



# Omaha Alumnae Chapter

~ August (Fall) 2008 ~

Help one another, is part of the religion of sisterhood. -Louisa May Alcott

## Here's what we have planned- Save the Dates!

### SEPTEMBER 2008

- 15 - DUES DUE - a little extra incentive awaits you! Keep reading to find out more
- 17 - Girls Night Out 6 p.m.- dinner at the Melting Pot; 17151 Davenport Street; 2 for \$22 ladies night
- 27- Pink Out Day 6 p.m. - Gamma Mu collegians have scheduled a Pink Out Day at a football game, please support them if you can!
- 27 - Hayrack Ride - more news to come, be on the lookout for an Evite and email reminder!!

### OCTOBER 2008

- 4 - Ribbon Tying - 10 a.m. The Rose Court (156<sup>th</sup> & Maple)... we need lots of Zeta volunteers!!!!
- 5 - Race for The Cure - 6 a.m. Survivor Recognition Program... bring all friends & family, we need lots of Zeta volunteers here too!!!! We are a national sponsor, so lets get out there and show our support!
- 11 - UNO Homecoming Centennial Celebration - We will be tailgating before the 1 p.m. game. Help cheer on UNO football and the ZTA Homecoming Candidate!
- 15 - Founders Day - be sure to wear your badge today
- 18 - Pink & Crystal Ball - 7 p.m. (more information to come) - buy your ticket from Heather May or Judy Shinkle
- 19 - Founders Day event (hosted by the collegiates, more information will be out soon)

### NOVEMBER 2008

- 10 - Margarita Monday! 7 p.m. - Dinner at Roja Mexican Grill and \$1.99 Margaritas!
- 15 - Theatre Night at the Omaha Community Playhouse 7:30 p.m. - Stones in His Pockets
- 16 - Big Man on Campus - Come support the collegiates at their Fall Fundraiser!! (More info to come)

### DECEMBER 2008

- 6 - Cookie Bake for New Alumni 6:30 p.m. - Elizabeth Kraemer's home
- 7 - Deliver Cookies to the ZTA Meeting 7 p.m. - Let Jen Schomer (319-2045) know if you are interested in helping deliver the cookies!
- 12 - Ollie the Trolley Light Tour - (more information to come)
- TBA - Salvation Army Adopt-A-Family Gift Shopping

### JANUARY 2009

- 18 - Officer Planning Meeting 6:30 p.m. - (more information to come)
- 31 - Valentine Making Party for New Cassel Retirement Community - (more information to come)

### FEBRUARY 2009

- 14 - New Cassel Retirement - deliver the cards & attend their resident Valentine's Day party

### MARCH 2009

- 21 - Zeta Day - It's our turn to host Zeta Day!!! (more information to come) Contact Jen Schomer (319-2045) if you have any questions!

### APRIL 2009

- 25 - Cookie Bake for New Alumni - (more information to come)
- 26 - Deliver Cookies to Gamma Mu - (more information to come)
- TBA - BBQ for newest Alumnae
- TBA - Gathering of the Greeks

### MAY 2009

- 12 - Dress up and Play with ZTA - (more information to come)
- TBA - Elections and Officer Installations

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ALUMNAE**

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**A message from your president... Abigail Cook**

I would like to take a minute to introduce myself as most of you probably don't know me. I was initiated into the Gamma Mu chapter of ZTA in the Fall of 2005. I graduated from the University of Nebraska at Omaha in December 2007 and became President in May.

Take a look at the save the date portion of this newsletter, you'll see many events, please don't feel obligated to attend everything, but do know you are more than welcome to attend them all or as many as you want. I am very excited to be holding this position and meeting everyone.

Get ready for another incredible year!!!! The Zeta Brainstorming meeting was a success yet again, we are sure you will all love the calendar! The Omaha Alumnae Chapter has got a lot of new faces so we hope you can make it out to the events we have planned to get to know them. And as always, we are open for ideas... so please feel free to contact Jen Schomer if you have any activity ideas and/or concerns.



