



## Heavenly Brunch

By Elizabeth Bilitz

This year's reunion was held at the Cafe Amano in Elmhurst, a charming European-style cafe. Chef Marco offered a lovely variety of drinks and pastries to pass during the coffee hour as our alumnae escaped the dreary weather into the warm interior. A brunch of made-to-order crepes, egg dishes, fresh fruit and breakfast potatoes, was served at noon to the 65 Kappas, both active and alumna. After all introductions and news items were made, Ms. Patti Sticha was presented with the second annual Alumna Award for Distinguished Service. She gave a gracious acceptance speech and was appropriately applauded for her efforts as treasurer during her tenure. After much more



Above: Rosanne Arnold and Neilina. Below: Actives and Alums

socializing, laughter and the photos, the reunion celebrating our 106th year came to a close. See everyone next November!



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### Events to Remember

- Alumnae Garden Party– June 25th at 10 am at the chapter house
- Summer Voting Meeting–July 16th, 2011 at 1122 W Catalpa Ave, Chicago, IL. Contact Theresa Allen or Elizabeth Bilitz
- Send Alumna Service Award Nominations!
- Send photos or clippings from your Kappa years for inclusion in the next newsletter!

# Memories and Clippings

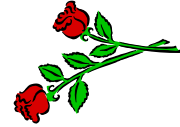
By Elizabeth Bilitz PC '03

Last issue, we introduced a new section dedicated to revisiting different decades of Kappa. This spring, articles from the student newspaper have been highlighted for a glimpse at the social activities sponsored by Kappa Phi

Delta over 50 years ago. The first article was taken from the May of 1956 issue of Technews. The second clipping, about the annual Toy Harvest, is from October 1961.

If you would like to submit pictures or articles/memories from your era in

Kappa, please feel free to email them to [kappa.alumni.newsletter@gmail.com](mailto:kappa.alumni.newsletter@gmail.com) or mail them to Elizabeth Bilitz, Kappa Alumnae Secretary.



## Kappas present Violet talk May 9, 8:30 p.m.

Do you have shrinking violets? Would you like to learn how to grow African Violets? Kappa Phi Delta Sorority is sponsoring a talk on the "Care and Feeding of African Violets" on Tuesday, May 29, 1956. Mrs. Paul L. Copeland will present the lecture which will begin at 8:30 pm in the Game Room of Carman Hall. Mrs. Copeland has won many ribbons for her prize plants. Last year, one of her plants was judged Queen of the Show and this year she won the Sweepstakes.

Colored slides will be shown during the lecture to demonstrate the techniques involved in starting new plants. Several slides of prize plants will be shown also.

Three African Violet plants will be given away for door prizes, and small plants in bloom will be sold for \$.75 to amateur enthusiasts or to those who want to add to their windowsill garden. Coffee and cookies will be served for refreshments. Donation is \$.50.

## Kappas and Skulls Plan Alice in Wonderland Party

Toy Harvest, Kappa Phi Delta's annual dance will be held on Friday, November 3 at 8 p.m. in the HUB ballroom. This year, the K's will co-sponsor the affair with Phi Kappa Sigma. On the Wednesday and Thursday before the dance during the lunch and free hours, the K's and Phi Kap pledges will appear in costume in the HUB to hand out flyers.

### *November 8 Set As Deadline for Senior Pictures*

Seniors who have not had their pictures taken for the 1962 Integral may have them taken at Marshall Studios. The studio is located at 162 North State street in room 1101.

The deadline for the pictures has been set for November 8. On Monday the studio is open from 9:30 a.m. to 7:30 p.m. The times on Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday are 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Seniors are to have these pictures taken as soon as possible to help the Integral staff meet its deadline.

The theme of this year's Toy Harvest is Alice in Wonderland; all Kappa Phi Delta and Skull pledges will appear at the dance in costume in accordance with the theme. The admission to this dance is one toy or 75 cents. All proceeds are donated to the McKinley House, a welfare home, or to some other worthy organization.

The main feature of the evening will be a trophy awarded to the group with the highest attendance. This can be a fraternity, dorm group, or one of the various nursing schools invited. During the dance both sorority and fraternity pledges will act as mixers.

The K's claim that this dance has always been successful financially since it began.



