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Chapter President Reports...

Each Officer Leaves Her Mark

I'm writing this article realizing that my time as president is almost over. I approach the end of the year with very mixed feelings. On the one hand, I'm looking forward to having much more time and not having the stress that is associated with being president of a sorority of so many women. On the other hand, this has been the most amazing year. I have learned so much and had so much fun. I think being president has done more for me than I have done for the house. In the end, it is amazingly worth it.

I'm jealous of our new officers who haven't started yet. They have a whole year to work to improve our house. They have so many great and new ideas and so much energy for their positions already. As I was reviewing our slate for next year, I realized that they are all going to do a fantastic job. I'm so excited to see what they'll do. But I'm going to miss being an officer. This house has given more to me than I could ever return, and I'll miss being so involved in every little aspect of the house.

I realized this summer when I went to our national convention in Orlando, Florida, that Tri-Delta officers are the same all over the country. I attended the five-day conference with presidents and officers from all 137 Tri-Delta chapters across the United States and Canada. We all came from different states with different size schools with different size chapters. Our chapters do different activities, and each chapter has its own unique per-



Tri-Delts participated in the Ithaca Breast Cancer Alliance Walk on October 26, 2002. They walked through downtown Ithaca to help raise awareness and money for the fight against the disease.

sonality. But the one thing that unites us all as Tri-Delta officers is our desire to see our chapter be the best that it can be. Every officer enters her office full of ideas. Sisters take office because they love their house and want to contribute to its growth in a meaningful way. When they finish their terms, they realize that they didn't get a chance to accomplish everything that they wanted to. But then they realize that they never would. Every chapter is always changing and growing. Each succeeding year of officers leaves a small mark on the house. If each officer really puts her heart into her office, our chapter can continue to grow in a positive direction each year.

I know that the new group of officers has the potential to enable our chapter to change in a positive way over this next year. I look forward to seeing what they have in store for the house. However, I am going to miss being an officer so much. I know that every officer is going to miss her office intensely once we are replaced. We have all learned so much and put so much of ourselves into our offices that it is going to be hard to leave behind even though I know we are leaving the house in the very capable hands of the next group of officers.

Carolyn Sieffert '04
President

LOTS OF ALUMNAE NEWS INSIDE! LOOK FOR NEWS OF CLASSMATES AND FRIENDS ON PAGES 5-8.

A Message From The Collegiate Alumnae Relations Chair

Dear Alpha Beta alumnae, parents and friends,

I hope this issue of the *Alpha Beta Data* finds you all doing well. In my last message in our spring issue, I discussed some of our chapter's plans to increase support for our alumnae programs. I would like to take this opportunity to tell you about the success of some of our alumnae activities over the past year and to inform you about upcoming events.

I'm proud to say that last year, we followed through with our goal to reinstate the Pansy Brunch and Circle Degree of Initiation for seniors. Our alumnae adviser, Bernadette Soto, helped initiate each senior last semester, and our chapter celebrated with a brunch afterwards at which all the seniors received their very own pansy plants. Being a senior myself this year, I'm thrilled that we have revived the tradition and cannot wait to be initiated into this final degree of sisterhood in the coming semester.

Reunion this summer also turned out to be a great success. A number of alumnae came out to the house to meet with sisters who were staying in Ithaca for the summer. They were able to tour the house and see some of our great new renovations while chatting with old friends over dessert and coffee. All the sisters who came really enjoyed getting to meet the alumnae and hearing stories about their crazy days at Cornell. I encourage any of you who might have your class reunions this year to come up and visit the house if you can.

Although Reunion was great, the real event this semester was our Homecoming Weekend. Even though Homecoming ended up being earlier than usual this year, we still had a great turn out. A few alumnae showed up for our Friday night reception, meeting many of the current in-house sisters and enjoying some great Wegman's food, which I'm sure many of you miss! Although Cornell ended up losing the football game the next morning, that didn't stop us from coming out in full force to the pre-game tailgate or the game itself. We shared our tailgating area with Phi Kappa Tau Fraternity, and it was great to meet some of their alumni as well as our own. In addition, it was wonderful seeing so many recent graduates and hanging out with them as though they had never left. Our cook, Mary Searles, really outdid herself for our Sunday brunch the next day. Everyone enjoyed eating her excellent food in our new kitchen, looking at many of the old composites we've hung on the walls, and taking tours of the house.

