

KAPPA KEYNOTES

Boston Intercollegiate Alumnae Association

March 2011

Letter from the Presidents



Dear Kappa Sisters,

The snow is finally starting to melt, and spring is a few days away! We have a full schedule of events coming up in the next few months and we hope you will be able to make at least a couple of them. We know how difficult it can be with distance, schedule conflicts, lack of transportation, and busy lives. To that end we have tried to vary locations, times of day, and variety of events so that we can accommodate as many of you as we can. If you need a ride, let us know! Have an idea for an event? We'd love to hear it!

We are also looking forward to the upcoming Alpha/Rho province meeting, as well as connecting with actives through a new alumna mentoring program. (see inset below)

We are starting to work with the executive board on filling leadership positions for the next year, so please do not hesitate to contact us if you are interested. Our executive board recently had its first meeting in January and we are already getting ready for a great start to the New Year in Boston Intercollegiate Alumnae Association. We have some amazing events in the works for 2011!

Loyally,

Kristin and Savannah

Do you love your job? Your industry? Are you a leader in your company? The Zeta Alpha Chapter of Kappa Kappa Gamma at Babson College is looking for inspiring alumni to join their Alumni Mentorship Program. If you are interested, please reach out to Desiree Miller at:
desireemiller17@gmail.com

2010-2011 Kappa Kalendar

March	23	Night Owls
	24	Kappas Read (Book Group)
	29	Lunch Bunch -Bedford
April	1-3	Alpha/Rho Province Meeting
	7	Wine Tasting—Brookline
	27	Lunch Bunch—Cambridge
May	1	Annual Pot Luck Buffet—Acton [NOTE: NEW DATE]

More event details inside!

2010-2011 KAPPA KALENDAR: SAVE THESE DATES!**Upcoming Programs:**

Wine and Cheese Tasting: Thursday, April 7, 6:30 pm
At the home of Lauren Sewell
1901 Beacon St #2, Brookline, 02445

Back by popular demand, Adam will introduce us to several selections of wine, paired with appropriate cheeses and other foods. Cost: \$12 per person. Watch for your Evite, or RSVP to Lauren (laurensewell1@hotmail.com)

Adam Centamore works and teaches at Formaggio Kitchen in Cambridge, a world-renowned cheese shop featuring artisanal cheeses, charcuterie, and condiments from Europe and the United States. He also conducts private cheese and wine tasting experiences, with the goal of sharing the pure enjoyment of these foods. Academically, Adam is pursuing a Master's Degree in Gastronomy from Boston University with a concentration in wine studies. He is certified by the Elizabeth Bishop Wine Program, and is an active member of the American Cheese Society and the Society of Wine Educators. Adam enjoys eating, drinking, and talking about it!

May Buffet: Sunday May 1
At the home of Deb Nicholls
5 Breezy Point Rd, Acton, MA

NOTE NEW DATE– original was Mother's Day, so we changed it!
Same great annual get-together, on a Sunday afternoon this year!

Kappas Keep Reading!

Our next gathering will be at **7:15 PM, on Thursday March 24**, at the home of Suzanne Beisecker, 30 Haven Road, Wellesley Hills. We will discuss **Shanghai Girls**, by Lisa See, a novel about two sisters who leave Shanghai to find new lives in 1930s Los Angeles.

Please join us for an enjoyable evening of 'sisterhood'!

RSVP to Suzanne: Beiseckers@comcast.net or 781-431-7147



2010-2011 KAPPA KALENDAR: MORE DATES!**BIAA Lunch Bunch**

March 29, Tuesday at Noon - Dalya's, 20 North Rd, Bedford, MA 781-275-0700 www.daylas.com

Hopefully March will be going out "like a lamb" by this time as we gather together with our Kappa sisters. Please join us at an old favorite, Dalya's, that offers up fine Mediterranean and American dining in a venue decorated with antiques and a fireplace to resemble a warm and cozy Dutch farmhouse.

April 27, Wednesday at Noon – Summer Shack Cambridge • 617-520-9500 • summershackrestaurant.com

Spring will be in full force, and going fishing and to the beach will be in our sights. It is time for littlenecks, cherry-stones, snow crab claws, wood grilled seafood, beer battered fish & chips, lobster rolls, mini lobster corn dogs, salads, sandwiches, chowders & bisques. Described as "our flagship location, our inspiration, our heart and soul," this Jasper White site at the Shack is our site for sisters in April.

All BIAA members are welcome to attend **Lunch Bunch**, which brings together Kappa sisters for food and conversation in a variety of restaurants throughout the Boston area. **BIAA membership and RSVP are required.** Add your name to the Lunch Bunch email list. Contact:

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Membership

Top 5 Reasons to Join BIAA!

