



Sigma Alpha Alumni News

Alpha Chapter, The Ohio State University

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"Promoting women in agriculture and strengthening the bonds of friendship among them"

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❧ Sisterhood Not Forgotten ❧

Gathering Sisters,

I hope that this issue of the Alumni news finds everyone in great spirits and good health. Now that the kids are back in school maybe things will calm down. However I will hang onto the hot days for a little while longer.

At the end of July, my pledge class plus several other sisters traveled to Nashville to celebrate the wedding of Becky Emmett now Miculinich. I am sharing this with you because this was one of the greatest experiences I have had in a long time. My pledge class consisted of four girls and now the last has gotten married, the other three of us have kids. The amazing thing is that after eleven years, we are still in contact with each other. Even though we have families and jobs, my pledge sisters and I still have been able to keep the bonds of friendship open. I believe that now more than ever my Sigma Alpha sisters support me in ways they may never fully understand. Yes the topics of conversations have changed from boys to kids; classes to jobs but the connection is still growing as we grow. Thank you sisters, for the great times we have had and the many more we will share.

I challenge you to reach out to your generation of EA sisters. Find that connection that bonds us all together. My wish for the sisters in college is that you may also find sisters that last you a lifetime.

In Sisterhood, Christy Montoya

Upcoming Events

October 18, 2003

Sigma Alpha Homecoming and Tailgate Party. Iowa vs. The Ohio State University - Game time scheduled for 3:30p.m. Come to the Sigma Alpha House, 1975 Indianola Ave. Columbus, Ohio, to meet those old friends or maybe even meet someone new. BBQ lunch starting at 12:30.

Please RSVP by calling Jennifer Van Der Lans at 740-881-5202 or by email at jenvdl@aol.com

October 23-25, 2003

25th Sigma Alpha National Convention- Are you interested in going? Contact Alpha chapter chairman- Sarah Jane Duffy (sarahjduffy@hotmail.com) by September 15 for more information.

Ideas for social events and other activities are needed!! If anyone has any ideas/suggestions, please email your thoughts to any of the Alumni Board Officers.



Dates To Remember



September 15, 2003- Alumni Board meeting Conference via telephone, 7:00pm. RSVP to Jenell Jensen for a phone line at jenelljensen@hotmail.com

September 30, 2003 Deadline to pay National Alumni dues

October 18, 2003- Football Tailgating Party

October 23-25, 2003- National Convention in Lisle, Chicago



Treasurer's Corner

Ohio Alumni dues

*** Membership dues can still be paid. Annual dues \$25.00 or Ohio Lifetime dues \$50.00 for next six years. Please allow us to keep you informed on these matters by paying your dues to: Sigma Alpha Alumni of Ohio, C/o Christy Montoya, 6469 Germantown Pike, Dayton, Ohio 45418. Questions- please contact Christy at (937) 859-9815 or by e-mail at CMBaskets@hotmail.com.

National Alumni Dues

***If you are interested in paying National Sigma Alpha Alumni Assoc. dues please contact Nationals directly. National dues are due September 30, 2003. Application for membership can be found on the web: www.sigmaalphabetm

**** We could also win the recruiting award for new members. This "competition" not only includes new members but those newly graduated seniors who are taking advantage of their first year free membership. Recent alumni: Jaime Bard, Kristi Henry, Jaime King, Sarah Nelson, Sarah Poling, Darla Stacy and Sara Wilson and anyone else fill out your membership Today!!!

Congratulations to new Ohio Lifetime Member: Carmen Kenney

You could join in the list of Sisters who have made their first Ohio Lifetime Payments for 2003.

Holly Stacy
Javonne Mullins
Sarah Jane Duffy
Sharon Thomas
Christina Howard
Elizabeth Kline

Jenell Jensen
Monna (Jordan) Hess
Lisa Shearer
Jenny Van Der Lans
Karissa Ulmer
Christy Montoya

Newsworthy Events And Achievements

Engagements

Sharon Thomas to Kevin Delay in
November 2003
Jennifer Zondag to Scott Emerick in
September 2004

Marriages

Janet Swihart to Brad Ott - July 19
Becky Emmett and SSG Justin
Miculunich- July 26

Expecting

Kelli Dierkshiede Young- October 2003
Janelle "Chatty" Meade December 2003

Births

Julie Cordonnier- had a little girl.
(Sorry, we missed announcing her
earlier)
Elizabeth Kline delivered Joseph James
Kline on August 12, 2003

Emeralds- Congrats

Pat Rigby- Advisor New position with
International Programs in Agriculture
Sereana Howard Dresbach, PhD- past
Advisor- New position in the Center for
Continuing Medical Education. Yes Sereana
cannot leave OSU.

Good News-

Lisa Oda Fede is home from a successful
bone marrow transplant. Please keep her in
your prayers as she recovers.

Shopping For Scholarships

We now have four easy ways for alumni to raise dollars for the Pamela Blakeslee Scholarship Fund. Just use your spending dollars to work extra hard to support a good cause. Our goal this year is to better last years' donation of \$375.00.

1. Current Fundraiser- Products you can order include magazines, cards, gift-wrap and Christmas items. For year round ordering- log on to www.currentfun.com and go shopping. Just remember when you are done check out with Sigma Alpha Alumni of Ohio.
2. Stampin' Up Workshop/ ordering- do you love to be creative with scrapbooking, gifts wraps and cards, just call Vicki Knisley. Workshop to be held October 4 for Christmas centered ideas. Vicki will donate \$\$ from the purchase of your order to the scholarship fund. Call Vicki today 614-433-7925 or vknisely@columbus.rr.com
3. Is cooking a better hobby for you? Deanna Monnin would love to share her Pampered Chef new collection with you. To set up your party/order call Deanna at 937-468-2966
4. Need to order the new Longaberger Christmas collection basket? Christy would gladly take your orders or book your home show today. Open House September 27. Contact her at cmontoya@hotmail.com or call 937-859-9815.

Do you know of more ways to increase our scholarship fund? We would love to hear from you!!!!



Call for Volunteers!!

* Interested in serving on the House Committee? Please contact Janelle Mead at jtmeade@columbus.rr.com or any of the board members.

* Looking for Alumni to serve on this years' scholarship Committee. Review of applications is done via e-mail. Please contact Christy at cmbaskets@hotmail.com By September 15,2003.



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We are beginning to compile submissions for the next edition of our newsletter. Please send your ideas, notes, little diddies or pictures to Elizabeth Carleton Kline by email to ekline@rcn.com or via snail mail to 123 Horsepound Road, Carmel, New York 10512. Submissions must be received by November 1, 2003 for the November edition.