The weekend ended with a successful house corporation meeting at which we discussed future improvements to the house, including badly needed renovations to our chapter room. All in all, Homecoming Weekend was a great success and a lot of fun. I had a great time planning the weekend, and I hope all of you who attended had a great time as well. We'd love to see even more alumnae next year. Of course, you don't need a specific reason or event to stop by the house. Sisters are always excited to meet alumnae, so if you're ever in the area, come on by and say hi!

Unfortunately, this is my last semester as collegiate alumnae relations chair, and so this will be my last issue of *Alpha Beta Data* (until I begin receiving my own alumnae issues!). I would like to take a moment to say how much fun I've had with this position over the past year. It has been a pleasure getting to know many of you, and I would like to thank all of our alumnae for their continued support of our chapter. This position has given me a glimpse of life after Cornell and has helped me to see that I will never truly leave. As I'm preparing to graduate, I feel comforted that whenever I return to Cornell, Alpha Beta will be there waiting for me. I leave you in the hands of our next alumnae chair, Robyn Tortorelli, who I'm sure will do an amazing job. Thanks for a great year!

Sincerely,
Erica Frank '03
Collegiate Alumnae Relations Chair

Welcome to our new fall pledge class:

Ariam Mogos (Great Neck, NY), Rose Zefferino (Watchung, NJ), Danielle Golino (Palm Beach, FL) Eve Santos (Port Washington, NY), and Joann Barken (Ithaca, NY)

Congratulations to all our new officers!

The 2003 Slate

Academic Development ChairmanCari Corcoran
Assistant Membership Recruitment.....Liz Blidner
Chapter Correspondent.....Sara Turken
Collegiate Alumnae Relations Chair....Robyn Tortorelli
Continuing EducationErin Broaddus
House ManagerSherill Kelson
New Member EducatorKelly Ruggles
Panhellenic Representative.....Tara Cuskley
Philanthropy ChairStephanie Dondero
President.....Stephanie Wedekind
Reference ChairBina Lokchander
Risk Management ChairKim Buge
SecretarySamantha Steinberg
Social DevelopmentChristina Skoski
Social Events.....Kim Glassman
Special EventsJade Bailey-Assam
Sponsor ChairAlexis Fershing
Treasurer.....Jen Freiman
VP Administration.....Allie Weintraub
VP Chapter Development.....Marisa Degaetani
VP FinanceAllie Boxer
VP MembershipTiffany Scott
VP Public RelationsKristin Seeger

To all our outgoing officers—Thanks for all your hard work and a job well done!

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Chapter Correspondent.....Erika Ettin
Collegiate Alumnae Relations Chairman....Erica Frank
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House Manager.....Meghan Hatfield
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Philanthropy ChairmanRachel Ruggirello
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Risk Management.....Vanessa Matsis
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Social Events Chairman.....Michelle O'Donnell
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Sponsor Chairman.....Tiffany Scott
Treasurer.....Emily Pollack
VP Administration.....Sarah Pettengill
VP Chapter Development.....Liz Blidner
VP FinanceBeth Fischer
VP Membership.....Lauren Henderson
VP Public RelationsStephanie Duebler



Some in-house sisters make the Delta deck (or third-floor roof) into an outside movie theater and sleepover.

Open House Draws Many Freshmen

Last May, the membership recruitment chairs from different houses met to discuss formal membership recruitment. More specifically, they wanted to find a way to reach women who do not normally consider joining the Greek system.

Their answer to this problem was the open house program. Each of the 13 sororities on the Cornell campus hosted a one-hour open house. During this casual event, freshmen women stopped by to learn more about sororities at Cornell. All of the recruitment chairs were pleased with the new program, especially because over 200 women attended at least one of the open houses.

Tri-Delta's event was very successful. Over 60 women came to our open house, making our event one of the most well-attended on campus. Sophomores Kathryn Bach and Sherill Kelson helped out, using pictures, pumpkins, and leaves to decorate the house in a fall theme. The sisters also enjoyed a chance to talk with freshmen in a low-pressure atmosphere. We hope to see many of the women back at the house in January during formal recruitment week.

