

The Anchorline

Covering the Spring Semester of 2009

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A Letter From the President

Dear parents, friends, and alumnae,

I would like to introduce myself as the new president of the Delta Gamma chapter at the University of Texas. I am so excited and honored to follow in Grace Glenewinkel's legacy, and hope to continue the level of excellence she achieved.

This semester has already been off to a great start! We held our fifth annual jean sale where we raised over \$1,700 for our lectureship series. We also hosted a Valentine's Day party for the students of Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired, and had our very own Valentine's Day date dash with Alpha Chi Omega. Additionally, we hosted an Academy Awards party at the house, complete with red carpet. We just returned from our sisterhood retreat at Six Flags Fiesta Texas, where we mixed goal planning and a day of fun!

We still have so many great activities planned for the rest of the spring semester! Our annual Anchorslam basketball tournament is coming up in April. This event is co-hosted with the Texas Wranglers and raises money for the Delta Gamma Foundation. Founders Day is also on its way, and what better way to honor Eva, Mary, and Anna, then to have a presentation by the Guide Dogs of Texas. As you can see, Beta Eta is busy planning for an eventful and wonderful semester ahead!

Sincerely,
Bridget Barrow

We're not sisters by birth, but we knew from the start; we were put together to be sisters by heart."

~Anonymous





Chapter Retreat

~Sisterhood at Six Flags~

Meredith Madden, vp programming, did an outstanding job planning and coordinating our spring chapter retreat! It took place this past Saturday at Six Flags Fiesta Texas in San

Antonio. The day began with goal planning, team building, and a fashion show of what to wear (and what not to) during formal recruitment. It ended with rollercoaster rides and hugs from Bugs



Bunny. Retreat was a great day to enjoy some fresh air and bond with our sisters!

Lectureship '09 – Off to a Great Start!



This year's designer jeans fundraiser was a HUGE success! Headed by D'Lexis Kernan and publicized by Stacia Damron, the sale raised over \$1,700 for our lectureship series. On January 29th, the house was opened for the sale with pink tents in the Mauve Room and another room entirely devoted to jeans. Both rooms house were filled with college students, alumnae, and high school students searching for that perfect (and low priced) pair of jeans. The successful ladies and gentlemen walked away with a smile and great appreciation for the ladies of Delta Gamma. What a great beginning for Lectureship 2009!



TSBVI Valentine's Day Party

Congratulations Delta Gamma!

This year we sold more Panhellenic Valentine's Day cards than ANY other sorority at UT, beating the sorority in second place by double.

Way to go for supporting a good cause while showing your sisters and friends that you were thinking of them!



“Do Good”

Our first event with the Texas School for the Blind and Visually Impaired (TSBVI) took place Valentine's week with the Texas Wranglers. Eager TSBVI students filed off the bus where card decorating, musical chairs, and cookie decorating awaited. The beautiful DG dining room was decorated with streamers, hearts, and filled with delicious candies – ready for our visitors. For the evening, each DG volunteering was paired with a Texas Wrangler and a TSBVI student. Together, they enjoyed preparing for Valentine's weekend, discussing their week, and getting to know each other.

In other TSBVI news, on March 2nd, Beta Eta provided funding to take the staff and students of TSBVI to the Texas men's NCAA UT-Baylor basketball game. Each DG volunteering paired with a student to guide them to their seats, give details about the game, and make sure they had a blast. It was a privilege to work with these students, and a great time was had by all. Hook 'em!

Alumnae Events



Delta Gamma enjoyed to another Founders Day on Saturday, March 7th. This year it took place in the Garden Room of the Delta Gamma house from 10am-12pm.

Wondering what happened? Look no further. Sarah Olsen, director of alumnae relations, worked hard to plan another one of her wonderful events, complete with a lovely brunch and presentation by the Guide Dogs of Texas.

Farewell Graduating Delta Gammas!

