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### President's Corner

Dear CAP Delegates &  
Chicago NPC Alumnae,

I do believe spring has finally arrived in Chicago! The days are getting longer, there are more and more people in the parks and on the lakefront, and people are wearing fewer layers. This is one of my favorite times of year—the air of new beginnings. Chicago Alumnae Panhellenic is going to see some changes and new beginnings as well over the next couple months. I invite you to join us and help us grow. The future of CAP is bright and we have all of the delegates to thank.

At April's Council meeting we will be announcing the slate for the new Executive Board. In May, we will have elections—so it is important that we have representation from all paid organizations. As one of the founding members of CAP, it is with mixed emotion that I am leaving Exec. I am sad that my term has come to an end, but I am so excited to see what the future

holds--- we have so many talented women with great ideas and this club is going to continue to improve. I look forward to participating as a delegate and I know the alumnae in Chicago will be represented well.

Also, CAP has some new and exciting ventures that you will read about in this newsletter. The CAP Scholarship Tea & Silent Auction and the High School Pre-Recruitment are all going to help the future of our organizations. As we get ready to introduce our local high school women about the benefits of Greek Life. Join us for the tea—it is open to all women, Greek or not, that we want to share the NPC experience. And if you are a teacher or know a high school teacher that is willing to help, we would love to get in contact with her. Small acts like placing a sorority or NPC mug on her desk will open the eyes of students as we strive to break stereotypes of "sorority girls" while sharing the "Sorority Experience."

I invite you to all get involved with CAP! Encourage your delegates to share the latest news and then encourage your alumnae clubs to participate. Together, we will be successful. Thank you for all of your support and I look forward to seeing you all at the Tea in May.

Interfraternally,

Beth Torres,

Chicago Alumnae Panhellenic  
President

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## CAP Scholarship Fundraiser

By Diane Rand

Please join us for the 1st Chicago Alumnae Panhellenic High Tea & Silent Auction on **May 23, 2004**, at the **Le Meridien Hotel** in downtown Chicago, 521 Rush Street. All Greek and non-Greek women are welcome to join us from 2 to 4 p.m. The cost of the Tea is \$30.

The Silent Auction is to benefit CAP's newest initiative, a scholarship given to sophomore and junior collegiate women who are active in their sorority and campus community. The scholarship opportunity will begin next year.

Each NPC sorority is donating a themed basket (i.e. Beauty/Spa, Books, Tea) to our silent auction. All proceeds from the silent auction will go to the newly established CAP Scholarship Fund.

When seeking donations for the silent auction baskets, it's important to note that donations are not tax deductible. The Chicago Alumnae Panhellenic is not a 501c3 tax-exempt organization; therefore, items can not be deducted as a charitable donation. If anyone has any questions when you're asking for donations, please tell them to speak with their tax professional to see if they can deduct it as something other than a charitable donation.

We hope you join us for this very special event. Please contact your alumnae chapter's Panhellenic Delegate for more information or visit our website at <http://www.geocities.com/chicagoalumnaepanhellenic>



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## Pre-recruitment: Teachers, Faculty members, Administrators

### Are You Out There? By Megan Bouché

If you are a faculty member at a Chicago-area school, we want you to show your Sorority Pride!

The Chicago Alumnae Panhellenic is sharing *The Sorority Experience* with targeted high schools through an informational campaign marketed toward the college or guidance counselors. We would also like to embark on a marketing effort directed toward high school students.

The best way to accomplish this goal is to identify local teachers who are members of an NPC sorority. These women see potential joiners every day in the classroom and school hallways. We would like to provide you simple ways to

incorporate the pride you have for your sorority experience into your daily routine.

You can show your enthusiasm for your membership by having a mug on your desk, a pencil cup, a notepad, a planter or pen. These may have your sorority's insignia or the NPC logo. Wear your pin on national badge day, your organization's founding date or your initiation date. These are effortless ways to show your students Greek pride, but also to remind yourself of the reason you joined a sorority. You are a member of a sorority because of the opportunities for leadership and social growth that prepared you for teaching career.

If you are interested in more ways to show your Greek pride in the classroom or would like to send this information to a friend, please email Megan Bouché at [mbouche@alphaphi.org](mailto:mbouche@alphaphi.org).