After Tri-Delta's event, we are convinced that the open houses are an effective way to encourage freshmen to participate in formal membership recruitment. We expect that spring rush will have higher attendance and be more enjoyable for the freshmen because of the open houses.

Alpha Beta Participates Enthusiastically In Philanthropy And Community Service

This year our chapter has been very involved in philanthropy and community service. Several new campaigns have commenced to raise money for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. One of these is a national campaign run by St. Jude in conjunction with all chapters of Delta Delta Delta. Participants are asked to set a monetary goal that they hope to contribute to St. Jude at the conclusion of the effort, and they receive a copy of a letter to send to friends, family, neighbors, and faculty, requesting a donation for the children of St. Jude. Fifty sisters participated in this endeavor to raise money for the hospital.

Additionally, Tri-Delta has begun a new fundraiser for St. Jude. This year as philanthropy chair, I have coordinated the sale of children's hospital bracelets on campus to raise awareness of the widespread issue of children's cancer while simultaneously raising funds for the hospital. For a \$3 donation, people were given a bracelet with a child's name, age, hometown, and illness written on it. For a \$5 donation, two bracelets were given out. This bracelet was meant to symbolize the children at St. Jude to whom the money would go as well as to serve as a token of appreciation for those people who made donations. Our first effort this semester was a three-day sale of bracelets on Ho Plaza, which helped us raise almost \$450 for St. Jude. I intend to continue these sales throughout the semester to raise a minimum of \$1,000 for St. Jude. Furthermore, I hope

that the sale of hospital bracelets will continue to be successful throughout the years and become an established annual Tri-Delta fundraiser.

Another major accomplishment of our chapter this semester was our participation in Panhellenic's sister-sister event. Panhellenic organized a day of service through On Site Volunteer Services that occurred on Sunday, October 27. The community service day went from noon to 4:00 p.m. and involved the participation of 10 sororities. Each sorority was required to have eight sisters sign up. Each group was then paired with another sorority and sent off to one of five service projects. Tri-Delta showed immense enthusiasm and had 10 girls participate! We were among the sororities with the most member participation. Sisters painted a barn at Patchwork, a therapeutic riding center, and also planted trees to aid in soil and water conservation in Tompkins County.

Overall, Delta Delta Delta has been enthusiastically participating in community service as well as supporting our chosen philanthropy. As a chapter we have not only managed to show pride in our house and in the Ithaca community, but have also been able to launch two new campaigns in order to raise money for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. We look forward to continuing our efforts in the spring.

Rachel Ruggirello '04
Philanthropy Chair



Some seniors enjoying a silver goblet event at the beginning of the semester.

Sister Spends Spring Semester Studying In Seville, Spain

I spent the spring semester of my junior year studying in Seville, Spain. I wanted to take a break from my hectic life at Cornell and experience something new, as well as work on my Spanish skills. Seville, a city where afternoon siestas are the norm, seemed like a nice change from my current lifestyle. However, I faced an enormous challenge; I didn't know anyone on my program and had never been to another country. I left my family and my friends behind to do something by myself for the first time.

The experience turned out to be the most enriching of my life. I lived with a Spanish family so I had to adjust entirely to another way of life: new food, new habits, new schedule. My classes were in Spanish, so I naturally struggled and basically learned nothing in them for the first few weeks. At the beginning I was frustrated and wondered

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if I had made the right decision. Then I began to make friends with people from all over Europe, many of whom were living in Spain temporarily too. They were amazing people with views and ideas so different from my own; I felt like I was learning more from them than I could learn from any class. At the same time I realized how ethnocentric many of my views were and how other countries perceive Americans this way. I was fascinated to realize that my way of life in the United States was not the only way and that I even enjoyed my way of life

in Spain more. I took time every day to relax and have long conversations. I enjoyed my time without worrying about what I had to get done that day. Life was no longer a checklist but an exciting ride.

