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- Integrity
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- Lifelong Commitment
- Personal and Intellectual Growth
- Philanthropic Service to Others
- Sincere Friendship

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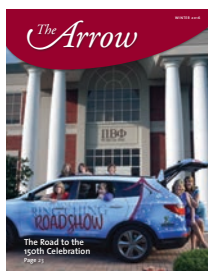
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ON THE COVER: In 2017, Pi Beta Phi will celebrate 150 years of sisterhood. But you don't have to wait to begin the celebration! Check out what we already have in store, beginning on Page 23. The celebration includes our Pi Phi car, Libbie, who is traveling across North America collecting Pi Phi stories as part of the Ring Ching Roadshow. Pictured is Grand Council with Libbie during her visit to Pi Beta Phi Headquarters in Town and Country, Missouri.



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Start Celebrating 150 Years of Sisterhood Now

Do you think the 12 young women who met in the upstairs bedroom of Major Holt's home on April 28, 1867, dreamed of a sisterhood that would endure for 150 years and beyond? Although our courageous founders were visionary women, I suspect they would not only be surprised, but also amazed by the incredible legacy they created in our Pi Beta Phi.



PAULA PACE SHEPHERD
Grand President
Texas Epsilon
University of North Texas

Nearly 150 years later, Pi Beta Phi has grown from 12 collegiate women to more than 19,500 collegiate women; from one chapter at Monmouth College to 138 chapters across the United States and Canada; and from zero alumnae clubs to nearly 300 alumnae clubs worldwide.

I was reminded of the breadth and diversity of our organization as I recently had the opportunity to travel on a weeklong trip across the western and mid-western U.S. as part of the Ring Ching Roadshow, enjoying multiple Pi Phi stops along the way. I was inspired by the new friends made, and the sisterhood shared, as I visited and celebrated with alumnae and collegians across the country. Rest assured, the Pi Beta Phi sisterhood is alive and well and continuing to thrive, 150 years after our founding.

And the future looks bright for dear Pi Beta Phi. During the next 150 years, our organization will continue to promote friendship, develop women of intellect and integrity, cultivate leadership potential and enrich lives through community service. This is the core of who we are as Pi Beta Phis, and we will remain steadfast in carrying out the mission of our founders. Using our values to guide us — Integrity; Lifelong Commitment; Honor and Respect; Personal and Intellectual Growth; Philanthropic Service to Others; and Sincere Friendship — we will work together to ensure Pi Beta Phi remains relevant for another 150 years.

As we expectantly await our 150th anniversary, I encourage you to join the fun. Visit www.pibetaphi.org/150 today to find 150 ways to celebrate. Whether it's reconnecting with a lost sister, honoring your Pi Phi mentor with a thank-you note or donating to Pi Beta Phi Foundation to ensure our sisterhood continues to grow and flourish, find a way to celebrate and honor your love and appreciation of Pi Beta Phi.

I want to thank you for allowing me to serve the Fraternity as Grand President during this historic time in the life of Pi Beta Phi. I often feel like I am living a dream and am blessed beyond measure for the joy I receive in serving this incredible organization. My wish for Pi Beta Phi is that she continues to grow ever stronger, making an impact on our members and our world for centuries to come.

In Pi Phi,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Paula Pace Shepherd".

Paula Pace Shepherd

From our Readers



Home is Where Your Story Begins

In regards to the Fall 2015 *Arrow*, the makeover of the Arizona Alpha Chapter house at the University of Arizona is the most amazing event ever! The magazines and TV shows cannot even compare. The courtyard is gorgeous and welcoming. The colors are bright and cheerful. A+!

LISA FRANK
Arizona Alpha — Davenport, Iowa

Real Life Lessons for the Modern Pi Phi

What an informative and helpful summer issue of *The Arrow*. Thanks for your focus which will help Pi Phis be ready for new endeavors as they progress through life. Last year, my pledge class celebrated its 50th anniversary of our graduation from the University of Washington. Several of us Pi Phi joined the festivities and remembered why Pi Phi meant so much to us over so many years.

NANCY REYNOLDS HENSEL
Washington Alpha — Vincennes, Indiana



We look forward to hearing from you. Email comments to the Editor at editor@pietaphi.org or mail them to Pi Beta Phi Headquarters, 1154 Town & Country Commons Drive, Town & Country, Missouri 63017.

Military Pi Phis

Earlier this year, I was excited to see Kansas Beta CHRIS GIZA featured as a Carolyn Helman Lichtenberg Crest Award for Professional Achievement winner for her pioneering career in the U.S. Navy. The military is still quite a male-dominated field, so it was wonderful to see an inspiring Pi Phi mentor who has opened doors for the next generations of female Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Marines.

Few students participated in ROTC on my campus, and I was one of only three women in the program. Professors, classmates and sometimes even my own relatives questioned my chosen career. But despite the challenges, I could always rely on the support of my Pi Beta Phi sisters. Coming in muddy from field training right before chapter meetings, warming up in the house after a cold physical training session or getting their help to pin up my hair for formal events in uniform are unique Pi Phi memories I cherish.

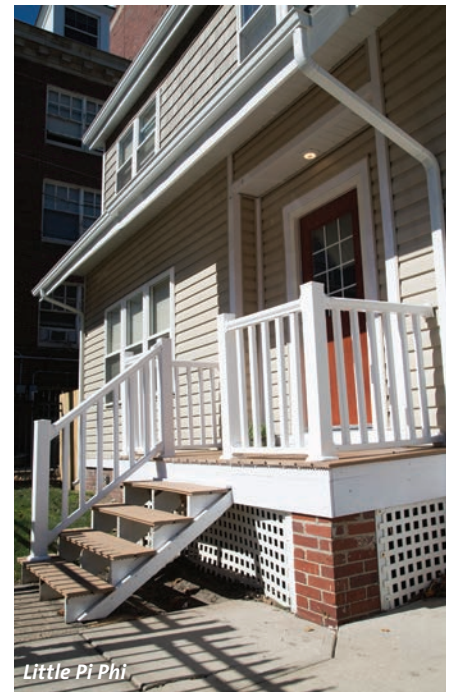
It's been more than a year since I graduated and commissioned, and I already miss my fellow angels. But I know that even oceans apart we will continue to share Sincere Friendship and the same Lifelong Commitment as CHRIS GIZA.

Additionally, in the future, I would love to be available for graduating Pi Phis interested in a military career track to contact. My email address is christinallowry@gmail.com. Last year, when a transition program tried to pair me with a mentor in my field, my advisors couldn't find any Army Pi Phi with whom I could speak.

CHRISTINA LOWRY
Virginia Theta — Carthage, New York

Modern Look Maintains Antique Charm

The Illinois Zeta Chapter at the University of Illinois provides many Pi Phis a place to call home. This chapter operates under the Fraternity Housing Corporation (FHC), therefore the facility is owned and maintained by FHC at Pi Beta Phi Headquarters. The chapter is lucky enough to have two housing facilities that were updated this past summer.



Little Pi Phi

The Illinois Zeta Chapter house sleeps 54 members and is centrally located near the main quad of campus. The renovations included new paint, lighting, furniture, rugs and decorations throughout the foyer, living room, TV room, dining room and composite room. The front porch, one of the women's favorite places to hang out on a sunny day, received new patio furniture.

The annex facility, called "Little Pi Phi," was renovated with new siding on the exterior of the building as well as new windows and blinds. The annex sleeps nine members and also includes two bathrooms, a small kitchen and six bedrooms. Typically, Executive Council members live in "Little Pi Phi" as well as women who have already lived in the main house.

FHC aided in the redecoration efforts by partnering with their property manager, an interior designer and the House Director. The chapter was also very involved throughout the process and provided input. FHC strives to ensure a positive housing experience for all collegiate members and is thrilled the Illinois Zeta women are excited about their newly furnished spaces.



“Our house is one of the nicest houses on campus now. With the redecoration, it is an absolutely beautiful place to come hang out at any time. We’ve always taken pride in our chapter, but we take even more now that we have such a great house to live in.”

JULIA SETCHELL, *Illinois Zeta*



Collegiate Spotlight

By: California Delta CONSTANCE DILLON GIBBS

Since she was four years old, Indiana Alpha CHELSEA HOWELL has been an athlete. First and foremost a soccer player, she picked up track and then tennis after seeking out a sport to play in her off-season. Today, Chelsea plays tennis for Franklin College and was named the first player in collegiate tennis history to win a match at every singles and doubles position.

Chelsea explained her father always wanted her to play tennis, an avid player himself after a college tennis career. “I never really took interest in tennis,” Chelsea said. “But one day I said, ‘Hey Dad, let’s go play tennis.’” She started hitting just weeks before her first-ever match, then a sophomore in high school, and made the varsity team later that year.

When the time came for Chelsea to look at colleges, she’d grown tired of soccer and found herself inquiring about each school’s tennis program. She decided to attend Franklin College, located just a few hours from her hometown near Cincinnati, to pursue tennis.

The training schedule is rigorous. The women move onto campus early before classes begin to attend practices twice a day mixed with various conditioning sessions in the gym. Once school starts, the women practice once a day, six days a week, though Chelsea and several of her teammates always stay on the court longer to practice hitting.

“All my teammates laugh because I’ve never taken tennis lessons,” Chelsea said. “I don’t have the best form or the proper grip, but I’m athletic and I’m mentally tough. And for me, it’s more of a mental game than a physical game.”

Chelsea credits nearly all of her success on the court to her mental strength, a difficult skill for most tennis players. She takes a match point by point, not getting hung up on the point she just gave up to her opponent or what’s going to happen next. Chelsea also plays both singles and doubles matches. She easily moves from position to position and rarely tires when a match extends into the third set, thanks to her soccer legs.

In September, Chelsea became the first tennis player at any collegiate level to win a match at all six singles and three doubles positions during a career. Chelsea received the title



Indiana Alpha CHELSEA HOWELL grew up playing soccer, casually picking up tennis in high school as an off-season sport. That fateful decision led to a college tennis career and a recent title as the first player in college tennis history to win a match at every singles and doubles position.

from the Intercollegiate Tennis Association (ITA), the governing body for men’s and women’s college tennis across NCAA Divisions I, II and III and community colleges.

Knowing the title was imminent for Chelsea, her family had gathered for the match that would determine it all. Her fans that day included her parents, siblings, grandparents, aunts, uncles, several past coaches and Pi Phi sisters. After the match was over, Chelsea celebrated with her teammates and family and was amazed at the congratulations she received online via news articles and social media posts.

“I didn’t think anything like this was possible because I didn’t grow up playing tennis,” Chelsea said. “I couldn’t believe I was the first person in history to do this. It’s mind-blowing.”

CONNECTICUT

This semester, the Connecticut Alpha Chapter held its annual Arrowspike philanthropy event at the University of Connecticut's Husky Village. Arrowspike is a six-on-six men's and women's volleyball tournament. The chapter was excited to report it had participation from every Panhellenic sorority as well as a special guest appearance by UConn's very own Jonathan the Husky.



ILLINOIS

In October, the Illinois Iota Chapter hosted the first Pi Beta Phi and Phi Kappa Psi Fall Fest in Anderson Park. The men and women invited different Illinois State University student organizations to participate in a variety of fall-themed relay race events such as bobbing for apples, sack races and tug of war. The event was successful because of the combined efforts between both chapters, and they are excited to host it again next year.



ILLINOIS

Illinois Beta-Delta REBECCA KATZ, a skilled craftswoman and dedicated sister, put her skills to work this summer to create a lending library. But this was no ordinary lending library; it is created in the likeness of Holt House. Rebecca brought her beautiful rendition to the Knox University campus in August, and it resides in front of the Pi Phi bungalow. The lending library has been a hit on campus and with alumnae during homecoming.



As a new way to raise awareness for Read > Lead > Achieve and fundraise, the Illinois Zeta Chapter held a Lemonade for Literacy event on campus at the University of Illinois. During this event, the women sold lemonade to people passing by and spread the word about our philanthropy with a fact about literacy written on each cup. The chapter also held a flag football tournament and an all-you-can-eat ice cream bar this past semester to raise awareness for Read > Lead > Achieve.