Elisa Alvarado

Margi Barsalou

Ginny Blecher

Julie Boarman

Liv Calvert

Kendra Cox

Hannah Culver

Michelle Cummins

Amy Darling

Rebecca Donovan

Amani Dorn

Anne Marie Evans

Jenn Fein

Stephanie German

Grace Glenewinkel

Caroline Hahn

Megan Hamilton

Lauren Hartman

Casey Howell

Chelsea Kitchens

Tori Klem

Kellye Kuh

Amy McDonnold

Sarah McMahan

Kelsey Mills

Blair Morrison

Amanda Neugebauer

Laura Nommensen

Kelly Sanderson

Casey Slater

Mehgan Teherani

Marissa Telford

Stephanie Van Hoek

Tracey Whitley

Jennifer Zettler



Sisterhood

DG's Date Dash with Alpha Chi Omega took place last month at the Blind Pig Pub downtown. Curtis Grimes played as everyone two-stepped the night away. Way to go Kristin Wall, director of social events, for planning such a great event!

As a follow up to planning the Freshmen/Sophomore Arroyo's dinner, Blakeley Guerriere planned a successful Big-Little Dinner Night at Pluckers. The amount raised for next year's new member baskets will be announced soon.



This February, DG and ADPi enjoyed the Kelly James Concert together. This sisterhood event took place at the ADPi house. Laughter was heard from everyone as this singer/comedian tickled the crowd with his jokes and humorous songs.

Academy Awards Party

Delta Gammas watched the Academy Awards in style this year, complete with a red carpet at our Academy Awards Party. Together we enjoyed time with sisters and trying to guess who would win each award.

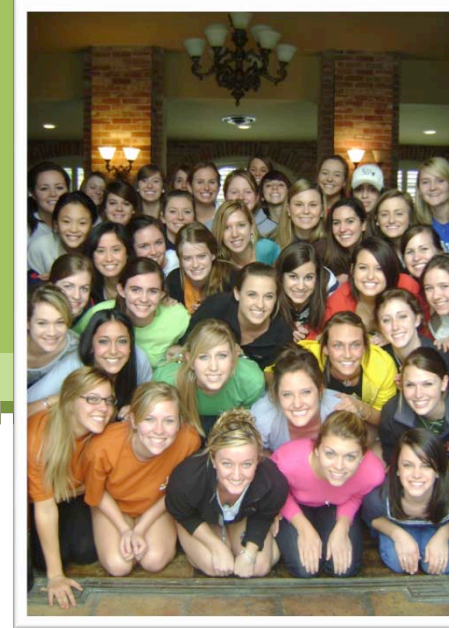


Recruitment

The Recruitment Team consisting of Courtney Kuhne, vp membership; Kinsey Baker, director of recruitment; and Kristi Hobbs, director of recruitment records has been working hard to prepare the chapter for Formal Recruitment in the fall. The New Initiates attended an exciting Recruitment Workshop in January where they learned the basics of the Recruitment process. They began practicing the Delta Gamma door chant as well!

Courtney had the opportunity to attend the Delta Gamma Membership Academy in Columbus, Ohio this past weekend. VP Memberships and their advisors from across the nation were in attendance, and it was an inspirational and educational convention focusing on Recruitment.

Recruitment is such an important process, and the Recruitment Team is confident that Beta Eta's Recruitment will be extremely successful and enjoyable.



National Awards:

- *H.K. Stuart Spirit of Service Award*
Awarded to the best philanthropy in the nation. Beta Eta was able to directly donate \$1,000 dollars to TSBVI, which they used to purchase goal ball equipment.

Regional Awards:

- *Overall Award of Excellence*
- *Outstanding Scholarship*
- *Outstanding Philanthropy Fundraising Award*
- *#6 National Ranking for Amount of Completed Service Hours in 2007*
- *Recognition for Participation in Golden Anchor Program*

Local Awards:

- *UT Utmost Sorority*
Elected by student body

Ladies Nominated for Order of Omega this Spring - Good Luck!

Eva Agoulnik, Belinda Bennett, Ginny Blecher, Emily Chandler, Grace Glenewinkel, Shayna Goldblatt, Megan Hamilton, Sarah Hobson, Erin Holt, Kellye Kuh, Marci Luedtke, Ashlea Poirot, Kelley Rytlewski, Anja Sorensen, Cathy Sze, Brandy Turner, and Teague Shosh

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