I have so many memories from my trip. During breaks I met up with other Tri-Delts studying in other parts of Europe. But more importantly, because I had taken this leap on my own, I had time to reflect on who I was and who I wanted to be. I know I am a wiser, more confident person now. I am eager to try new things and make the most out of life. I miss Spain terribly, but I still keep in touch with a couple of friends. Hopefully, I will be able to return soon. Until that day, I have my pictures and my memories to keep Seville alive.

Laura Padin '03

Summer Work Proves Eye-Opening For This Tri-Delt

Before this summer, whenever I heard the phrase "low-income housing," tall, dark, dirty buildings came to my mind. I thought that if people were given a decent place to live for a low price they should be able to find work and provide for their families. I thought that this should be enough. I believed that residents should care enough to keep their buildings clean and functioning.

Growing up in Chappaqua, New York, a wealthy suburb of New York City, I never knew families who were not well off. I had never visited low-income housing. I did not even know that low-income housing cooperatives existed in New York. I did not know people who lived in these conditions or what their lives were like.

Through one of my Cornell classes, I became interested in how environmental conditions affect the people living in them. I decided to work with an environmental psychologist in New York City for the summer and learn more about the field. My work this summer changed my world view. I came to understand that "low-income housing" covers a number of different types of housing and a broad spectrum of success stories and failures.

My third week of work I began visiting the cooperatives. Some of the buildings were unlivable, even though there was capital to hire a contractor to renovate or improve conditions. When the city did hire a contractor, the problems were not adequate-

ly addressed and were even exacerbated by the workers. However, other buildings were in perfect physical condition, with flower pots at the entrance and video surveillance buzzer systems. Residents there were able to generate savings accounts and better their lives as well as the lives of their families because of their low-income cooperative. None of that would have been possible in New York City if they were not participants in the low-income housing project.

This summer I learned that the same program can work in different ways for different people. I had hands-on experience working with the shareholders, which taught me things I would never have learned from books. This experience with a different culture opened my eyes to how other people live, work, struggle, and succeed. I developed relationships with many of the cooperatives' building leaders and learned about their lives, their families, their dreams, and their realities.

I think the most important lesson I learned was that policy makers should get to know the people they are making decisions about before the decisions are made. Only informed policy makers can choose a wise course of action. I learned that I can make a positive difference in people's lives by truly getting to know them and advocating for constructive change. I discovered that often people are not unhappy with their living conditions but lead busy lives similar to mine in many respects, but also different. These people do not have time to fight for equality and their rights; but I found out that I can help them to achieve their goals.

Lisa Plush '04
Academic Development



Left: Tri-Delts bask in the sun on spring break in the Bahamas.

In-house sisters pose for a photo in their formal finery.



Alumnae Write

ROSEMARY (Hunt) TODD '31 is enjoying good health and has just moved from New Jersey to "a lovely retirement spot" in New Hampshire (200 Alliance Way, #239C, Manchester, NH 03102), not far from the home of one of her daughters. Grandchildren and great-grandchildren also live nearby. Rosemary loves to walk, participates in a book group, and keeps in touch with DOROTHEA HALL '31, who is also doing well.



ELOISE (Conner) BISHOP '34 is proud to report that her nephew and godson, Mort Bishop III, has been elected to serve as a Cornell trustee. She makes her home at 1630 SW Harbor Way, #D303, Portland, OR 97201.



Stay in touch with MARIAN (Killips) LONGYEAR '36 at 10 Winchester Court, Kennebunk, ME 04043.



SARAH JANE (Wilder) SILCOX '36 reports a new address of 506 Center Bridge, Lansdale, PA 19446.



Dave and JOAN (Dickey) HARDIE '49 recently traveled to Scotland and Ireland for a family gathering (Dave's) and a visit to the family homeland (Joan's), respectively. Send them your regards at 265 Brown Hill

Rd., Lansing, NY 14882.



We offer our condolences to MARY CLARE (Pfeiffer) VANDERPLOEG '45 on the death of her husband last summer. She writes, "We had a happy, full life despite the many health problems Bud had through the 58 years of our marriage. He faced each new challenge with courage and determination to survive. He was special." Write to Mary Clare at 4014 E. Gull Lake Dr., Hickory Corners, MI 49060.



