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Countdown to Convention...

The 47th Delta Zeta National Convention will be held June 21-25, 2006 at the Arizona Biltmore Resort and Spa in Phoenix, Arizona

The Delta Zeta National Council encourages you to attend this special event that enables Delta Zetas from all over the United States and Canada to make new friends, reconnect with others, and strengthen the

bonds of sisterhood. Your AAD and PR Chairman will be representing the Great Lakes Area this year.

Tentative Convention Schedule

Wednesday, June 21, 2006
Opening Reception

Thursday, June 22, 2006
Business Meeting
Foundation Luncheon and Keynote Speaker
"Mom Nonnie" Owens - *Being the Best You Can Be*
Initiation and Initiation Banquet

Friday, June 23, 2006
Carolyn Barnes Gullatt Symposium
Panhellenic Luncheon
Memorial Service
Business Meeting
Fun Night

Saturday, June 24, 2006
Workshops
Rose Luncheon
Alumnae Reunions
Collegiate Workshops/Awards Banquet

Sunday, June 25, 2006
Business Meeting
Workshops
Installation Banquet 🐢

Great Lakes Area Per Capita Dues Reminder

Thanks to the following Great Lakes Area Alumnae Chapters who have submitted per capita dues for 2006:

Columbus, Findlay, Kent, Metro Detroit and Youngstown.

It is not too late to submit your dues, which help defray costs for awards, workshops, and travel expenses for special guests at Region Days, allowing us to keep alumnae registration costs for these events to a minimum.

Please send your check (\$2 per chapter member, payable to Delta Zeta Great Lakes) to Melissa Brundjar, Great Lakes Treasurer, at 12540 Edgewater Drive #708, Lakewood, OH 44107.

A special website with additional Convention details and registration information can be found at <http://convention.deltazeta.org>.

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About the Keynote Speaker

Nonnie Cameron Owens - www.momnonnie.com

Nonnie Cameron Owens, aka "Mom Nonnie," understands how image affects personal and group success. After 32 years as a flight attendant and 12 years as a housemother for fraternities at Southern Methodist and Purdue Universities, she knows how ethical decisions, manners, and a good attitude go far in building relationships within the community and throughout one's life. Hear Nonnie's forthright message and enjoy her sense of humor as she brings a unique perspective to issues ranging from leadership to dating and relationships, from dining etiquette to dinner conversation.



When You Wish Upon a Star, Delta Zeta is Never Far...

2006 Ohio DZ State Day

On April 1, 2006, Kappa Chi Chapter at Youngstown State University hosted one of the best Ohio DZ State Days in recent memory. The day began with a welcome from some of the individuals who worked so hard to put the day together - Sarah Gavalier, Kappa Chi State Day Chair, Kim Maust, Kappa Chi President, Pam Asher, Region V RCC, and Mella Davies, Great Lakes AAD. Greg Gulas, YSU Student Activities Director, welcomed us to campus, and then we dispersed to our workshop sessions.



Above: Collegians from Gamma Alpha and Kappa Chi pose with the alumnae attendees of the "Staying Connected in Delta Zeta" workshop.



Left: Dr. Christine Alexander, Lisa Laird, Sandra Bailey, and Norma Andrisek were special guests and presenters at the 2006 Ohio State Day.

Christine Alexander and Lisa Laird even led a Jeopardy style workshop entitled "Don't Put Your Health in Jeopardy: A Women's Health Workshop."

We reconvened for lunch and many attendees had a chance to browse the wide array of DZ Deizigs merchandise or hear their name called as a winner in the Chinese auction. After lunch we settled in for the "Magic and Illusions of John Steven Bloom", who taught us that "Sisterhood Creates Magic". John used a variety of Delta Zeta symbols to convey the message that "Our dreams are an illusion, but we will make them reality".

Mella Davies then began the alumnae awards ceremony by announcing the 2006 Lamplighters, in addition to the recipients of the Helen Reimund Love Philanthropy, Joan Dondrea Lowry Philanthropy, and Olive McCune Loyalty Awards. The Youngstown Alumnae Chapter had a strong showing of alumnae in attendance and earned the Traveling Gavel Award. More information about all alumnae and collegiate award winners can be found on the following page.