INDIANA

The Indiana Beta Chapter at Indiana University hosted its annual Pi Burger Phi philanthropy. Attendees purchased a ticket to the event that included burgers, “phries” and a drink. The chapter’s House Director, Alumnae Advisory Committee members and even a few professors attended the event, which raised more than \$7,000 for The Literacy Fund at Pi Beta Phi Foundation.



NEW YORK

The Pi Phis at New York Eta are committed each year to supporting initiatives important to their chapter. Year round, they participate in Champions are Readers® (CAR) with a local school. And last spring, the women held their annual Angels in the Outfield event at Hudson River Park. New York University fraternity and sorority teams ran the bases and raised \$2,130 for literacy.



NEBRASKA

The Nebraska Gamma Pi Phis held their annual flag football tournament, the Pigskin Classic, at Creighton University. The single-elimination tournament offered prizes for the winning team, but all of the participants knew the end goal of the tournament is raising money and awareness for literacy. With more than 350 participants, nearly \$4,300 was raised to benefit The Literacy Fund at Pi Beta Phi Foundation.



OHIO

Each semester, the Ohio Epsilon Chapter at the University of Toledo hosts the CAR program with a local school. Once a month, members take turns reading stories aloud to the class, and then partner with the students. This year, the women partnered with Sigma Phi Epsilon and hosted CARnival, which allowed students and their parents to play games challenging their literary skills.



OHIO

The Ohio Iota Chapter embraces the opportunity to help the local Dayton community through the CAR program as well as a new program called Paws To Read. Once a week the sisters work with third graders in the greater Dayton area, administering the CAR program. Actively participating in CAR promotes literacy within the community and also enables the women to see their impact first-hand through the improvement made by the children. The women also founded a Paws to Read program in 2014. Paws to Read pairs therapy dogs, young readers in local elementary schools and Pi Phi sisters to enhance reading skills at the public library. Pictured at a Paws to Read program at the Wright Public Library from left, Ohio Iotas NATALIE SHANKS and TATUM BAKER.



OREGON

The Oregon Gamma Chapter at Willamette University volunteered for the Salem-Keizer Education Foundation on Fraternity Day of Service. The Pi Phis sorted and arranged donated books for distribution to schools in the Salem community.



VIRGINIA

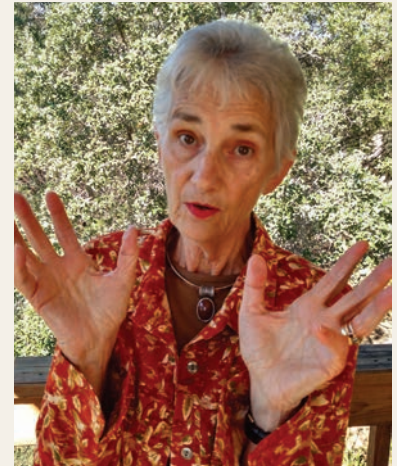
Oktoberfest is Virginia Epsilon's annual festival of music, pie and autumn activities benefitting Read > Lead > Achieve. Attendees made donations at the event's entrance and were then invited to eat various snacks, listen to live tunes and mingle with Pi Phi sisters and their friends. To promote the event on social media, chapter members posted photos naming their favorite childhood books.



Alumnae Spotlight

By: Virginia Theta BREE MELTON

Texas Gamma DONNA CHRISTOPHER INGHAM is one of the biggest liars in Texas. In fact, she's been named the biggest liar in Austin, Texas, seven times and the biggest liar in the state of Texas three times. Donna doesn't just tell lies, she's also an accomplished storyteller, humorist and folklorist who has appeared in numerous festivals across the United States. She's even spun a few yarns in Ireland, too.



Texas Gamma DONNA CHRISTOPHER INGHAM

Donna is a retired college professor with a Ph.D. in English and continues to offer workshops and programs for elementary and secondary schools. She is a published author of five books, containing some of her most beloved stories. And she's won several awards, most recently the Oracle Regional Excellence Award honoring her exceptional commitment and exemplary contributions to the art of storytelling.

Donna was drawn to storytelling from a young age. In high school, she would listen to entertainers like Andy Griffith perform, memorizing their monologues to recite at church socials. In college, her Texas Gamma sisters recognized Donna's talents as she participated in skits for recruitment. In fact, Donna created a skit about parliamentary procedure. "It was a dull subject, but we had to cover it," she said. As an educator, Donna often worked storytelling into her classroom. But it wasn't until she'd retired from teaching that Donna discovered storytelling was a viable career option.

A good friend of hers invited Donna to attend a storytelling concert at the Texas Library Association Conference where she saw three tellers. They each had a different approach: one told an old joke and turned it into a personal story, one woman described a terrible date and the third was a musician who played the ukulele. Donna was "quite taken by the whole concept" and her friend encouraged her to try her hand at it.

After developing an hour of material, a homemade brochure and cover letter to introduce herself, Donna was

invited to perform at the Sunshine RV Park, a popular location in South Texas for snowbird vacationers. She envisioned the ice cream social where she would be performing, thinking it would be 30 to 40 guests casually sitting around ice cream freezers. It turned out to be 300 to 400 people, a stage and a professional sound system. She told her stories, they gave her a check and Donna told her husband, "I think I have found my calling."

Since then, Donna has told stories all over the country, including as a teller-in-residence in Jonesborough, Tennessee, home to the National Storytelling Festival. In this role, Donna spent a week telling stories every day, hosting workshops and giving additional concerts. When the festival first started in 1972 to attract tourists, only a handful of people attended. Today, there are thousands who come from all over to take part. "That's sort of the pinnacle," Donna said. "If you've been at Jonesborough, it's kind of like being at Carnegie Hall."

To the budding storyteller, Donna recommends what was recommended to her when she first started: join every association and go to every festival. Donna belongs to her local storytelling guild and state and national storytelling associations. She recommends listening to other storytellers, reading books and attending workshops. Donna still regularly meets with a friend, and they've committed to writing a five-minute story every time they're together as exercise. And of course, "you've got to practice your craft," Donna said.

ARKANSAS

This fall, the Arkansas Alpha Chapter's Initiation Ceremony at the University of Arkansas marked a milestone in the Robins family. New initiate ELLIE ROBINS, Arkansas Alpha, was joined by her mother and two sisters. The four women represent four different chapters. From left, Georgia Alpha LUCY ROBINS, California Gamma JENNIFER TURK ROBINS, Arkansas Alpha ELLIE ROBINS and Alabama Beta SARAH ROBINS.



GEORGIA

The Alpharetta, Georgia, Alumnae Club welcomed 71 New Members to the Georgia Alpha Chapter at the University of Georgia with a Cookie Shine. From left, Tennessee Gamma LIBBY THACKER TUNSTILL, Iowa Gamma JEN GROBECK, Oklahoma Alpha MELANIE HARWOOD DELBRIDGE, Iowa Gamma JILL DRALLE GROBECK, Georgia Alpha CORRY MCPHERSON CROWE, Ohio Iota FAITH ULANSKI SZINK and Georgia Alpha KATHY BART AUTRY.



COLORADO

The sisterhood of Pi Beta Phi brings alumnae together from numerous chapters for a unique gathering every summer in Crested Butte, Colorado. In August, Pi Phis from 12 chapters shared college memories during a luncheon at the home of Texas Alpha EDIE BROYLES WILLIAMS.



ILLINOIS

For more than 12 years, the Arlington Heights, Illinois, Alumnae Club has supported Sunny Hill Elementary School. To kick off their club year, the Pi Phis held a school supply drive for the school in conjunction with an ice cream social. The women collected items such as crayons, pens, glue sticks and notebooks.



KANSAS

In April, the Lawrence, Kansas, Alumnae Club celebrated its 100th anniversary at the Lawrence Country Club. The club received its charter from Pi Beta Phi in 1915, but past issues of *The Arrow* describe Pi Phis gathering in Lawrence as early as 1889. The articles report those early Pi Phis providing scholarships to women and philanthropic support to the Lawrence community, just as club members do today.



OHIO

In September, nearly 30 members of the Cincinnati Alumnae Club gathered for dinner at a local restaurant. The women — representing several generations of Pi Phis — enjoyed an evening of sisterhood to kick off their 2015–2016 club year.



OREGON

In October, alumnae from the Oregon Beta Chapter gathered in Corvallis, Oregon, for Oregon State University's homecoming. Highlights of the event included the tailgate and football game, a Cookie Shine, the singing of Pi Phi songs and the Pi Phi football-themed T-shirts made especially for the weekend.



TENNESSEE

Tennessee Delta BRITTANY GELINEAU MURRAY is making big things happen for people living with Alzheimer's and their family members. Brittany recently served on the Walk to End Alzheimer's planning committee and created a team that raised more than \$2,000 for Alzheimer's research. Brittany (right) is pictured with her mother who was recently diagnosed with the disease.



PENNSYLVANIA

The Philadelphia-Main Line, Pennsylvania, Alumnae Club hosted a dinner in September at the home of Vermont Beta CHRIS SCOTT OLIVER. In attendance were Pi Phis from Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware. In addition to enjoying dinner, the women shared Pi Phi memorabilia from their college days.



TEXAS

Members of the Houston Alumnae Club enjoyed a fun-filled excursion to The Round Top Texas Antiques Fair as a part of the club's new day trip interest group. Members traveled by bus and enjoyed a day of shopping at four different locations, followed by a group dinner at a sister's home.



To the Members of Pi Beta Phi

Sisters, we were so blown away by this letter we received at the Foundation from Charles Doolittle, brother of Mississippi Beta CINDY DOOLITTLE HARKINS, that with his permission, we've included it below. The power of Pi Phi is truly incredible, as exemplified by this story of an Emma Harper Turner Fund grant that provided peace in a sister's final days.

To the Members of Pi Beta Phi,

My name is Charles Doolittle, and I am the brother of Mississippi Beta CYNTHIA "CINDY" DOOLITTLE HARKINS. We've never met, and yet I feel you are part of my family.

My sister Cindy passed away from aggressive breast cancer at the age of 62. She was a warm, generous, intelligent and funny person. She was committed to her family and valued her Pi Phi sisters immeasurably. We miss her greatly.

If you've watched a family member struggle with illness or disease, you know the sadness, worry and fear that comes with the unknown. Cindy was always a positive person though, and we all hoped she would beat cancer. Unfortunately, her cancer metastasized, and she lost her battle. But in her final days, sisters like you were there for her.

On top of her failing health, Cindy started struggling with her finances as the medical and household bills piled up. Her son and I helped where we could, and Cindy even worked as a House Mother at the Kappa Sigma chapter at Ole Miss to cut down on some of the bills, but it wasn't enough. Because Cindy was such an independent person, she hated the idea of relying on other people and asking for help, even from family. She didn't want to be a burden to anyone, but in the end, she knew she needed support.

That's when Pi Phi sisters came to her aid. Cindy reached out to some Pi Phi sisters and asked them to help her apply for an Emma Harper Turner Fund grant through Pi Beta Phi Foundation. Her hope was that we could bury her without facing additional financial burden.



Mississippi Beta CINDY DOOLITTLE HARKINS, pictured here with her son, received an Emma Harper Turner Fund grant from Pi Beta Phi Foundation just days before she passed away from aggressive breast cancer.

Just days before Cindy passed away, she received the news she was to receive an Emma Harper Turner Fund grant. I can't tell you how much relief this brought her. Cindy's life ended with peace of mind thanks to her sisters in Pi Beta Phi.

What you did for my sister moved me beyond words. I did not know such a fund existed for Pi Phis until I learned about it through Cindy. I'm so grateful for the peace it brought Cindy and grateful to be reminded of the support of the fraternity and sorority community.

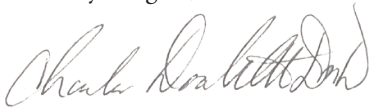
My sister and I were both members of the fraternity and sorority community at Ole Miss (I am a member of Alpha Tau Omega). We both loved our experiences, both served as Chapter Presidents and both made lifelong friends.

