



Hopefully everyone has been able to stay cool during our 100+ degree days. Hard to believe I went to the Arizona desert for the Tri Delta Convention in order to escape the heat!!

Speaking of Convention - what a wonderful experience. It was a great chance to attend training workshops, meet other alumnae chapter officers and reconnect with friends. A special "thank you" to Helen Coddington for loaning us her pledge paddle to help make the U of I tailgate table so festive during the Philanthropy event! And icing on the cake ... our U of Ill/EIU delegation came back with awards to boot!. Our Alumnae Chapter received the top Collegiate-Alumnae Relations Award - yeah!! We received so many complements for the activities we host in support of both the U of I and EIU. And both our collegiate chapters received awards as well. As part of the accreditation process, both the U of I and EIU received Outstanding Membership Recruitment honors and the U of I also received Outstanding Academic Responsibility honors. In order to receive recognition for "Honor Roll Excellence" a chapter needs to score above 90 points in Recruitment, Academic Responsibility and Financial Responsibility. I would like to put out a call to any alumnae member in the area with an accounting or finance background to please consider helping with advising as a Financial Advisor. Susan Sistler (AA at U of Ill) and Erica Roa (AA at EIU) can fill you in on what is needed with this advisor position. It would be wonderful if both chapters could reach Honor Roll status by the next Convention in 2014. See photos on page 3.

Included in this newsletter is the full year calendar to the right, as well as some more details about our summer social at Alto Vineyards on page 2.

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](mailto:lwalsten@mac.com), 390-2882.

**Current Alumnae Chapter Officers**

- President - Laura Walsten (Coe College)
- Treasurer - Cathy Albin (Colorado State)
- Secretary - Erica Roa (Cal Poly State)
- Reference Chair - Jana Holmes (Millikin)
- Col-Alumnae Relations - Amanda Ehmann (ISU)

Alumnae Chapter Website - <http://cutrideltaalumnae.org>

**Summer 2012 Newsletter**

**2012 - 13 Calendar**

**Delta Pi New Member Recruitment Assistance TBA**

The Delta Pi chapter could use some alumnae assistance prior to recruitment as well as during recruitment. We will post specific dates/times to the website when available.

**Monthly Social Lunch/Happy Hour**

No agendas - just time to visit and meet local Tri Delta Alumnae. 8/25 7pm @ Alto Vineyards, 9/14 noon @ PrairieFire Grill, 10/3 noon @ Seven Saints, 12/6 5:30 @ Sun Singer, 4/9/13 noon at Silver Creek, 5/15 noon @ Farren's. RSVP to Laura Walsten the day before. 217-390-2882 or [lwalsten@mac.com](mailto:lwalsten@mac.com).

**Tu, 10/16 New Member Sisterhood Event 6 - 9pm**

At Laura Walsten's home. Need help with food, pampering, sharing traditions and teaching songs.

**Sunday, 10/28, Initiation Practice 2:30 - 4:30pm**

Held at Laura Walsten's home. Need help with snacks.

**Monday, 11/5. Founder's Day 5:30 - 7pm**

At Illini Union. Details still being worked out. Most likely dessert, Ceremony, Recruitment Skit & Career Workshop. Invite coming from Delta Pi and EIU chapter is also invited.

**Sunday, 1/27/13, 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](mailto:lwalsten@mac.com)

**Thursday, 2/21/13, "Let's Do Lunch" 11:45 - 1pm**

Fundraiser for Cunningham Children's Home at Biaggi's Lunch has been donated. Please join us and bring a \$25 donation for Cunningham and one of their wishlist items.

**Tuesday, 3/5/13 Group Mentor Event 6 - 7:15pm**

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 3/1.

**Saturday, 4/20, 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 1963, please contact Laura about celebrating your Golden Circle and if you initiated prior to 1988, please contact Laura about celebrating your Silver Circle.



**Dues Update:** If you would like to support our local activities, please send the form below to our Treasurer, Cathy Albin, by 11/5 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.

2013 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: \_\_\_\_\_

---

### Summer Social - Fundraiser for St. Jude Children's Hospital

The past couple of years we have held our summer social/fundraiser at Sun Singer as a wine tasting event. These events have been a wonderful time to meet alumnae and their spouses or significant others. During our May lunch we brainstormed about other social/fundraiser ideas. We thought it would be fun to try combining wine and music for our fundraiser/social this year. And then enjoy another wine tasting event at Sun Singer next summer. (maybe alternate events each summer?)

### What: Champaign-Urbana Tri Delta Alumnae Group Summer Social/Fundraiser

#### When: Saturday, August 25th

Arrive at 7pm to deposit St. Jude donation check at Tri Delta reserved table

Enjoy wine tasting in the tasting room and bring your selected favorite and snacks to the table

Music begins at 7:30 (There is a \$5 cover which Laura Walsten will prepay based on reservations)

#### Where: Alto Vineyards & Winery

4210 North Duncan Road, Champaign

#### Why: To enjoy music from the Sugar Prophets while helping the children at St. Jude

#### Who: Area Tri Delta Alumnae and guests

**RSVP: by 8/23 to Laura Walsten at 390-2882 or [lwalsten@mac.com](mailto:lwalsten@mac.com) (I will prepay \$5 cover in order to reserve a large table)**

### Recycling Fundraiser

- Thanks to Susan Sistler for helping to get the ball in motion for a joint recycling fundraiser with the Delta Pi Chapter. The goal is to split the proceeds between the alumnae and collegiate chapters. The alumnae chapter would use the funds to build up a Convention Reserve fund and the collegiate chapter would use the funds to make a yearly contribution to the Foundation. The time commitment for the Alum Advisor role for Susan is such that we need to request another alumnae member to help continue the management process of this fundraiser. If you are interested, please email Laura. Your responsibilities would be to work with the Delta Pi Recycling Chair once a month to collect items and either take to a recycling center or ship to the group that Susan was working with. And everyone please remember to set aside used ink and toner cartridges as well as small electronic devices, like old cell phone or iPods. You can either drop them off at the Delta Pi House, or bring to Founder's Day and Circle Degree.

**Circle Degree with UI and EIU Seniors, Golden Circle Members  
Rita Garman & Bonnie Kelley & Silver Circle Danda Beard**



**Convention 2012 in Tucson, Arizona**



### **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](mailto: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, and Susan Sistler, Alum Advisor, will be requesting alumnae assistance during recruitment. They will have more details when they return to campus for “work week”. Here are the recruitment dates to keep in mind:

Friday, August 31st-Open House  
Saturday, September 1st-Open House  
Sunday, September 2nd-1st Invite  
Saturday, September 8th-2nd Invite  
Sunday, September 9th-Preference

Laura Ege Walsten  
868 County Road 700E  
Champaign, IL 61822



**Please  
join us for our summer  
social/fundraiser on Saturday,  
August 25th at 7pm at Alto  
Vineyards.**