After Pam Asher recognized the Region V CCDs and announced the 2006 collegiate award winners, we finished



Above: Region V CCDs posed with RCC Pam Asher for a photo at the 2006 Ohio State Day held in Youngstown. From left to right are Pam Asher, Kelly Wright-Gonos (Gamma Kappa), Lauri Walburn (Gamma Alpha), Andrea Kusta (Omicron Gamma), and Becky Holmes (Kappa Iota).

Right: The Youngstown Alumnae received the "Traveling Gavel" Award for having the highest number of paid Alumnae Chapter members in attendance at the 2006 Ohio DZ State Day.



the day with a Senior Ceremony hosted by the alumnae of the Youngstown Alumnae Chapter. Kappa Iota Chapter at Wright State University is looking forward to next year, when they will host State Day on April 21, 2007. 🍀

Alumnae Awards

Ohio State Day, April 1, 2006

The 2006 Olive McCune Loyalty Award Winner

Olive McCune was a member of Alpha chapter in the early 1920s, and was a charter member of the Cleveland Alumnae chapter. She promoted Delta Zeta enthusiastically wherever she went. Her loyalty and dedication to Delta Zeta was contagious. She attended many national conventions and was loved by a wide network of Delta Zeta sisters. Visit the Great Lakes Website at www.dzgreatlakes.com for more information about Ms. McCune and past Olive McCune Loyalty Award winners.



Judi Jacobs (Kappa Psi, Shippensburg) of the Columbus Alumnae Chapter was chosen as the 2006 Olive McCune Loyalty Award Winner. Information about Judi and her involvement with Delta Zeta can be found below.

Service to Delta Zeta

Undergraduate: Treasurer

Alumna:

Service to Delta Zeta alumnae:

-Member of the Columbus Alumnae Chapter for 26 years, serving as President (2 years), Vice President (1 year), Corresponding Secretary (1 year), Publicity Chair (6 years), Panhellenic Delegate (3 years), Panhellenic Alternate (3 years), Newsletter Editor (1 year), and Flame Fantasy Door Prize Co-Chair (1 year)

-Judi has attend **17** Ohio State Days!

Service to Panhellenic:

-Member of the Columbus Alumnae Panhellenic Association for 3 years, serving as Scholarship Chairman, Publicity Chairman, and Treasurer

Service to Theta Chapter, The Ohio State University:

-Member of the Theta House Corporation, serving as President (2 years) and Treasurer (5 years)

-Theta Advisory Positions: Corresponding Secretary (2 years) and Treasurer (12 years); Judi has also served as interim CCD several times while the chapter was without a CCD

Awards received: Acoth Award at the 2000 Convention; The Ohio State University - 2002 Greek Alumni Member of the Year for outstanding service and dedication to Theta Chapter

Community Service Activities: Collection Counter at St. Andrew Catholic Church; Member of the Nationwide Insurance Soccer League; Member of other Columbus City Leagues

Congratulations Judi!

2006 Lamplighter Award Winners

The Lamplighter Award, established at State Day 1981, acknowledges the member in each chapter who has given that extra bit of spark, devotion, and loyalty as an officer or member. It is a way of recognizing those hardworking alumnae members who may never hold an Area or National position, but are so invaluable to you in your endeavors as Delta Zeta alumnae. For more information about the 2006 winners, visit www.dzgreatlakes.com.

Winners are listed below with their nominating chapter:

Cleveland Eastside

Joanne Rasmussen,
Gamma Alpha

Columbus

Jessica Blevins,
Delta

Dayton

Rebecca Holmes, Kappa Iota

Kent

Dayna Hloska, Gamma Tau

Youngstown

Anna Masi, Kappa Chi

Collegiate Awards

Ohio State Day, April 1, 2006

Quota Awards - Alpha, Gamma Alpha, Gamma Kappa, Gamma Tau, Kappa Iota, Kappa Chi, Omicron Gamma, Theta Psi, Zeta Kappa

Total Awards - Alpha, Gamma Kappa, Kappa Iota, Zeta Kappa

Most Improved Scholarship - Youngstown State University

Above all Women's/All Sorority GPA & ranked #1 on campus
- Ohio Northern University

Mary Collins Galbraith Award for Highest Scholarship in Region V - Ohio Wesleyan University

Outstanding Chapter Treasurer - Kimberly Maust, Youngstown State University

Cindy Winslow Menges Communication Award - Ohio Wesleyan University

Programming Excellence Award - Kent State University

Sandra Bailey Philanthropy Excellence Award - Ohio University

Phyllis S. Favorite Outstanding New Member of the Region Award - Char Smith, Ohio Wesleyan University