## Summer Business Meeting

By Elizabeth Bilitz PC '03

Elections for the Alumnae Board of Kappa Phi Delta Sorority will be held at the annual summer business meeting on Saturday, July 16th at 10am. Theresa Allen and Elizabeth Bilitz will be hosting at their condo building located at 1122 W Catalpa Ave in Chicago.

Kelly Steelman-Allen, current President, will not be running for reelection as she will be moving to Australia for a period. Other positions are Vice President, Treasurer, Secretary, Alumni Advisor, Reunion Chair, Social Chair,

Fundraising Chair, Newsletter, and the Registered Agent. Please email me if you are interested in running, have a nomination, or would like more information about the positions and their responsibilities.

Please contact either Elizabeth or Theresa if you are planning on attending (liz.bilitz@gmail.com or allethe@gmail.com). Email and electronic invitation/RSVP will be going out closer to the date of the meeting.

## Business As Usual

By Elizabeth Bilitz PC '03

After the Alumnae Reunion, there was a business meeting of the sorority to ratify the summer meeting minutes and discuss the changes to the bylaws as posted in the last newsletter as well as other loose ends. There were nine members of the Alumnae Chapter and three members of the Active Chapter present for this. To start things off, nominations were read and closed for the "name this newsletter" campaign. There were several excellent suggestions, but ultimately, "Jac Rose Journal" won the popular vote. Next order of business was to keep the annual dues to the chapter at \$12 and \$5 for members over the age of sixty-five. It has been strongly suggested by the treasurer that members donate the amount of dues from their time in Kappa to help boost the scholarship fund, which brings us to the financial state of the Alumnae Chapter. The current treasurer, Kendra Sveum, is making great effort to get all of our accounts under one roof. She has enlisted the help of a financial committee, comprised of the vice president, secretary and other interested members to do this. They will meet several times before the summer meeting to decide the best course of

action for the growth of our scholarship fund. Finally, some minor changes were made to the bylaws. Currently, the term "alumni" is used throughout the document; it was motioned, seconded and passed to change the language to the feminine plural "alumnae." Article III, Section C, point 2 will be updated to distinguish the duties of the Vice President and the Alumnae Advisor. Oftentimes, the VP and AA are the same person, but for terms where they are split, clearly outlined duties will be helpful. Another order of bylaw housekeeping: a social committee was added as one of the committees. We have been operating with one for years, now it will be officially recognized. One item that was up for clarification was Article V which states that we must have three meetings a year: fundraising, reunion and business. Although these have been fulfilled, the motion to clarify has been tabled to the summer business meeting. The last item of change to the bylaws was Article IX, Section C regarding the notification of bylaws proposed changes and other sorority business. It was motioned, seconded and approved to add "email" to the methods of communication. Notes submitted faithfully by the Secretary of the Alumnae Chapter.

## Call for Nominations

Do you know a Kappa whose given back to the sorority? Nominate her for the 3rd annual Alumna Service Award! Nominations may be made by mail, email or at the summer business meeting. Please include a short summary of why the sister should receive this honor along with a picture if you have one. All submissions will be considered and voted upon at the summer business meeting to be held July 16th



*Ms Patti Sticha, our 2010 recipient*

## Cookbook Update

If you already preordered your Kappa Cookbook, have no fear! They will be delivered to you. Unfortunately, life got in the way and although all the recipes were collected on time, the cover art and photos inserts were not designed in time for the December/January delivery as originally scheduled. The new estimated timeframe for delivery and immediate sale will be this summer. Please continue to order! If you have any questions please contact Elizabeth Bilitz at liz.bilitz@gmail.com

## Spring Rush

By Elaine Erwin

This semester started off with a great Recruitment Week! We hosted a variety of events, like our Night in Paris, where we had fondue and crepes with the Skulls, and our service event where we made tie blankets to donate to charity with the Delts. At the end of the week at Preference Dinner, we gave bids to seven girls and six of them accepted. Over Camras Weekend, Kappa hosted nine great girls at our house, and we all relaxed with our Be a Kid Again event with Tri-angle, where we finger painted, played with legos and play-doh, and watched Toy Story. After meeting these prospective new members, we're excited



*The girls at Chef's Night*

for Fall Recruitment and to get to know more girls.