I've experienced the power of sisterhood and brotherhood in many ways, with one of the most poignant memories being when the ATO house at Ole Miss burned down, killing three brothers. Every fraternity man and sorority woman felt the loss. But together, Ole Miss came together to rebuild, both physically and emotionally. I honestly believe Ole Miss healed faster and grew stronger because we bore the tragedy together.

With the loss of my sister, I felt strengthened by your support of her and inspired by how you came together to make this grant happen. Your willingness to help my sister — our sister — is a gift I will never forget.

My hope by writing this letter is two-fold. First, I want to thank you for what you've done. I will always be grateful for Pi Beta Phi. Your sisterhood is something special. Second, I hope I have conveyed the power of the Emma Harper Turner Fund. Its ability to help members is profound and in my situation, it also helped our family heal. Now I understand the details of the fund, I hope it can help every Pi Phi sister who needs it. And if by sharing Cindy's story I am able to inspire sisters like you to give, then in some small way I will feel as if I have begun to repay you for all that you did for Cindy.

Thank you again,



Charles Doolittle
Brother of CINDY DOOLITTLE HARKINS, Mississippi Beta

P.S. At Cindy's funeral, more than 150 Kappa Sigma brothers from Ole Miss (where Cindy was a House Mother) came to her funeral. What another great testament to the power and bonds of the fraternity and sorority community. ↪



Cindy served as Chapter President for Mississippi Beta and later served as House Mother for the Kappa Sigma chapter at Ole Miss. She credited many of her lifelong friends to Pi Beta Phi.

There are Pi Phi Sisters who Need Your Help!

Emma Harper Turner Fund grants help sisters through financial challenges created by job loss, health crisis, natural disaster or other unexpected life circumstance. This year, we've seen an increased need for these grants, and we need your help! Please help us make sure when sisters like Cindy reach out for help, we can be there to respond. Even \$5 or \$10 makes a difference. Visit www.pibetaphifoundation.org/donate-now to make your contribution for our sisters in need. You can also mail in a gift to Pi Beta Phi Foundation, P.O. Box 801867, Kansas City, Missouri 64180.



Learning by Example

By: Illinois Zeta KRISTI HANLON MARSH

I remember the first time I spoke to this sister. It wasn't during recruitment or in a Pi Phi chapter house. It was on the phone because we were both Pi Phi volunteers. She was driving to Pi Beta Phi Headquarters from Indianapolis, and I was in Illinois. I did not know at that time my volunteer role would lead to such a great friendship.

I'm here to tell you, when you become a Pi Phi volunteer, your friends multiply. And the bonds you create are around different aspects of your life, different from those ties of college days. The conversations are deeper and when topics of careers, volunteering, family and personal stories are discussed, both the laughter and sighs are strong and mutually understood.

As a Collegiate Regional Specialist, our positions are remote, thus leaving us to be creative in our modes of communication. We communicate via webinars, emails, conference calls and the occasional in-person team training. For my past Collegiate Regional Director JILL MACKEY CARREL, Indiana Gamma, and me, it was finding time to chat between my children's nap schedules, her children's school days and our professional lives. Many times, we diligently hashed out our updates in 15 minutes or less. The amount we could cover in that time was pretty remarkable. But during those conversations, there was always time to check in with one another and ask how each one was doing outside of Pi Phi business. We shared birthday and anniversary plans, home demo project ideas and general life updates.

Jill was more than just a Director. She was the epitome of servant leadership. Her perspective and approach to all things at the regional level were evidence of her dedication and passion for our Fraternity. During her time as Collegiate Regional Director, she was a mentor, a sounding board and a friend who gave great advice. She was also a role model in her ability to find time to balance it all.

Some of my favorite moments were walking to get coffee in the mornings during Pi Phi conventions or regional team trainings. We bonded over our love of caffeine and the throws of life. I'll never forget at one of our trainings, we



Thanks to her Pi Beta Phi volunteer role, Illinois Zeta KRISTI HANLON MARSH (fourth from left) met Indiana Gamma JILL MACKEY CARREL (fifth from left). The two women bonded over being moms and comparing notes on how to balance work, family and volunteering.

walked to get coffee on Michigan Avenue. As we sat and sipped our java while the sun was rising, we chatted about our plans for life and how they've changed along the way. We first met when my oldest was three months old, and her youngest was three years old. For several years, we've watched our kids grow up, bonded over being moms, learned to take time for ourselves and compared whatever kind of (home, self, you-name-it) improvement plans we had on the horizon.

We also bonded because honesty is one of Jill's best characteristics; she listens and tells it like it is, with a small addition of motherly tenderness added in. I appreciated then, and still do today, Jill's ability to laugh at the situations we cannot change. But when it comes to those situations we can change, we do change them — often times with laughter on the side as well. The Pi Phi regional team first brought us together, but it is our shared values that have made us lifelong friends. ↪

IN HER WORDS



BONNIE WHEATON
NORTH DAKOTA ALPHA

IN A NUTSHELL ... TELL US ABOUT YOU

I am a trial judge. I hear a wide range of civil trials where the issues involve something other than monetary damages.

PI PHI TAUGHT ME ...
"The value and importance of sisterhood."

BEST ADVICE YOU'VE EVER RECEIVED

GIVE US A PEEK INSIDE YOUR TYPICAL DAY

I hear cases ranging from the sublime to the ridiculous — multi-million dollar corporate disputes to neighbors arguing over encroachments of inches.

WHY I LOVE MY JOB

I get to work with my best friends, handling intellectually challenging cases that are resolving disputes, so people don't beat each other with sticks (any more than they already do). I could have retired with a great pension seven years ago, but I love getting up every day and going to a job I love.

FAVORITE WORKPLACE EXPRESSION

You just can't make this stuff up.

ADVICE FOR UP-AND-COMING PROFESSIONAL WOMEN

Don't be so busy making a living that you forget to make a life.

WHAT MAKES YOU HAPPY?

Seeing my children and grandchildren become good, kind and caring people.

FAVORITE PI PHI MEMORY

Being initiated as an Alumna Initiate at the 2015 Convention with my mother's arrow pin, accompanied by my daughter.

Left Brained Right Brained

Heels Flats

iPhone Android

a.m. coffee a.m. iced tea

Hours a week 40+ 50+ 60+

DON'T COMPARE YOUR INSIDE TO ANOTHER'S OUTSIDE

Fighting Illiteracy Through Collaboration

What do Pi Phis, a foodbank, a tire and auto center and Project READ, an organization providing literacy services, all have in common? While seemingly unlikely partners, the goal to impact the lives of children in need united these community organizations.



The Dayton, Ohio, Alumnae Club collected more than 1,000 gently used or new children's books to include in backpacks for children in need. The club placed collection barrels in 15 tire and auto service centers across the Dayton area.

The mastermind behind the partnerships is Ohio Iota JOYCE YOUNG, a member of the Dayton, Ohio, Alumnae Club. In addition to her Pi Phi volunteer role, Joyce volunteers with Project READ, an organization providing literacy services like classroom aides and long-term tutors for children and adults. Project READ is committed to building skilled workers, strong families and healthy communities. Joyce worked with Project READ's Executive Director to brainstorm a plan to get books into the hands of local children.

That plan included another partner: The Dayton Foodbank. Since 1976, the foodbank has acquired food and distributed it through a network of agencies to feed hungry people across three different counties. In the greater Dayton area, there are more than 130,000 people who are food insecure and of those, one in four children don't know where they will get their next meal. These numbers are significant because the foodbank has found that a child's health goes hand in hand with his or her education.

"The children we serve are coming to school on Monday morning without having eaten all weekend," said Lora Davenport, Community Relations Manager for The Dayton Foodbank. "They are not able to complete their homework or classwork because they are more focused on their grumbling tummies than what's in front of them."

That's where the foodbank's Good-to-Go backpack program comes into play. Every week, the foodbank puts together more than 1,000 backpacks with kid-friendly, nutritious, easy-to-make food. The packs include shelf-stable milk, fruits and vegetables, single serving cereal packs, peanut butter, jelly and a fun snack like animal crackers or fruit snacks. Thanks to the members of the Dayton Alumnae Club, the packs also include a children's book. In addition to being food insecure, it is rare these children have any books to call their own and take home with them. They often have to return books to the library or leave them at school.

The Dayton Pi Phi partnered with Project READ and a local tire and auto center to collect new and gently used children's books to include in the Good-to-Go backpacks. Pi Phi know access to books is one of the first stepping-stones to creating a lifelong love of reading. The women also know that the average middle class home has 12 age-appropriate books per child, while on average inner city homes have one book per 300 children.

The Dayton Alumnae Club collected more than 1,000 books over the course of a few months. Grismer Tire & Auto Service Centers allowed the club to put collection barrels in 15



retail locations and leveraged their advertising relationships to show more than 400 public service announcements encouraging public participation in the book collection. A local news station even covered the story as a Girl Scout troop dropped off books.

After collecting the books from the various drop-off locations, club members sorted the books, making sure those going to the Good-to-Go backpack program were in good condition and age appropriate. The books spanned pre-kindergarten through eighth grade reading levels. The women worked together for nearly four hours, sorting the books into reading levels and packaging them up for the foodbank. The club members enjoyed the hands-on work, not to mention spending time with one another.

At the conclusion of the project, all the community partners agreed their efforts were an overwhelming success. A book donation is a little different from what the foodbank normally focuses on. But Lora reiterated that's why it means so much; it adds a little extra to the Good-to-Go backpacks, she said. "There's so many things that go into making a healthy child," Lora said. "Education is a very important part of that. And a new book is an important part of sparking that desire to learn."

The Dayton Alumnae Club is already working on their second book drive to stock the Good-to-Go backpacks. The club applied for and received one of the FDS500 book grants, in honor of Fraternity Day of Service, and will use the 500 brand-new books for the backpack program.



Top: The book drive lasted for several months. Once the books were collected from the various drop-off locations, club members spent four hours sorting the books by reading levels.

Bottom: Books were organized by reading levels and placed into boxes for easy transport.

This is not a book. This is a life impacted.

This book is one of more than 150,000 books
Pi Beta Phi will give away to children in need
to celebrate Fraternity Day of Service this spring.
To learn more about our Signature Events, FDS500
book grants and the ways your club or chapter
can participate in Fraternity Day of Service, visit
www.pibetaphi.org/fraternitydayofservice.

This is one child ... one moment at a time ...
one life changed forever.



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JENNIFER CHAMBLISS BERTMAN

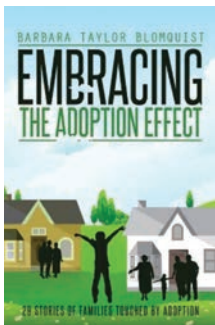
BOOK SCAVENGER

The young adult mystery “Book Scavenger,” by California Eta JENNIFER CHAMBLISS BERTMAN, tells the story of 12-year-old Emily. Her family relocated to the home of her literary idol, Garrison Griswold, creator of an online game where books are hidden all over the country and clues to find them are revealed through puzzles. When Griswold is attacked and falls into a coma, Emily and her friend must solve the epic new game Griswold had been poised to launch before his attackers make them their next target.



EMBRACING THE ADOPTION EFFECT

BARBARA TAYLOR BLOMQUIST



Wisconsin Alpha BARBARA TAYLOR BLOMQUIST’S latest book, “Embracing the Adoption Effect,” portrays the stories of 29 families touched by adoption. The result is deep, intense interviews with adoptees, birth parents and adoptive parents who revealed secrets, frustrations and amazing love that is innate within the adoption world. All revealed how adoption positively and negatively affected their lives. Their brutal honesty provided insight into the strength, compassion and coping skills of these remarkable people.

MARTHA GRIFFIN-WEIS

SET APART: A MOTHER’S STEPS TO PEACE

“Set Apart: A Mother’s Steps to Peace” by Ohio Eta MARTHA GRIFFIN-WEIS follows Maggie, a woman whose life changes forever when her son is diagnosed with autism. As her son grows from childhood to adulthood, Maggie experiences joys and challenges and learns to face adversity with a sense of humor. Whether you know someone with autism or simply find inspiration in people who discover meaning in their lives, “Set Apart” will help you to forge a bond with a mother who overcame missteps and detours and found the path to peace.



