



Delta Zeta

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Baton Rouge Alumnae Newsletter

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Summer 2010

2010 - 2011 Calendar of Events

July 29, 2010

Recommendations Party

6:00 pm - DZ House

August 7th - 21st

Workshop, Recruitment, Bid Day

August 14th

Family/Alumnae Day

1:00 pm - 3:00 pm

October 24, 2010

Founders Day Tea

October 27th

Halloween Party - DZ House 5-8 pm
(bring your kids for trick-or-treat on sorority row and stay for pizza)

November 13th

LSU Homecoming - DZ House

November 28th

Sundaes with Santa

April 3rd

Miss LSU - USA

LSU Assembly Center

April 16th or 17th (TBD)

Alumnae Easter Egg Hunt

May 1st or 8th (TBD)

Senior Tea/Alumni Ceremony

* please check email and the website regularly for any schedule changes.

President's Report

Sara Landreneau Kleinpeter

The 2009 pledge class marked the **50th consecutive year** of Sigma reaching quota on LSU's Campus. To celebrate this achievement, Sigma chapter will be honored with a presentation during Family/Alumnae Day **Saturday, August 14, 2010** from 1:00 pm – 3:00 pm. Please make plans to attend! Without you and your support over the last 50 years we wouldn't have reached this milestone – the first of such on LSU's campus. Please bring your daughters and granddaughters to share in this event!

The active chapter recently contacted me to brainstorm on ways to get the numerous alumnae in the area more involved with the chapter. One of the ideas we had was to hold a Silent Auction of "vintage" Delta Zeta gear from your days as collegiate for the actives to bid on. All proceeds from this silent auction will be put towards Miss LSU. I hope you will participate! It is easy – all you do is arrange with me to donate an item or two by **September 12th**. The silent auction will take place September 19th – 20th at the house. I'll email the results to everyone once it's over.

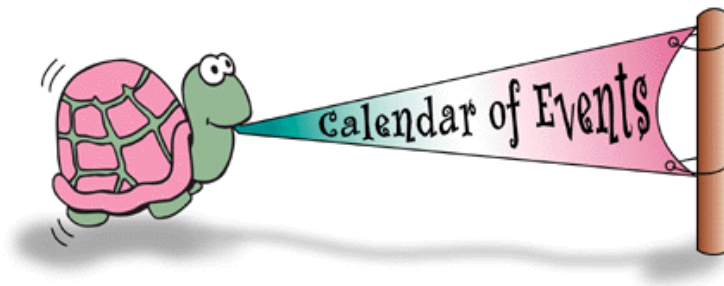
Another idea to have more alumnae involved with the chapter is to reach out to alumnae in various careers for the collegiate to network with throughout their studies. More on this to come!

Your involvement with the Baton Rouge Area Alumnae Chapter can be very simple! Just show up – most events are planned to coordinate with the active chapter. Our current Delta Zeta actives are amazing. I hope that you all will take the time to get to know them. I know they would love to know you.

I recently attended DZ National Convention and took away from it two things: Sigma is the BEST in the nation and our alumnae chapter could be the same with your involvement. I hope to see you soon!

1615 Marilyn Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70815





2010 RECRUITMENT SCHEDULE

Subject to change by Panhellenic

Round 1	Ice Water	Sunday, Aug. 15	2:30 pm -7:40 pm
Round 1	Ice Water	Monday, Aug. 16	1:30 pm -4:50pm
Round 2	Philanthropy	Tuesday, Aug. 17	3:00 pm -7:45p
Round 2	Philanthropy	Wednesday, Aug. 18	9:30 am -12:15pm
Round 3	Skit	Thursday, Aug. 19	10:30 am-6:45 pm
Round 4	Preference	Friday, Aug. 20	6:00 pm -10:00pm
Alums - wear dark pin attire dress			
Bid Day		Saturday, Aug. 21	4:30pm

Rush 2010!

**Recruitment Advisor,
Christen Heaton**

Recruitment is right around the corner and Delta Zeta is seeking volunteers! Now is the time to send in all recommendations. **Catherine Pletsch Hedges** (Sigma 1999) is serving as recommendations alumnae chair and is looking forward to your recommendations.