## Quick(en) Learner

By Joanna Klimczak PC '09

As the new treasurer for Kappa Phi Delta I'm in the process of updating our treasurer position. In the beginning of the semester, I updated us to QuickBooks online. QuickBooks online is a lot easier to use, more than one person can have access to it at a time, and it's a lot more convenient for turnover. I've also kept the treasurer position very transparent. Biweekly, I pass around and email out an updated budget spreadsheet, to let the chapter know where we are. I also have set up a Google spreadsheet for every chair, letting them know how much money they have left and what they have spent their money on. Over the summer I will be working on getting all our bank accounts in order and switching them over to Chase. During the fall, the assistant treasurer and I will be working on setting up a budget workshop for the rest of the chapter.

## Philanthropic Activities

By Alexandra Miller PC '10

There has been a lot accomplished with the Sigma Chi position this semester. The first being that after Kelly Lohr's (Secretary) initiative to get all chairs an e-mail account to use, all of the documents have been centralized. This means everyone sends all service hours to one place, and its a quick link from the Google doc spreadsheet of all of the service hours. On a paperwork side of things, the binder has been updated as well! Working with Greek Council, we are in the process of becoming part of Taste of the Quad (tentatively set at Friday, April 22nd) to help raise money. At the moment, it is still in the process of being decided where the proceeds of the event shall go to--either split between the charities of the individual houses, or all being donated to help the victims of the earthquake in Japan (via the Red Cross). Speaking of Japan, we just co-hosted a

service rush-event with the Skulls to bake cookies, cupcakes, and puppy chow to sell to benefit Japan. While there are still some baked goods being sold, it seems as though we've already raised over \$175! There also was a co-hosting of two events with fundraising chair: Lincoln for Lincoln and the Suckers Sale. Lincoln for Lincoln mailed out hundreds of pennies to professors and family friends, collecting \$5 from each in return. Suckers Sale sold lollipops. Both fundraisers had all proceeds benefit Haiti.

Easter Egg roll is coming up, Saturday, April 23rd, at the same time as Alumni Tea. We hope for that to be a successful event as well! We had over 10 girls participate with Big Event last weekend. And while the totals are not in for the year yet, we already have over

1300 service hours as a chapter this year.

*\*Editor's note: article submissions were accepted during the middle of April. Some events had occurred by time of print.*

*Baking with the Skulls*



## Social Butterflies

By Kate Schpak

As social chair of Kappa this semester, we have organized several events with Greek chapters on the quad. We had "Gods and Goddesses" toga party with the Skulls. Everyone got to wear a toga, participate in fun games, eat Greek food, dance and have a great time. We also went ice skating with Alpha Sigs in Millennium Park, followed by hot chocolate and marshmallows at the Kappa house. Our most recent event was "Rubik's Cube" social with the Sigepts. All the attendees had to come to the party wearing all the colors of the Rubik's Cube and by the end of the night become one color by trading with others. Everyone could trade using fake money earned by playing Twister and other fun games. We just finished working on Kappa Awards for the Jac Rose Formal. Each Kappa received an award voted on by the whole chapter for example: "best smile," "most helpful," "biggest flirt" etc. We are looking forward to a new semester of Kappa Socials!

## Six Spring Pledges

By Kylie Kosulic PC '09

Six ladies were inducted into the Spring 2011 pledge class: Amy Carrera, Harshita Iyer, Audrey Simper, Lisa Stump, Serena Sacco, and Laura Irwin. They have been busy learning

about Kappa's history as well as working on their various projects and interviews. Walkabout this year was themed "Climates around the World" and involved a scavenger hunt around the house. Initiation will be held when they return to school in the fall.



Kappas at Millenium Park ice rink with the Alpha Sigs

## Women's Appreciation

By L. Abu-Amara & K. Burgess

The chair was taken to a higher level by the activities and improvements that took place to enhance it.

Women's Information Network (WIN) seminar was attended by the WA chairs and the sisters were invited to attend. For those who couldn't, WA chairs gave a summary for every seminar and brochures were distributed around the house to spread the information and raise awareness.