PHYLLIS SCOTT JOHNSON

A DIFFERENT DRUMMER

A collection of written words, sketches and paintings, “A Different Drummer: The Adventures of a Civil War Hero and Artist” by Kansas Alpha PHYLLIS SCOTT JOHNSON, chronicles real-life teenage drummer boy, Julian, and his experiences during the Civil War. Phyllis is great-niece to Julian and relied on family history and extensive research to create the book. His life story reminds us to follow our dreams no matter our circumstances.



PICTURE PERFECT!

JODY MORSE AL-SAIGH



Nothing captures a moment in time better than a photograph, but only 86 percent of images ever leave our cameras. “Picture Perfect! The Ultimate Guide to Organizing Your Photos” by New York Alpha JODY MORSE AL-SAIGH is a how-to manual for getting images off your camera, organizing them and displaying them digitally and in print. The book is compact, easy-to-read and offers step-by-step instructions to get the job done simply and efficiently, including recommendations on the correct tools to use.

TRUDY BUTNER KRISHER

FANNY SEWARD: A LIFE

On April 14, 1865, the night of President Lincoln’s assassination, one of Booth’s conspirators attempted to assassinate Secretary of State William Seward in his home. The attack is recounted in poignant detail in the diary of Fanny Seward, the politician’s beloved only daughter. Her diary entries from 1858 to 1866 are the foundation of Virginia Gamma TRUDY BUTNER KRISHER’S “Fanny Seward: A Life,” which skillfully brings to life the activities of a progressive political family and illuminates the day-to-day drama of one of the most tumultuous periods in American history.



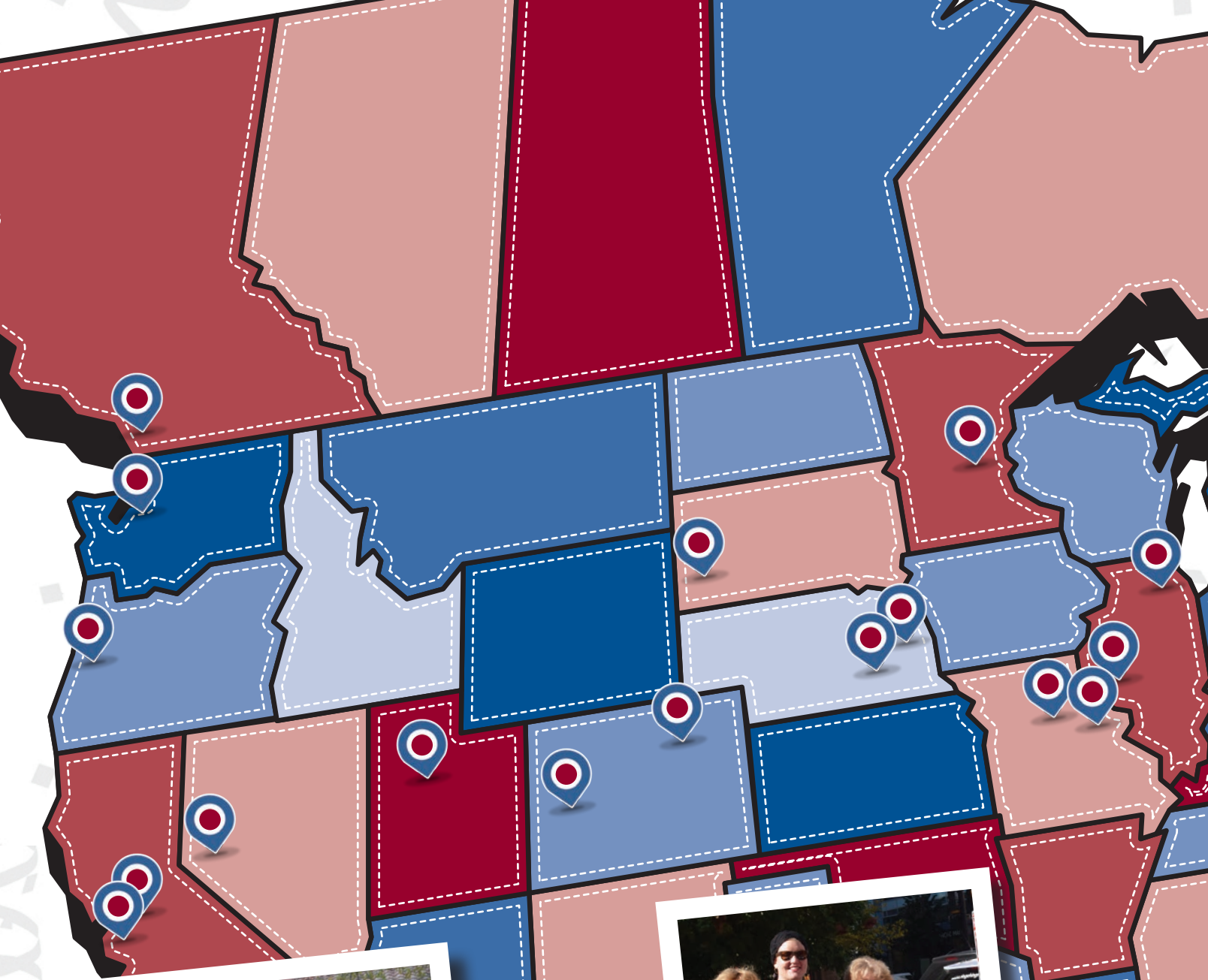
A large, light blue number '150' is centered in the upper half of the page. Overlaid on the '5' is the Pi Beta Phi logo, which consists of the words 'PI BETA PHI' in a blue, serif font, with a red arrow curving from the bottom of the 'I' in 'PHI' up to the top of the 'A' in 'BETA'. The background of the entire page is a white rectangle with a pattern of colorful confetti and streamers, set against a dark blue background with a repeating pattern of the Pi Beta Phi logo.

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The Road to the 150th Celebration

In 1867, nearly 150 years ago, 12 young women came together to support one another. Would our founders guess their vision lives on today through more than 200,000 Pi Phis worldwide? It's going to be an exciting two years as we celebrate 150 years of sisterhood and prepare for our future. But you don't have to wait until 2017 to start the festivities. Check out what we already have in store!



From left, Libbie visited the California Alpha Chapter at Stanford University; spent time with the Washington Alpha Chapter at the University of Washington; and participated in WORD Vancouver, Western Canada's largest celebration of literacy.



Greetings from the RING CHING ROADSHOW

I've never been more excited in my life. Imagine, sitting in the back of a room, waiting to be introduced and hearing Grand President PAULA PACE SHEPHERD, Texas Epsilon, give you your cue. With that, in the middle of the Wine Carnation Banquet at the 2015 Convention, I proudly made my debut. I'm Libbie, our Pi Phi car! And as part of the Ring Ching Roadshow, I'm traveling around the United States and Canada gathering Pi Phi stories from coast to coast.

It's hard to believe my introduction was just seven months ago and today, I've been on both coasts, visited 13 chapters, met countless alumnae and even made my first trip across the border to visit our Canadian sisters in Vancouver.

I'm getting ahead of myself, so let's back up. My first trip after convention was to Holt House. I was lucky enough to tag along on the post-convention tour. As we were driving on the highway on our way there, Pi Phis passed me, honking and waving. I felt like a movie star. But when I arrived in Monmouth, Illinois, and saw Holt House for the first time, the tables were turned. I was starstruck as I sat there at 402 E 1st Avenue. To be at the home where we were founded nearly 150 years ago ... There. Are. No. Words. You must put it on your bucket list!

After convention, I hung out at Pi Beta Phi Headquarters (HQ) in St. Louis, which included visiting the Gateway Arch, checking out the 2017 Convention hotel, stopping at Busch Stadium, enjoying some St. Louis style-thin crust pizza and indulging in some frozen custard. Let me tell you first hand, St. Louis is so fun and Pi Phis are going to love it for the 2017 Convention!



Left, Libbie visits the Columbia, South Carolina, Alumnae Club with special guest Past Grand President SARAH RUTH "SIS" MULLIS, South Carolina Alpha. Right, Libbie enjoyed an afternoon with the Tennessee Beta Chapter at Vanderbilt University.

Things really took off in August. I took a quick trip over to the Missouri Alpha Chapter at the University of Missouri and popped into their Spirit Week. When I returned to HQ, my friend Polly Pi Phi invited some of her best friends (aka HQ staff and campus professionals) to learn more about facilitating her great new *Leading with Values*® risk prevention education program, Critical Conversations. I was lucky enough to spend some time with these amazing men and women!

From there, it was off to South Carolina Alpha at the University of South Carolina for Bid Day. Past Grand President SARAH RUTH "SIS" MULLIS, South Carolina Alpha, was there, and I received a world famous Sis hug. The Columbia, South Carolina, Alumnae Club hosted a party in my honor the next night.

From there, I met with some alumnae friends, including Grand Vice President Finance CARA BALLARD SUTCLIFFE, Illinois Beta-Delta, at a back-to-school get-together at Vanderbilt University with Tennessee Beta. Many thanks to Chapter President SARAH JURGENSMEYER, Tennessee Beta, for her help planning the event.

Then the next leg of my adventure began: a cross-country adventure taking me to the Oregon Alpha centennial celebration. The first stop on my journey was the Omaha, Nebraska, Alumnae Club, and then the Nebraska Beta Chapter at the University of Nebraska, followed by a visit with the Lincoln, Nebraska, Alumnae Club. From there, a quick stop in Denver to meet Oregon Alpha's Chapter President ALYSIA KEZERIAN, who was recovering from a hiking accident. She is such an inspiration. After that, I was off to lunch with the Utah Alphas at the University

of Utah. After two days of driving through the mountains, I finally made it to Eugene, Oregon, for the Oregon Alpha centennial celebration. I don't know if you've ever been to a centennial celebration but they are the best. No joke, there were Pi Phis as far as the eye could see!

From there, I headed north to Seattle and visited the Washington Alpha Chapter at the University of Washington. Next up, I jumped over the border to Canada. It was awesome to be part of WORD Vancouver, Western Canada's largest celebration of literacy and reading featuring exhibits, performances and hands-on activities, with the Vancouver Alumnae Club. On my way back down the coast, I stopped at the Washington Gamma Chapter at the University of Puget Sound for some sisterhood time.

Then, Collegiate Region Seven joined me for a few days in Salem, Oregon. We visited the gravesite of Founder

Check out www.ringchingroadshow.org to read about the Pi Phis I've met on my adventures. You can also see where I've been, where I'm going next and request a visit from me. Don't forget to like the Ring Ching Roadshow on Facebook and follow me @PiPhiLibbie on Twitter and Instagram.



What Should you Expect From a Libbie Visit?

People are always asking what they can do to prepare for my arrival. Here are some ideas for how you can get ready!

- Invite me to an already scheduled event, or plan an event your club or chapter members already enjoy like a Cookie Shine or ice cream social.
- Invite all the Pi Phis you know to join us. I always say the more, the merrier.
- I have an awesome tent in case it's hot and a beautiful historical display that is great for a photo backdrop.
- Photo booths with Pi Phi props are always a good time for Pi Phis of all ages.
- Brush up on your Pi Phi Trivia. You never know when it will come in handy.
- Front row parking is always appreciated.
- Two words: group photo.
- Be sure to follow me on social media — Ring Ching Roadshow on Facebook and @PiPhiLibbie on Instagram and Twitter.
- #selfieswithlibbie ... need I say more?

NANCY BLACK WALLACE and hung out with the Oregon Gammas at Willamette University.

After conquering Oregon, I worked my way down to Northern California. After a great visit with the California Beta Chapter and University of California, Berkeley alumnae, I rounded out my visit with trips to California Alpha at Stanford University and California Theta at the University of California, Davis.

I then headed to Reno, Nevada, for the Nevada Alpha centennial celebration. Sisters, I cannot stress this enough — centennial celebrations rock.