Outstanding New Member Program - Ohio Wesleyan University

100% Initiation Awards - Gamma Tau, Kappa Iota, Theta

VIP Award - Youngstown State University

Outstanding President - Jillian Venci, Baldwin Wallace College

Lynnda Wolf Hoefler Award - Most Improved Chapter - Baldwin Wallace College

Region V Heart & Soul Award - Maggie Marx, Kent State University

Pride of the Region - Kelly Petersen, Kent State University

Norma Minch Andrisek Award for Most Outstanding Chapter in Region V - Wright State University

2006 Joan Dondrea Lowry Philanthropy Award

This award was established at State Day 1992, and is given to the alumnae chapter donating the greatest time and money to the Delta Zeta Foundation.

Recipient: Cleveland Eastside Alumnae Chapter

Donations to the Delta Zeta Foundation: \$200 Barth Scholarship, \$400 Gallaudet Scholarships

Donations to Local Charities: \$300 Bellflower Foundation for Prevention of Child Abuse, \$600 TTYs Cleveland Students

Total Philanthropic donations: \$1500

2006 Helen Reimund "Love" Philanthropy Award

This award is presented to the alumnae chapter for supreme excellence in philanthropy - total money and time donated to philanthropic causes, the Delta Zeta Foundation and local charities.

Recipient: Dayton Alumnae Chapter

Donations to the Delta Zeta Foundation: \$143

Donations to Local Charities: \$2000

Total Philanthropic donations: \$2143

Delta Zeta Service Hours: 15 hours

Congratulations to all of the 2006 Award Winners!

Mella's Musings

Great Lakes AAD Report from Mella Davies

Kappa Chi chapter and the Youngstown Alumnae planned a magical State Day from start to finish. It was a stunning example of Delta Zeta sisters working together so all who attended would enjoy a special day of sisterhood. Alumnae philanthropy awards went to Dayton and Cleveland Eastside Alumnae Chapters. Congratulations to Judi Jacobs, Columbus Alumnae Chapter and Theta Chapter advisor, winner of the Olive McCune Loyalty Award. These awards were reinstated for the 2006 Ohio State Day.



We're asking for your assistance with a project. We're putting together a current list of chapter associations, both active and inactive. Please let me know if your chapter association (all members are from the same college chapter) has an internet or e-group connection. Maybe you meet casually at a restaurant or get together periodically for a reunion. Send the chapter name and contact for your group to me at mellad@apk.net.

Our goal is to have an active chapter association group for all chapters. Locating lost chapter members and supporting the college chapter are two benefits of renewing one's chapter contacts. Even if you did not attend school in the Great Lakes Area, please forward information about your chapter. The internet has become an inexpensive and easy means for Delta Zetas who have an e-mail address to stay in touch. Thanks in advance for your assistance with this wonderful project. 🍀

Snippets from Sandy

Great Lakes Development Report from Sandra Alspach



Here it is – the Honor Roll of Donors from the Great Lakes Area for 2005 (see pages 7 and 8). We sincerely thank all our sisters who gave back during the year to support our programs for collegians and alumnae. You keep the Flame burning bright!

And I want to thank our State Development Chairmen who have donated their time by writing personal thank-you's to all our donors. Jennifer Kayackas Sauber has had the lion's share as the Ohio State Development Chairman.

Nichole (Nikki) Nelson has kept in touch with our Michigan donors. Nikki left the state in January to pursue her career in Wisconsin. We were delighted when she asked to be put in contact with the Area Alumnae team "across the water", and we know she'll do a great job working as alumnae liaison with collegiate chapters.

Nikki's move left the Michigan State Development Chair vacant. If you have an hour or two a month to write thank-you notes to our donors, I would love to hear from you. Delta Zeta Foundation provides the note cards and reimburses your mailing expenses. All we ask of you is your time. Remember that our gifts to Foundation can come in many forms – and this position is just one way of supporting the mission of Delta Zeta and keeping the Flame aglow. 🍀

More about Andrea:

Andrea was initiated into Epsilon Sigma Chapter at Wayne State University in 1990. As an undergraduate, she served as philanthropy chair, VP of New Member Education, and President. After graduation, she served as an advisor for Epsilon Sigma for a few years before taking on the CCD position for the next seven years. She founded the Ann Arbor Alumnae Chapter in the fall of 2004 and served as Bucky's assistant for the 2004 and 2005 Region VI Days.

