

# The Kappa Rose

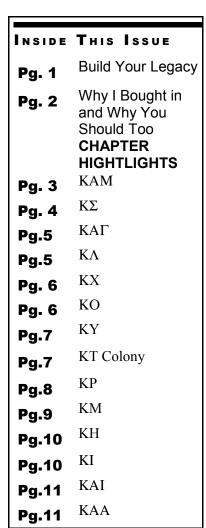
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#### **Build Your Legacy**









Dear Sisters,

One of the things that drew me to Greek Life (aside from forging eternal bonds of sisterhood) was the unique opportunity to leave a legacy at your campus long after you graduate. As some of you may know Kappa Alpha Iota chapter was founded from a local sorority at Shippensburg University. Founded in 1959 that local (Alpha Sigma) sorority was the first sorority on the campus. In 2009, the chapter celebrated 50 years at Shippensburg and held a luncheon to honor the occasion. We were lucky enough to have four of the original founding sisters from 1959 attend the event. It was an incredible experience for actives and alumni to meet the women responsible for our sisterhood. They told us that when they founded the sorority in 1959 they had no idea what it would grow into (now a part of a National Sorority) and that 50 years later we would still be active on campus.

Kappa Lambda recently celebrated a similar milestone over 40 years of Kappa! Kappa Iota celebrated 35 years! It's amazing to see how much the organization has grown in 40 years! As active sisters you carry on these amazing legacies and have the opportunity to continue to build and develop the organization. As alumnae, we come back and get to see the wonderful work that has continued long after we graduate.

In a little over two months we will be entering 2014. It's a great time to look back at all you have accomplished over the past year and to celebrate your accomplishments! The New Year also brings new opportunities to build your legacy. I encourage you to think about what you want to accomplish in 2014 both individually and within Kappa. Maybe you want to improve your GPA, improve your recruitment strategy (remember its quality over quantity) or improve

alumnae relations. Determine your goal, devise a game plan and execute it! Build your legacy!

There's a quote from Pam Brown, "When sisters stand shoulder to shoulder who stands a chance against us." Your sisters are always here to help you. I encourage you to reach out to your alumnae, your field rep or the board (we're always here to help) there's always someone willing to be a sounding board for you. Kindness. Devotion. Pride -M $\Theta\Sigma$ N $\Delta$ 

Warm wishes this Holiday season to you and yours.

Sisterly love and devotion,

Sara Hauser, National President



#### Why I Bought In and Why You Should Too

Liz Hartford

Being a member of the Association of Fraternity Advisors (AFA), I receive a number of publications and articles that pertain to the role of Fraternity/Sorority Advisor. Many times I scan them and move on, but every now and then an article will stick with me. In the November 2012 edition of AFA Essentials, Rick Barnes wrote an article titled "Why I bought in...and why you should too". It resonated with me as I felt like he was speaking my story. As a result, I would like to share that story with you and hope that might resonate with some of you during your journey as a sister of this sorority.

I am often asked why I continue to do all of this "sorority stuff" and "wasn't that just for college" and I always respond that to me, it's a lifetime commitment. I bought into that without really knowing exactly what it meant at the time. I know that sounds odd, but it's true, the promise of a lifetime connection with something bigger than myself drew me in and I've never looked back. As I reflect on the years gone by, I know that my decision to join Kappa Delta Phi National Affiliated Sorority has been the catalyst to just about everything that has happened in my life to date both professionally and personally.

My story, like so many of yours, is that I did not head to college with the goal of working in higher education, and certainly not to work with sororities. I had no intention of joining a sorority before I went to college. However, I did join, got involved, totally bought in to the lifestyle and made a professional commitment to help others have the same opportunities.

My first "Greek Life" job was joining the Board of Directors for Kappa the May after I graduated. I had no idea what I was getting into but before I knew it, I was walking into my first board meeting a possible new associate member and walking out the new Secretary and voting member. From there, it was a roundabout way that I got into higher education as I graduated with a B.S. in Business Administration and took a job with USATODAY. But the economy and my continued rise through the sorority board took me back into the University world where I pursued a Masters of Education in Higher Ed Administration and now work for Residential Life and Learning a division of Student Affairs.