Now, this is where my story gets really good. This is the part where I tell you about a very special passenger who joined me for a week. It was none other than our very own Grand President PAULA PACE SHEPHERD, Texas Epsilon! Not only did Paula drive around with me for a week, but we also visited the Grand Junction, Colorado, Alumnae Club and braved a blizzard to visit the Colorado Alpha Chapter at the University of Colorado; the Colorado Gamma Chapter at Colorado State University; and the South Dakota Alpha Chapter at the University of South Dakota.

My final roadtrip of the year was pretty special not only because I got to visit the reigning Balfour Cup chapter, but also because it was Minnesota Alphas 125th anniversary celebration. The pride in the room that night was incredible and I'm so happy I could be there.

So what's in store for me now? As I write this, I'm on my way back to Southern California to meet up with my driver, California Eta DAPHNEY BITANGA. We're going to take Southern California by storm before we head back out on the road in January. It's been a crazy couple of months and I should be exhausted, but I'm not. I'm excited to continue this journey and meet even more of my Pi Phi sisters across North America. I look forward to hearing your stories, taking pictures together and celebrating our sisterhood!

Ring Ching!
Libbie



Top: Libbie traveled to Seattle and took in some of the city's classic tourist spots, like the Space Needle.

Bottom: Libbie enjoyed a visit to Salt Lake City to visit with Utah Alpha collegians and alumnae from the University of Utah.

From Behind the Wheel



Meet California Eta DAPHNEY BITANGA who is joining me on the road for the next two years! Daphney loves Pi Phi because she found amazing mentors and made lifelong friendships through our sisterhood. She looks forward to getting to know new sisters across the United States and Canada.

Daphney grew up in Oceanside, California just north of San Diego. She earned her bachelors degree in social sciences from the University of California, Irvine and a Masters of Education in postsecondary administration and student affairs from the University of Southern California.

Pi Phi opened so many doors for Daphney that she knew she had to give back. She's served the Fraternity as Collegiate Regional Membership Specialist, Alumnae Advisory Committee Chairman, Pi Beta Phi Foundation Ambassador and New Chapter Assistance Officer for the California Xi Chapter at the University of San Diego.

On the road, Daphney and I will fine-tune our karaoke skills to some classic 1980s pop and dance to favorites like Above & Beyond, Hillsong and Beyoncé. To go along with a large bottle of water, our favorite roadtrip snacks are Swedish fish, granola bars and iced coffee.

Feel free to show us around when we visit your city! We're on the lookout for your favorite campus spots, city landmarks and — of course — the best eats in town. Kudos to anyone who can direct us to ice cream shops, because we're always in the mood for a sweet treat.

When she's not meeting new sisters on the road, Daphney enjoys crafting, dining out with friends and cheering on her favorite sports teams. She is excited to visit as many college campuses and football stadiums as possible. She also hopes to collect trinkets representing each school and city she visits.

Daphney's Packing Checklist

- ✓ Plaid Pajamas
- ✓ Pillow
- ✓ Pi Beta Phi Badge
- ✓ Favorite Pi Phi T-Shirts
- ✓ Planner
- ✓ Arrow Scarf
- ✓ Photos of Friends & Family



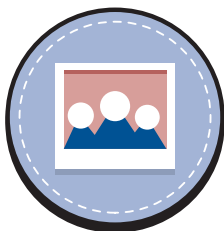
From top, the view from the road in Colorado; visiting with the Colorado Alpha Chapter at the University of Colorado with Grand President PAULA PACE SHEPHERD, Texas Epsilon; and another photo opportunity while traveling through Colorado.

150 Ways You Can Celebrate Pi Beta Phi's 150th

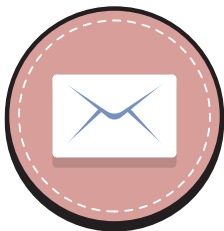
Celebrating our sesquicentennial is an important moment in Pi Beta Phi history. But how do we even begin to celebrate such a milestone? When reflecting on our history, one thing was obvious: each year has been integral to our organization's story. Based on that notion, we compiled a list of 150 Ways to Celebrate Pi Beta Phi's 150th. The full list can be found at www.pibetaphi.org/150, but here are some ideas of where you can start.



Celebrating 150 Years



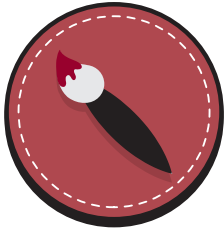
Feeling nostalgic? Find a long-lost sister on Facebook or through Pi Phi's Sister Search and reconnect with her (#20), or trace back your Pi Phi family lineage as far as you can go and send these sisters a sweet note (#22). You can reminisce on Pi Phi memories from college or share an update on what's going on in your life today.



With everyone being constantly connected through text messages and emails, we forget what it means to receive a handwritten note. You can check #6 off your list by taking the time to tell a sister you miss her, say congratulations or just to say "hi" with a mailed note! You can also surprise a sister by sending her flowers (#10), sending her a treat (#11), paying her \$35 annual alumna dues on her behalf (#15) or even submitting her story to *The Arrow* magazine (#19)!



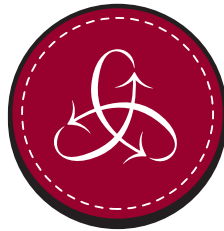
Celebrating 150 Years



Feeling crafty? Build a 150th anniversary wooden cake and put it in front of your own home, chapter housing facility or somewhere on your university campus (#5). You can also make commemorative wine and silver blue wreaths at a chapter or alumnae club event for your front entrances (#111).



Feeling adventurous? Make it a point to meet 150 new Pi Phis (#7), which is an excellent excuse, by the way, to attend the 2017 Convention, June 23–27, 2017, at the Hyatt Regency St. Louis at The Arch. Or you can even travel to New York City to appear on The Today Show with signs appealing to Arizona Alpha SAVANNAH GUTHRIE denoting our 150th anniversary (#9).



Want to ensure the future of our sisterhood? Check #30 and #106 off your list and donate \$15, \$150 or \$1,500 to Pi Beta Phi Foundation. Your gift could help provide scholarships, preserve Holt House, our founding home, help sisters in need through the Emma Harper Turner Fund and much more.

What Our Social Media Fans Had to Say



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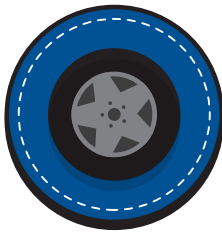
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Libbie came to visit today! Honored to have been a part of the Ring Ching Roadshow! 🎉👏 #PiPhi150 #OregonGamma #PPL

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Celebrating 150 Years



Have you met Libbie yet? Make sure you are in the loop as she makes her way across North America! Visit www.ringchingroadshow.org to see when Libbie will be in your area. Check #89, #120 and #121 off your list by attending the event and sharing your photos and stories with us! If Libbie isn't scheduled to be in your area, you can complete #88 and fill out a request to have the Ring Ching Roadshow come to your chapter or alumnae club event.



Throw it back and celebrate our 150th at the same time! Share your Bid Day picture or your first picture in Pi Phi letters on Facebook, Instagram or Twitter using #PiPhi150 (#4). We'll be sharing your photos on Pi Phi's social media and can't wait to see your old hairstyles, vintage Pi Phi clothing and sisterhood through every decade.

From the Ring Ching Roadshow to completing one or all 150 ways to celebrate on our list, we hope you will join the celebration. Be sure to visit www.pibetaphi.org/150 often as we will be sharing your #PiPhi150 stories and photos. Remember, you don't have to wait until 2017 to get this party started. The celebration starts NOW and it starts with YOU!

Kyra K Flatow
added 6 new photos — with 2 friends
September 2 · 🌐

Loved having Libbie visit NE Beta tonight! #PiPhi150 is right around the corner and seeing Libbie in person just makes me want to fast forward to next Convention

gretchenforan FOLLOW

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gretchenforan So @pibetaphiq has a list of 150 things to do to celebrate our 150th in 2017. I decided i would try to see how many I could do! So we will start with an easy one which is my bid day pic for #tbt 1/150 #piph150 @valpopiphi

Remember

By: FRAN DESIMONE BECQUE, New York Alpha
Fraternity Archivist and Historian

A Pi Phi Celebration

In 1917, Pi Beta Phi turned 50 years old. In the March 1917 *Arrow*, Grand President MAY LANSFIELD KELLER, Maryland Alpha, issued a call to convention. It was to be a joyous celebration of the Fraternity's 50th anniversary with some of the founders present. The location was to be Lake Geneva, Wisconsin; the convention was to begin on June 23, 1917.

However, shortly after *The Arrow* reached mailboxes, the plans quickly changed due to the United States entering into World War I in April 1917. The call to convention was rescinded in the June magazine issue: "Since the shadow of war has become a reality, the Fraternity has had to do some difficult and quick thinking. By an overwhelming majority, the sentiment of the organization has been on the side of the postponement of the convention to a more propitious time and season, when the elaborate plans for the celebration of the 50th anniversary would be more in harmony with the affairs of the nation." Invitations to the celebration had been sent out to our colleagues in the fraternity and sorority world. Those invitations had to be taken back as well.

When convention finally took place in 1918, the location was Charlevoix, Michigan. Four Founders attended: EMMA BROWNLEE KILGORE, INEZ SMITH SOULE, LIBBIE BROOK GADDIS and FANNIE WHITENACK LIBBEY. During that convention, the Pi Beta Phi Settlement School in Gatlinburg, Tennessee, was dedicated to the founders. But Libbie, speaking on behalf of the founders, promptly gave the school back to the Fraternity for safe keeping.

The 75th anniversary celebration never happened for it, too, was affected by a World War. In fact, all conventions were cancelled during World War II. When convention convened in 1946 in Swampscott, Massachusetts, there seemed to be too much catching up and a great deal of business to attend to, not to mention the aftermath of war put a damper on things. To that note, the last of the founders, INEZ SMITH SOULE and FANNIE WHITENACK LIBBEY, both died in 1941.

The centennial of Pi Beta Phi took place in Chicago at the Edgewater Beach Hotel in June 1967. It was a joyous occasion with more than 1,000 women in attendance. Birthday cakes were served for dessert one night. There was also a bus trip to



Pi Beta Phi celebrated its 100th anniversary in 1967 at the Edgewater Beach Hotel in Chicago. More than 1,000 Pi Phis attended the event.

Monmouth, Illinois, to visit Holt House, the Fraternity's founding home. Pi Beta Phi presented a birthday gift to Monmouth College: a check for \$50,000 to name a study room in the new library, which was in the planning stages at the time. Grand President ALICE WEBER MANSFIELD JOHNSON, Missouri Beta, dedicated the gift as a tribute to the founders. The gift was also a tribute to past Grand President AMY BURNHAM ONKEN, Illinois Epsilon. It was said of Amy: "Gentle, modest, conservative, her force surprised those who met her ... Those 12 girls at Monmouth had dreams of greatness, but she had the strength of purpose to change those dreams into a reality."

The 150th anniversary celebration will take place in St. Louis in June 2017. There will likely be much merriment and celebration. Thanks will be given to the 12 young women who came together on that Sunday afternoon in April of 1867. And we will remember the Pi Phi celebrations that came before us, and those yet to come. ↪

Coming Soon ... Spring 2016

Pi Beta Phi is excited to announce it will colonize the Delaware Alpha Chapter at the University of Delaware in the spring of 2016.



Pi Beta Phi is excited to start a second new chapter in Spring 2016, and with it, add a new state to the Fraternity roster. The University of Delaware (UD) has a tradition of excellence extending back to its original founding in 1743. Today, UD is known as a research-intensive, technologically advanced institution that enrolls more than 17,000 students.

Pi Phi submitted materials and offered a formal presentation to the University's Extension Committee, and the Fraternity was notified in September 2015 it was chosen to colonize in the spring of 2016. Pi Phi will join 11 other National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) groups on campus.

The University of Delaware fraternity and sorority community is proud to be a large and leading group on campus with more than 45 recognized organizations and NPC groups. Across all councils and populations, fraternities and sororities consistently achieve higher GPA averages than non-affiliated students and provide outstanding service and philanthropic efforts to the University and local community. Fraternity and sorority life values character, diversity, academics, leadership, service, brotherhood, sisterhood and community. For these reasons, and many others, it was clear Pi Beta Phi and the University of Delaware would be a good fit.