JEANNE (Powell) O'DONNELL '47 reports that there are now three generations of Tri-Deltas in her family—herself, her daughter, Patty Gogerty (University of Colorado), and her granddaughter, Caitlin O'Donnell (Colgate). Jeanne's address is 4976 Clubhouse Circle, Boulder, CO 80301 (jeanepod@msn.com).



Drop a line to ARLIE (Williamson) ANDERSON '47 at arlie47@aol.com or at 238 Dorchester Rd., Rochester, NY 14610.



SALLY (Williamson) WILLIAMS '51 resides at 133 Slosson Ave., Staten Island, NY 10314.



Congratulations to NANCY (Savage)

PETRIE '55, who got married last June to a former high school classmate she met at a reunion! Mail reaches her at 6 Inkberry St., East Hampton, NY 11937, and e-mail at nsm55@juno.com.



"I left the 'business' world in 1985 to become a professional fine artist and teacher of watermedia," writes KATHERINE (Weigt) HUBERTH '56 (29623 47th Ave. S., Auburn, WA 98001). "I am a signature member of the National Acrylic Painters Association and elected member of Women Painters of Washington." Katherine has one son, Robert, and two grandchildren, Emilee and Sean.



JOAN (Gras) KRECH '56 has moved from Cincinnati, Ohio, to 15 Bowsprit Lane, Salem, SC 29676.



CAROL (Boeckle) WELCH '58 visited Bhutan for two weeks in October 2001 and returned to that corner of the world in January 2002 to tour Australia and New Zealand with her sister. Carol lives in Mount Kisco, New York (85 Croton Ave., 10549), a few hours' drive from classmate NORMA EDSALL '58, whom she sees a couple of times a year. Send e-mail to Carol at carol welch@att.net.

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"We are living on the beach in south Florida," writes KRISTIN (Klitgord) ERIKSSON '64 (81 Southpointe Dr., Fort Pierce, FL 34949; ageriksson@aol.com). "I am active as chairman of preserving our beach and protecting the sea turtles. I also teach early childhood education to approximately 70 high school students and prepare them for jobs as pre-school teachers." Kristen is the director of a pre-school located on campus, which serves as a laboratory for her high school students. The Erikssons have two sons—Evert, a third-year med student in Denver, and Howard, who's "working his way into the film industry in L.A." Visits to Colorado to see Evert often include a trip to Boulder to visit with Dave and BETTY (Bond) SNYDER '64.



LUCY (Mueller) WHITE '66 proudly announces the publication of her book, *Printmaking as Therapy: Frameworks for Freedom*, by Jessica Kingsley Publishers. Lucy can be reached at lucymwhite@webtv.net or at 71 Washington Ave., Northampton, MA 01060.



MARY (Giek) BARTH '73 is a member of the International Accounting Standards Board, which takes her to London one week a month. She's also the senior associate dean for academic affairs at Stanford Graduate School of Business. Mary's son, Adam, is a senior at Cornell this year—"A&S, double major in math and computer science. It has been great fun having him there, giving us (husband Jeff is A&S '73) an excuse to visit frequently." Drop her a line at 745 Frenchmans Rd., Stanford, CA 94305; mbarth@stanford.edu.



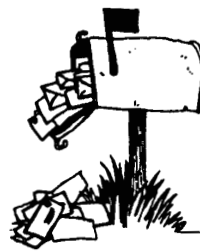
MICHELE (Landis) MORISY '76 wrote to tell us of a reunion of 13 sisters from the 1970s in Newport, Rhode Island: "The weekend included a tour of the Newport Winery, bus tour of the city, and dinner on Goat Island. We ended the evening at a downtown disco and have all pledged secrecy about what went on at the disco, so don't even ask. The wee hours were spent in PJs catching up and reminiscing. The next day, we toured one of Newport's beautiful mansions, this one filled with statues and paintings of Poseidon and his tridents. What photo opportunities! After lunch at a charming dockside restaurant, there were hugs and goodbyes, with promises to attend the second annual reunion, planned for September 2002 at the Jersey shore." To be included in

the third reunion, contact Michele at 5820 Garden River Cove, Memphis, TN 38120, or at mlmorisy@midsouth.rr.com.



