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Introducing our 2018 Scholarship Award Recipients

- ★ **Catherine Claire Buchaniec**, Maine West High School will be attending Northwestern University or University of Pennsylvania
- ★ **Sri Contractor**, Barrington High School, will be attending Loyola University
- ★ **Kylie Dykgraaf**, Lake Zurich High School, will be attending University of Wisconsin - Stevens Point
- ★ **Mallory King**, Rolling Meadows High School, will be attending Indiana University
- ★ **Megan Ann Tepe**, Huntley High School, will be attending The Ohio State University
- ★ **Anne Elizabeth Walsh**, Prospect High School, will be attending University of Wisconsin - Madison

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Sorority Recruitment Information Event

For Graduating High School Women and Parents to gain an understanding of the sorority recruitment process.

May 29, 2018 at 7pm

Barrington Area Library - Zimmerman Room 505 N Northwest Hwy.
Barrington, IL

For more information please visit <http://cnwsap.org/recruitment.html>

Stylin' for Scholars Fall Luncheon

Please join us for our Fall Fundraiser featuring fashions from J.Jill women's clothing and designs local high school women.

**Sunday, November 4, 2018
at 11:30am**

Makray Memorial Golf Club, Barrington, IL

President's Update

CNWSAP has had another great year! We continue to find new ways to serve our communities and further the mission of National Panhellenic Alumnae groups to promote the fraternity system and stimulate interest in Panhellenic affairs. This year we have added a new scholarship to our budget - in addition to our High School and Collegiate Dues Scholarship we are offering the UIFI Scholarship. This is a scholarship for a current undergraduate Panhellenic woman to attend the Undergraduate Interfraternity Institute which is the premier leadership development program for fraternities/sororities. It is a five-day institute that brings together sorority women and fraternity men from across North America to create opportunities to enhance their leadership skills and commitment to their fraternal organization. We have partnered with Northern Illinois University to be able to honor one of their Panhellenic women and hopefully have her be able to bring back amazing knowledge and tools to their Panhellenic community.

Another amazing new idea that was implemented this year was an addition to our "Stylin' for Scholars" Fundraising Fashion Show. We were fortunate to be able to feature fashions from Flutter Fab Boutique in Barrington and Arlington Heights, as well as designs from local high school women. We are looking forward to expanding this idea and being able to engage even more young women in our communities that can benefit from our group through scholarships, and many of our other events and services.

I want to thank all members who have donated to Northwest Compass each month, attended one of our events, volunteered at Feed My Starving Children, or enjoyed a meal at Lou Malnati's with sisters during Badge Day. Your attendance and support has made these events a huge success. And I know the community organizations such as Northwest Compass appreciate each effort that is made to contribute to their organizations and our communities here in the Chicago Northwest Suburbs.

We are still looking forward to our final events of the year - we will have our Annual Salad Supper May 22nd, which is also our final council meeting of the year for delegates and alumnae group Presidents. And our Recruitment Committee is busy planning the final details of our Sorority Recruitment Information Session that is set for May 29th. While tonight is not our final event of this year it is a great opportunity to celebrate our hard work and accomplishments.

It has been my pleasure to serve as President of this Panhellenic. Thank you.
-Mary Kate Lobough, CNWSAP President 2017-2018

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ALPHA OMICRON PI

Our alumnae chapter meets every month from September to May. Our programs include convention updates, collegiate chapter updates, packing treat bags for the collegians, a flower arranging night at Deptula florist in Schaumburg, a holiday party, installation of new officers, as well as our annual May potluck. We raise money for Arthritis Foundation Education and Research by having a Fall nut sale, a March AOPi auction, and participating in the Jingle Bell Run in December plus the May Walk for the Cure in Libertyville.

We also supported local philanthropic projects. We donated, and helped children shop for school supplies at the Palatine Township Apple Tree Campaign. We walked to raise money for the Alternating Hemiplegia Foundation, packed boxes at the Panhellenic Night at Feed My Starving Children. We also collected pop-tops for Ronald McDonald House. In total, last year we donated over \$5000.00 to international and local philanthropic organizations.

Our group enjoys socializing so we also have planned dinners at different restaurants. We joined 230 sisters in attending our Founders' Day Celebrations at DePaul University in February, and now we are looking forward to Leadership Conference in June in, Nashville TN.



ALPHA SIGMA ALPHA



The Chicago North Suburban Alumnae Chapter, enjoyed fellowship, food and philanthropy through out the past year.