Keep up with the growth of the Delaware Alpha Chapter by following the chapter on social media or visiting the chapter's website.

 www.facebook.com/UDPiPhi

 www.twitter.com/UDPiPhi

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 www.pibetaphi.org/delaware

Leading with Courage and Conviction



Top: Pi Beta Phi representatives at the 2015 National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) Annual Meeting in Irving, Texas. From back left, NPC Foundation Board of Trustee Member ANN WARMACK BROOKSHIRE, Texas Beta; NPC First Alternate Delegate ORIANA BERTUCCI, Ontario Gamma; NPC Second Alternate Delegate CATHERINE ROOSEVELT, Michigan Beta; Executive Director JULI HOLMES WILLEMANN, Iowa Beta; NPC Third Alternate Delegate JENN PLAGMAN-GALVIN, Iowa Gamma; and Assistant Director of Marketing and Communications JENNY WHITTON SCHMIDT, Missouri Gamma. From front left, NPC Delegate ANA MANCEBO MILLER, Texas Beta; RFM Recruitment Officer CAROL INGE WARREN, North Carolina Beta; and Grand President PAULA PACE SHEPHERD, Texas Epsilon.

Bottom: During the “Celebrating Panhellenic Excellence” luncheon, the Phoenix Alumnae Panhellenic was named the No. 1 Alumnae Panhellenic Association. Ohio Zeta KIM OBRIEN (seventh from left) currently serves as the group’s President.

Leaders of the National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) gathered October 22–25, 2015, for the 2015 Annual Meeting. NPC Delegates and staff, Inter/national Presidents, Executive Directors and Communicators assembled at the Omni Mandalay Hotel at Las Colinas in Irving, Texas.

Meeting participants reflected on NPC’s accomplishments over the past year, learned from guest speakers, caught up with longtime friends and planned for NPC’s future. Pi Beta Phi was pleased to have representatives at the meeting spanning multiple areas of NPC focus, from its delegation to the NPC Foundation to Panhellenic leaders on the local level.

Throughout the weekend, NPC Foundation Board of Trustees member ANN WARMACK BROOKSHIRE, Texas Beta, helped set strategic priorities for the NPC Foundation, including electing new officers, creating a plan for board recruitment, reviewing finances and examining the necessary staff resources for the NPC office.

“I enjoy serving on the NPC Foundation Board and returning to the Panhellenic side of Greek life,” Ann said. “It is an honor to work with the other women to grow the foundation and in turn provide support to NPC. I loved attending the Annual Meeting because there are many

familiar faces and old friends and it is so rewarding to catch up with them. There is also a seriousness for the business at hand and I appreciate the hard work and diligence by our team.”

On Saturday, a “Celebrating Panhellenic Excellence” luncheon took place. The luncheon focused on recognizing the work of Alumnae and College Panhellenics, as well as the individuals who support them. At the luncheon, the Phoenix Alumnae Panhellenic received NPC’s highest and most prestigious honor for an Alumnae Panhellenic, the Harriett Block Macht Outstanding Alumnae Panhellenic Award. The award recognizes excellence in communication, programming, scholarship and service.

Phoenix Alumnae Panhellenic President KIM OBRIEN, Ohio Zeta, helped accept the award on behalf of the group. “Although Phoenix Alumnae Panhellenic Association is comprised of 20 different groups,

we have the single goal of promoting the Greek system for women,” she said. “We are thrilled to be recognized for our achievement in the alumnae world.”

The 95-year-old Phoenix Alumnae Panhellenic is one of NPC’s most active groups, awarding more than \$41,000 in scholarships to 23 women during the past biennium, donating more than 1,000 teddy bears to the Phoenix Fire Department for their charitable efforts, connecting with collegiate sorority women at Arizona State University and Northern Arizona University and educating high school women about sorority life.

Other notable highlights of the weekend include a State of NPC address given by Chairman Jean Mrasek, Chi Omega. Through each delegate, she highlighted 26 key accomplishments from the past year, including the inaugural

College Panhellenic Academy and a social media awareness campaign about the Red Zone — the first six weeks on campus when freshmen females are particularly vulnerable to sexual assault. “Indeed, we have made great strides,” Jean said. “NPC has found her voice. But our work continues. We must listen to the voices of our students, alumnae, interfraternal colleagues and yes, even our critics.”

During Business Sessions, delegates made history when they approved the “Values-Based Recruitment” policy which eliminates recruitment skits. They also installed the 2015–2017 Executive Committee including incoming NPC Chairman Donna King, Sigma Kappa. Donna then addressed the body for the first time as Chairman. “My plan is for our forward trajectory to continue, as we move from being successful toward being truly significant,” she said.

RFM Recruitment Officer Carol Inge Warren Receives NPC Distinguished Service Award

At the close of the 2015 National Panhellenic Conference (NPC) Annual Meeting, RFM Recruitment Officer CAROL INGE WARREN, North Carolina Beta, was presented with the NPC Distinguished Service Award.

The prestigious award recognizes an individual who has given outstanding service to the fraternity and sorority community. The award is presented biennially and Pi Beta Phi is proud to have two consecutive winners, Carol and Grand President Emerita JEAN WIRTHS SCOTT, Pennsylvania Beta.

In her 29 years of service to Pi Beta Phi, Carol served as Alumnae Province President, Director of Alumnae Records, Grand Secretary, Grand Vice President of Finance and Grand Vice President of Membership. Carol also served the NPC community for 14 years as Pi Beta Phi’s NPC Delegate. Her true passion and commitment to NPC was shown in her work on the long range planning committee, which ensures the Conference remains a vital force in the fraternity and sorority community.

Carol is currently an RFM Specialist and has served in this role for 11 years. She works hard to hone her skills despite her tenure and takes every opportunity to provide feedback and directive to the RFM Specialists and the fraternity/sorority advisors she works with throughout the recruitment season.



RFM Recruitment Officer CAROL INGE WARREN, North Carolina Beta (center), was the recipient of the NPC Distinguished Service Award at the 2015 NPC Annual Meeting.

“I am so very honored and humbled by this recognition,” Carol said. “My service in NPC was a fabulous experience with a group of outstanding women. My NPC family gave me a second very special sisterhood and many opportunities to serve and support this exceptional collaborative organization. Pi Beta Phi has given me so very many opportunities to serve and lead. It has fostered my growth as a leader and opened a tremendous number of doors where I could serve.”

A Day in the Life of a CRITICAL CONVERSATIONS FACILITATOR

By: Annie Herold, Assistant Director of Sorority and Fraternity Residential Life, Emory University

Anticipation, excitement and a little fear — those are the emotions that sprang to the surface when I received my first Critical Conversations visit request for the women of D.C. Alpha at The George Washington University (GW). When the email came through, my mind started to race thinking about all the prep work I wanted to do before setting off in just six short weeks.

I, alongside the other Critical Conversations facilitators, had been well trained during my four-day visit to Pi Beta Phi Headquarters in July. But now it was time to take the training and put it into action. There were slides to review, articles to read, pre-visit calls to make and picking the brain of everyone I knew about the best ways to get around D.C.

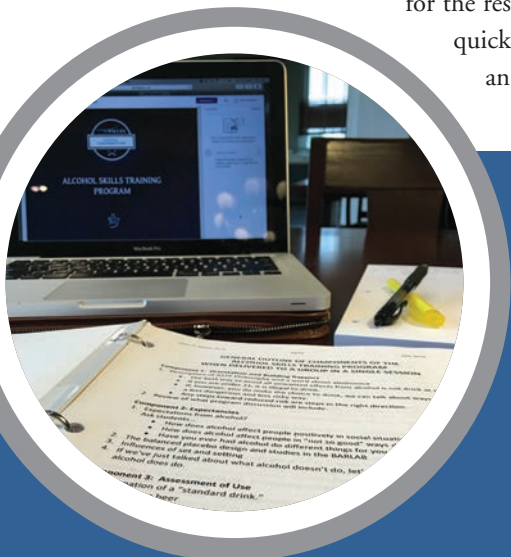
When the morning of October 19 hit, I set off with a detailed itinerary, hoping for the best and prepared for any bumps that could come my way. I landed in D.C. with seven hours before my site visit, and knowing myself, I knew the best way to be prepared was to sneak in a workout. I walked from my hotel to an indoor cycling studio and had an

awesome 45-minute ride that set the tone for the rest of the day. After a quick lunch, I cleaned up and spent the rest of the

afternoon reviewing my notes and practicing to give the Alcohol Skills Training Program (ASTP), my assigned Critical Conversations Speaker Series presentation.

I made it to the site visit with plenty of time to spare, thanks to my Uber driver Ricky, and grabbed an iced coffee to stay energized while waiting to meet my D.C. Alpha Chapter contacts. Chapter President MAEVE DARE and Vice President of Member Development AMANDA LAM offered a wonderful and warm welcome that set me at ease as the rest of the chapter members arrived.

D.C. Alpha was one of the first groups to receive ASTP, which is an engaging alcohol program that touches on topics like Blood Alcohol Levels and tolerance by encouraging open discussion in large groups. Engaging visuals and brainstorming



ADDRESSING A UNIQUE AUDIENCE

In addition to the Alcohol Skills Training Program described in this article, Critical Conversations offers a wide variety of tools and resources to address the unique needs of our members and their support systems to engage them in the prevention-education process. To learn more about Critical Conversations, please visit www.pibetaphi.org/criticalconversations.

activities allow chapter members to have fun while learning about alcohol through relating the information to their own experiences or what they have seen others around them experience.

With the D.C. Alpha Chapter big/little week starting the following day, I knew there was a chance the sisters and New Members alike could be distracted by everything else they had on their minds. However, I was impressed by their willingness to participate and engage with the material I presented. The members were open in sharing their stories and relating the material I presented to their own lives and experiences at GW. I was indebted to those members who shared, who asked questions and who moved the conversation forward as I navigated through the material. We even had a few laughs along the way!

After the presentation was over, I breathed a sigh of relief — finally able to relax and be proud of what we had accomplished. I bid farewell to the women of D.C. Alpha and was able to spend the evening catching up with a close friend of mine from college who now lives in D.C. The next morning, with a few hours to spend before catching my flight back to Atlanta, I set out with Polly Pi Phi to take in a few of the sights. I even saw the Vice Presidential motorcade drive by on my way to the White House.

Sitting on the plane home, I reflected on the presentation and my experience in D.C. Sure, I didn't say everything perfectly, and I didn't have all the answers. But overall I was so happy for the experience I was able to have. I was grateful to the women of D.C. Alpha for allowing me to share with them, grateful to my home institution and department for allowing me to go and grateful to Pi Beta Phi for allowing me to have the chance to become a better facilitator and professional.

I was also grateful to have an entire row on the plane to myself — sometimes it's the little things that count. And now I can't wait for the next Critical Conversations visit invitation to come! 🍷

Annie Herold, a native of Louisville, Kentucky, received her bachelor's degree from Tulane University and her juris doctorate from Emory University School of Law. Annie currently works at Emory University as the Assistant Director of Sorority and Fraternity Residential Life where she oversees all on-campus sorority and fraternity housing. In her free time, Annie enjoys working out, cooking and watching reality TV.



What Does Wearing Your Badge Mean to You?

Each year, thousands of women around the world celebrate their sorority membership on National Panhellenic Conference's International Badge Day. As we near this year's celebration, we asked several Pi Beta Phi Headquarters staff members what wearing their badge means to them. Pi Phi is fortunate to have members from nine different fraternal organizations represented on staff.

Patty Baird Link **Pi Beta Phi**



In February 1957, I was initiated with my cousin's pearl badge at Holt House. When it became time for me to choose my own badge, I also selected the pearl badge. I wore it every day in college. It was a thrill for me to see my daughter and two of my granddaughters initiated with my badge.

Allie Jostrand **Alpha Xi Delta**



I feel immense pride, gratitude and nostalgia when I wear my badge. For me, the Quill represents my support network of sisters; not just my chapter, but also those sisters who I have never met. It represents everything that has made me the woman I am today.