When I look back it's clear that all of this started with a decision I made my sophomore year – the decision to rush and then accept an offer of membership from Kappa Delta Phi National Affiliated Sorority. Little did I know that what seemed like a simple decision at the time would result in so much. I can honestly say that it was the decision to join that has led to just about everything that has happened in my life.

I was initiated in April and elected Social Chair in May. It was an obvious first stepping place in learning how to hold a position in a varied chapter of women and connect with the other Greek organizations on campus to promote unity and community. But that was not to be the end of my journey.

My senior year I became Chapter President. That's right, a giant leap from mere Social Chair to Chapter President in just one year. Not only that, but I was about to become the oldest active sister in my chapter with just a year under my belt. My pledge class was either graduating or transferring and the older sisters were getting ready to graduate. Any president out there knows the skills that are necessary for this job. Coordinating the leadership of the chapter, running the weekly chapter meeting, serving as a spokesperson for the chapter to the school and the national organization, the various responsibilities like serving as a counselor, encourager, coach and motivator to the members. Looking back I probably learned more during those twelve months than in any class or other experience. Being President would serve as preparation for skills I would need later in life. That was my active experience. Two years as a sister and it served as the roadmap for just how my sorority career would look going forward. Easing my way in was just never in the cards.

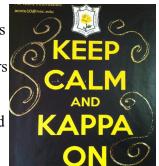
As I look back I could keep talking about my involvement in the Sorority since then: nine years on the Board (with a brief break for one semester), six years as a member of AFA and 2 years as a volunteer facilitator to the Tufts University Greek Life Leadership retreat. To be honest, I can look at four simple semesters in the chapter as an undergraduate and realize the skills I learned that I have used in that time. The Sorority was truly a living-learning experience for me and one I've pulled from in every "paying" job I've had since graduation.

I know we're supposed to have an appreciation for academics (it is what we went to college for), but no class taught me the skills I learned through my time with the chapter and eventually the Board of Directors. Granted, without the classes none of this would be possible, so please don't misunderstand the importance of them. However, I am one who can honestly say that my college sorority experience was definitely the co-curricular opportunity of a lifetime.



#### KAPPA ALPHA MU Chapter

Greetings from Kappa Alpha Mu chapter! We have been doing great things this semester and would like to take some time to let all of you know what we've been doing. This is our first semester without any of our lovely founding members. Trying to work without them is challenging but with the knowledge and training they have let the remanding members with, we hope to make them proud. We are currently in the Affiliate Education process, with one of our biggest classes since our founding class. With seven amazing ladies we hope to instill in them the love and devotion for Kappa that we as sisters have come to understand and cherish. We are still implementing Kappa hours, where each sister spends an hour with another sister per week. We have been doing this for some time now. The sisters of Kappa



Alpha Mu find that with Kappa hours we are learning more and more about each other and becoming closer as sisters.

With the new semester we as a chapter have decided to raise the bar on study hours and academic achievement. New to us this year we have added an academic adviser from the faculty to help us be the best students possible. Our academic advisor Kitty Webber has proven to be an amazing help to the sisters. She attends mouthy meetings as well as being available for sisters when we need her. It is our chapters hope that she will continue to be our academic advisor well into the future. We have also implemented a kappa Cell phone box. for meetings and A.E. We found that without the distraction of our cellular devices we are able to focus more on whats going on during important discussions. рното

For Philanthropy this semester we have already done a few important events. We have done NAMI walk which is a walk for mental illness. Some of the sisters did the 5K walk around Concord NH and others help with the entertainment and food. It has been our chapters ambition to become closer to the fraternity on campus. This year we have finally decided to work together on Relay For Life. We are going to be doing this sometime next semester. It is our hope that while collaborating in this great event that, we will build a relationship with Phi Mu Delta as well as work on events like this together in the future. We have also participated in a local event called "Music on Main Street". It is a great event that our town of Henniker try's to have every year. Where kids as well as adults can join in the fun. This year our chapter volunteered to work the face painting table. Kappa Alpha Mu had an amazing time making

the children of Henniker happy. This Halloween our chapter has also decided to participate in a

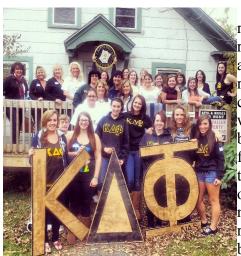
candy hand out event for children in Concord NH. We found out about this project though our



Vice President she has also told us about a Christmas wrapping event for the same organization we are excited to possibly be apart of. Kappa Alpha Mu would like to wish all the other chapters of Kappa Delta Phi NAS a great rest of the semester. We hope we make you proud.



