, "I can't imagine sitting in a rocking chair. I've been busy all my life – it's in my DNA."

Carol has devoted four decades of leadership to a variety of nonprofit and higher education roles. Currently, she is vice chairman of the East Carolina University Board of Trustees and immediate past chairman of the East Carolina University Foundation Board of Directors. She also chaired the Merchandising Advisory Board for the university's College of Human Ecology for two years. East Carolina honored Carol for her career achievements in 2002 with its Outstanding Alumni Award and again in 2007, when as part of its centennial celebration, the university named her one of "100 Incredible ECU Women."



Inspiring leadership

Carol's impressive career has included vice president of marketing for Victoria's Secret Stores, introducing proven consumer branding techniques to an already high-visibility brand. When she joined VF Corporation, in Greensboro, North Carolina, as vice president of strategic marketing for the company's \$3.5 billion VF Jeanswear division, marketers of Lee, Wrangler, Riders, Rustler and Brittonia jeans, she focused on global brand positioning and corporate acquisition strategies.

Carol moved to Russell Corporation, and before her retirement, was president and CEO of Russell Athletic apparel; then vice president of strategic development for the corporation, a position leveraging her talent for identifying, evaluating and pursuing growth opportunities and expansion strategies, working with brands including Russell Athletic, Spalding, Jerzees, Mossy Oak, Bike Athletic and Moving Comfort.

"I am often asked if being a woman in business was an issue in the 1970s and 1980s," Carol says. "Not in my experience. I just worked hard, worked smart, focused on professionalism, earned the respect of peers and employees and delivered results. I never made an issue of being a woman in the corporate world."

**Read Carol Mabe's
12 Commandments for Effective
Leadership online at
<http://lamp.deltazeta.org/>.**

Today Carol continues to stay in touch with those she inspired and worked with in the business world. "It's not about 'me,' it's about 'we,'" she continues. "You can never succeed without other people. Women bring a sensibility to business that reflects a softer side of management that is caring."

Delta Zeta's enriching influence

As a collegian in the Zeta Lambda Chapter at East Carolina University, Carol says, "My experience was wonderful. Becoming part of an organization that provided so many opportunities to be involved in events and activities across the campus was a key leadership development experience and a great adjunct to my academic work. The Sorority also provided a broad network of diverse friends. In Delta Zeta I found dozens of sisters with different personalities, backgrounds and perspectives which really enriched my growth as a person. I credit my Delta Zeta experience with building my self-confidence."

Carol stays in touch with many of those women today. She is instrumental in planning reunions of Zeta Lambda alumnae from the pledge years 1967-1972. She worked with the chapter to establish the Susan Booth Stevenson Sisterhood Award, given annually in honor of Susan Booth Stevenson ZA '69. The award recognizes a member who represents the true spirit of sisterhood within the chapter.

As she and Bob embrace their passion for sailing (they enjoyed racing sailboats for 40 years; today, they love cruising the waterways and bareboat chartering in the Caribbean [chartering a boat with provisions and acting as their own crew on an island excursion]), Carol is no doubt looking forward to the next adventure in her life.

"This is a truly special honor," she says on being named Delta Zeta's 2011 Woman of the Year. "Knowing that thousands of amazing Delta Zeta women have been successful in many fields, raised beautiful families, touched many lives and made real differences in our world, it is humbling."

"I share this honor with all my Zeta Lambda sisters – and every wonderful woman who is a Delta Zeta."

Between Two Cultures: Aida Kouyoumjian

Aida Kouyoumjian K '56 (University of Washington) describes her first impressions of Delta Zeta as an Iraqi-born exchange student coming to the United States on a Fulbright scholarship. "When I arrived at the Delta Zeta chapter house [at the University of Washington], I had no idea what to expect. While still in Baghdad, Iraq, my parents and I had scrutinized several dictionaries to understand the word sorority, because part of my Fulbright scholarship included living at the Delta Zeta Sorority house. My dad, knowing some Greek, deciphered Delta Zeta, but the meaning of 'sorority' remained unclear, other than 'a social club for females where a strict curfew was observed.'"