Our recruitment team is meeting weekly at the Delta Zeta house to get everything organized and ready for the return of the members and to enable us to obtain a strong new member class. The Invitations committee includes Chapter President **Callie Gray**; Vice Presidents of Membership **Chaylon Brignac** and **Shannon Line**; and **Jennifer Kimble** as recommendations chair. The other members include **Brittany Aaron**, **Jessica Reed**, **Camryn Phillips**, and representatives from the senior, junior and sophomore classes.

Rush workshop will be held August 7th through 13th. Family and Alumnae day will be held on August 14th.

The active chapter members love to see the alumnae so feel free to stop by anytime.

Please take note of the recruitment schedule above. We would appreciate volunteers that can help before, during, and/or after the parties. We also need donations to purchase snacks for the actives. Sara Kleinpeter will coordinate the alum schedule and donations. Please fill out the volunteer form and send it to her via mail or email! We look forward to your participation this year.

Feel free to contact any of us about being involved:

Sara L. Kleinpeter at 225-235-2332
Christen Heaton at 225-955-4328

If you'd prefer, call the DZ Chapter office. It is a great place to get in touch with the Recruitment Team (225-344-9096).

Thanks and have a great summer!

Chapter Update

By: Lauren Whitman, Collegiate Chapter Advisor

It's the time of year where I update you on the accomplishments of the Sigma Chapter over the past year. In August of 2009, Sigma had a very successful recruitment. We had a pledge class of 75 new members! This recruitment marked Sigma's 50th consecutive year of meeting or exceeding quota. Go Sigma!

In the fall, active Sigmas participated in Trick-or-Treat on Sorority Row where Sigma alum and local families bring their children to trick-or-treat at each of the sorority houses. Our fabulous members dressed up and passed out candy to the children. We hope you can come this October and join the fun and have pizza after!

Members also participated in the Awesome Autumn Carnival at Baton Rouge Cancer Services. We dressed up and played with the children who have family members suffering from terminal cancer. One Sunday a month, members played bingo with the elderly residents at Southside Nursing Home. Our chapter members are very involved in the LSU community as well as the Baton Rouge community.

For the fall 2009 semester, our chapter members had a grade point average above the all women's average with an average GPA of 3.15.

The beginning of spring semester, one of our very own, **Marla Hilburn Warner**, trained the Executive Board and Executive Council on the Art of Public Speaking.

At the end of February, the Executive Board traveled to Shreveport, LA for Region XI Weekend. Sigma was honored with a number of awards: Chapter Quota; Chapter Total; Excellence in Speech and Hearing; Outstanding Chapter Programming Award; Reporting Award; **Chapter Excellence Award for the Top Chapter in Our Region**; Senior and former Chapter President **Katie Cicardo** received Region XI Outstanding Senior Award; and Freshman **Allyson Smith** received the Rising Star Award.

In March, we hosted our annual philanthropy fundraiser, the Miss LSU-USA pageant, which is an official preliminary pageant to the Miss Louisiana USA and Miss USA Pageants. Sigma raised \$52,000 for our local and national philanthropies. In eleven years of hosting the pageant, our chapter has raised over \$252,000 for our philanthropies.

Our chapter members also participated in several other community service projects this semester, including: the Baton Rouge Speech and Hearing Mardi Gras Parade; Bubble Day at Baton Rouge Speech and Hearing; the Alzheimer's Walk/Run to Remember; the Easter Egg Hunt at Cancer Services of Baton Rouge; and the annual Greek Week Habitat for Humanity Build. Sigma placed 1st for the Most Participation throughout the week in the Greek Week Habitat for Humanity Build.

For the spring 2010 semester, our chapter members had a grade point average above the all women's average and jumping to a 3.25 Chapter GPA. We are now fourth out of ten on the row for grades.

This summer, the Executive Board, Sara Kleinpeter, and I traveled to Tucson, AZ for Delta Zeta's 2010 National Convention. The chapter has worked extremely hard during this biennium and received the following awards: Crest Award (one of the top chapters in country); Founder's Award for best overall Chapter Programming; Top Fundraising Award; Excellence in New Member Programming; and Honorable Mention for New Member Service Project, Care Packages for Soldiers.

Please get involved!! The girls love when our alumnae come around. If you are interested in getting involved in any way, email me at lwhitman12@aol.com. Thanks to all of you who have supported Sigma over the years!!

Congratulations to Sigma Chapter and for the Order of Omega awards from LSU!

