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Wichita Alumnae Affiliate of Kappa Alpha Theta

A Letter From Our President



Hello Wichita Thetas!

I hope you are all enjoying the cooler weather and fun autumn activities and events. In my opinion, our annual Salad Supper in September is always a fun event, and the gathering this year did not disappoint! Tracy Farrell opened her beautiful home to all of us and Maggie Mathias planned the evening so well. The Board members contributed delicious salads and desserts, a record number of mum plants were distributed, past presidents shared special memories, two new members joined our ranks (Lauris Gibson and Anne Moeller), and updated member directories were given to dues-paying members.

As mentioned at the Salad Supper, I am going to share information with you about the Life Loyal program. This

information is available on the Kappa Alpha Theta website (www.kappaalphatheta.org), but I will try to condense it for you.

Once we are initiated, we are Thetas for life, and that doesn't change. The Life Loyal program is an optional step for those who would like to further support the Fraternity financially. Revenue from this program supports an endowment of *The Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine*, as well as future educational and personal development programs for collegiate members and alumnae. "The Life Loyal program is designed, now and forever, to be able to address the most critical need as determined by our leadership and meet that need—now and into perpetuity. *The Magazine* is the most critical need now—to enhance our communication vehicle and reach the people most interested in receiving this communication piece."

When a recent study showed overwhelmingly that Theta alumnae and collegians wanted a more inspiring, entertaining and contemporary magazine, improvements were made! In addition to using Life Loyal membership fees to enhance and support services for our membership, a large majority of the reve-

nue is being invested in an endowment fund for the perpetuation and enhancement of *The Kappa Alpha Theta Magazine*. Kappa Alpha Theta hopes for wide support of this program because it helps take the increasingly difficult burden of paying for *The Magazine* off the shoulders of collegiate members and allows Theta to invest in meaningful and exciting magazine enhancements. Why is the Theta magazine a benefit of Life Loyal? Don't all Thetas receive our magazine automatically? Over the next six years, the circulation program of the magazine will be restructured. "Collegians will continue to receive *The Magazine*; alumnae who do not wish to join the Kappa Alpha Theta Life Loyal program may still receive *The Magazine* by paying annual alumnae dues either individually or through an alumnae chapter. There will also be a free online version of our magazine on the national website."

As a Life Loyal member, you no longer pay annual alumnae dues to the Fraternity (dues are paid only to your local alum chapter). Other benefits include:

- A lifetime subscription to the Theta magazine
- A lapel pin
- Access to Theta's

Working Advantage savings program that features discounts on shopping and tickets to movie theaters, amusement parks, ski resorts and entertainment events nationwide

The one-time cost of membership in Life Loyal is \$299 (or you can make 12 monthly payments of \$28). 50-year plus members can join for a one-time cost of \$189.

The Life Loyal registration form can be found on the national website, or you can contact me (mlw12@att.net) and I will email the form to you. Becoming a Life Loyal member is a way to show commitment to our Fraternity and remain linked to Theta sisters long after our college years.

Loyally,
Mary Lynn

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Panhellenic President's Luncheon

By Ingrid Gill

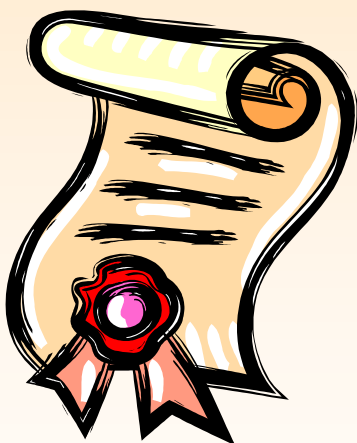
I have been honored to represent Kappa Alpha Theta as the President of the Wichita Alumnae Panhellenic (WAP) this past year and what a tremendous experience it has been. I have been involved planning events that have raised an impressive amount of money, worked with Wichita State and the incredible women that represent their Collegiate Panhellenic, participated in community service projects and made friends that will last my lifetime. When I first took on this role three years ago, I was a total stranger to the group, but they, like Thetas, share a common bond. And while each of the women in WAP wears different Greek letters, we all know what it feels like to be a part of something so worthwhile. I am proud of the efforts of the WAP and it only furthered my pride in Kappa Alpha Theta. What a phenomenal group of women we are!

