

The Pansy Press

Message from the President

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This past year was truly great! We had a variety of social events (new and old). We had the most wonderful hostesses. I'd like to thank our lovely Hostess, Jenifer Brandt Little, for welcoming us into her home for the Spring Luncheon. We honored Diamond Circle Member, Louise Game Myers, initiated in 1931 at Florida State University (Alpha Eta). We also honored Golden Circle Member, Betsy Barron Stagg, and four women into Silver Circle. Additionally, we had 19 collegiates participate in Circle Degree.

This summer your board is meeting to plan activities for 2007-08. Your help is needed in a variety of ways: host an event in your home; serve on the phone committee; serve on the Poinsettia committee; be a co-group leader of a social activity in your area; and pay your dues promptly. Your board members are listed on page 2—please contact them .

I want to encourage every Tri Delta to become a Life Loyal Member. Life Loyal membership is available thru the Executive Office (EO). For a one time fee, your membership (at the executive level) is paid for life.

Your board members' e-mail addresses and phone numbers can be found on page 2 of this newsletter. We hope to hear from you. The success of our chapter depends on its members. Remember that when we became alumna members (Circle Degree) we made a commitment to Delta Delta Delta to serve. We need your help!

Delta Love,

Elaine Perez Taylor, Phi Rho

Did you know?

- Beta Alpha needs your help. They need \$5,000 to purchase new initiation equipment. The current equipment needs to be replaced. If you'd like to make a donation, see dues form (p.5)
- \$5 of your local dues goes toward Beta Alpha House Corp which pays for repairs, maintenance, and purchase

Membership

Currently, we have 101 dues paying members for 2006-07. However, we have about 850 Tri Deltas that live in the Hillsborough County area. This newsletter will be going to all 850. If you wonder why you only receive one or two items in the mail during the year, it is because you are not a dues paying member. Our chapter spends about \$3,500 each year. The printing and mailing of the newsletter costs about \$500 for 850 newsletters: excluding the time involved to label and group these newsletters. Our current dues are \$50 of which \$18 goes to EO. The other \$32 goes toward local expenses (see pg 3 for dues breakdown). If we had 500 dues paying members we could lower our dues significantly. Please pay your dues early and use the form on page 5 to pay your 2007-08 dues. Thank you!

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2007-2008

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[Note: All numbers are (813) unless otherwise noted.]

Committees:

1) Poinsettia—Shannon Walsh (see above under Philanthropy)

2) Phone Committee-

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Cristy Broadbent cristy23b@yahoo.com 477-9064

This September we are planning our Fall Salad Bowl Luncheon. We need someone willing to host this event. Also, we are looking for hostesses for Mother/Daughter Christmas Coffee and Spring Luncheon. Please contact Liz Wherley if you are interested in hosting an event in your home.

Additionally, we would like to have one or two general meetings at a member's home. In lieu of a meeting, it may be a social event like Wine Tasting or Bunco. If interested in hosting a social event in your home, contact Lisa Humphrey.

Our deepest sympathy to Michelle Popp Shimberg and her family on the loss of her father-in-law.



- References -

It's never too early to get a head start on references. Different colleges recruit at different times. It is best to complete a reference form as early in the summer as possible. Kathleen Lopez is our reference chair and resident expert with navigating and completing the reference process. She can provide you with the forms and guidance you need to submit a reference. Please contact her at Kathleen.Lopez@smeds.org or at 813 832-4355 or 813 240-1211. She has all the recruitment dates and can provide you the specific deadline dates.

Key Steps / Tips in Completing a Reference for Prospective Members from Tampa

- There is a section where you select "Know Potential Member Personally," "Know her Family," OR "Providing Information Only." It is important to select the proper category.
- The form asks whether you are "Sponsoring the Recruit for Membership" or "Not Sponsoring" and therefore only providing information. It is critical that this section is filled-in. A reference is not considered complete unless the recruit is sponsored, and therefore will require the chapter's committee to determine sponsorship or not.
- Once the reference is complete, contact Kathleen and provide her with the recruit's key data (name, college, year in school, high school, parents' names, Tampa address, and whether the recruit is a legacy to DDD or another sorority). *** Kathleen can only track a reference if she is made aware of it.
- After you have contacted Kathleen and provided her with the recruit's data, you can either send her the reference for processing or mail it directly to the school's chapter.

If you prefer to write a letter on the recruit's behalf, please do so, but we encourage you to 1) contact Kathleen with the key information and 2) note in the letter whether you are 'sponsoring the woman for membership in DDD'. It is important to note that Kathleen only processes and tracks references for prospective members from Tampa. So, if you write a reference for someone outside of the area, we encourage you to do so. Once it is complete, you can just send it directly to the chapter, no need to contact Kathleen. Thank you! Again, contact Kathleen with any questions you may have.