Outstanding Chapter - (13 consecutive years!)
Outstanding Chapter President – Katie Cicardo
Outstanding Philanthropy Event - Miss LSU USA Pageant
Outstanding Community Service Project – Service Care Packages
Outstanding Community Servant – Jessica Greenfield
Greek Week Participation Award – 1st Place

The 2010 Delta Zeta National Convention was held June 29-July 3, 2010 in Tucson, Arizona. Sigma was represented by their nine executive board members and escorted by CCD, **Lauren Whitman** (Sigma, 1998) and Regional Collegiate Director **Whitney Abadie** (Kappa Alpha, 1995) and **Sara L Kleinpeter** (Sigma 1998). Sigma won **FIVE** awards during convention! For more information about each award received please visit <http://awards.deltazeta.org/>!

Caryatides Award

Outstanding Philanthropic Project/Event - Most Dollars Raised (for Miss LSU-USA)
HM – Outstanding New Member Philanthropic Project/Event – Most Dollars Raised

Crest Award

Founders Award

House Corporation Update

Sharon Pol, President

We have again undertaken a large summer project at the Delta Zeta house. It seems that every year there is something to do to upgrade our 45-year-old house – this summer is no different. The insurance on the house runs about \$18,000 per year and the company has encouraged us by offering a 40% discount to install a sprinkler system throughout the house. In order to take advantage, we began as soon as the house members left in May and are just about finished installing the sprinkler system. We were lucky in that we already had a dry sprinkler system in the attic, so it was easier and less expensive than if we were starting from scratch. It is a very attractive system because the pop-up heads are recessed in the ceiling and barely visible. The Sigma House Corporation is constantly trying to make the house as attractive as possible and safe at the same time.

Alice Nelson is continuing as Sigma's house mother for another year. We are very lucky to have Alice not only for her vast experience but because of her pride and dedication to her career and love of Greek life.

The furnishing fund has provided the funds this year to change out all 50 mattresses, install a remote-controlled audio/visual system in the chapter room, and add a new foyer rug.

We hope that everyone can come by and take a look at the house and all the upgrades, all Sigmas should be proud.



Have you paid your alumnae dues? Dues are only \$30 a year. Please make them payable to DZ BR Alumnae.

Mail checks to:
Sara Landreneau Kleinpeter
1615 Marilyn Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70815

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Thank you for your support!

REFERENCE DEADLINE July 25th

Mail Recommendation
Forms to:
Alumnae Rec Chairman
Delta Zeta House
P.O. Box 25117
Baton Rouge, LA 70894
* Rec Forms may be
found online at
www.brdzalums.org or
www.deltazeta.org

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Ritual Advisor

Julie Campagno Reynolds

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2010 Membership Form

*Please mail this form with your membership dues of \$30
(payable to DZ BR Alumnae) to:*

Sara Landreneau Kleinpeter
1615 Marilyn Drive
Baton Rouge, LA 70815

Last Name	First Name	Maiden or Middle Name
Undergraduate Chapter	Year Initiated	Husband's Name (if applicable)
Address	City	State & Zip Code
Email Address	Birthday	Wedding Anniversary (if applicable)
Cell Phone	Home Phone	Occupation

The search continues to develop a group of alumnae to serve on the Baton Rouge Delta Zeta Alumnae Chapter Leadership team. I am looking for the following positions to be filled - VP of Membership, Social Chairperson, Philanthropy Chairperson, Newsletter/Communications, and Sigma Chapter Liaison. Please let me know how you would like to help! The roles will not take up much of your time!

If you would like to assist the alumnae group or Sigma but unable to donate your time, please consider the following opportunities to help:

Recruitment Donation for Snacks _____
By a brick for the patio (\$50) _____
Donation to Miss LSU-USA _____
Miscellaneous Donation for Events _____

