



Summer 2011 Newsletter

School registration is this week. How is that possible already??!

The Alumnae Chapter has been busy this summer. Our St. Jude Fundraiser/Social at Sun Singer in June was very informational and fun. Those in attendance also had the chance to meet Susan Sistler, our new Alumnae Advisor for the Delta Pi Chapter. Yeah!! Susan lives in Decatur and will serve as the focal point role of Alumnae Advisor and the advising team from last year will continue to split meeting duties with Susan. We are still in need of a Financial Advisor if anyone has a background in finance and has time to help during the collegiate budgeting process.

House Corporation has also been busy this summer. They paved the driveway with concrete and added a new 6 foot, black aluminum fence around the property. They also painted the entire exterior of the house and still had a little left over for decorative touches here and there, like a new valance in the Delta cove. The house is now looking great inside and out...just in time for the ladies to come back! Be sure to check out the photo on page 4.

Included in this newsletter is the full year calendar of events as well as some more details about collegiate-alumnae relations events.

And news from EO - "Beginning August 1, 2011 Fraternity dues will be \$19 per member, reflecting an increase of \$1." Since we recently raised our dues, we will maintain our \$30 dues amount and send \$19 to EO and only keep \$11 locally. We'll discuss this further at our business meeting on 2/16/11.

I hope to see many of you at our upcoming events. Please contact me if you have any suggestions or questions. In the bonds, Laura Walsten, lwalsten@mac.com, 390-2882.

Current Alumnae Chapter Officers

President - Laura Walsten
 Treasurer - Cathy Albin
 Secretary - Erica Roa
 Reference Chair - Laura Curtis
 Col-Alumnae Relations - Bobbie Jo Kirby
 Delta Pi Chapter Website - illinoistridelta.org
 Alumnae Chapter Website -

2010 - 11 Calendar

Wed, 8/17 Skit Practice & Snack Break 12:45pm
 Stop by the Delta Pi House on your way back to work to hear them practice their Open House entertainment and to drop off a few snacks to help keep them going through work week.

Monthly Social Lunch/Happy Hour
 No agendas - just time to visit and meet local Tri Delta Alumnae. 8/23 noon @ Atlanta Bread, 9/22 noon @ Seven Saints, 12/14 noon @ Biaggi's, 3/13/12 5:30 @ Sun Singer, 5/16 noon @ Ferren's. RSVP to Laura Walsten the day before. 217-390-2882 or lwalsten@mac.com.

Tu, 10/11 New Member Sisterhood Event 6 - 9pm
 At Laura Walsten's home. Need help with food, pampering, sharing traditions and teaching songs.

Sunday, 10/23, Initiation Practice 2 - 4pm
 Held at Laura Walsten's home. Need help with snacks.

Thursday, 10/27 Group Mentor Event 7 - 8:30pm
 A time for local alums to share career advice and general guidance with Delta Pi & Epsilon Gamma collegians. At Timpone's, Business/Acc/Comm Majors & Education Majors. Appetizer and Dessert Samplers will be pre-ordered to allow more discussion time. RSVP to Laura Walsten by 10/24.

Monday, 11/7. Founder's Day 5:30 - 7pm
 At Delta Pi House. Dinner, Ceremony, Recruitment Skit & Career Workshop. Invite coming from Delta Pi.

Sunday, 12/4 or 1/22/12, Officers' Training 1-4pm
 Training at Laura Walsten's home. Need help with snacks and goal setting facilitators when we break into officer teams. Please contact Laura if you are able to assist. 217-390-2882 or lwalsten@mac.com

Thursday, 2/16/12, "Let's Do Lunch" 11:45 - 1pm
 Fundraiser for Cunningham Children's Home at the Cunningham Children's Home Spiritual Life Center. Lunch has been donated. Please join us and bring a \$25 donation for Cunningham and one of their wishlist items.