Tina Larkin **Kappa Delta**



Wearing my badge brings back special memories of my college days and the friends that are still so important to me. No matter the time that passes or the miles apart, there is a constant bond between us. My badge is also a reminder of how much I grew personally and professionally from my sisterhood experiences.

Mackenzie Baker **Sigma Delta Tau**



One year ago, my car was broken into and my bag was stolen. Inside of that bag was my badge. Earlier this year, a Sigma Delta Tau sister and some Panhellenic sisters here at Headquarters bought me a beautiful new badge. Now, every time I put on my badge, I am reminded of the love you receive from your sisters.

Alicia Delaney **Alpha Chi Omega**



When I wear my badge, it's a reminder of the bond I have with Alpha Chi Omegas everywhere. No matter our chapters nor our initiation years, we're sisters who share a Ritual, a meaning, a badge and a bond no one else knows.

We hope you will join us in wearing your badge on Monday, March 7, 2016, to let everyone know you're proud to be a sorority woman and a Pi Beta Phi!

VOLUNTEERS ARE OUR HEART

**Volunteers are needed to fill the
following roles:**

**Collegiate Regional Specialists
Alumnae Regional Specialists
Pi Beta Phi Foundation Volunteers**

If you are interested in learning more about one of these positions, or if you would like to submit your information for consideration, please visit www.pibetaphi.org/volunteernow before March 11, 2016.

Please note, Pi Beta Phi seeks Alumnae Advisory Committee and Chapter House Corporation volunteers year-round. You can contact us with questions at volunteer@pibetaphi.org.

Give a little. Get a lot!



Recruitment: An Unexpected Journey

By: Arkansas Alpha AUDREY MILLER PENNINGS

I am a proud Arkansas Alpha and my mother is a proud Indiana Gamma. My daughter, Brooke, grew up just as I had: witnessing and knowing a love for dear Pi Beta Phi. I remember the excitement, anticipation and preparation we all shared before her recruitment experience at the University of Arkansas. Truth be told, all three of us never imagined she would not become a Pi Phi if given the choice.

I wanted to prepare Brooke for the whole recruitment experience. I, of course, shared our love and legacy of Pi Beta Phi within our family — six Pi Phis total — and how the legacy tradition is such a special experience and bond we all share. But I also told her to have a completely open heart and mind to all sororities, and to remember she is making a lifetime choice — a choice that is hers to make. I encouraged her to follow her heart, and in the end, she will have no doubt where she belongs and feels at home. I told her that I, too, would be completely open minded and would not judge no matter what, because I wanted her to be totally open and honest with me throughout the process.

As recruitment began, she absolutely loved all of the sororities. But from day one until the end, Pi Beta Phi and Kappa Kappa Gamma were her absolute favorites. As I listened to her excitement, I realized I had never anticipated how hard two of her dearest friends, who were Kappas already, would recruit her. They both had chosen Kappa over their mother's group, Chi Omega. Brooke was so apologetic and admitted she was not expecting this at all. We both began to cry realizing Kappa could be a real possibility. Brooke shared how she was hoping and waiting to have the same feeling at Pi Phi because she sincerely wanted to share this legacy experience with her family more than anything. All I could say was to continue to follow her heart.

On Preference Night, the phone finally rang at 1:30 a.m. After I listened all about the day, I ask the dreaded question, "What did you decide and what did you put first?" Quietly she said, "Mom, I loved Pi Phi so much and for you and me, I tried. But in the end, there was no doubt that my heart and my home is at Kappa." I was so sad about what would never be, but I was happy for her and proud that we both were at peace with her decision.



Arkansas Alpha AUDREY MILLER PENNINGS (left) has a legacy of Pi Beta Phi in her family — six Pi Phis in total. But when her daughter, Brooke (right), went through recruitment, Audrey told her to have an open mind to all sororities and follow her heart. Brooke joined Kappa Kappa Gamma and the two women are grateful to share a Monmouth Duo connection.

When Bid Day arrived, I watched Brooke open her bid card from afar and watched her run to the Kappas. I started to cry tears of joy for her. I was also deeply saddened because the totally unexpected was now a reality. As I ran to embrace and congratulate her, I could see the pure joy on her face, and that was all I needed to know she had chosen right.

I could not be more proud of Brooke, who is now a Kappa Kappa Gamma alumna. She graduated in December from nursing school and our connection is stronger than ever! Our next chapter has yet to be written, but I assure you we will have the best time, sharing a lifetime of deep love, affection, gratitude and respect through our Panhellenic connection. We have a bond that will never be broken, and for that I am eternally grateful. ↷

Celebrating 100 Years of Oregon Alpha

By: Oregon Alpha KELSEY JENSEN LEWIS

I have driven the 110-mile stretch of I-5 from Portland to Eugene many times for football games and Chapter House Corporation (CHC) meetings. It is long, flat and uneventful. In September, as I traveled to Eugene a few days ahead of the Oregon Alpha centennial, my car filled to the brim with supplies, I had never been more excited for the drive.

The centennial celebration marked not just 100 years at the University of Oregon, but also the conclusion of the largest renovation to the chapter house since it was originally built. 1518 Kincaid, a stunning Ellis F. Lawrence house parallel to campus, is for many a symbol of her time in college. As women followed the construction progress through social media, the excitement for the centennial and a chance to see the finished project was building along with the new walls. Simultaneously, a capital campaign raising more than \$265,000 was the opportunity for Pi Phis to connect and invite sisters from around the country to the event.

An informal welcome reception kicked off the events on Friday. On Saturday, a ribbon cutting for top donors to the campaign provided the first glimpse of the renovated house. The construction team, architect and members of CHC led the first tours. More than 300 people attended the open house later that day. Many women stayed for hours walking the halls, reliving memories and engaging in conversation. As I walked the halls during this time, I was struck by the presence of women in the moment. The talk, the laughter and the enjoyment ... if you closed your eyes, it sounded like a house full of college students — not alumnae.

Saturday evening's banquet was an event for the ages. The banquet was a true celebration of sisterhood, with women spanning 70 years of New Member classes in attendance. A program provided a view of the legacy of Oregon Alpha and a video of collected photographs brought visual context to the transformation of both the house and the women over the years. The program also celebrated House Director Charlotte Mason, serving her final of 30 years in the role. We were thrilled to have Fraternity Housing Corporation President LISA GAMEL SCOTT, Colorado Alpha, as well as the Ring Ching Roadshow in attendance.



The Oregon Alpha Chapter centennial celebration not only marked 100 years on the University of Oregon campus, but also the conclusion of the largest renovation to the chapter house since it was originally built.

The weekend concluded on Sunday at the chapter house. The new renovation allowed for nearly 200 to attend three separate Cookie Shines. Women floated between the three and were excited to see the generational differences layered into the tradition of this signature ceremony. As the women filtered out and began their travels home, the thanks and happy comments were overwhelming. It was clear: the Oregon Alpha legacy had never been stronger.

As I drove back to Portland, Oregon, on Sunday afternoon, a calm settled. I was so thankful to the centennial celebration committee and CHC members for their time and dedication to the event. Only bittersweet for me was the absence of my mom, Oregon Alpha TRUDI FRANCISCO JENSEN, who passed away from breast cancer when I was a young girl. While I wore her badge next to mine to keep her close, it was the stories shared of her continuously throughout the weekend that brought her spirit to life. The friendship I hold with her class sisters is one my most cherished gifts of the Pi Beta Phi sisterhood.

CALIFORNIA

Members of the California Gamma pledge class of 1991 reunited in Southern California for a barbecue. The Pi Phi gatherings have grown each year to include boyfriends, husbands and now, children. The women have remained friends all these years because of the wonderful Pi Phi memories they share from their time at the University of Southern California.



In October, 12 California Gammas from 1982–1983 pledge classes met in Manhattan Beach, California. Sisters traveled from Northern and Southern California, as well as North Carolina. California Gamma SHAYA DAVIS KIRKPATRICK organized the celebration.



KANSAS

The Kansas Alpha pledge class of 1987 celebrated 25 years by reuniting at the University of Kansas this past September. The weekend fun included touring the beautiful Kansas Alpha Chapter house and visiting favorite University of Kansas establishments. The women are grateful that Pi Phi love and friendship remains throughout the years.



MISSOURI

This fall, Missouri Alphas from 1966–1968 pledge classes spent three days together in Columbia, Missouri. Activities included catching up, a formal dinner and touring the Missouri Alpha Chapter house.



OKLAHOMA

Oklahoma Alphas from 1972–1978 pledge classes gathered to celebrate the life of Oklahoma Alpha **KELLEY MITCHELL WADE**, an award-winning journalist. The weekend was filled with many Pi Phi traditions and included a loving tribute to Kelley at the Oklahoma Alpha Chapter house where books and a permanent bench were donated in her memory.



OKLAHOMA

Twenty-four Oklahoma Alpha sisters met for a 50-year reunion in Oklahoma City this fall. Sisters arrived from seven different states, including Hawaii. During the reunion, sisters caught up with one another by playing a “then and now” game, where they shared pictures and life events from the past 50 years. They even had lunch at “The Mont,” the same restaurant where they celebrated their pledge class’ initiation.



WISCONSIN

In September, Wisconsin Alphas held a reunion in Madison, Wisconsin. A highlight of the celebration was a tour of the Wisconsin Alpha Chapter house at the University of Wisconsin. The Pi Phis represented several pledge classes from the 1960s.



In Memoriam

Because of space constraints, *The Arrow* will only print the entirety of an obituary for a past Grand President. If you know a sister who has died, please inform Pi Beta Phi Headquarters. Names will only be listed in *The Arrow* if accompanied by a published notice, including those names entered electronically via eReports, Pi Phi's online reporting system. Published notices include a newspaper or newspaper website obituary, a funeral program/prayer card or a listing in a college/university alumni newsletter. Email Alison Bauer at alison@pibetaphi.org or mail to Headquarters.

Memorial gifts made to Pi Beta Phi Foundation are a loving and lasting way to honor the memory of a beloved Pi Phi sister. When the gift is made, the Foundation sends a card to the family, notifying them of the thoughtful gift. To make a memorial gift, please call the Foundation at (636) 256-1357 or visit www.pibetaphifoundation.org.

Alabama Alpha

Anna Kidd Grace, 1941
Jo Ann Bartlett Lanier, 1956, affiliated Alabama Gamma

Alabama Beta

Mary Perry Brown, 1949

Alberta Alpha

Elizabeth Anne Ower, 1999
Jean Anderson Raines, 1952

Arizona Alpha

Suzanne Richards Cameron, 1955
Virginia Hopton Colyer, 1956
Jan Dedman Harelson, 1956
Kay Kelly, 1957

Arkansas Alpha

Carolyn Curl Bresser Cory, 1944
Linda Bartlett Michler, 1961
Carolyn Patton Nuckolls, 1949

California Delta

Charlotte Hanker Hoyt, 1945

California Epsilon

Janice Murdy Kellogg, 1952

California Eta

Anita Guitron Fisher, 1974

California Gamma

Jo-Ann Webb Merrill, 1951
Jane Hoffman Popovich, 1962

Colorado Alpha

Jeanie McKee Dunivin, 1949
Mary Jo Fanning Maly, 1956

Colorado Beta

Barbara Hill Bush, 1952
Carolyn Nelson Fenner, 1947
Elinor Roberts Winchester, 1935

Connecticut Alpha

Lois Y. Galbraith, 1943

D.C. Alpha

Flor Wright Smith, 1950

Florida Beta

Elaine Elizabeth Jones-Carter, 1976

Florida Gamma

Louise Ryan Hopkins, 1941

Georgia Alpha

Joyce Odom Christianson, 1944
Karen Louise Cousins, 1976
Sara Green Norris, 1943
Rebecca Gray Powell, 1942

Illinois Alpha

Donna Wisner Hatch, 1947
Eleanor Campbell Schlaretzki, 1939

Illinois Beta-Delta

Martha Welsh Davis, 1939
Martha Eads Ward, 1939

In Memoriam lists the name and initiation year of each member who has died.