SHIRLEY (Kellites) HESS '77 works as an in-flight service coordinator for Delta Airlines. She also breeds Abyssinian cats. Shirley lives with husband David at 3899 Boulder Canyon Dr., Castro Valley, CA 94552, and can be reached by e-mail at shghess@juno.com.

SEND IN YOUR NEWSFORM!



The success of this newsletter depends, in part, on the participation of our alumnae. Please take a moment to fill out your newsform and return it to the address on page eight. Include your latest news, news of sisters with whom you've kept in touch, and maybe also one or two of your fondest memories of your undergraduate days or thoughts on what Tri-Delta means to you. We'll look forward to sharing your news in the next issue of *Alpha Beta Data*.

Employed by Baptist Memorial Health Care Corporation, LESLEY J. GUDEHUS '78 resides at 2170 Monroe Ave., Memphis, TN 38104. Send e-mail to Lesley at lesley.gudehus@bmhcc.org.



Elementary school teacher DEBORAH KLEIMAN '79 plays competitive street hockey from September to April and rollerblades during the summer months. She'd love to hear from fellow Tri-Delts at P.O. Box 32, Rochester, MA 02770, or at dannik@massed.net.

WENDY SCHAELEN '79 lives at 29 Westwind Dr., Lemoyne, PA 17043.



"I enjoy returning to campus each year for Homecoming and seeing other Cornell Tri-Delts," writes JULIET (Kolm) GIBBS '80 (384 Dutton Rd., Sudbury, MA 01776; gibbs@gis.net). "My job as a human resource director and my sons (Eliot, 14, and Justin, 11) keep me busy. I would love to hear from any Tri-Delts and welcome visitors in the Boston area."



Environmental engineer JUDI (Appel) HASTINGS '80 makes her home at 1106 Montrosa Ave., Jasper, TN 37347.



Congratulations to LINDA (MacDowell) McMASTER '80 and her husband on the arrival of son Michael on February 1, 2002. Michael joins siblings David (10), Jenna (8), Julia (5), and Melissa (3). "I'm enjoying the challenges of full-time motherhood," writes Linda, "and would love to hear from DDD sisters!" Her address is 15 Charter Oaks Dr., Pittsford, NY 14534; linda@mindex.com.



SHOBHAN (Kelly) RYAN '80 lives at 8562 Calumet Way, Cincinnati, OH 45249, where she's busy raising Katie (14), Sean (13), and Kelly (6). Old friends are invited to drop her a note at siobhan@zoomtown.com.



"I've changed jobs," reports JEAN KIRSCH '83. "I now work for Ernst & Young in their financial services advisory practice. I would love to hear from fellow Tri-Delts." Jean's address is 292 W. Fourth St., Bsmt., New York, NY 10014 (jeanmkirsch@aol.com).



FELICIA ZEKAUSKAS '84, with Peter Maloney, is coauthor and illustrator of a new Scholastic Book Club early reader series called "Just Schoolin' Around," which made its debut this fall. Also, look for her new children's picture book, *Bronto Eats Meat*. Felicia lives in New York City with her husband and son. Contact her at zincdesign@aol.com or at 105 Duane St., Apt. 37B, New York, NY 10007.



ELISABETH ARMITAGE '85 writes, "I heard recently from PAULA (Smith) (continued on page seven)



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DANIELS '86, who is now living in North Carolina. I also keep in touch with JEANNE (Klauser) DEAN '85, who lives in Andover, Massachusetts, with her husband, Cecil, and three children. MELISSA HODES '87 lives in the same apartment complex! It's a small world." Elisabeth's address is 2435 Bedford St., #15A, Stamford, CT 06905 (elisabet@optonline.net).



The director of marketing at Glenora Wine Cellars, GAIL FINK '85 can be reached at 109 11th St., Watkins Glen, NY 14891, or at gef4@cornell.edu.



NANCY (Kroll) RICHARDSON '85 has moved to 70 Wyn Oak, Nashville, TN 37205.