Saturday, 4/21, Circle Degree 9:45am - noon
 At Laura Walsten's home. Ceremony, followed by Pansy Brunch. Seniors from Delta Pi and Epsilon Gamma will be invited. If you initiated prior to 1962, please contact Laura about celebrating your Golden Circle and if you initiated prior to 1987, please contact Laura about celebrating your Silver Circle.



http://web.me.com/lwalsten/CU_Tri_Delta_Alumnae_Chapter/Alumnae_Chapter.html

Alumnae Chapter Goals

1. Increase Alumnae participation at meetings and Advising to Delta Pi
 - a. Plan meetings with multiple purposes, like social and philanthropy or business meeting with Delta Pi social
2. Increase philanthropy activities
 - a. “Let’s Do Lunch” fundraiser for Cunningham Children’s Home
 - b. Greeks at Bat or Letter Writing with Delta Pi
3. Increase Membership and Financial Commitment

Help us be a little more “green”

***If you are able to receive future newsletters via email - please send me a note at LWALSTEN@mac.com

It’s no problem to send paper versions to members who don’t have email access, but I would like to reduce paper and gas usage by converting as many as possible to electronic.***

Delta Pi Chapter Update

- Roxanne Miller, President Delta Pi, reports, “For homecoming, on October 1st, we are going to have an informal event. We’re going to have an open house and encourage alumni to walk around and see the house with their friends or families. We’ll have a few girls waiting at the door to let people in and/or give tours and we’ll have coffee, orange juice, and bagels set out in the kitchen. As for philanthropy, we’re in the ‘planning’ stages of our fall event and our new member philanthropy event and will let you know ASAP when those events are finalized!”

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**Please
join us for a social lunch
on Tuesday, August 23rd at
noon at Atlanta Bread
Company.**

Dues Update: If you would like to support our local activities, please send the form below to our Treasurer, Cathy Albin, by 11/7 or bring your check to Founder's Day. All dues paying members will receive a Member Directory in April/May and a contribution to the Crescent Fund will be sent on behalf of our dues paying members. If you are a Life Loyal Member, your national dues are already paid. If you would like to support the events of the local alumnae chapter, your local dues would be \$11.

2011 Membership dues for the C-U Tri Delta Alumnae Chapter are \$30.00. (\$11 - Local Chapter, \$19 - National Tri Delta) Life Loyal Members - \$11. Please make checks payable to CU Tri Delta Alumnae Chapter. Please complete the following form and send it with your dues to: Cathy Albin, P.O. Box 476, Newman, IL 61942

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ e-mail address: _____ College: _____

Collegiate-Alumnae Relations Update

The Collegiate-Alumnae Relations Team has continued to communicate over the summer to fine-tune our list of joint activities over the course of the coming year. The primary goal of many of these events continues to be a chance for alumnae members and collegians to get to know each other and to share Tri Delta experiences across campuses and decades.

- **New Member Class Sisterhood Event - October 11 from 6 - 9pm at Laura Walsten's Home.**

Last year was the first time we tried this sort of event and the feedback was fantastic both from the collegians and alumnae members. We will keep the same agenda as last year. The evening will include the usual lifetime membership/advisors content from the New Member curriculum as well as pampering and some special "sisterhood" activities.

Alumnae help needed: Alums sharing stories about traditions at their campuses, teaching songs, practicing a sample "candlelight", fun food and some pampering. Please contact Bobbie Jo Kirby if you are able to help. (bjkirby97@gmail.com)

- **Initiation Practice - Sunday, October 23rd from 2-4pm at Laura Walsten's Home**

The Delta Pi leadership team will hold a practice along with some of the sponsors in order to better prepare for Initiation.

Possible Alumnae Assistance:

- * bring snacks
- * Alumnae with stories about what made your Initiation special
- * Past Chaplains or VP Development Chairs attend to provide advice about how your chapter made Initiation extra special
- * Delta Pi alums with stories about Initiation at the House

- **Officers' Training - Sunday, December 4 or January 23rd at Laura Walsten's Home, 1-4pm**

The Delta Pi leadership would like alumnae assistance with training and transition of new officers. Possible Alumnae Assistance:

- * bring snacks
- * Past alumnae officers provide advice on smooth transitions from one year to the next
- * Alumnae with special skills in the following areas to help with officer teams:
Administration, President, Membership, Chapter Development, Finance, PR

Circle Degree for UI and EIU Seniors



St. Jude Fundraiser and Social at Sun Singer



House Corporation Improvements