#### **KAPPA SIGMA Chapter**



Hello from the sisters of Kappa Sigma! We hope that your summer was a nice relaxing break from all the school work. Our summer was a great one. We sure did relax and take it some rays but we still kept busy to help with recruitment planning and fundraising ideas. All of this paid off in the end. One of our sisters planned a 5k race for the American Cancer Society and it was a great success. The entire greek community and the school participated in this event. This boosted our morality and we continued to do many more events to help out our community. We participated in a bone marrow drive, helped out at the food pantry and the soup kitchen. We are finding new things each week to help out our community. Recruitment was a success this semester also. We held a spa night, tie-dye nights, classy girls wear pearls and other successful rushes. This all paid off with us having seven affiliates and we can not wait for them to become sisters. This semester we are also trying to build our relationships within our sorority and have more sister bonding activities to give us a break from our busy work and class schedule. With haunted hay rides, pumpkin carving, and apple picking we sure did get into the swing of fall. We are looking

forward to winter where we will have a sister secret Santa and participate in giving a Thanksgiving basket to a family in need. Also we will be participating in the Giving Tree for Christmas. Overall Kappa Sigma is very happy with their successful semester and is looking forward to what is to come.



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#### **KAPPA ALPHA GAMMA Chapter**

After a long summer spent on the beach and traveling the world the Sisters of

Kappa Alpha Gamma were really excited to be back in New Paltz! This semester we have tried to become even more involved with both the college campus and our lovely host town. With the help of our sisters who attended the NGLA conference we've taken the initiative in reaching out to different student groups through anniversary cards and making our presence known

while wearing letters to different campus events. This semester for philanthropy we've worked with different projects within the Hudson Valley. We visited the Children's Home of Poughkeepsie to play with the kids. They were so sweet and unbelievably adorable; we can't wait to go again! We also participated in Make a Difference Day, the Out of the Darkness Walk, Taste



of New Paltz, and the New Paltz Youth Program. We are also very proud to have one of our sisters, Brooke Teta, studying abroad in Thailand for Human Services. We can't wait to have her back so she can share her experience with us all. This semester we also have one affiliate going through the education process. She's an incredibly kind soul and we can't wait to welcome her to the sisterhood. She amazes us continually with her conscientiousness. We hope our Sisters at other chapters have had a successful Rush and a great semester! MTSND!

# **KAPPA LAMBDA Chapter**

With a new semester starting, the sisters of Kappa Lambda look back at our successful philanthropies from last spring, and step boldly into this semester with an abundance of pride and determination. Last semester ending with an amazing 5k run and a Mr. Husson Pageant gave our sisters high hopes for the good we could do in our community in these coming months. We are looking forward to this semester with incredible energy!

Within the first couple weeks, we had visited Hermon Elementary School to help with child care during their curriculum nights. This was an enjoyable time for everyone. We then took our enthusiasm and channeled it into working together, specifically with our Kappa Alpha Alpha sisters at the Out Of The Darkness Walk at the UMO campus, which raised money for AFSP that provides research and education programs to prevent suicide and save lives of countless individuals. It was an incredible bonding experience and one we would love to do again.

Recently, we also participated in the Ronald McDonalds Bowl-A-Thon benefiting the Ronald McDonalds House which was great fun all around. This, along with helping out the Girl Scout Troop 1340 has kept us very busy these last couple of months. We have high hopes for this semester, and can't wait to see how much more we can help our community. Our fundraising has started with just as much gusto as our philanthropy. We have had bottle drives already, and have begun a Yankee Candle fundraiser! This along with planning a Pie In the Face contest with some of our university facility we can really see this semester being a great one for fundraising.