**Mail this form and dues to
Sara Kleinpeter, 1615 Marilyn Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70815**

Delta Zeta Baton Rouge Alumnae Activities July - August 2010

Recommendation Party	July 29 th	<p style="text-align: center;">_____ I will attend 6:00 pm - Sensation Salad with chicken to be served!</p>
Rush Workshop Snacks Needed	August 8 th - 14 th	<p>Alumnae to provide snacks like vegetable & fruit trays, cheese & crackers, chips & dips, pretzels, or brownies & cookies. _____ I will bring snacks on this day _____. _____ Call me and I will bring snacks when needed. _____ Donation for snacks included with form.</p>
Family/Alumnae Day	August 14 th	<p>Alumnae and their families are invited to attend and view the new skit to be presented during 2010 Recruitment! There will be a special presentation for 50 years of quota! 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm at the Sigma house. _____ I will attend. (please note number of guest bringing too)</p>
Rush Parties	August 15 th - 20 th	<p>Rush Parties (Alumnae needed at all times.) _____ Ice water (8/15) 2:30 pm - 7:40 pm _____ Ice water (8/16) 1:30 pm - 5:50 pm _____ Philanthropy (8/17) 3:00 pm - 7:45 pm _____ Philanthropy (8/18) 9:30 am - 12:15 pm _____ Skit (8/19) 10:30 am - 6:45 pm _____ Preference (8/20) 6:00 pm - 10:00 pm _____ I can bring snacks on this day _____. _____ Donation for snacks included with form.</p>
Bid Day	August 22 nd	<p style="text-align: center;">_____ I can help set up. _____ Donation for snacks included with form.</p>

** If you would like to help with Rush or Rush Workshop, but are short on time, please consider donating an additional \$5 or \$10 to your dues or a gift card to places like Wal-Mart or Target. This will help defray the costs of supplies and snacks for Workshop, Rush, and Bid Day.

You can mail them to Sara Kleinpeter @ 1615 Marilyn Drive, Baton Rouge, LA 70815.

Name: _____ Phone Number(s): _____

Email address: _____ Best way & time to reach you: _____

I would like to help with: _____ Sigma Advisory Board _____ House Corporation _____ Alumnae Chapter
 _____ Dues Enclosed (\$30) _____ Buy a brick for the Patio (\$50) _____ Miss LSU Donation

We would love to hear from you! Email me anytime: sara@brdzalums.org.

**Mail this form and donations and dues to
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Delta Zeta Recruitment Introduction Form

This form is designed to introduce young women to Delta Zeta Collegiate Chapters before they go through recruitment. A Legacy Introduction Form is not a guarantee of membership.

Legacy: Yes _____ No _____

Name _____ College or University _____

Home address _____

City

State

Zip

Campus address _____

City

State

Zip

High school attended _____ GPA _____

Year in College Fr. So. Jr. Sr. College GPA _____

Is this woman a transfer student? Yes ____ No ____

If yes, college previously attended _____

Please list any academic honors, community service and organizations, talents, hobbies, and interests: _____

Please attach additional sheets if necessary

Parents' names _____

Legacy Information

Delta Zeta relatives (circle all that apply): Mother/Stepmother Grandmother/Step Grandmother
Sister/Step Sister Have they discussed Delta Zeta with her? Yes ____ No ____

Name of Delta Zeta _____ Initiation chapter _____
relative First Maiden Married

Phone: _____ Address _____
Area code City State Zip

Other Greek affiliated relatives _____

Please check all that applies:

_____ I know this potential member personally.

_____ I know the potential member's family.

_____ I have discussed Delta Zeta with the potential member.

_____ This reference was voluntarily sent because I believe this potential member would make an exceptional Delta Zeta.

(Over)

_____ This reference was requested by an alumnae or collegiate chapter.

_____ I do not know this potential member personally. The information has been obtained from reliable sources.

_____ This reference was requested by the potential new member. I do not know this potential member personally; however, I am forwarding her submitted information to the chapter so that they have additional information regarding her interest.

Recommendation Information

Information submitted by _____

Alumna _____ Collegian _____ Alumnae Chapter _____

Address _____

City

State

Zip

Initiating chapter _____ College or University _____

Year of initiation _____ Phone _____

I recommend this woman? Yes _____ No _____ I have known her for _____ years.

Comments: _____

Signature _____ Date _____

- Please attach additional information you may have and wish to share regarding this potential member.
- Please send one copy to Delta Zeta National Headquarters, 202 East Church Street, Oxford, OH 45056 and one copy to the College Chapter Director (CCD).
- Addresses may be found on the Delta Zeta National website, www.deltazeta.org or by contacting Delta Zeta National Headquarters at (513) 523-7597 or dzs@dzshq.com.
- Please attach photo if possible.
- This form may be copied for additional use.

Chapter use only

Rec'd _____ Ack _____