

Happy April Everyone!

I would like to thank everyone who came to our annual wine tasting event for RIF this past March. It was great to meet so many kappas of all ages! I hope those that came had a wonderful time and enjoyed all the wine that was served. Thanks to everyone's donations the TCAA raised \$410.00 for the Reading is Fundamental, Inc! We hope that at next year's wine tasting we can continue the tradition of raising money for a wonderful charity! If we missed you at the wine tasting we hope to see you at our virtual golf outing on April 30th (see calendar for details!)

With the new association year approaching (July marks the new year) it is more important than ever that we stay strongly connected as a group. If you are interested in becoming more active as an alumnae we would appreciate your help! We would love to see some kappas step forward and help with the alumnae philanthropy and special interest group committees. In addition we would love it if someone could take over the Night Owls Committee and start up those meetings again. By starting these committees up again we can make the organization stronger as a whole while giving each other great networking opportunities and more chances to meet some fellow kappas!

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Holiday Sharing Brings Joy

During the holidays it's hard not to imagine receiving gifts and spending time with friends and family but to some this is just a dream! There are mothers, our kappa sisters, who are unable to give their children a Christmas because of financial burden or there are elderly kappa sisters living alone without any family nearby.

The Kappa Kappa Gamma Holiday Sharing Program helps make big and small holiday dreams come true. This program brings cheer to those that wouldn't normally be able to celebrate due to difficult times in their lives.

If you choose to participate you're matched with a Rose McGill recipient who has expressed their willingness to receive Holiday Sharing support. The recipient gives you a wish list with specifics about preferences and sizing to help you when buying gifts.

For example, the Charlotte Alumnae Association has been participating in holiday sharing for 15 years. They have included in their dues form a place to add extra money to go toward Holiday Sharing and raise

about \$250 every year. "I take pleasure in the thought that we may be bringing some joy and assistance to one of our Kappas who doesn't have as much as they need... someone who could be any one of us some day," says Suzy Johnson, West Virginia.

The TCAA would love to participate but first we'd like to see if there is interest. Also, we need someone to step forward and oversee this program this fall/winter.

Please contact Amy Batchelder by email at aebatchy@gmail.com if you're interested in participating.

A decision must be made and forms sent to kappa headquarters by April 15.

As of right now, no one has stepped forward to help. Please let us know if you are interested or we will have to pass on this opportunity to give back to our fellow kappas.

KAPPA calendar

The kappa calendar is here to provide you with various activities to join in throughout the year. If you have an event with kappas on your calendar, please share it with us!

Philanthropy Breakfast at Kappa April 26th– 10:00 am to 2:00 pm.

Tickets can be purchased for \$5 in advance from an active member, or they are \$6 at the door. With the donation of a book tickets are only \$2. All of the books will be donated to REACH.

At the Chi Chapter House–
329 10th Ave SE, Minneapolis

WOO lunch

APRIL 22nd –Time is 12:00 Noon
Campiello Restaurante
6411 City West Parkway
Eden Prairie, MN // 952-941-6868

A reminder notice will follow.

–Sue Walton & Mary Lou Krallman:
Tel # 952.885.0737

Virtual Golf

APRIL 30TH –6:30-8:30 p.m.

Golf season is quickly approaching! Join the Kappa Alumnae at Lifetime Fitness' Virtual Golf Club to brush up on your skills before you hit the course. Golf pros will be available to us for a short refresher course before we begin a mini virtual tournament. This is a great opportunity to meet new kappa alumnae!

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NEW Chi Parent's Association — Twin Cities

Help the Chi House

The parent's of the women at Chi Chapter (U of M -Twin Cities) are forming a Parent's Association (KKG Parent's Association – Twin Cities). They are in the process of forming a 501(c)(3) with the help of two Kappa Alumni, Sarah Bennett and Lisa Miller. Therefore, all donations will be tax deductible! The new Parent's Association will raise funds to help maintain and update the Historic KKG main house and Annex.

The current ladies of KKG have compiled a list of projects they feel would enhance their homes. Their first proposed project is to have the upstairs of the main house and annex painted. In addition to painting they will purchase drapes for the living and dining rooms. Their goal is to have this completed by recruitment 2009.

If you have any questions or you are interested in assisting or joining the Parent's Association please do not hesitate to contact the President, Ashley Pizzato. Ashley's daughter is currently a sophomore at the Chi house.

Ashley Pizzato
President

KKG Parent's Association –Twin Cities
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952-368-9787 (home)

Help the Chi Parent's Association –Start FUNraising!!!

