The newsletter for alumnae and friends of Sigma Chapter of Alpha Delta Pi at the University of Illinois Urbana-Champaign

Fall 2019

From the Desk of the Housing Corporation President



I hope you have all had a great summer. We have been wrapping up a great summer at the ADPi house and are looking forward to another wonderful year.

This year, Alpha Delta Pi did not hold District Leadership Conference, to which we typically send a housing corporation representative. However, that presented an even better opportunity for our treasurer, **Jana Mitchell**, to go to Grand Convention. She was able to attend housing

corporation sessions and other events. We look forward to incorporating what Jana learned into our structure.

Updates for the house this year have included new air conditioning and heating units, as well as a new boiler. We met on April 13 for both our annual meeting and a board meeting. We discussed roofing projects and updating exterior painting, both of which have been underway this summer. We continue to

change the way meals are provided for chapter members. Our goal is to create the most fiscally responsible way to provide meals, but also to encourage and maximize the time members can enjoy meals together while creating space for those that do not live in the house to get to know their sisters.

The chapter also updated the house rules, which were reviewed and approved by the board. We look forward to seeing all of you at Homecoming! The board will hold a meeting on Sunday, October 20. If you are interested in serving on the board, please contact me or attend the meeting in October. We will have terms coming to completion for some members this year and would love to have new additions join us. If you are unable to serve, please know you are welcome to come by the house for the events and say hello! See you this fall!

Pi Love,
Anna Miller '08
House Corporation President
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Alumnae Updates



Laura Landberg Rush '88 snaps a shot of her brick at the chapter house.

Laura Landberg Rush '88 STILL lives in Geneva, Ill. She never left her hometown and for the last 10 years Laura has worked as a cheerleader for Geneva at the Chamber of Commerce as communications manager. She and her husband, Rick, are empty nesters. Their daughter, Megan, graduated in 2018 from Drake University in Des Moines, Iowa, and enjoyed her time there so much, she now works as an admissions

counselor for Drake while working on her master's in communications, just like her mom. Derik will graduate from the University of Iowa in 2020 and further his education at law school. Both were involved in the Greek system at their schools and had great experiences. Both Rick and Laura stay busy with their two golden retrievers, traveling to Iowa, and fitting in a few trips to warm places during the year.

Recently, Laura returned to U of I, after 15 years, and visited ADPi. All the women were gracious, and the memories came flooding back—especially when

she found the alumnae closet used as an ironing room when she was there. She was met with many awards and pictures but couldn't leave without getting a picture of her brick in the front.

Laura has kept in contact with **Dina Boxser Craigie**, **Sharon Slawinski Williams**, and **Sandy Ohlhaber Rempe**, but would love to see and hear from more sisters in the alumnae online directory. If you are ever in Geneva, stop by Geneva Chamber and say hi.



Katie Woods '06 with her husband and baby James.

Katie Woods '06 and family have had a lot of changes within the past year! They welcomed their son, James, on March 13, 2018, and baby number two is due December 2019. Also, to make room for their quickly growing family, they moved in July to a new home in Palatine, Ill. "We are loving every minute of all these life changes!" Katie said.



Last Call for the 2018-2019 Sigma of Alpha Delta Pi Campaign Join 31 Sigma Sisters and Friends and Make a Difference!

Preparations are underway to launch our 2019-2020 annual campaign and the 2018-2019 Sigma of Alpha Delta Pi Campaign is wrapping up! Thanks to the 31 donors listed below, we raised over \$3,500 to assist with replacing the existing roof and purchasing new furniture for the basement/chapter room.

If you have not given to this important effort, this is your last chance to do so! To make a gift today, simply visit sigmaofadpi.com, click the Annual Campaign tab, then Support the Campaign.

Be on the lookout for information on our 2019-2020 campaign in the coming months. We appreciate your continued support of Sigma!

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SISTER TO **SISTER**

Have you recently had a baby? Did you recently get married? Have you won a scholarship? Are you going to grad school? Have you had an exciting life event or a fun vacation? We want to know! Share your news with sisters by sending your update and a picture to sigma.housingcorps@gmail.com. You could be showcased in a future edition of the Sigma Star!

Get to Know the **Chapter President**

My name is Renee Pitzaferro and I am the chapter president at Sigma Chapter. This is my second year at the university and I'm in the process of applying to the University of Illinois Chicago nursing program located in Urbana. I'm excited to pursue a career in professional nursing and hope to attend graduate



school to become a nurse practitioner. In addition to being involved in $A\Delta\Pi$, I'm a member of our Student Nursing Association, Cru (a Christian youth ministry on campus), as well as volunteer at my local church. Last year, I was also a synchronized figure skating competitor for U of I's team, IllinoiSkating. I've already had such an amazing time learning how to lead our chapter and I couldn't be more excited for Grand Convention this summer and to see how $A\Delta\Pi$ grows throughout the year!

Love & Violets. Renee Pitzaferro '17 Chapter President





Illimois Homecoming 2019!

We look forward to seeing all of our alumnae return to campus for Homecoming on Saturday, October 19, 2019. The football game against Wisconsin kicks off at 11 a.m. at Memorial Stadium. Also, be sure to stop by the house for snacks and a tour (tours will end at 5 p.m.). This will be an exciting and fun weekend to be on campus celebrating all the people that make up the University of Illinois. If you have not come home to ADPi or to Illinois in a number of years, what better time to return than Homecoming.



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