As tradition has it, the sorority of the current President throws the final luncheon in her honor and in honor of the Panhellenic Scholarship winners. On May 11, Barbara Murphy generously opened her home for the members of the Panhellenic, the scholarship recipients and their families. It was a beautiful event and every detail made for an exceptionally special day! I want to especially thank Barbara, Taylor Gill, Molly Crowe and Mary Lynn Walker for planning every detail, including the gorgeous invitation, the fantastic food and the beautiful flowers!

As part of the program, five amazing young women were awarded scholarships in the amount of \$3,750. The credentials of women were outstanding and the future is certainly bright. This fall the recipients headed to KU and KSU and some participated in sorority recruitment.

If you know any of these young women or their families, be sure to congratulate them!

The scholarship winners are as follows:



Hannah Sitz, daughter of David & Tracey Sitz, Andover Central High School

Stephanie Eleeson, daughter of Scott & Patti Eleeson, Maize High School
Pledged Chi Omega at KU

Courtney Coad, daughter of Rusty & Julie Coad, Goddard High School
Pledged Alpha Delta Pi at KSU

Katie Zwick, daughter of Carrie & Brad Zwick, Kapaun Mt. Carmel High School
Pledged KAPPA ALPHA THETA at KU-YEA!

Ashton Capps, daughter of Laura & David Capps, Independent High School

This year, I will continue to serve as the WAP representative and advisor to the WAP Board. You will continue to hear from me regarding the events of our local Panhellenic. Thank you for this opportunity and thank you for being my personal cheerleading squad along the way, whether you bought greenery, baked cookies or sent me words of encouragement, it all made an impact and for that, thank you!

Save the Date!

Thirsty Thetas at Fox and Hound – *November 4, 2010*

Shopping Night at Traditions – *November 18, 2010*
(with the Hutchinson alumnae chapter)

Christmas Party at Barbara Murphy’s – *December 5, 2010*

Founders’ Day – *January 25, 2011*

Panhellenic Card Party and Luncheon— *April 26, 2011*



Women from the Wichita Area that are Thetas at Kansas Universities!

Kansas State University:

- Katie Anderson
- Hannah Henning
- Jessica Henry
- Krista Holliman
- Kara Kaster
- Amanda Sipes
- Caroline Swanson



Kansas University:

- Hayleigh Howe
- Katie Zwick



KAPPA ALPHA THETA MISSION STATEMENT

Yesterday, today and tomorrow, Kappa Alpha Theta exists to nurture each member throughout her college and alumnae experience and to offer a life-long opportunity for social, intellectual, and moral growth as she meets the higher and broader demands of mature life.

Salad Supper and Mum Sales

By Susan Schroeder



Mums, mums and more mums along with a beautiful September evening at the home of Tracy Farrell all added up to this year's enjoyable Salad Supper! This year we raised over \$1400.00!

It was wonderful to see everyone and to honor past presidents. We had 12 Presidents (past and present) in attendance, and they all thrilled the crowd with stories and memories of their time at the helm of our alumnae group. From adventures at National Convention, to small fires at Founder's Day, the remembrances of Theta meetings past brought lots of laughter and smiles to the group. It was a wonderful reminder of how truly "lifetime" our Theta membership is, and how times shared weave together to form strong memories and friendships.

Thank you again to Tracy Farrell for hosting! Be sure to visit the Wichita Theta website to see photos!

Directory Updates

We will publish changes, deletions, etc. in each Newsletter so that you will be able to update the "hard copy" of your Directory.



