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EVERYTHING EXCITING AND NEW IN EPSILON IOTA



Sincerely Yours

On Saturday, November 5th, the chapter gathered in our suite to send letters to our family and friends as fundraising for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. We were joined by Whitney Fain, our St. Jude representative, who works with our Philanthropy Chairman--currently Mary Olson '12--to help spread awareness and raise funds for St. Jude. It is Tri Delta's national goal to raise \$15 million in 5 years, and our chapter's personal goal to raise \$25,000 this school year. With such steep goals, the sisters of Delta Delta Delta, Epsilon Iota chapter, are eager to hear back from their family and friends, as well as plan fun and exciting events for such a wonderful philanthropic cause!

*Any Alumni who are interested in writing letters can contact Jodi Apps (appsj@allegheny.edu) for more information.

✧ From the President ✧

Current Colligate Chapter President, Caroline DiPerna '12, was asked to deliver an update on Epsilon Iota at this year's Founder's Day held in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. The following is her statement. To read more about Founder's Day, see back.

THE PAST YEAR IN EPSILON IOTA...

This past year has been one of change and growth for Epsilon Iota. We graduated the last of our Founding Mothers in the spring, and were excited to continue to carry on the legacy they started at Allegheny College. Their support has been so helpful, and we look forward growing many more pansies as we expand our alumna base. Our past two recruitments have been very successful, as we initiated 14 new women in the spring and 7 women this past fall. These women have been great additions to our chapters, and it is wonderful to see so many founding mother families grow since many now have grand little's and great grand little's!

We've also been focusing on our sisterhood and the support system it supplies during the difficulties in our college years. We held our first all chapter retreat since our founding this past fall, which helped many of the older classes connect with the newer classes. In addition, the officer retreat helped to set new goals for the upcoming year and inspire after a summer away from our officer positions, which has proved successful with all the advances we've made so far this semester.

Our chapter has made many achievements this year. Most recently, we won Greek Week after participating in Greek Olympics, a Greek god and goddess competition and Greek sing in which our theme was "The Sweet Life of Delta Delta

Delta". The school Greek advisor, Kate Gulatta, has also proudly stated, "Tri Delta has helped to raise the bar in Greek life on this campus, and I thank you for that". As Collegiate Chapter President, I'm incredibly proud to lead an organization has made such a difference at Allegheny in just 3 ½ years. Our new academic advisor Michaeline Shuman was also honored to be asked to advise such a hard working and self sacrificing group of women, and has been very supportive of us and our events. She even got up at 5am to help us fry bacon for our pancake breakfast this semester! Now that's assisting us in every possible way at its finest! With the hard work of sisters and Michaeline on the bacon and pancakes, we were able to raise over \$4,800 dollars from our most recent pancake breakfast. Our goal is to raise \$25,000 dollars this year to help with the 15 in 5 campaign, a \$3000 increase from the \$22,000 dollars we raised last year. We hope to reach this goal through our pancake breakfast, Sincerely Yours Letter Writing, and other events like the Haunted House we created with the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity over Halloween weekend. In addition to holding successful philanthropy events, we also had an inspirational Fat Talk Free week in which we offered a Yoga class as a new event which was very popular with the student body!

"The glory of life is to give, not to get; to love, not to be loved; to serve, not to be served."

-Sarah Ida Shaw

Delta Week & Initiation

Epsilon Iota had yet another perfect group of pearls this fall. We kicked off Delta week with family portraits, which as usual all of the pictures turned out to be super cute and will provide memories that will last forever! We also had a Searchin' for Sisterhood event in which the entire chapter participated. Sisters went around campus taking pictures as a group, performing mini parts of Greek Sing and making up songs about Sarah Ida Shaw to the tune of Party Rock

Anthem! It truly was a fun time full of bonding! The event ended in the suite with ice cream sundaes! Other Delta Week activities included tie dyeing, chapter dinner at Chovy's and a Fireside. Initiation was held on Thursday, November 3rd and went extremely smoothly and was followed by a cookie and juice reception for the chapter! To make their initiation night even more memorable our new pines received wooden deltas that their bigs decorated for them!

