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#### **HOME WISHLIST**

## We Need YOUR Support!

Alumnae, there are several updates we need to make to our Chapter Home:

- Install new flooring throughout the house
- Landscape work out front
- Replace the AC in the kitchen
- Add a new Chapter Room



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**SPRING 2022** 

#### **GAMMA ZETA TURNS 75!**

#### Alumnae celebrate milestone



On Friday and Saturday, March 25-26, the Gamma Zeta Alumnae and Rho Tau Rho Alumnae Chapter commemorated 75 years of Alpha Chi Omega at Kansas State.

The event took place at the Manhattan Conference Center, with tours of the house throughout the day.

Here's to another seventy-five years of helping women achieve their best selves, together!









#### **A NEW CHAPTER**

#### **Renovations in store for Gamma Zeta**

As with anything, there always comes a time when updates and additions need to be made. Recently, the housing corporation has been talking about potentially remodeling the house for the addition of a chapter room. View the initial drawings.





#### **RUTH BRITTON '59**

# I've formed lasting friendships with wonderful, educated women from all over the USA

#### Ruth Britton '59 (minrebit@gmail.com)

says that she decided to pledge to Alpha Chi Omega because some of her friends from her hometown had recently become sisters.

She says that she joined a strong sisterhood on campus. "There were Alpha Chi's in strong major campus leadership positions."

Some of her best memories were of working on projects together as a group. "I always enjoyed the house projects like decorating for Homecoming or planning rush activities."

She said that Alpha Chi Omega made an impact on her life long after graduation. "It

provided an excellent opportunity to use and to understand the importance of teamwork."

She says that giving back is important to her. "I was fortunate to live in an area that had an active alumnae chapter, and I formed lasting friendships with wonderful, educated women from all over the USA. In addition, my daughter was an AXO. The support, sharing of activities and just plain joy from my participation with Mu Mu truly inspired me to do my part as I was able to provide support for Alpha Chi Omega."

Without Alpha Chi Omega, I wouldn't have the many treasured friendships I now enjoy.





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#### **BEVERLY SARGENT MACHIN '56**

### My College Days Were Much Richer Because of Alpha Chi Omega

Beverly Sergent Machin '56 (bevmachin5@gmail. com) says that she pledged to Alpha Chi Omega because the actives and alums were so friendly, and easy to get to know. "The members were loyal to each other and sisters always supported me in my extracurricular stuff like my journalism and student council," she said.

"I was a town girl and only lived at the house one semester. But I ate lunch at the house and got to know and love my sisters. We were winners in intercommunity sing and I still sing many of the songs I learned while I was in the chapter. Singing at dinner was awesome!"



She says that after graduation, she found a job at the Pillsbury company in Minnesota and immediately joined the alum chapter there. Later, when she moved to Saint Louis, she connected to an alums group there as well. "It is so great to be able to find sisters wherever you live."

Today, she gives back to Alpha Chi Omega because she says that it's crucial. "There are lots of expenses involved with a sorority and members have to pitch in."

"Someone paved the way for us."

Without Alpha Chi Omega, I wouldn't have had much fun at K State.

#### FRIENDS THAT HAVE LASTED LIFETIMES

#### All thanks to Alpha Chi Omega

When we talk about AXO, some of the first things that may come to mind are the connections that were made through your years as an undergrad. We recently reached out to our alumnae sisters asking what those connections have meant to them over the years, read on to see what Elizabeth Krivjansky had to say.

"Yes, I met my lifelong friend through Alpha Chi! Ashley Lemos Napier and I meet our freshman year in 2012. Our relationship naturally formed through events with Alpha Chi and we have considered each other family ever since! To the point even our families include each other on big events as well. We have remained close even with each of us experiencing out-of-state moves in the past 5 years, myself to Memphis in 2016 and Ashley to North Carolina in 2021. We talk regularly and attempt to see each other as often as possible. We have celebrated some of our biggest milestones in life together which shows me how special this relationship is to both of us. We have laughed, ranted and cried many tears together through the years. I know we are both only a phone call away to someone who will always support, encourage and love each other well."