We continue to build strong relationships with each other, and our Lambda brothers, along with our alumni, who were gracious enough to visit us for our Greek Games. We honorably won and had a great time with our Kappa Delta Phi N.A.S and Kappa Delta Phi alumni. Along with this, we have created a Traditions Committee, which will enhance the experience of being a Kappa Delta Phi N.A.S, Kappa Lambda sister. It's our goal is to honor past traditions, and build upon their successes by establishing new ones of value-based service, unity and recognition. We look forward to bringing back some old traditions and starting some new ones alongside them.

We are thirty nine strong and have given four bids this semester! Overall we have started this semester running and don't have any plans on slowing down.

May The Spirit Never Die

Kappa Lambda

#### **KAPPA CHI Chapter**

Hello fellow sisters. Kappa Chi has been busy so far this school year. We had a great turnout at our rush event in September and are proud to have six affiliates right now. Also in September all our sisters volunteered at the local NASCAR race up in Loudon, NH. There is plenty coming up too! For October we will be competing in Greek Week during the week of Columbus Day, and we hope to be victorious for the fourth semester in a row. Our annual Passionately Pink is coming up at the end of October to support breast cancer awareness month, we will be cosponsoring with wellness as we do every year to help get information out to students on campus. We started a fundraiser at the beginning of October selling Yankee Candles and it has been a hit, hopefully sales will continue to grow. On October 26th we will be working with an alumni and her church to set up a safe trick or treating event for kids before Halloween. There is plenty in store for the upcoming months for Kappa Chi.



# **KAPPA OMICRON Chapter**



Hello Sisters! Kappa Omicron hopes all of your summers were relaxing and well deserved from working so hard the past year. We sure found time to enjoy it while taking summer courses, internships, and keeping full time jobs. Our transition back to school for the fall 2013 semester went smoothly with sisters ready to work hard. We got right back into the swing of things by keeping tradition in donating and walking in our Sixth Annual Walk to End Alzheimer's for the Alzheimer's Association in Cheshire, MA. Sisters have been active in the community by volunteering with the North Adams Food Festival, donating blood for Red Cross, and walking in the Fall Foliage Parade. We will be helping MCLA host Boo Bash, the sixth annual Sam Gomez race, and the Fall Day of Service. This semester we are going to be continuing working with S.T.I.C.S (Student Teachers in Classroom Support), as well helping a new youth program H.A.L.F. (Health Athletics Lifetime and Fitness) get started, and helping Child Care with the Berkshires. Our

connections with Greek life on campus are growing stronger! We are going to be working on a joint fundraiser with the fraternity on campus. The Greek Community is also collaborating on new ways to grow connections for all organizations at our weekly IGC meetings. Alumnae connections are as strong as ever! We constantly keep in touch with recent graduates and older alums using our monthly newsletter and new Facebook group. The sisters of Kappa Omicron intend to keep up the pace with our involvement in campus clubs and organizations such as Dance Company, Education Club, and Inter Greek Council. We have many new fresh ideas for this semester and cannot wait to continue the year!

#### **KAPPA UPSILON Chapter**



Kappa Upsilon has started out the new semester with a bang! We have been participating in philanthropy on and off campus and have been working closely with the school for on campus events as well as rush. We have cosponsored a Back to School Dance for the second year in a row with two other large organizations on campus. A Greek Week was set up by the Greek Council where we all participated in events such as Greek carnival and a "Get Smashed" car smash to promote alcohol awareness. We had booths at club fair and family day and are in the works of planning more on campus events.

For rush we are planning sorority events with the other sororities on campus and have been reaching out to as many ladies of all ages, majors, and backgrounds as possible. There have been two informationals thus far and a scavenger hunt to bond with our new friends. Another fraternity on campus, Phi Kappa Sigma, participated in a question and answer session with Greeks for a personal look at our stories of being Greek and what it has done for us. We have been teaching potential affiliates about what we do as a sorority, about our school life, and about the philanthropies that we participate in. Some of those have been the Walk to End Alzheimer's, Light the Night for the Leukemia and Lymphoma Society, and the Walk for Breast Cancer. We are ongoing in collecting bottles and cans for the Womens and Infants Hospital and can tabs that we plan on donating

to a local cause for cancer.