Andrea is married to her college sweetheart Joe and together they have two children, Garrett (age six) and Regan (age 2 1/2). She works as senior editor for Thomson Gale, a print and online reference publishing company where she is a part of the Biographies team.

When asked for her favorite DZ memory, Andrea said that two came to mind. The first is her first initiation as chapter president. She says that "I was so proud to be leading the chapter in that way and bringing those new members into our sisterhood officially". The second involves the Centennial Convention in Oxford, where she had the honor of interviewing Florence Hood Miner for *The Lampkin*.

Andrea is very excited in her new position. "It is such an honor and privilege to be appointed to the RCC position and serve our sisterhood in this way", she says. Welcome Andrea! 🍀

Greetings from Glenna

Great Lakes Membership Report from Glenna Paukstis

If your group is having a big meeting to end the year, it might be a good idea to call your members and invite them to your last meeting. I have been in groups where we had a calling committee, and it really helped with attendance. Also, the callers can report on any news from the members. With answering machines it is much simpler than repeating calls. Try it! You might want to have a new calling committee for next year, as it is also a good way to involve some of your home-bound members in helping the chapter.



Those of you who live near a collegiate chapter should, of course, be in close contact with the CCD of that chapter. Many of the chapters need financial advice, recruitment help, etc. The alumnae in the area can be of great service. Some of our collegiate chapters will be needing new CCDs next year. Hopefully someone in your chapter/area can step in. CCDs must be initiated Delta Zetas. Those assisting in advisor positions (finances, programming, etc.) do not have to be Delta Zetas. 🍀

RCC Spotlight

Region VI Regional Collegiate Coordinator



Andrea Henderson was recently appointed RCC for Region VI (Michigan, Canada), taking over for Michelle "Bucky" Kramer who has served for the past five years. Thank you, Bucky, for all you have given to DZ and Region VI, and welcome Andrea!

Chapter Reports

Great Lakes Area Collegiate Chapters

Alpha Chapter - Miami University

Kappa Iota Chapter - Wright State University

Members of Kappa Iota Chapter visited Miami University and the Alpha Chapter at the end of February. KI members were given a tour of the Alpha Chapter suite, and then the women went to a local restaurant where they played games and had a buffet lunch to get to know each other. After the restaurant, the women toured National Headquarters. Having approximately 20 of their women in attendance, the KI President remarked that she felt that this event inspired many women to become more involved in Delta Zeta.

Epsilon Sigma Chapter - Wayne State University

Epsilon Sigma chapter at Wayne State participated in the halftime show at Superbowl XL that took place in Detroit in January. We held a kissing booth and handed out Hershey's kisses for a philanthropic event and are also planning a philanthropy golf outing for the summer. We were also recently awarded a Campus Life Leadership Award for Best Student Organization at Wayne State.

Gamma Pi Chapter - Western Michigan University

In September, Gamma Pi members worked with local police agencies in the MI-Cops (Michigan Concern of Police Survivors) run, and went on to have a successful formal recruitment, reaching both quota and total of 80. In October we hosted our annual Haunted Forest Philanthropy event with the Sisters of Chi Omega, and raised more than \$2,500 each. We also enjoyed a successful "i have a choice" program, hosting Sgt. James Campbell of the Michigan State Police to discuss the topics of alcohol and Michigan law. Many members of the WMU community attended and the program has been requested by many chapters. On April 2, Delta Zeta and the Brothers of Delta Sigma Phi hosted the first annual Delta Dodge Ball event, held in honor of Michael Hinsberger and Bill Ramsay, both fathers of chapter members who passed away this year. The event raised well over \$2,000.

Lambda Theta Chapter -

Michigan Technological University

The MTU Winter Carnival 2006 had the theme "Cartoon Art for the Young at Heart", and Delta Zeta placed 1st in Statue, Special Events, and 1st Overall. Delta Zeta member Marta Loman was crowned Winter Carnival Queen, and two other sisters were queen candidates. Fellow Delta Zeta Emily Guay, 2005 Queen, assisted the MC with interview questions and the crowning of Marta. Lambda Theta was second in GPA among all Greek organizations at MTU with a cumulative 3.12 for Fall Semester 2005. Kathleen Bendic and Rachle Boyle have been participants in the "Call for Values Congruence" Forums, and Rachel Sherzer is President of MTU Panhellenic Council for the 2006 - 2007 school year.