In the past year, freelance writer JULIE BICK '86 has written for *Inc.* and *Entrepreneur* magazines. She also serves on the board of directors of the non-profit Social Venture Partners and at her local zoo. She has three sons, ages five, four, and two, and lives at 1217 Federal Ave. E., Seattle, WA 98102. E-mail reaches her at juliew@msn.com.



Please note this new address for DIANE DeMALLIE '87: 957 Dancing Horse Dr., Colorado Springs, CO 80919.



"In April 2002 I started my own hospitality consulting business, specializing in event planning for fundraising," writes ALISON MINTON '88 (333 E. 56th St., #11B, New York, NY 10022; arm33@cornell.edu). "LESLIE FEIFER '88 attended my company launch party." Alison came back to Cornell last summer for a CAU class and drove past 118 Triphammer a few times. "It sure brought back memories."



After nearly three years in the hustle and heat of Southern California, VICKI (Trabaton) SULLIVAN '88 and her husband, Chris, were happy to return to Colorado with their two sons, Connor (4) and Brady (1). "We love being so close to the mountains," writes Vicki. "Chris and I met here while working as ski instructors for Club Med at Copper Mountain." Vicki's new address is 10607 W. Chautauga Mountain, Littleton, CO 80127 (vmomy2k@aol.com).

HEIDI (Dittmar) JONES '89 attended the wedding of ERIKA ACKERMANN '91 to Matthew Duffy on July 13, 2002, at a vineyard on the North Fork of Long Island. Also present was JULIA PAWLOSKI '91 with her husband, Jim Hagar. A stay-at-home mom with her two girls, Natalie (5) and Madeleine (2), Heidi lives at 4597 Ashfield Terrace, Syracuse, NY 13215. E-mail reaches her at heidijones51@msn.com.



MARLA KELLER '89 is an assistant professor of medicine at Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York, where she conducts clinical research in AIDS. She lives with her husband, Adam, and their son, Jack (born June 2002), at 178 White Rd., Scarsdale, NY 10583. She keeps in touch with Tri-Delts MARILYN (Brue) KELLY '88, who is a new mom to daughter Caroline; KRISTIN WHITING '89, mom to three-year-old Benjamin; and KAREN (Mims) KRIESBERG '89, mom to seven-year-old Zachary and four-year-old Scott. Send e-mail to Marla at marla.keller@mssm.edu.



KATHLEEN WHITE '89, a department administrator at Schop & Pleskow, makes her home at 3348 Sandy Beach Rd., Grand Island, NY 14072.



As a member of the Armed Forces, NOELLE BRIAND '90 has been gone most of the past year. She writes, "I was in Lima, Peru, preparing for the Secretary of State's visit when the tragic events of September 11 occurred. After finishing up my mission in Peru, I was sent to Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, as part of Operation Enduring Freedom. We were charged with the unenviable task of securing the Taliban and Al Qaeda detainees. All of the Department of Defense images, still and video, originated from our section. Detainees aside, Cuba is a great place. Talk about beautiful weather and awesome water sports!" Noelle is now at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, for mid-career schooling. "Yep, it looks like I'll be staying the 20. Who'd have thought I'd be a lifer?" Noelle's address is 712 Grand Ave., Leavenworth, KS 66048; noelle.briand@us.army.mil.



In September 2001, AMY (Lewin) FAIRCHILD '90 and her husband welcomed their third daughter, Courtney. "Twin big sisters Shelby and Hayley (2-1/2) were very proud and excited." Amy would love to hear

from Tri-Delt sisters at 63 Manning Lane, East Hartford, CT 06118 (amyfairchild@attbi.com).



Congratulations to LUISA TRUJILLO-MEKHITARIAN '90 and her husband on the birth of their first child, Alexander, in April. After a three-month maternity leave, Luisa planned to return to work as a trial attorney at Bollinger, Ruberry & Garvey in Chicago. Mail reaches her at 6017 N. Maplewood Ave., Chicago, IL 60659, and e-mail at luisa.trujillo@brg-law.net.