We are planning to participate in a mentoring program for kids that attend Lowell High School, a clean up of a local park and basketball court, and a future basketball tournament for kids around the area. There is also a blanket making for the homeless coming up and making Christmas cards for youths in shelters. Currently we have a Yankee Candle Fundraiser going on and have two bake sales planned out. We took part in NASCAR this summer as well as in September to raise more money to plan out future events.

We are looking forward to a productive and fun-filled semester with events and a huge focus on being the best students, sisters, and individuals we can be!



#### **KAPPA TAU Colony**



With midterms just around the corner, Kappa Tau is proud to say that we have done some and have many more activities planned for our future. From sister bonding to fundraisers, there's never a dull moment.

Since the semester started, we have talked about future fundraisers and how we can improve to get more people to come. We've also discussed ways to get girls more interested in joining our sisterhood. Our first fundraiser was a car wash back in September. It was a warm, fall day and it was perfect to show off our Kappa Tau Pride.

We've also been holding many rushes to inform new girls about our sorority. From a study rush with a writing tutor to a movie night with delicious and crunchy popcorn, we've done what we could to get other lady's attention.

In the near future, we are running in Castleton's Color Run to support Cystic Fibrosis. We also have a tailgating fundraiser this coming weekend (October 19) for the homecoming football game. After these next few days, we plan on starting the education process with our affiliates and guide them towards sisterhood.

# **KAPPA RHO Chapter**

Hello Fellow Sisters! The sisters of Kappa Rho hope everyone is off to a great school year! We are very excited to be in the formal interview process of our pledging. As a chapter we tried to be creative and unique with the recruitment events we offered. Some of our recruitment events included; 'Which Kappa Is It Anyway?' an informational night to get to know the sisters of Kappa Rho, a Bonfire/Tie Dye Night, and 'Kappa Jeopardy'. We also handed out informational brochures and introduced ourselves to all the girls that live in the dorms on campus. We also held a Glow In The Dark Frisbee joint rush with our brothers. So far this semester we have participated in our communities annual Scarecrow Festival and Parade, where we collected food to donate to the local food pantry. We also participated in the Alzheimer Walk to promote Alzheimer Awareness as well as the Out Of Darkness walk with the American Foundation for Suicide Prevention.

We had a great amount of success with our Kappa Kitchen fundraising last year, and this year we continued on a bigger scale by working with our on campus dining services. We have offered nights such as 'Fair Night' and 'Healthy Food Night'. We also held a Breast Cancer Awareness Raffle and Sale and are working with other on campus groups in a Support Our Troops fundraiser. We have lots of plans for activities this semester, our next activity being a 'Deal or No Deal' game show, as well as our always popular Black Light Party.

We are very excited about the rest of this semester and we look forward to seeing all of the other Chapters at PT and Convention!

#### **Letter From the Editor**

Hello Sisters.

I would like to take a moment to thank you all for your contributions to this Kappa Rose Edition. It has been a great experience for me and it is always very interesting to see what you ladies have been up to on your campuses.

For those of you that don't know me, my name is Cynthia Toftness. I pledged Kappa Tau colony in the Spring of 2010. This is my first year as a member of associate board. I have found that it has been a great balance between staying involved in the sisterhood that I love and life after college. I hope to always to keep Kappa in my life and I look forward to seeing where Kappa takes you!  $M\Theta\Sigma N\Delta$ 

Kappa Love, Cynthia Toftness Editor



#### WORD SEARCH

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#### **KAPPA MU Chapter**



Kappa Mu celebrated 40 years of sisterhood. Above are the sisters that were in attendance. Pledges class from 1972-2012 were represented.

This last rush week we broke it up into two weeks. Our events included making T-shirts, Kappa Bingo and games night. We also co-sponsored a toga dance with the brothers of Kappa Delta Phi Mu chapter. We have done a homemade blanket raffle in the school colors for a fundraiser. We also are doing the Ruby Tuesday's Giveback Program. On September 14<sup>th</sup>, the Sisters of Kappa Mu Chapter celebrated their 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary. There were sisters there from almost every class going all the way back to our founding Sisters. During this event, we had a tribute to all sisters who have passed.