Omicron Nu Chapter - University of Windsor

Delta Zeta's only Canadian collegiate chapter is happy to report that we achieved quota and made total for the third consecutive year! We are especially pleased with this year's alumnae involvement with our chapter. We have an active alumnae advisory board, and a number of local alumnae who regularly attend meetings, rituals, philanthropies and fundraisers. Some of the highlights of our year included putting on a leadership and team building weekend for high school students, hosting a Halloween event for underprivileged youth and continued involvement with the Sound Beginnings Program. We

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would like to thank Danielle Brown, ON '94, for all her hard work, untiring dedication, and support this year as our CCD. We also send congratulations to Tiffany Warriner, ON '99 for receiving the collegiate chapter's "Alumna of the Year" Award for 2005-2006. Upcoming events include the annual Walk for MS, an Executive Board retreat and our Anniversary Formal in 2007 to celebrate 15 years of sisterhood in Canada.



Right:
Zeta Kappa sisters at
Ohio DZ State Day
2006 in Youngstown.



Zeta Kappa Chapter - Ohio Northern University

The Zeta Kappa chapter is proud to announce that for the sixth consecutive quarter, the chapter has the highest grade point average of all Greek organizations on campus. At State Day 2006, Zeta Kappa was the only sorority honored with the *Above All Women's/All Sorority GPA* award. We have been busy with many different fundraisers, including an event at the Buffalo Wild Wing's in Findlay on February 1, where we raised close to \$200. Our annual *Buy-A-Woo* to auction sisters for services such as cooking, cleaning, or other tasks took place on April 11. On April 28 the chapter is holding an alumnae bowling event in Ada, and we invite all alumnae to contact Jordan Bliss at j-bliss@onu.edu or (419) 680-5741 for more information. On May 2 we will hold our first picnic benefit with a corn hole tournament and *Jell-O Turtle Tug* event. Sisters have also been helping with *Relay for Life*, *Adopt-A-Road*, Greek Week, Lil Sibs weekend and Blood Mobiles. 🍀

Great Lakes Calendar

May 10, 2006 - Deadline for submissions for the Summer issue of *The LAMP*

June 21-26, 2006 - Delta Zeta National Convention
Arizona Biltmore Resort and Spa, Phoenix, Arizona

August 10, 2006 - Deadline for submissions for the Fall issue of *The LAMP*

October 24, 2006 - Happy Founders Day!

November 1, 2006 - Deadline for submissions for the Fall *Great Lakes Gazette*

November, 2006 - Region VI Day
Ferris State University, Big Rapids, Michigan

February 10, 2007 - Deadline for submissions for the Spring issue of *The LAMP*

April 2, 2007 - Deadline for submissions for the Spring *Great Lakes Gazette*

April 21, 2007 - Ohio State Day
Wright State University, Dayton, Ohio

Chapter Reports

Great Lakes Area Alumnae Chapters

Gamma Kappa House Corporation

The Gamma Kappa Chapter House Corporation is in need of a Resident Advisor for the 2006-2007 academic year. We are looking for a responsible graduate student who would be interested in room and board in exchange for being Resident Advisor. Need not be a Delta Zeta. Contact Susan Little at 330-494-0529 or screch@ezo.net.

Bowling Green Alumnae Chapter

Contact: Jennifer Sauber - dz_turtles@msn.com

The newly formed Bowling Green Alumnae Chapter is busy recruiting new alumnae that would like to get more involved with Delta Zeta and the undergraduate chapter at BGSU. Although the group is small, we are working hard to increase support for the Gamma Tau chapter, including advisory support for executive officers and new CCD Celeste Giantsos. Celeste was pleased to accept the position of CCD and looks forward to working with the chapter. "I feel honored to be a part of the dynamic sisterhood of Gamma Tau, very much the same feeling that I had many years ago as an undergraduate member," she said. "I want the girls to appreciate that sisterhood is a lifetime adventure and that the bonds you make early only strengthen over time. I look forward to the challenge of working with the chapter, as well as the university, and giving back all that Delta Zeta has given to me."