Heidi Thies and her daughter, Susie, a freshman at the U of M, have stepped forward to help start the fundraising for the Chi Parent's Association. Heidi was an AOPi at Omega Chapter (Miami University – Ohio, 1984). She is a big believer in the value of Greek affiliation and is so happy her daughter found a chapter she loves – and so are we!

Heidi was involved in the Mom's Weekend Chi had recently. She was very impressed with Kappa and the Parent's Association. Therefore, Heidi and Susie have come forward with a way to help raise funds for the new Parent's Association.

From now until May 30th, 90% of the profits made at Market America will go into a fund to be donated to the KKG Parent's Association – Twin Cities.

Details on how it works:

1) ANYONE that identifies themselves as "Kappa Customer" (friends, family, acquaintances, co-workers, etc.) - Go to www.marketamerica.com/daydreambeliever and register (FREE) to be a "MA Rewards" customer.

2) Send an email to genesis1214@earthlink.net with "Kappa Customer" in the subject line. Place in the email: your name and PC # you were given at registration. This is also the email to use if anyone has specific questions about any of the products.

3) View/Browse the Market America Products available at the website under "FEATURED PRODUCTS". There is literally something for everyone – Make sure to check out the cosmetics, anti-aging, skincare & nutritional items.

4) Order anything you like (Remember: Featured Products Section ONLY)

Everything is shipped direct to the customer ordering. Each month the Parent's Association will receive a check for that month's orders.

Gopher Homecoming

OCTOBER 10th

Get out your Maroon & Gold! The new Gopher Stadium is here!!! Join the Kappa Alumnae for a tailgate before the game! Details to follow! What an exciting day it will be!

Founders Day Event

OCTOBER 11th

Join us for Appetizers, ritual and special recognition for 50, 65 & 75 year pins for Kappa Alumnae*

At the Chi Chapter House–
329 10th Ave SE, Minneapolis

You need to pay your dues for us to be able to recognize you!

Kappa Holiday

December TBD

We are currently taking suggestions for a kappa theme holiday event!

**Calling All Night Owls...

We are looking for some help on the Night Owls committee! If you are interested please email us so we can get back on track!

KappaAlumniAssocationTC@gmail.com

Join us for a Kappa Happy Hour each month to reconnect with old friends or make friends with new faces! We meet each month and alternate between places around the Twin Cities Metro Area. Come for a drink or appetizer and meet Kappa friends!

KICKOFF DATES TO COME

Kappas in the 'Hood!

We'd like to start small neighborhood get together for Kappa's around the Twin Cities Metro area. However, to start we need your help. Talk to one of your close Kappa friends and team up to help the TC Alumnae Association. If you're willing to host a small gathering in your house or at your local coffee shop please let us know.



Twin Cities Alumnae Association

Please support the Association by paying your dues! This contribution allows us to maintain our good standing with the Fraternity, provide for Association expenses, and send a delegate to National Convention in 2010. By paying your dues you help fund "The Key," which all Kappas receive for a lifetime and is very expensive to produce. It also covers our association mailings (look for one August/September), 50, 65 & 75 year pins for our lifetime members, food and beverages at gatherings, convention and province expenses and chapter assistance. Lastly, \$17 of each member's fees goes directly to Headquarters.

We have allowed for you to participate in a "Giving Levels" program, which will provide additional support to our Association while allowing us to keep basic dues at the lowest possible level. Please give as generously as you are able.

Name: _____
Last First Middle Maiden

Nickname: _____ Husband's Name: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Telephone: (Home) _____ (Work) _____

Email: (Personal) _____ (Work) _____

College: _____ Chapter: _____ Initiation Year: _____

Employer: _____ Profession: _____

Are you willing to hostess a meeting in your home? _____

Are you interested in Night Owls, Wise Old Owls, Kappas in the Hood, etc? _____

Other suggestions for meetings or programs for the 2008-2009 association year? _____

Amounts:

2008-2009 Regular Dues: \$40.00

Distinguished giving levels:

Owl (\$41 - \$50)
Key (\$51 - \$99)
Fleur-de-lis (\$100 +)

50 Year & up Kappas: \$30.00

2008 & 2009 Graduates: FREE (donation of \$17 to headquarters is appreciated!)

Total Enclosed: _____ (checks payable to KKG Twin Cities Alumni Association (KKGTC-AA))

Mail form and dues to: Kyle Marie Woods; Grant Park 500 E Grant Street #2109, Minneapolis, MN 55404