The experience would change Aida's life. Today she is a critically-acclaimed author of "Between the Two Rivers: A Story of the Armenian Genocide," the real-life saga of Aida's mother, Mannig, who as a young girl, was one of a small minority of Armenians who survived the massacre and deportation from the Ottoman Empire during and after World War I. (Go to <http://coffeetownpress.com/> for more information about Aida's book.)

The story not only speaks to Mannig's incredible strength, but to the strength of women overall to endure and rise above tragedy in their lives, especially when that tragedy is caused by something outside of their control. Aida says, "I wrote the story just as my mother told it to me."

Aida taught for 30 years in the public education system and retired in 1998, but not before going back to school in 1985 to obtain her Master's degree. Her ethnic heritage remains the foundation of her life; most recently, she taught a course entitled, "Remembering Iraq" in the Bellevue College's continuing education program, to provide new insights about Iraq in understanding the modern world.

"Ever since my entry to the U.S.," says Aida, "I've been asked to speak about Iraq at different venues – at schools, churches or service organizations. For the past 50 years, I had accumulated a stack of photographs, maps and pertinent articles from the Christian Science Monitor or the New York Times. I also solicited for materials from the Iraqi consulate, as well as the Middle East Department at the University of Washington and the Armenian Embassy in Washington, D.C."

"I applied everything I had learned in Baghdad into the chronology of my teaching timeline. I covered subjects such as the prehistoric influences on our daily lives – in my case, it would be the Babylonian and the Chaldean periods, followed by the history of Christianity, Islam, etc. We covered the educational system, the cultural mores, politics and the influence of Western civilization. My persona was always part of the discussions. So the students got firsthand stories." In 1998, she returned to Armenia, her mother's native country, to teach Armenian students gratis. "Neither of my parents had put foot on Armenian soil, their native land. My dad would be very proud of me, and my mom would envy me. She had said many times that if it weren't a Soviet satellite, she would travel to Armenia. Well, I didn't



go until Armenia was an independent nation. I've been to Armenia three times since my first year of teaching there."

She also remembers her conflicting feelings when she decided not to return to Iraq after college, while her family remained there during the military coup in 1958. "I felt guilty. Not because I was in a free country, but because the future of my parents was bleak. I defaulted my obligation to serve Iraq as was required of Exchange Students, because the government that had granted my trip to the U.S. was defunct. The new government had no respect for its former monarchy," she says.

Aida last visited Iraq in 1963. That visit, she says, "was after an absence of eleven years. Of course, my parents had aged and it showed on them in more than just physically. Their morale was low, and they couldn't see a return to the comfortable life they had prior to that current regime. Seeing them was short of the feeling of devastation. The city of Baghdad was unrecognizable except for its landmarks of the bridges and Rashid Street, the main thoroughfare meandering with the Tigris River. The smell of burning dung for fuel was everywhere." Aida plans to continue this part of the story in Book Two, the sequel to "Between the Two Rivers."

Aida is an active member of the Greater Seattle Alumnae Chapter and has participated in many events with the Kappa Chapter at the University of Washington, including giving presentations for the collegians. "I can say that everything I do or say is a result of the Delta Zeta experience," she says. "I consider myself a very fortunate person to have been a guest at the house, and later became a member of the Sorority."

Collegiate Profile

Born with Wings

Unlike most children who are bound for a family vacation to Disney World, Cristen Fitcher's anticipation was not in meeting Cinderella; it was boarding a jet airplane and experiencing the thrill of the flight to Florida.

"When I was a junior in high school and thinking about what I wanted to do in life, I thought it would be cool to be an airline pilot, but didn't think it would actually happen. After I came to Kent State University, I looked at the aeronautics/aviation program and I knew I had to be a part of it," Cristen, who is a member of the Gamma Kappa Chapter at Kent State University, says.