This past October, the chapter once again achieved the Crown Recognition Award level among Alpha Sigma Alpha Alumnae Chapters.

Playing no small part in earning this award is our support for the Chicago Northwest Suburban Alumnae Panhellenic. We are especially proud of our contributions to fundraising for scholarships for young women.

Each October, Alpha Sigma Alpha sets aside one week for Donating Our Time, or DOT Days. Each collegiate chapter and alumnae chapter volunteers their time for others. For the 2017 DOT Days, members of the

Chicago North alumnae chapter donated \$50 to the Lone Palm Foundation for hurricane relief for victims of Hurricane Irma.

A popular occasion is our Cookie Exchange annual meeting before the holidays. After eating the many treats provided by our hostess, we play a fun game of Left, Right, Center to raise money for the ASA Foundation, which provides educational services and scholarships to collegians and alumnae alike. The photo is from that event.

For the March 5 Badge Day Panhellenic Fundraiser at Lou Malnati's, we enjoyed a date night – and pizza! Later that same month, members enjoyed a brunch and book discussion at a local restaurant.

ASA Alumnae from around the Chicago area gathered on April 14 for an Alumnae Tea at Gerri's Tea Room in Long Grove. This annual event involves ASA alumnae chapters from around the region – from Milwaukee to the city of Chicago and surrounding suburbs. The location this year is a trip down memory lane as one of the first "teas" was at Long Grove when two chapters just happened to be enjoying an outing in Long Grove on the same day.

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ALPHA GAMMA DELTA

To start the year, the club had its many contributions acknowledged when it received the Fraternity's Highest Alumnae Recognition Award – Living with Purpose. Throughout the year, the members supported the sorority's Philanthropy focus, Fighting Hunger, by sponsoring 2 Thanksgiving baskets for local families, donating non-perishable goods to Journey's food pantry, and packing meal bags for Feed My Starving Children. The club also contributed to many local community efforts including managing the registration tent for the JDRF One Walk, sponsoring several children from the Palatine Angel Tree at Christmas time and donating gifts to Lutheran General's Children Hospital.



Fundraising efforts included our annual Poinsettia sale and we will hold our second Trivia Night later this month. Finally, members participated in a variety of social activities including a Holiday Luncheon, Girls Night Out Pizza Party, Wine Tasting Gathering, Jewelry Presentation and Murder Mystery Evening. The club remains strong and active with continued participation of its long term members and the addition of several new members this year.



ALPHA PHI



The Chicago Northwest Suburban Alpha Phi Alumnae Chapter seeks to uphold the objectives our founders set in 1872, the promotion of growth of character; unity of feeling, sisterly affection, and social communion among our members. Our group meets every other month on the first Wednesday and still enjoys including book discussions at most meetings. This Fall began with our 145th Founders' Day celebration and ceremony at a members home. A few members enjoyed a fun afternoon at the Fall Panhellenic Luncheon and Fashion show trying to win jewelry, baskets and Cubs tickets. In December, we continued our holiday tradition of adopting a local family. Our generous members sign up to shop for toys or buy gift cards for our family and then meet to wrap the gifts and celebrate the holidays. This winter we were able to participate in the Panhellenic service event at Feed My Starving Children. A great time was had getting to know other sorority women while packing meals. In February, one of our members served as a

volunteer at our Collegiate Leadership Conference held in Chicago and enjoyed meeting collegians from Alpha Phi's Northern Quadrant. Our group also held a Mardi Gras themed celebration in February and honored two members 25 year Alpha Phi anniversaries. We are looking forward to sharing time together this Spring at the Scholarship Banquet and planning the Recruitment 101 seminar scheduled for May 29, 2018.



PI BETAPHI

The Arlington Heights Alumnae Club of Pi Beta Phi was honored last Summer at Convention as the Premier Alumna Club (#1 in the Nation) and received the Overall Excellence in Community Service Award! We also received Excellence in Communication. Prior to Convention we were also recognized as the Region 3 Winner for Excellence in Community Service and Excellence in Membership and Corrie Lukkes was the Region 3 Young Alumna Winner! It was a banner year for AHAC of Pi Beta Phi.





ALPHA XI DELTA

This past year has been a year full of sisterhood for Alpha Xi Delta. We started out with a large gathering at our National Convention in Chicago this past July and the year culminated in April when we gathered with our Alpha Xi Delta sisters from around the Chicago area at our Founders Day luncheon to celebrate our 125th year.