New Address:

Diane Page
2210 Mesa Rd
Colorado Springs CO 80904-1822

Deanna Ternes
1121 N. Linden Cir
Wichita KS 67206-4079

Annette Wilson
634 N. Thoroughbred Ct
Wichita, KS 67235-8090

Anne Travis
1655 Georgetown
Apt. 318
Wichita, KS 67218

Erin Wertenberg
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Whitewater, KS 67154-9055

Corrected email address:
Peggy Johnson
pjohnson@wichitamedicalresearch.org

Corrected zip code:

Ms. Jennifer Beck
1621 Hillcrest Road
Newton, KS 67114-1342

Moved out-of-state – no forwarding address:

Oakley Blasdel
Linda Clevenger
Lynn timer Coulter
Joan Moore



Angel Tree

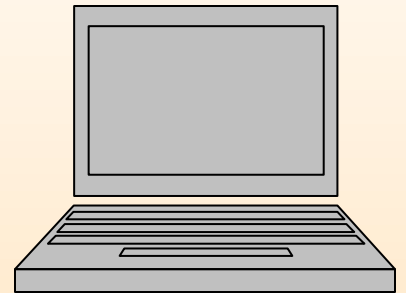
Pat Myers is helping to coordinate volunteers for the Angel Tree at Towne East Square. Pat will be contacting you in the next couple of weeks if you have already signed up. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Pat, 316-682-6370.

Facebook

By Maggie Mathias

Are you a member of Facebook?

Become a friend of our page! Just search “Wichita Kappa Alpha Theta Alumnae Chapter” once you’ve logged on to Facebook and you will receive reminders on events happening in our local chapter!



Wichita Alumnae Web Site

Have you visited the web site lately?

If not, please take a moment and explore! You will find forms, the social calendar, pictures and more. You can also make suggestions and submit them online! This is a great way to keep up to date and learn more about our chapter.

www.wichitathetas.org



Membership

*Do you know of a Theta that recently relocated to Wichita?
If so, we would like to hear from you!*

Please email Cathy Devlin, cathydev@cox.net. We would love to invite them to join the chapter.

Also, if you have an address, email, and/or phone number change, please advise Cathy, thank you!

2010 Dues Paying Members

Jill Bajaj	Frances Foster	Elaine Klincik	Barbara Murphy	Janet Smith
Ann Bauer	Ginger French	Barbara Kratzer	Pat Myers	Kristi Sue Steed
Mary Beasley	Kyle Futo	Lindsey Lane	Doris Nelson	Evan Stumpf
Donna Bohn	Lauris Gibson	Catherine Lisenby	Sherri Newlin	Deanna Ternes
Mary Boyer	Ingrid Gill	Kathryn Losee	Linda Newman	Lorraine Thiesen
Margot Breckbill	Taylor Gill	Becky Deal Lyon	Carol Olander	Barbara Thompson
Patricia Butin	Donna Goltry	Jennifer Magana	Kelly Perrier	Patty Thurlow
Barbara Cox	Patricia Gorham	Judy Manning	Katie Pott	Anne Travis
Molly Crowe	Judy Groves	Maggie Mathias	Sheila Prichard	Harriett Van Bebber
Patricia Dengler	Kari Hamlin	DeLyn Mattingly	Linda Ralston	Mary Lynn Walker
Catherine DeSocio	Barbara Hollar	Faith Maughan	Debbie Richardson	Nancy Wandling
Cathy Devlin	Bobbi Hollar	Mindy McCoy	Phyllis Robertson	Mary Williams
Shannan Devlin	Anna Houchin	Linda McMaster	Sara Rogers	Virginia Zebold
Sue Dondlinger	Laura Ice	Donna Meyer	Lisa Schriefer	
Cindy Dunne	Peggy Johnson	Anna Mills	Susan Schroeder	
JoAnn Estes	Rhonda Johnson	Anne Moeller	Heather Schultz	
Tracy Farrell	Mandy Jordan	Betty Murfin	Susan Sheets	

Thank you!