#### **ARE YOU ON OUR EMAIL LIST?**





Every month, we send out an e-newsletter with alumnae profiles, news about upcoming events, updates on the house and more. We also send out emails about event registration, reunions and breaking news. And we want to make sure that we are reaching you!

While 95% of our alumnae (more than 1500 of us!) are getting this printed newsletter, only 50% of us are on the email list.

Help us change that! Send your name and email to **alumninews@ AffinityConnection.com** or scan this QR code to access the contact us page on our website.





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#### **PAYING IT FORWARD**

#### Thank you to these sisters for their generous donations!

Gifts to our annual fund help to fuel our alumnae relations, and also gives much-needed help to the next generations of leaders in the house. **As of April 4, we have raised \$2,330 of our annual goal of \$16,500.**Can you help us get closer to our goal with a gift? You can make a one-time donation or set up a monthly gift.

Go to tinyurl.com/GiveGammaZeta to make your donation and pay it forward today!

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Lou Jean Moyer	1952	Elma Irene (Ross) Brucker	1961	Virginia Kasten	1973	Melissa Slack	2009
Patricia Hunter Cornish	1959	Virginia Gunn	1961	Karen Toughey	1973	Julia Nelson	2011
Marcia Zinn	1963	Grace Wallace Newby	1961	Melissa Alderton	1975	Mrs. Betsy Karst Wagner	2019
Beverly Bertwell	1964	Beulah Jones	1962	Elaine Dean	1975	Mary Vrzak Blain	
Ann Allison	1966	Jean Reehling	1962	Beth Scheve	1975	Megan Molander	
Sharon Caffrey	1970	Connie Rueck	1962	Elizabeth Hart	1976	Jane Burke Kelling	
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Kimberly Nolte	1983	Lota Cox	1964	Patricia Larsen	1982	Carol Gillen Cotner	
Janet Broers	1988	Carol Barnhart Frankmann	1964	Sharon Skaggs &		Amy Coulson Wiechmann	
Kristi Wasinger	1990	Judith Meiergerd	1964	Elizabeth Burke	1982	Linda Summers Maichel	
Courtney Graham Ellis	2009	Ann Allison	1966	Patricia Schlegel	1982	Meredith Brink Main	
Chandra Griffith	2011	Anellen Nyquist Neill	1966	Clarise Hovis	1983	Tara Ireland McGranaghan	
Sara Lottridge Whelan		Regena Alexander Pratt	1967	Kimberly Nolte	1983	Sandra Johnson Grams	
		Beryl Lowery Born	1968	Cynthia Himmelberg	1984	Kelsey Burtin Elliott	
2021 Honor Roll		Karen O'Connor Soetaert	1968	Dianne Costlow-Owens	1985	Tessa Wendling	
Alma Lincoln Eagle	1953	Jana Lou Cole	1969	Karla Reisman	1986	Roanna Morse Rose	
Marilyn Lucas EdD	1955	Linda Major McCreight	1969	Janet Broers	1988	Angela Thomas	
Beverly Sargent Machin	1956	Lesley Case	1970	Kristi Wasinger	1990	Carolyn Powell	
Marjorie Frauenfelder	1957	Cynthia LeHew Hall	1970	Shelda Shaffer Wilkinson, O.D.	. 1999	Koni Weber Macklin	
Marilyn Galle	1957	Elizabeth (Betty) Hilton	1970	Jessica Lahey	2004	Sarah Hulen Brown	
Paty Mabeus	1957	Janet McCoy	1970	Katherine Maurer Franklin	2005	Ann Rose	
Ruth Britton	1959	Ginny Graham Bair	1971	Kimberly Bartak	2006		
Patricia Hunter Cornish	1959	Carol Beier	1972	Kristen Schepker	2006		