- #5 You can join the BIAA board and get to know some great people! And you can serve on an Advisory Board at a local chapter: Northeastern, Babson, UMass Amherst, or Harvard.
- #4 You continue to receive the wonderful BIAA newsletter– maybe even get your picture in it!
- #3 You’ll receive the Blue Book: a directory filled with contact information (and more) for BIAA members!
- #2 You can attend informative, fun BIAA meetings and events, including our interest groups like Night Owls, Lunch Bunch, Key West and the BIAA Book Club !

And the #1 reason is you will be able to connect with other great Kappa women – building lifelong connections, friendships, network for new jobs or careers, participate in community service activities and renew your Kappa bonds.

For any questions please contact Caroline Keating: ckeating@tkgins.com or 203-710-3112.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23RD NIGHT OWLS EVENT: GIRLS' NIGHT OUT

Contact Night Owls Chair AlyssaLubin@yahoo.com to get involved! Shecky's Girls' Night Out is coming to Boston, and you're invited! Discover unique designers, sip our wicked good drinks, and cap your night with some pretty pampering and glorious Goodie Bags (trust us, you don't want to miss the goodies). All BIAA Members are welcome to join the Night Owls Girls' Night Out on March 23rd. **Details and tickets** for the Boston event can be found on the Shecky's website:



Some of the February Night Owls attendees

<http://www.sheckys.com/events/6070/girls-night-out-boston-spring-2011>


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PHILANTHROPY AND LOCAL CHAPTER NEWS

Hi Kappas! My name is Kate, and I am excited to be filling in as your new Philanthropy Chair for the rest of the year! Please feel free to email me if you have ideas or requests about future philanthropy events! Kate Zasada: kzasada@gmail.com

Zeta Alpha (Babson) Newsletter:**Philanthropy:**

The ice cream social went extraordinarily well! The elderly men and women at the nursing home loved hanging out with all the young women and playing lots of Bingo! There will be one more philanthropy event to come this spring semester, which is currently being decided on.

**Alumni:**

We were so happy that so many alumni could come to Babson to celebrate Founders Day with us! It was so great to see them and enjoy the day together! Moving forward, we hope to establish a mentorship program with active sisters in Zeta Alpha and KKG alumni in the area to improve relationships and provide a strong guiding force to our lovely young ladies.

**Academic:**

Pearls and irises were earned by about half of the entire chapter for great academic success in the fall semester! More sisters than ever before received beautiful pearls to wear proudly on their badges. The sisters are working so hard on their schoolwork and have been doing group study sessions for various classes.

[editor's note: we received the following note from a long time member whose husband passed away in February, and we are including it at her request. Our condolences to Miriam for her loss.]

Dear Kappa Sisters,

Your coming to see me and offering your friendship and support at the visiting hours recently, on the occasion of my husband's death, showed the true meaning of sisterhood. My thanks to those who were able to attend his funeral Mass the next day. I was so happy to see each and every one of you and I was very proud to be a Kappa!

I am sending my thanks through the Keynotes so that I can reach all of you who offered me comfort. This message will also tell the BIAA members whom I don't know, what a wonderful group we have.

*Loyally,
Miriam McCue*

The BIAA Board Wants YOU!

Most of these positions are for a Co-Chair, so someone will already be on the job to help you!

VP Programs – The Vice President for Programs determines a programming calendar for the year, identifying programs to benefit the diverse needs of membership, both geographically and with different stages of Kappa alumna life, including planning annual events such as Founders Day, Holiday Party and May Buffet.

VP Hospitality – The Vice President for Hospitality coordinates hospitality aspects to assist the Programming Committee for events and meetings, including nametags, set-up and breakdown and the welcoming and introduction for new members.

Treasurer – The Treasurer manages the funds and keeps the treasury books for BIAA. Responsibilities include managing the collection of dues, monthly and annual reports, and preparing disbursements for fees, vendor payments and reimbursements.

Recording Secretary – Record and distribute the minutes of executive board and BIAA meetings.

Corresponding Secretary – The Corresponding Secretaries manages communication with membership, including overseeing the BostonKappas@gmail.com account, publishing *Kappa Keynotes*, the monthly newsletter, and producing the annual postcard to all Boston area Kappa alumnae.

Membership Chair – Membership Chair assists in recruitment and retention of BIAA members, as well as managing the membership lists. Membership maintains the membership roster for alumna members of BIAA as well as all Boston Kappas through the Fraternity Galley database. She also produces the Blue Books each year.

Philanthropy Chair – Philanthropy will identify potential groups that meet our RIF and community organization goals, present them to the board and BIAA membership for approval, then coordinate activities with the selected groups.

Fundraising Chair – Fundraising oversees creative initiatives to raise funds for BIAA to donate to our philanthropy choices. Typically, the majority of the funds go to the KKG Foundation in support of our BIAA scholarship fund. With BIAA membership approval, we may also donate to our selected local RIF or community organization.

These don't fit your bill? We're always looking to members for fresh ideas and extra help. Please let us know if you'd like to get involved with Philanthropy, Hospitality, Fundraising, Membership or help at a particular event! Also please share if you have an idea for your own interest group! You can reach us at BostonKappas@gmail.com



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