Illinois Epsilon

Bette Whiteside Alger, 1957
Mildred Evans Bauer, 1935

Illinois Eta

Shirley Sands Haworth, 1942

Illinois Theta

Phyllis Bettinghaus Hanken, 1952

Illinois Zeta

Sandra Dewar Bostwick, 1958
Brooke Crawmer Joseph, 1997
Betty Tibbits Prichard, 1945

Indiana Beta

Marilyn Hooley Murray, 1946
Barbara Gray Steinsberger Phillips, 1952
Anne Lockridge Sales, 1952

Indiana Delta

Janice Irene Bosma, 1966
Jane Milnes Rhyne, 1969

Indiana Gamma

Esther Cowan Houston, 1949
Nancy Wyand Hughett, 1955

Indiana Zeta

Ruth Hoham Weisman, 1952

Iowa Beta

Margaret Nixon Viggers, 1935

Iowa Gamma

Dorothy Ruggles Stevenson, 1944, affiliated Indiana Epsilon

Iowa Zeta

Catherine Shiley, 1953

Kansas Alpha

Mary Kirsch Brenneisen, 1939

Billie Giles Staats, 1941

Kansas Beta

Heidi Billinger Cook, 1961

Susan Martin Deaver, 1960

Kentucky Alpha

Nancy Gaines Barnes, 1953

Barb Miles Greenlee, 1957

Louisiana Alpha

Jeannine McGee Burge, 1947

Patsy Fleming Elliott, 1954

Manitoba Alpha

Norma Kendall Bingeman,
1938

Barbara Hall Duval, 1947

Irene Brown Heaton, 1948

Maryland Beta

Anna K. von Schwerdtner,
1949

Massachusetts Beta

Mary Breen Puracchio, 1949

Michigan Beta

Janet Jewell Coffey, 1954

Sally Hanson Calhoun, 1958

Michigan Gamma

Holly Gold Creech, 1990

Mary Gravius Klipfel, 1947

Minnesota Alpha

Margaret Kileen Emslie, 1955

Elizabeth Alexander Smith,
1946

Missouri Alpha

Mary Lynn Hargrove Cox,
1950

Gail Kennedy Woodley, 1961

Missouri Gamma

Anna Brown Freeman, 1953

Jean Haseltine Knabb, 1941

Montana Alpha

Molly Arnold Pratt, 1942

Nebraska Beta

Julie Hathaway Eyth, 1957

Carolyn Spahn
Herbrechtsmeyer, 1955

Nevada Alpha

Mary Ancho Davis, 1945

New Mexico Alpha

Virginia Bussey Des Jardin,
1957

New York Gamma

Janet Langlois, 1968

North Carolina Alpha

Louise Hull Mott, 1945

North Carolina Beta

Barbara Garrison Polhamus,
1943

North Dakota Alpha

Dolores Friesz Fitzsimmons,
1944

Ohio Alpha

Alice Maccombs Hensch, 1940

Ohio Beta

Dorothy Tague Racher, 1943

Ohio Delta

Patricia Weaver Ernst, 1939

Mary Belt Means, 1942

Evelyn Keller Murray, 1940,
affiliated Ohio Beta

Shirley Shepherd Sargent, 1956

Marion Appleman Schwinn,
1951

Ohio Epsilon

Rachel Conn Hitchman, 1945

Oklahoma Alpha

Martha Watson Griffin, 1955

Elise Johnson McCartt, 1942

Ann Calbert Webster, 1954,
affiliated Missouri Alpha

Oklahoma Beta

Jean Walsh Ames, 1950

Barbara Holsapple Hancock,
1955

Jolayne Johnson Hinkel, 1946

Betty Wainscott Kirk, 1944

Mary Kay Delong Zapf, 1960

Oregon Alpha

Jackie Lewis Barrett, 1950

Carla Porterfield Moring, 1960

Oregon Beta

Ruth Abbey Boubel, 1951

Oregon Gamma

Sonya Essaadi, 2014

Ilene Randolph Hershner,
1951, affiliated Oregon Alpha

Carol Litchfield Rehfuss, 1953

Pennsylvania Beta

Jane Brooke Farnsworth, 1939

South Carolina Alpha

Linda Horton Culbreth, 1956

Rebecca Mertz Jones, 1943

South Carolina Beta

Carol Ratchford Asbill, 1982

South Dakota Alpha

Joy Clark Butz, 1941

Nell Pribble Gravdal-Whitesel,
1950

Ann Holleman Smith, 1958

Tennessee Alpha

Lillian Magill Barnett, 1934,
affiliated Michigan Beta

Marian Spearman Bengel,
1945

Alice Palmer Mitchell, 1943

Tennessee Gamma

Cecily Brown Lewis, 1996

Texas Beta

Cynthia Carroll Creswell, 1957

Betty Pittman Harper, 1950

Texas Delta

Joybell Die Schalk, 1964

Texas Gamma

Georgene Doyle Bilbo, 1954

Utah Alpha

Barbara Schenk Felt, 1942

Mitzi Swanson Holland, 1949

Helen M. Thomas, 1954

Vermont Beta

Helen Cook Nelson, 1931

Virginia Alpha

Mary Walker Meadows Foose,
1946

Virginia Epsilon

Margaret Helen Lowe, 2013

Washington Alpha

Patricia Dalzell Volchok, 1968

Washington Beta

Morgan Cope, 2015

Washington Gamma

Sandra Adler Giste, 1959

West Virginia Gamma

Cynthia Taylor Foley, 1968

Wisconsin Beta

Jane Peregrine Engelhard, 1951

Wyoming Alpha

Betty Jones Stine, 1945

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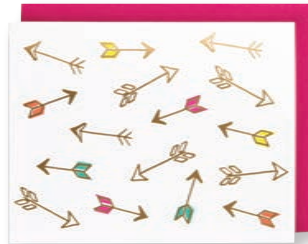
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Pi Beta Phi is Growing!

We are fortunate that our member base continues to grow and thrive. To meet the ever-evolving needs of our members, the number of Headquarters (HQ) support staff has also increased over time. Remaining a premier organization for women for another 150 years is a high priority, so with that in mind Grand Council approved a proposal to add more than 4,000 square feet of space onto our HQ building. Additional offices, meeting spaces and a larger shipping/receiving area will be part of this addition. Construction on the new space began in October 2015 and is expected to continue through summer 2016. The Fraternity, Foundation and Fraternity Housing Corporation will continue to serve our members throughout this process, and then be even better positioned to support future generations of Pi Beta Phis. HQ staff can't wait to show visitors our new and improved space next year, and especially during Convention 2017!



The Headquarters Building Committee breaks ground on the Headquarters building expansion project. From left, Assistant Executive Director KATEY NEWELL HOBBS, Missouri Alpha; Illinois Zeta MARY MITCH MULLENDRE; past Executive Director RENEE ROSS MERCER, Iowa Zeta; Grand President PAULA PACE SHEPHERD, Texas Epsilon; Executive Director JULI HOLMES WILLEMANN, Iowa Beta; and Grand Vice President Membership RAE WOHLHUETER MAIER, Kentucky Beta.

New Volunteer Position Supports Chapter Recruitment

A new volunteer position, Recruitment Coach, has been created to better support collegiate chapters' recruitment efforts. In October, 12 Fraternity volunteers traveled to Headquarters where they learned how this role will partner with a chapter's membership team over the course of the 2016–2017 school year. Coaches will implement a Recruitment Plan, a list of specific goals and recruitment-related tasks tailored to fit each chapter's needs. A Recruitment Plan is designed to help the Vice President of Membership build a stronger, more unified chapter, ultimately providing a premier recruitment experience to Potential New Members on her campus.

Join Pi Phi Pages for 2016

Join readers from all over with the Pi Phi Pages virtual book club.

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For 2016, we will be reading a combination of Pi Phi authors and Pi Phi volunteer recommendations. You can find the complete reading list and sign up at www.piphipages.org. In addition, this year we will be having exclusive conversations with some of our authors!

Pi Beta Phi Foundation Scholarship and Fellowship Applications Open

Attention collegians and alumnae! Pi Beta Phi Foundation Undergraduate Scholarship, Graduate Fellowship and Alumnae Continuing Education Scholarship applications for the 2016–2017 academic year are now available. For more information or to apply, visit www.pibetaphifoundation.org. Applications are due February 15, 2016.

The Arrow Reader's Guide

The Arrow of Pi Beta Phi is the official quarterly publication of Pi Beta Phi Fraternity. The purpose of *The Arrow* is to present matters of value to Pi Beta Phi; furnish a means of communication among collegiate chapters, alumnae organizations and officers; and represent the worthiest interest of Fraternity women.

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HOW TO RECEIVE THE ARROW

Collegians receive quarterly issues of *The Arrow* each year with payment of collegiate dues through their chapter. Individual copies are mailed to each undergraduate member's permanent address, and each Pi Beta Phi chapter receives six copies.

The Fall *Arrow* is mailed to all alumnae. Dues-paying alumnae are mailed the winter, spring and summer issues. *The Arrow* is posted online, and non-dues paying alumnae who have a good email address listed with Headquarters (HQ) receive an email notification. Messages are also posted on the Fraternity's official social media accounts when the magazine is available online.

To receive four hard copy issues of *The Arrow*, pay your \$35 annual Fraternity alumna dues to your local alumnae organization or directly to HQ by mailing a check to Pi Beta Phi Fraternity, Alumna Dues, 1154 Town & Country Commons Drive, Town & Country, Missouri 63017. You can also pay your dues online at www.pibetaphi.org/dues.

HOW TO MAKE AN ADDRESS CHANGE OR NAME UPDATE

Visit the profile section of the website or email your name and/or address changes to headquarters@pibetaphi.org. You may also call Pi Beta Phi HQ at (636) 256-0680 or mail a written notice to Pi Beta Phi HQ.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Email your letter to the Editor at editor@pibetaphi.org. Please include your full name and chapter of initiation. *The Arrow* reserves the right to publish any letter received. Letters may be edited for space and clarity.

HOW TO GET PUBLISHED

All Pi Phis are encouraged to submit news and stories to *The Arrow*. All photos and written submissions become the property of Pi Beta Phi and are subject to editing for content, grammar and space constraints, and may be used for other educational or marketing purposes by the Fraternity. When submitting a story, be sure to include a member's preferred chapter, first, maiden and last names. As a general rule, *The Arrow* does not print stories about weddings, engagements, pinnings or birth announcements. Visit www.pibetaphi.org/arrow for more information and to download Pi Beta Phi's Photography Guidelines. We cannot guarantee the publication of any submission. We receive so many and space is limited.

ARROW SUBMISSION DEADLINES

Summer Issue: May 1 Winter Issue: November 1
Fall Issue: August 1 Spring Issue: February 1

FDS500 Grants Grow in Popularity

On the first day of Read > Lead > Achieve month last September, the 100 book grants for FDS500 were claimed in under two hours. In previous years, the grants took days and weeks to be claimed. The popularity of this program continues to grow. If your club or chapter is interested in one of these grants for your 2017 Fraternity Day of Service celebration, watch www.pibetaphi.org/fraternitydayofservice for more information. You can download a presentation that explains how this program works, or email Literacy Initiatives Coordinator BREE MELTON, Virginia Theta, with questions at literacy@pibetaphi.org.

Read > Lead > Achieve Featured in National Literacy Advocacy Campaign

Pi Beta Phi's work in literacy is getting noticed! Pi Phi was invited to be featured in the most recent edition of a national advocacy campaign called "Literacy in America." The campaign was distributed digitally, at national educational and library annual conferences and in print as an insert in USA Today. Executive Director JULI HOLMES WILLEMANN, Iowa Beta, served on a panel of experts to answer questions about the importance of organizations taking a stance on the silent epidemic of illiteracy and what each of us can do to impact literacy in America. Other notable partners include Reading is Fundamental, author Lois Lowry and publishing companies, including McGraw Hill. You can view our campaign at www.educationandcareernews.com/learning-tools/panel-of-experts-how-we-heighten-literacy-at-home.





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