# THANK YOU...THANK YOU...THANK YOU

By Beth Torres

I wanted to send a big thank you to all of the women that have served CAP as an Executive Board member or a Chairwoman. As our term is winding down, I wanted to share how impressed and inspired I have been by each of you! This organization has grown each year and this year was absolutely amazing. We should all thank these women and for the clubs that have members that have served as Exec Members and Chairs, you should be very proud of how they represented your clubs. These women are amazingly inspirational and I am so proud to have worked with each of them. Thank them and thank them often!!!!

This list of accomplishments is brief and only touches the surface of what each of these members has given to CAP.

My Executive Board brought their A-game at each turn:

*Julie Dillon (VP)* was detail orientated as she restructured the responsibilities of Exec and Chairs, updated the bylaws—no small feat! Julie has been on board since the beginning and her enthusiasm and encouragement has been a source of personal strength. And Julie helped us find our current home.

*Nancy Dshida (Treasurer)* not only kept our finances in order, but served double duty as our Membership Chair. With Nancy's tenacity, we have managed to find contacts for almost all 26 organizations and almost everyone has paid their dues. Nancy managed to keep a positive

attitude at every turn and was willing to reach out to potential members at every turn.

*Allison Peters (Secretary)* quickly became the primary communication contact for our club. She has taken notes at meetings, shared announcements, written letters of thanks and condolence, and has helped keep everyone in the loop. With Allison's help, we all know what is going on in this club!

My wonderful Chairwomen have consistently amazed me. Their successes have been numerous. The future of this club was visible through what they have prepared. This group started so many new firsts and new traditions.

*Julie Emms*—created this newsletter!!! I think I speak for everyone when I say how much fun it has been reading these updates and how connected these letters make us feel. The power of all NPC organizations can be felt in these newsletters.

*Diane Rand*—started as our Philanthropy Chair and collected everyone's local and/or national philanthropies. However, she completed that so quickly that we had to reassign her!!!! So, she became our Scholarship Chair and is putting together our very first CAP Tea and Silent Auction. This event will initiate our ability to give scholarships in the future!!!!

*Megan Bouche*—initiated our High School Pre-Recruitment efforts. Each of the timelines has been beat and under Megan's leadership, we are in contact with local high schools. We are getting ready to introduce high school women in Chicago on the benefits of Greek Life. This is truly where the future of our organizations will start!

*Paige Stoltenberg*—has a great enthusiasm for social events and brought us together for the 3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Football Watching Party. Paige helped us all take a break and have some fun

*Heather Breen*—started our first consistent Guest Speaker program. We have had so many interesting presentations this year and Heather was the woman behind all of them. I think we were all inspired to shop for spring after the Personal Shopper!!!

*DoriAnn Basaraba*—was the newest Chair and has made a huge impression! She has updated the CAP website and made it easy to find and easy to navigate. Everything from events to Exec Board applications were available right on the site. Anyone who hasn't checked the site should do so soon---

<http://www.geocities.com/chicagoalumnaepanhellenic>

Please join me in thanking all of these women for giving their time and energy to CAP and for making the future a bright one!!!!

## CAP CALENDAR

### April 2004

*Wednesday, April 21, 6:30 p.m., Courtyard Marriott, 30 W. Hubbard:* Chicago Alumnae Panhellenic Council Business Meeting. This meeting is open to all CAP Delegates and Alternate Delegates. At this meeting the Nominating Committee will announce the slate of executive officers will be announced. Be sure to send a representative of your chapter to the April meeting to pick-up the basket and cellophane for the silent auction items.

### May 2004

*Wednesday, May 19, 6:30 p.m., Courtyard Marriott, 30 W. Hubbard:* Chicago Alumnae Panhellenic Council Business Meeting. This meeting is open to all CAP Delegates and Alternate Delegates. Officer Elections will take place at this meeting. We will require a representative of each chapter to be present at this meeting to vote.

*Sunday, May 23rd, 2:00-4:00 p.m., Le Meridian Hotel, 521 N. Rush Street:* Chicago Alumnae Panhellenic Scholarship Fundraiser, High Tea & Silent Auction. Cost of event is \$30 per person for the tea. A variety of basket full of goodies will be available for silent auction for our newly developed scholarship fund.

### June 2004

*Wednesday, June 16, 6:30 p.m., Courtyard Marriott, 30 W. Hubbard:* Chicago Alumnae Panhellenic Council OPEN Meeting. This meeting is open to all NPC alumnae. CAP Delegates and Alternate Delegates are expected to attend.

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