**Congrats to Maureen Smith & Renee Talmon!!!!!!!!!!**

Congratulations to Maureen Smith for being honored with the Omaha Alumnae Panhellenic Association's Woman of the Year award. Also this year, Renee Talmon of the Collegiate Chapter won the Collegiate Woman of the Year Award. It was a clean sweep for Zetas at the Gathering of the Greeks

***Stay In Touch – Be in the Know...***

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**BE SURE WE HAVE YOUR  
CURRENT EMAIL ADDRESS!!!!**

**Any Donation to the Pink & Crystal Ball is greatly appreciated, and tax deductible!  
There will be a silent auction, please consider making a donation to the auction**

**Save the Dates!!!**

**Friday - October 4<sup>th</sup>**  
Ribbon Tying for Race @ The Rose Court

**Saturday - October 5<sup>th</sup>**  
Race for the Cure

**Sunday - October 18<sup>th</sup>**  
Pink & Crystal Ball



If you would like to help with any of these events, please contact Heather May she would love to give you more details,

**PLEASE CONSIDER MAKING A FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION TO THIS EVENT... WE WOULD VERY MUCH LIKE THIS TO BE A GREAT SUCCESS, AND YOU CAN HELP!**

*... To prepare for Service and learn the nobility of serving, thereby earning the right to be served..*



**Gamma Mu Scoop**

9/27 - Pink Out Mavs Game  
10/11 - UNO Homecoming  
10/19 - Founders Day Event  
10/16 - BMOC  
12/7(?) - Elections  
12/13-19 - Finals Week  
12/19- Graduation

More information will be coming regarding these events, be sure to support our collegiates!

**Do Pay Your Dues- see incentive last page...**

It is important to support the Omaha Area Alumnae Chapter of Zeta Tau Alpha. Every woman who pays dues makes a HUGE difference in chapter.

Your membership support specifically helps with Zeta Day, the newsletter and keeping ZTA events at little or no cost.

Whether you are able to come to one event, every event or are with us in spirit this year, paying dues helps!

**Zeta Day Information**

Mark your calendars now for March 21, 2009.

The Omaha Alumnae Chapter will be hosting the event this year

More information will be coming as the date gets closer. Jen Schomer is planning this great event, and she will keep us updated.

Alumnae membership dues for the 2008-09 year are \$35 (that is for the year!!!). Your dues include local and national fees and help support ZTA programs.

*Detach the membership update below and mail your membership check - payable to Zeta Tau Alpha to Maureen Smith, 16187 Davenport Street, Omaha, NE 68118.*

**Want to be an Advisor?**

Are you interested in becoming an advisor for the girls of Gamma Mu? It would require a small amount of time to whatever you have available. If you are interested in a position please email Therese Wehner at: twehner@npdodge.com

General Advisor, Recruitment (rush), New Member, Financial, Programming Council, Ritual, Judicial, Panhellenic, Social, Scholarship, and Standards... Some are already filled, but find out what's available, and let her know what you may be interested in advising.

**Gathering of Greeks**

A Gathering of Greeks is the Omaha Alumnae Panhellenic Association's annual scholarship brunch and silent auction. Two scholarship recipients, the Collegians of the Year from the University of Nebraska at Omaha and Creighton University and the Woman of the Year are honored. A silent auction, the proceeds of which are used for scholarships, is a popular part of the program. Gathering of the Greeks is in the Spring and more information will be sent out as it is received.

**Update Membership Stats** (detach and mail to Marueen Smith at 16187 Davenport St. Omaha, NE 68118)

Name (please include maiden) \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ St \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Please keep me informed by:

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**\_\_\_\_\_ The additional \$\_\_\_\_\_ is my donation for the Pink & Crystal Ball**

*Memories  
Last A  
Lifetime...  
Be sure to  
make Happy  
ones!*



**Submit payment of dues by September 15 and be entered into a drawing to win two free tickets to the Pink & Crystal Ball in October, a \$150 value. Don't pass this up, submit dues now!**

Be sure you mark your calendar now with all the dates on the front of this newsletter! We hope to see as many people as possible at all of the events!!

What's the good of news if you haven't a sister to share it?

~Jenny DeVries

### **The District President - Natalie Gulbranson**

Natalie Gulbranson is the District President for XV-Gamma. She lives in Pleasant Hill, IA (just east of Des Moines). She shares her crazy life with husband, Jason, daughter Cadence, and her son, Owen. She is the Iowa Hawkeye's #1 fan; missing only one bowl appearance since 1996 (due to giving birth ;-)). She has been actively involved in the Alpha Omicron Chapter at the University of Iowa as an advisor and has held

positions in both the Iowa City and Des Moines Alumnae Chapters. She is also the State Reference Chair for Iowa.

She completed her pharmacy residency at the Med Center in Omaha and spent a lot of her time at the Upstream. Loved it!

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