#### What does it mean to be a Kappa Sister?

Written by Jen Borden, Kappa Mu Spring 2004

A few weeks ago during Homecoming Weekend, you may have seen an abundance of Black and Gold Greek letters on campus. The Sisters of Kappa Mu Chapter of Kappa Delta Phi National Affiliated Sorority, founded on this campus November 8, 1972, were celebrating their 40th anniversary. I, as one of the five women who refounded the chapter in 2004, was pleasantly overwhelmed by the presence of so many incredible women who came before me and with whom I share the bonds of Sisterhood. It was most humbling that included in those present were not only a number of Sisters from each decade (70s, 80s, 90s, 2000s+), but two Sisters from the founding class of 1972. It was phenomenal to celebrate such a huge milestone in our chapter's history with two of the ladies that started it all.

So what is Kappa about? What does it mean to be a Sister of Kappa Delta Phi National Affiliated Sorority? Well, for starters, we're not anything like you see on Animal House or any other stereotypical movies. Kappa is a lifelong, philanthropic organization, focused on serving the community. Yes, we do have fun, and we do have a program that must be completed to become a Sister, but without the crazy pranks and hazing. We're about family: Sisterhood and bringing together a group of women who have diverse qualities and giving them a platform to work together to accomplish goals. We are also just one chapter of a national organization spreading all over the Northeast as well as into New York and Pennsylvania. When you become a Kappa Sister, you gain not only a family here at UMPI, but also an extended network of thousands of Sisters, as well as the thousands of Brothers of Kappa Delta Phi National Fraternity.

What it means to be Kappa may be best summed up in a quote from Sister Bess Gove who pledged in 1982: "After attending our sorority's 40th anniversary and Homecoming weekend at UMPI I realize that what I really gained when I went to UMPI and became a Kappa sister was another family! One in which I found love, acceptance, loyalty, compassion, great humor, lots of fun and the support that I needed at that age. A place and a family in which I could be who I was (at that age) and grow and change and get prepared for "the grown up world" after college. While at UMPI and actively involved with Kappa I learned leadership skills, perseverance, how to "be there" when needed, how to work for and achieve a goal, how to be "a team player" and how to relax and have fun! It was really a wonderful time."

So what does it mean to be a Kappa Sister? It means family, support, fun, and never-ending bonds with an amazing network of great women. It means Sisterhood at its finest.

# **KAPPA ETA Chapter**

Kappa Eta currently has one active sister, Allison Preston. Allison, with alumnae support and assistance, is currently teaching two great affiliates the meaning of Kappa Delta Phi NAS. This semester Kappa Eta is doing many philanthropies including: A fall harvest party for children, a Thanksgiving community dinner, making animal habitats for a rabbit rescue, and overwintering at the Down East Institute. This is a great semester for Kappa Eta, and we are looking forward to having two new sisters soon to help us in practicing the ideals of this sorority and teaching them to others.



# **KAPPA IOTA Chapter**

Hello there Kappa Ladies,

We hope that you are all having an as amazing and productive semester as we have had so far. Kappa Iota has nineteen Active Sisters and we currently have <u>SEVEN</u> lovely new Affiliates for this Fall 2013 semester. We are super excited to get to know them and teach them our history and traditions.

This past year, Kappa Iota experienced the losses of two very important and inspiring individuals; Ed Webber (Iota Alum) and Karin Taylor (KI Alum). Although they will be forever missed, their kindness, strength and Kappa Spirit will live on through all of us. It is because of their resilience and dedication that Kappa Iota has decided to honor Ed and Karin by officially adding presentations about each individual into our pledge program starting this Fall semester. **Rest in peace E.W. & K.T.** 

Kappa Iota is working really hard this semester and academic year to uphold the university, chapter and individual goals/standards we have set up. Kappa Iota has already accumulated over 100 philanthropy hours just from these first two months of the semester (Sept. & Oct.). We have participated in a variety of philanthropic endeavors: Friends of Willow Benefit Dinner, Unite Against ME Bullying Walk/Run, Walk for Recovery, NAMI (National Alliance on Mental Illness) Walk, & Blood Drives on campus. We are looking forward to the taking part in or volunteering at several other philanthropies this year, both new and traditional for our chapter: Making Strides Breast Cancer Walk, USM's Relay for Life 2014, animal shelter, soup kitchen, Ruth's Reusable Resources, Maine Narrow Gauge Railroad Polar

Express (as elves) and many more.