Columbus Alumnae Chapter

Contact: Traci Kennedy-Brockfield - tkdz@hotmail.com

The Columbus Alumnae Chapter has had a busy start to spring! We enjoyed a joint meeting with the newly formed Delaware Alumnae group and Alpha Rho chapter members at a local paint your own pottery studio in February. In March, we met with Sondra King, a Youngstown State alumna who introduced us to her daughter Casey, a bright, intelligent five-year-old who is hearing impaired. It was great to hear Sondra and Casey's story and learn about all the resources they have been able to utilize in the Central Ohio area. We hope to build some new relationships with the groups Sondra volunteers with. In April, we were delighted to have two award winners at State Day - Jessica Blevins was our Lamplighter Award winner and longtime member Judi Jacobs was the recipient of the Olive McCune Loyalty Award! She truly

Tidbits

Great Lakes Area News and Announcements

Looking for CCDs... for Theta Psi (Ashland University), Theta (Ohio State University), and Omicron Gamma (Ohio University) Chapters. Contact Region V RCC Pam Asher at pradz@neo.rr.com for more information.

Congratulations to Alpha Rho CCD Sharla Buxton and her husband Jim on the birth of their daughter, Jocelyn Hope. The little legacy was born on February 6, 2006.

Welcome to new Gamma Tau Chapter CCD, Celeste Giantsos!

The Great Lakes Team recently surveyed Area CCDs to gather information about how alumnae can be of assistance to our collegiate chapters. Thanks to all CCDs who participated, and look for follow-up information about how alumnae can be of service to be posted on the Great Lakes website sometime in the near future. 🍀

exemplifies the word "loyalty" both in Delta Zeta and the many other groups with which she is active. We are looking forward to our annual mother/daughter tea at the end of April and a new fundraiser event in May for the whole family.

Right: Delta Zeta alumnae gathered at the Dayton Panhellenic Luncheon. Back row L-R: Marilyn Tolnitch, Iris Mirelez, Jan Kowal, Linda Stuart, Ann Booher. Front row L-R: Ruth Hoecker, Amy Uhler, Raechelle Joeseeph (KI collegian), Becky Holmes.



Dayton Alumnae Chapter

Contact: Jan Kowal - jankowal@sbcglobal.net

On March 11th, we showed our Panhellenic spirit by participating in the Dayton Alumnae Panhellenic Association Luncheon themed "Sashay into Spring". The event included a silent raffle, with the proceeds going to scholarships for Greek collegiate and alumnae women. The luncheon concluded with a Spring style show by a local women's boutique. At the April 1 State Day, the Dayton Alumnae Chapter proudly accepted the 'Helen Reimund Love Philanthropy Award'. President Jan Kowal was recognized by AAD Mella Davies for her hard work in keeping the Dayton Chapter strong, and Rebecca Holmes was recognized by RCC Pam Asher for her contribution as KI CCD. Becky also received the Lamplighter Award for her outstanding involvement in the Dayton Alumnae Chapter. The Dayton Alumnae Chapter is proud of its members and their accomplishments, and is excited that Kappa Iota Chapter will be hosting Ohio State Day 2007. See you there!

Grand Rapids Alumnae Chapter

Contact: Karen Miron - kmiron@hotmail.com

The Grand Rapids Alumnae Chapter has been active this year with many philanthropy and service projects. This spring we will be having dinner with the women of Xi Psi at Grand Valley State University. Jane MacFarlane and her service dog, Ukon, will attend our meeting to discuss ways that other Delta Zeta chapters can become involved with PAWS with a Cause. We have also been asked to be hostesses for Gilda's Club during their annual memorial service in May. Our June meeting will be our end of year potluck dinner which is always well attended. One of our members, Betty Robbins, was in charge of the basket raffle for the annual Panhellenic banquet again this year, at which we had 13 Delta Zetas in attendance.

Right: Kent alumna Melissa Mocek acts as auctioneer, showcasing a selection of Delta Zeta shirts bundled together for a lucky collegian to add to her collection.



Kent Alumnae Chapter

Contact: Kelly Gombert - kgombert@mail2Kelly.com

The Kent Alumnae Group held their annual Christmas auction at the Gamma Kappa house in December. Items donated by the alumnae included giftables such as candles, decorations and Delta Zeta paraphernalia. The auction raised \$212 for philanthropies. Prior to the auction, the alumnae put together goodie bags for the collegians filled with cookies and candy to help get them through finals week. At the annual meeting in February, alumnae members voted to make donations to the Delta Zeta Foundation, the Mary

Lou Barth Fund, the Stark County Educational Service Center's audiology center building fund, and the construction of the Sue Little Library at the Gamma Kappa house. Finally, alumnae attended an etiquette presentation and luncheon with the new members and Executive Board members of Gamma Kappa Chapter. Sandy Bailey gave a presentation about table etiquette preceding a delicious luncheon.