For the first time, the international women's day was "celebrated" in a special way, not only for Actives, but also for the sisters, mothers, grandmothers, aunts and teachers that Kappa Phi Delta sisters chose. Kelly and Lama sent greeting e-cards to all of them. The

event was very successful and had great feedback.

Competitions were held every week during March (women's month) and questions were asked. Girls with the best answers were announced every meeting with their answers and were given a breast cancer ribbon badge as a prize.

The WA chairs introduced the Actives to former Kappas who were well-known achievers by searching in the archives and old yearbooks of IIT for their accomplishments.

Random fast facts about women and their achievements were announced at the meetings.

Feminist United at IIT, whose founder is a Kappa sister, was supported by

the sorority via the WA chair.

W.A.C policy was introduced to the chapter, which stands for Women Accept Criticism. The basic concept is that the chair wants feedback from the sisters about how they are doing and that could be done anonymously by leaving a note in one of the position's holders' mailboxes. Comments were accepted and taken into consideration whether they were positive or negative.

"Women of the Semester" is the new title given to the girl who attends the greatest number of events for women's appreciation. She will be given a prize at the end of the semester as well.

All in all, Kelly and I are trying our best to make this chair as awesome as possible.



## Bits and Pieces

**Marilyn Ternovits (PC 62)** Another bad year for architects! We certainly didn't intend to retire so soon. Oh well, it just gives more time to enjoy our 3 beautiful granddaughters

**Vonna Deulen Hermans (PC 72)** I will be coming to Illinois in August for my mother's 90th birthday celebration and family reunion. I will see Arlene and Ed Juracek and, hopefully, my Kappa Big Sister, Melissa Weaver, as well as any other Kappas that are around at that time

**Marytherese Kim Walk (PC 80)** Ran/biked a duathlon in August-5k run, 20k bike, 5k run. It was really hard, but I finished the race! Not in last place either! Went back to work for former employer @ Omron in May after being at home for 7 months and recently promoted to QA Manager. Son, Andrew, is a freshman at Neuqua Valley HS in Naperville

**Susan Stevens Stout (PC '93)** ran the 2010 Chicago Marathon. The day before she stopped by the Kappa house for a visit. While at mile 23 she was thrilled to see a group of Kappas standing behind the house on Michigan Avenue offering water to the runners. The day was very warm, but Susan was proud to finish her fourth marathon and enjoyed catching up with old friends before and after.

**Emily Kunkel (PC '07)** was named to the 2010 *ESPN The Magazine* Academic All-District First Team in the District 5 women's college division. Kunkel is captain of the women's soccer team and has held a 4.0 GPA throughout her four years at IIT. The women's soccer team earned the National Soccer Coaches Association of America Team Academic Award for the 2009-10 academic year.

### In Memoriam

**Miriam Walker Kilpatrick (PC 37)** passed away suddenly at her home in Sparks, NV on August 31, 2010 shortly

before her 92nd birthday. She is survived by her six children and many grandchildren and great grandchildren. Miriam was always proud to be a member of Kappa Phi Delta.

## Garden Party!

There will be an Active and Alumnae Garden Party on June 25 from 10 AM until lunchtime. Help is needed weeding, raking, and planting.

The Chapter House is located at 3330 S. Michigan Ave on the IIT campus. Lunch will be served, although if you would like to bring a dish to pass, please do. Please contact Elizabeth if you are planning to attend. An Evite reminder will go out closer to the date.

## Afghans

A reorder of the afghans designed several years ago was made last August. There are a few available for purchase. If you are interested, please email [allethe@gmail.com](mailto:allethe@gmail.com). The cost of each afghan is \$35. See below for a photo of how they look.



## Donor Honor Roll

Kappa Phi Delta wishes to thank the following people for their generous donations to our scholarship fund.

Abigail Krug  
Abigail Parsons  
Amber Juilfs  
Amy Beribak  
Barbara Frenzer  
Barbara Louthan  
Betty Zographos  
Christie Ferraro  
Cynthia Soltes  
Deborah Kreiss Studtmann  
Debra Morge-Erickson  
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## Lost Kappa's

If anyone knows the location of those on the list, please let Elizabeth Bilitz or another member of the board know. We want to keep all of our alumnae up to date! To prevent your name from being on this list, please inform the Alumnae Board of any address changes including changed email accounts. \*Starred names are new additions to the list.

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