With celebration on our agenda, all of our meetings were themed as parties. We held a Back to School party, Halloween party, Holiday party, Pizza party, 125th Birthday party and more. Our sisters have supported Autism Speaks as well as other causes that are important to us through different events such as participating in Panhellenic events and Kappa Delta's trivia fundraiser.

You only turn 125 once and we're celebrating all year long! We are also celebrating an alumnae association milestone of 10th years as a group.



GAMMA PHI BETA



The Chicago Northwest Suburban Alumnae Chapter of Gamma Phi Beta has enjoyed another wonderful year full of sisterhood and new memories!

Our year started in August with a Kick-Off Potluck where members brought tailgating inspired food and wore jerseys of their favorites sports team. It's not surprising to have many Big10 schools represented in our chapter! Our September meeting was a Bunco party with lots of Gamma Phi Beta inspired prizes. Our October meeting was a craft night where we made hair ribbons for Girls On The Run which is Gamma Phi Beta's philanthropy. Later this spring we will be working with a Girls On The Run chapter out of Des Plaines and helping with their practice 5K

before the big race in Grayslake in June. November was our annual Founders Day Carnation Bouquet assembly and delivery to the collegians at our Northwestern University chapter. We celebrated Founders Day with a brunch at the Naperville Country Club with alumnae from both the Chicago and Far West Suburban alumnae chapters. At this event two women from our chapter received the Loyalty Award recognizing significant service at the international level of Gamma Phi Beta. December was our annual Christmas Party and gift exchange.

January found us assembling care packages for Gamma Phi Beta collegians at area universities for our biggest fundraiser of the year. Money raised from this event is donated to both the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation and Girls On The Run. In February we spent a Saturday morning volunteering with our families at Phil's Friends in Roselle. In March we tried our hand at one of the area escape rooms. Although we didn't "escape" we had a great time attempting to complete the challenge! Our April event is attending the Scholarship Banquet and our year will end in May with the installation of officers at a "Serve It With A Spoon" fundraising potluck event.

In addition to our regular evening meetings, we added a number of daytime gatherings this year which included lunches at area restaurants, a morning hike, and an afternoon book discussion of [Young Jane Young](#). We also have women who provide House Corporation Board leadership as well as advisory support to our Gamma Phi Beta collegians at Northwestern University.

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KAPPA DELTA

The Chicago NW Suburban Alumnae Chapter of Kappa Delta has had another exciting year. For the second year in a row, one of our very own members received the Illinois/Wisconsin Alumna of the Year Award for her service to Kappa Delta and her community at our annual State Day celebration. We kicked off Summer 2017 by receiving two awards at our biennial convention – we received the Alumnae Chapter Excellence Award, as well as the Magazine Sales Award (average per capita). Per usual, we said hello to Fall with a



Margarita Monday, and we got mani's and pedi's together to celebrate Women's Friendship Month. We also spent an evening with a local Girl Scout troop talking to them about confidence - both building their own, as well as that of others. After the New Year, much of our time focused on preparations for our Trivia Night fundraiser that benefits Shelter, Inc. in Arlington Heights and Prevent Child Abuse America. Once again, it was a success! Everyone had a great time playing trivia, bidding on silent auction items, and playing the raffles. Of course, we did sneak in some time to watch a movie together before the Oscars, and go to a wine tasting. And coming up, we'll be going bowling, and we'll also play a little trivia of our own to serve as inspiration for next year!



KAPPA KAPPA GAMMA

The Women of the Northwest Alumnae Association of Kappa Kappa Gamma have celebrated, served and socialized throughout our 17/18 year. Our annual Founders Day festivities in October kickoff our year and always serve to remind us of the ideals our Fraternity was founded on and how we can carry them out today. We love connecting with local collegiate women through our 'Kare Bag' fundraiser which offers the women special finals study bags full of goodies to get them through their studies. Our holiday celebration this year featured a gift exchange of our favorite things – we enjoyed getting to know our sisters better and received such fun items! In February, we read a book by one of our Kappa sisters, Leah DeCesare titled *Forks, Knives and Spoons*. We were so lucky to Skype with Leah during our book discussion; she provided so much depth and insight into the story! During the remainder of the year, we'll remember more of our Fraternity history, focus on some healthy eating tips and end our year with a potluck dinner. Our service this year includes helping at Bernie's Book Bank (supporting our national philanthropic efforts focused on reading), Feed My Starving Children and creating blankets for Project Lucas with our fellow Monmouth College-founded sorority, Pi Beta Phi. We're also looking forward to attending our bi-annual convention in June in Denver.