Youngstown Alumnae Chapter

Contact: Angela Messenger - chloefreak@aol.com
 Most of our time has been devoted to the planning of State Day, marking the first time Youngstown has hosted since 1991. In lieu of hosting separate alumnae meetings, alumnae were invited to participate in monthly State Day meetings with the collegiate committee members beginning in November. In December we hosted our annual Christmas party including an ornament exchange at a member's home. In January several alumnae helped with informal recruitment, and in February these sisters attended regional officer training in Columbus. Alumnae also helped the collegians with a Dunkin' Donuts coffee sale, a Handel's ice cream friends and family night, and baked cookies for a bake sale to support the new members. Alumna Shelly Laberto helped organize a friends and family night at the Chick-Fil-A which she manages. At State Day, we were pleased to receive the Traveling Gavel Award and Anna Masi was our chapter's recipient of the Lamplighter Award. Several sisters from our area also served as presenters at State Day including: Angela Messenger, Anna Masi, Melissa Swantek, Dr. Christine Alexander, Lisa Laird, and Sherri Porterfield. Others participated in the senior ceremony including: Madonna Barwick, Jennifer Rothwell, and Lynn Sorber. We will honor the graduating Kappa Chi seniors in late April/early May at a dinner held in their honor.

Throughout these busy winter months, the Delta Zeta book club has still been meeting every third Thursday of the month at the Boardman Barnes and Noble at 7p.m. April's selection is Jane Austen's *Sense and Sensibility*. In May we will offer a review session of all of the books that we have covered in the last year and a half. 🌱

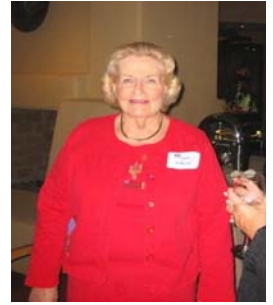
Chapter Reports

Great Lakes Area Chapter Associations

Epsilon Phi Chapter Association

Contact: Carol Sweeney - northville@hotmail.com

Epsilon Phi Chapter Association (University of Detroit) had a mini-reunion of sorts when Lorry Ronczo Walsh (who was a member of Delta Sigma Epsilon at U-D before the sorority merged with Delta Zeta), and Carol Hinman Sweeney found themselves in attendance at a reception for University of Detroit-Mercy's newest president, Rev. Gerald Stockhausen, at Terra Vita Golf and Country Club in North Scottsdale, AZ last March 15! Fr. Stockhausen was on a whirlwind tour of the western states to update alumni on developments now occurring at Detroit's inner-city Jesuit University. Delta Zetas Lorry and Carol found out about the reception via the internet, so it was fun to be among collegiate alumni and administration members of the University which once hosted Epsilon Phi's collegiate chapter. **Editors Note: Please visit the Great Lakes Website at www.dzgreatlakes.com for more information about Lorry, Carol, and the history of Epsilon Phi at the University of Detroit.**



Above: Lorry Ronczo Walsh who was a member of Delta Sigma Epsilon at the University of Detroit-Mercy before the sorority merged with Delta Zeta.

Omicron Nu Chapter Association

Contact: Tiffany Warriner - tiffanywarriner@hotmail.com

Over the past year, the Omicron Nu Chapter Association has held monthly dinners for alumnae to reconnect with one another. This tactic is beginning to be successful as we have been able to attract some women who have been away from the chapter for many years. One alumna who was a founder of the chapter made her first visit back to Windsor in ten years, and both active and alumnae members were eager to meet and talk to her. With the 15th anniversary formal next year, both alumnae and actives will work together to make for a successful and memorable event. 🌱

Foundation Focus

2005 Delta Zeta Foundation Donors

News from the Delta Zeta Foundation

Michigan

Lisa Andersson-Zetye
 Jenifer Balmucki
 Rebecca Becker
 Alice Bergeson
 Jeanne Bicknell
 Betty Blazok
 Lorretta Bonsall
 Leslie Butler
 Wendy Cammet
 Shannon Carlson
 Betts Casey
 Melissa Cassiday
 Judith Christian
 MaryKae Clayton
 Barbara Collison
 Sarah Cook
 Alanna Cooper

Heather Crossman
 Lucia Di Cicco
 Hannah Donigan
 Carol Dowsett
 Mary Dumaw
 Lori Dunn
 Andrea Fedewa
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