Kappa Iota recently hosted, for the first time in a long time, KI's Fall Alumni/Active Picnic at an alumni's home. Over 40+ actives and alumni came out for the picnic. During our event, we also had a food drive to collect non-perishables to donate to a local food pantry. The Active Chapter is working really hard to maintain relationships with our alumni by not only sending out are weekly email updates, but also sending out a copy of our meeting minutes each week (both via email and our alum Facebook group). Kappa Iota's goal is to host an event with our alumni approximately once every two months.

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Kappa Iota has already accrued the money owed towards Fall dues and is working now on building up our account to benefit both the chapter and philanthropies through fundraisers. We have already had several successful fundraisers like our Fall Fest Bake Sale. Although our fundraising chair plans our big fundraisers, sisters are pairing up each week to create a fundraiser of their own to help benefit the chapter. So far, this new idea has been working out great for us, as each week there is money being contributed. Currently, we are working on our Fear Factor Fundraiser where 4 members of each Greek Organization will compete. Kappa Iota is continuing to be a presence on campus through sisters being involved in other student groups and participating in many campus events. We wish you all the best this year!!

With Love, ~Kappa Iota

#### **KAPPA ALPHA IOTA Chapter**



The sisters of Kappa Alpha Iota have been working hard this semester! Kappa Alpha Iota has been up to a lot of philanthropy events already this year, we are working on big projects that are lasting all semester. Kappa Alpha Iota has also had lots of sisterhood events and is excited for our upcoming pumpkin painting sisterhood! We are reaching out to all of the organizations on campus. Kappa Alpha Iota is paining a pumpkin for each organization and giving them candy. Kappa Alpha iota has helped out at the YMCA for a triathlon, been celebrity scoopers at Rita's, and done fundraising events with other Fraternities on campus. We are canning and selling ribbons with different fraternities. Kappa Alpha Iota has also

worked with other organizations on campus to help them with their philanthropies including, projects for assisted living homes and people with disabilities. One of our sister's families has created a soccer camp for children with disabilities. We work as buddies every Saturday afternoon; this is one of our favorite philanthropies! This is a part of the VIP program. Kappa Alpha Iota is also in the process of creating a costume party on campus. Kappa Alpha Iota has been very involved this semester and our sisters are excited for even more events!

Kappa Alpha Iota is also proud to welcome 3 new affiliates to our chapter! Sarah Harris, Averi Hawthorne, and Dianna Morgan have already proved to be great new additions. We are also excited to welcome a legacy to our chapter! Dianna Morgan's sister Tori Morgan is from the spring 2011 class. We cannot wait to see how these girls do in our chapter! We have 17 active sisters and are happy to not be losing any sisters to graduation this semester! Kappa Alpha Iota is working on a lot this semester and has been very vigilante to better our chapter each and every week.

# **KAPPA ALPHA ALPHA Chapter**

Dear Sisters,

Kappa Alpha has made some changes thus far in our Fall 2013 semester! We have been welcomed into the Panhellenic council at the University of Maine. It is so amazing to see all of our hard work culminate into recognition at our University. This new relationship that we have formed on our campus will help to further our chapter, and ensure that Kappa Alpha is here to stay.

We welcome our new sisters, pledge class of Spring 2013; Em Krusec, Emily Shannon, Morgan Smith, Kate Lindsay, and Kasey Watson. These lovely ladies have brought new spirit to Kappa Alpha Alpha and make our chapter brighter by the day! Not only have we made strides on campus, we have also grown closer as a chapter and find every opportunity to strengthen bonds with our sisters via group events. The chapter recently attended Kappa Alpha Alpha's alumnae weekend where smiles were shared, and family lines were reconnected. Of course, we remain close with our brothers, helping them with Greek week, and doing philanthropic events with them. We are also in the process of a Zumbathon fundraiser; make sure to check Facebook

for updates on getting fit for a cause!

For philanthropy this semester we have continued to visit Manna Ministries weekly. We also have participated in community philanthropy; which includes Seeds of Peace, the Out of Darkness Walk, as well as attending the local school dances as chaperones. We hope to further our involvement this semester and welcome every chance where we can make the world a little bit better.

Much love to you all <3 MTSND

-Kappa Alpha Alpha