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Stars and
Crescents Formal

DATES TO
COME

Run-Out day

Pancake Breakfast

Spring Initiation

Pansy Brunch

Pansy Progress

Life After Epsilon Iota

Alumni members of Allegheny's chapter of Delta Delta Delta are invited to contact the new chair of Collegiate Alumni Relations, Sarah Twing (twings@allegheny.edu) with stories to be included in this section.

WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENTS

This past summer, Jessie Badach became Mrs. Jessie Hubert.

ENGAGEMENTS

Adrienne Grand is soon to be Mrs. Adrienne Goebel

TRAVELS

Courtney Columbus will be traveling to the Dominican Republic in February to begin her service in the Peace Corps



FOUNDER'S DAY

This year Epsilon Iota was invited to celebrate Founder's Day in Pittsburgh with the chapters from Carnegie Mellon and University of Pittsburgh, along with local alumni chapters from the area. About 20 of our sisters ventured to the Holiday Inn

in downtown Pittsburgh on Sunday the 13th of November for the luncheon and reception to recognize 123 years of Tri Delta! It was a great opportunity to network and bond with sisters, young and old, from other chapters.

Each Collegiate Chapter President gave an update of her chapter's accomplishments in the past

year. Caroline represented Epsilon Iota and delivered news of how far we have come this year!

Founder's Day is a great time to reflect on the longevity and depth of Tri Delta, and I am sure every sister in attendance appreciated how special it is, how far we have come in the past 123 years. Here's to 123 more!

Slating for 2012

Every year, Epsilon Iota's current officers turn over their positions to another sister. On Tuesday, November 15th, each class met to discuss nominations for chapter positions in a process known as slating. It is intricate procedure to ensure that every girl has her say and that every position is filled by the right person. Our philosophy is: the position seeks the girl. The Nomination Committee then took the results from Tuesday, and completed a final slate on that Saturday, November, 19th. It passed in Chapter the proceeding Monday.

OUT-GOING AND IN-COMING OFFICERS & POSITIONS

POSITION	OUT-GOING	IN-COMING
President	Caroline DiPerna	Stephanie Northwood
VP of Administration	Brittany Wynn	Mary Bonacchi
VP of Finance	Ashley Baronner	Ashley Jones
Secretary	Claire Crowther	Taylor Alwine
Suite Manager	Courtney Hagan	Rachel Verno
Licensing Chairman	Sarah Steimer	Rachel Wilcox
VP of Membership	Kasey Buran	Maritza Hernandez
New Member Educator	Dana Preston	Lydia Jones
Member Development	Christa Serluco	Erika Murphy
Reference Chairman	Courtney Papinchak	Linnea Homa
Sponsor Chairman	Meredith Beamon	Sarah Steimer
VP of Chapter Development	Nicole Englert	Jessica Giles
Academic Chairman	Jessica Giles	Emily Farr
Continuing Education Chairman	Stephanie Northwood	Dana Preston
Music Chairman	Alaina Kennedy	Laurel Wilder
VP of Public Relations	Chelsea Shuss	Heather Nelson
Collegiate Alumni Relations	Jodi Apps	Sarah Twing
Philanthropy Chair	Mary Olson	Courtney Hagan
Social Chairman	Heather Daly	Kara Reffitt
Risk Management Chairman	Cassie Palmer	Christa Serluco
Activities Chairman	Jodi Apps	Grace Flowers
Chapter Correspondent	Mary Ellen Costello	Katie Moses
Panhel Delegate	Dee Carlgren	Lisa Rivera



LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

Thanks for opening the first issue of Epsilon Iota's very own newsletter, *The Pine Periodical!* I'm so pleased with the final product, but I can't take all the credit for myself. This project was borne out of collaboration and I would like to thank all those who contributed: Mary Olson, Caroline DiPerna, Nicki Englert, Brittany Wynn, Jodi Apps, Stephanie Northwood and Chelsea Shuss. This is proof that your sisters will always be there to help you out and I couldn't have put this together with out them! I hope that you have enjoyed reading it and I look forward to seeing the newsletter expand in the years to come!

Delta Love And Mine,

Heather