The program involves a classroom component and a flight component, and a lot of hard work. "Flying is important to me because I really do love it," Cristen says of her chosen vocation. "There is really no feeling like it in the world. Also, it is always a challenge, which I enjoy. Every day you learn something new and can challenge yourself to become a better pilot."

Aviation students fly every school day (weather permitting) and sometimes spend weekends at the air base. In order to achieve a license and a rating, students must fly with a check instructor on a "check-ride," which consists of an oral examination and performing maneuvers in the plane which have to meet certain standards. Cristen hopes to fly with a commercial airline, and said her goal is to become a captain within 10 years after graduation. It will be a challenge: new pilots, she says, do a lot of red-eye flights, night flying and have less-than-desirable schedules. Most airlines require that applicants have between 1,500 and 3,000 hours in flying time, at a minimum. But it is a challenge that Cristen will meet with her enthusiasm and determination. In the meantime, she plans to build her hours as a flight instructor.

"So far I have my private license and will receive my instrument rating shortly," she says. "I completed two flight courses this past summer and will have my commercial license. Then I will get my CFI (Certified Flight Instructor) and multi-engine rating in the spring. I hope to be hired by Kent State as an instructor while I'm finishing my aeronautics degree in my senior year."

Cristen is inspired by the women who have come before her, and is a proud member of Women in Aviation, which provides networking, education, mentoring and scholarship opportunities for women (and men) who are striving for challenging and fulfilling careers in the aviation and aerospace industries.

Delta Zeta has inspired her as well. "Delta Zeta makes me want to be the best I can be in all aspects of my life, including education and my future career," Cristen says.



Cristen (left) with her flight instructor, Jessica Coppers.

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Two years ago, I had the privilege of participating in the Norma Minch Andrisek Leadership Conference, and I was so impressed with the quality and depth of the leadership training that was provided for the collegians. From the keynote speakers, to the conversations and discussions, the facilitators, to the readings and reflection – the entire program was top-notch. Delta Zeta is teaching young women how to embrace change, engage in conversations about topics that can be uncomfortable and/or difficult, stand up for their beliefs, step out of their comfort zone, listen to others, build relationships and partnerships with others, work as a part of the team and work to make things better. It only takes one person to make a change and to understand that we all have potential to be leaders.

As a Student Affairs professional, I see, hear and read about leadership training programs for college students on a regular basis and *I am pleased to say that Delta Zeta's is among the top.* Although Delta Zeta has changed and grown over the past 109 years, the Sorority continues to prepare women to be actively involved, concerned productive members of their chapters, the Greek system, their campus community and in their careers, their lives and the world. The Sorority encourages young women to change the world – or at least their little corner of the world.

We should be very proud! Delta Zeta provides real-life, hands-on leadership training and skill development as universities demand responsibility and hard work. Working within a group, making decisions, solving problems, planning campus events, running meetings, electing officers, managing multiple priorities and roles, and running an efficient organization are very important skills that can be transferred to any profession. Working with others from diverse backgrounds – with those that may have different values and beliefs – enables Delta Zeta collegians to gain valuable experience and to accept and meet these same challenges in their careers and their personal lives.

DELTA ZETA *Foundation* GIVING IS ENRICHING

“I believe in what Delta Zeta stands for: Its mission, vision, ideals and the role the organization plays in developing and empowering the women of today and tomorrow.”

Cindy Tinney Kozil GB '81 (University of Connecticut)
Vice President, Student Development and Retention
at Dean College in Franklin, Massachusetts

“I believe these initiatives are very important and that is why I give each year to Delta Zeta through the Foundation and why I am proud to be a part of the Guy Potter Benton Society, giving \$1,000 or more to the Annual Campaign each year. I want to continue to support scholarships, new programs and, in particular, the leadership development programs.”

There's more to Cindy's story! Read more at
<http://www.deltazeta.org/aboutdeltazeta/publications/ibelieve>. Join Cindy in supporting Delta Zeta with a gift to the Foundation today.