Save the Dates: Beta Alpha Recruitment

Michelle Garis needs volunteers during recruitment: August 21-24. The times have yet to be set. However, it will be during the day. She can use your assistance in various ways, so please contact her prior to August 13th if you're available to help. Michelle can also use sponsors for lunch during those days (Aug 21-24). The collegiates will not need dinner because of the change in voting procedures. Contact Michelle via e-mail at MICHELLEDGARIS@YAHOO.COM Also, be sure to check out our website www.tampatridelta.com the first week of August for more news and details about recruitment.

Thank you to the following dues paying members

Debbie Deters Abdoney	*Renee Lori Friesz	Pat Rodgers-McCullough
Janet Anderson	Clara Botero Gough	Sherrie Chambers Mueller
Vicki C. Arthur	Marion Gustin	*Tiffany Messingham
Nancy T. Blanford	*Michelle Garis	Anne Nelson
Jane Brannan	Pamela Gordon	Nancy Lee Nelson
Jamie E. Brewer	Pat Gillen	Ramsay C. Owens
Christi Broadbent	Juliann (June) Hale	Kimberly Paulk
Courtney R. Buell	Lisa Hatton	Marcie Parks
Heddy Murphey Brown	Lisa Humphrey	Dada Andrews Pittman 07-08
Nancy Bryant	Ruth Hemmingway	Alicia M. Riek
Patty Bohannan	Susan Himes	*Barbara Reed
Susan Bucklew	Vicki Fletcher Hayes	Elizabeth Reid
*Joanne Centeno	Alene Hendry Johnson	Traci Barcomb Salem
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Pamela F. Cozene	*Brenda Kinley	Lauren A Stagg
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Patricia (Patsy) Delany Carte	*Janis (Jan) Lehtinen	*Iva B. Shoemaker
Shannon Gillen Coram	*Kathleen Lopez	Nancy Smith Norvell Smitz
Leann S. Corey	Laurie Lackman	Shara Szott
Dolly Dannewitz	Kari Nicole Little-Pawelkop	*Elaine Taylor
*Jan Corneluis Dawson	Lowelle Lomel	Lauren Toner
Jane Diange	Maegen Peek Luka	Mary Barbara (Bobbi) Taman
*Janet Blanchard D'Alessandro	Anne MacMillan	*Natalie Pedregal Thomas
Laura DeLucia	Julianne McKeel	*Stacy Campbell Taylor
Lori Dougherty	Berdina Morgan	Lana Lastra Vargo
Sharon Horst Danaher	Gayle Miller	Brianna Walker
*Helena (Bee) Everett	Jennifer Jean Meilan	Carlyn Whitmore
Adelaide Few	Joan Mc Kay	Elizabeth Wherley
Cherry Flynn	Krista Maddox	*Rosemary Winger Watts
*Lucile Foster	Mary Mixson	Shannon Walsh
Martha S. Ferman	Holli Morris	Trish Wagner
Mary Frost	*Nancy Mynard	

Thank you to our members (Life Loyal shown in **bold print** above) who help Tri Delta in so many ways. Please remember that LL Members pay only \$32 (\$50 minus \$18 to EO). Your LL membership means you never have to pay membership dues to Executive Office. If you're a Life Loyal and your name is not listed above, you simply forgot to pay your local dues. Please send local dues to Kate (see page 5). Life Loyal dues go to Stacy Cross Gillard at EO at sgillard@trideltaeo.org or 817 633-8001.

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Name _____ SURVEY Phone # _____

(Please circle all appropriate responses)

- 1) I'd like to attend (daytime/nighttime) events. I (do/do not) need a ride to the event.
- 2.) I prefer events that are (social or philanthropic). Events that I'd attend are:
a) Bowling b) Movie Theater c) Book Club d) Wine Tasting
e) Mommy and me outing f) Couple's event g) Other _____
- 3.) I (would/would not) be interested in being the contact person for a social event in my area:
South Tampa; New Tampa; Carrollwood/Odessa; Brandon; Other _____
- 4.) I (am/am not) interested in hosting a Tri Delta event in my home during the (day/night).
- 5.) I'm willing to provide transportation to a Tri Delta that may need a ride to an event. (Yes/No)
- 6.) I am interested in serving on a committee (Yes/No). If yes, please circle which one(s):
a) Philanthropy b) Phone Committee c) Social d) Any committee
- 7) I am willing to be a Hostess (Yes/No) List availability: _____
- 8.) How long have you lived in the Tampa Bay area? _____ years.
- 9.) I prefer to receive newsletters via e-mail/regular mail.

THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING THIS SURVEY!