KATE (Guernsey) ACKERMAN '91 reports that she's accepted a position doing genetic and developmental biology research at Brigham & Women's Hospital and Harvard Medical School, as well as clinical work as a pediatric emergency medicine doctor at Children's Hospital, Boston. She and her family moved to 41 Farrar Rd., Lincoln, MA 01773, and by the time this newsletter goes to press, they will have welcomed a new baby boy. Send best wishes to Kate at kackerman@rics.bwh.harvard.edu.



"Things are good in Mississippi," reports LAURA (Hubbert) DICARLO '91 from 7 County Rd. 140, Oxford, MS 38655 (lhdicarlo@yahoo.com). "I'm enjoying being home with our two boys, John (4) and Sam (2). Our big news is that we're expecting number three in February!"



Brian and JENNIFER (Gray) MOSS '91 welcomed their first child, William James, on June 27, 2002. Write to them at 1534 Cortlandt St., Houston, TX 77008 (jenmoss@velaw.com).



CARRIE CARNRIGHT '92 wrote in June that she'd be marrying David Hoff on August 17, 2002, in Plattsburgh, New York. "After that, we'll be living at our beach house in Santa Cruz." Drop her a line at 530 35th Ave., Santa Cruz, CA 95062; carnrightc@aol.com.



WENDY (Griffen) VALENTE '92 recently moved from New York City to East Greenwich, Rhode Island, with her husband, Jon, and one-year-old daughter, Jillian. Wendy is taking a break from technical consulting to work on an MBA degree and care for Jillian. She'd love to hear from friends at

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weg4@cornell.edu or at 25 Tipping Rock Dr., East Greenwich, RI 02818.



Stay in touch with BONNIE EISSNER '94 at 303 E. 83rd St., #23F, New York, NY 10028, or at bge1@cornell.edu.



"I am finishing up my residency in pediatrics at Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and will be staying an additional year to be chief resident," reports ANN ROBERTS '95. "I was married in June 2001 to fellow Cornellian Jon Isacoff '92 (whom I met at a Tri-Delt mixer!) and enjoyed celebrating it with Tri-Delt friends CHRISTINA DZIEDZIC '96, BETH (Camesano) HUA '95, SARA MORSE '97, and LISA FRIED '95." Ann's address is 1008 Spruce St., #1R, Philadelphia, PA 19107; robertsa@email.chop.edu.



STEPHANIE (Britt) GRIFFIN '96 writes that she recently visited with BROOKE (Smith) HEMPHILL '98 and her husband, Christian, and that she played host to KRISTIN LITTLE '97 and her fiancé, Stephen Rushmore, during their visit to Atlanta. She also stays in touch with SUSANA KLEIN '96, ANDREA FOSTER '96, TRISH SEXTON '97, and GINGER PARSONS '98. A medical sales rep with Merck, Stephanie can be reached at sbritt2896@aol.com or at 4216 Longview Dr., Atlanta, GA 30341.



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Mail reaches JENNIFER MAY '96 at 10 Overlook Rd., Apt. 6G, Summit, NJ 07901; jlmaymd@yahoo.com.



"Thanks to your newsletter, I have hooked up with JOAN ADAMO '96, who is doing her post-doc at Princeton University," writes JENNIFER CORWIN '97 (232 Amethyst Way, Franklin Park, NJ 08823; jennifer.corwin@collabo.com). "It's been great catching up with an old Tri-Delt friend. Joan is now an aunt; EILEEN ADAMO '97 had her first baby!" Jennifer works for The Collaborative Group in Stony Brook, New York.



MARGARET McKEGNEY '97 has left the world of journalism to work as assistant director of MBA admissions at NYU's Stern School of Business. One of the perks is that she'll be able to work on a master's ("not just sure in what yet") for free. Drop her a line at mjmckegney@yahoo.com or at 200 E. 30th St., Apt. 3B, New York, NY 10016.



We have a new address for MICHELLE (McManus) DINSMOOR '98: 2410 NW Miller Rd., Portland, OR 97229; michelle.g.dinsmoor@intel.com.



ERIKA JOHNSTON '98 is doing her medical internship in obstetrics and gynecology at Thomas Jefferson University Hospital in Philadelphia. Tri-Delts in the area are invited to look her up at 834 Chestnut St., Apt. 617, Philadelphia, PA 19107 (erika_johnston2002@yahoo.com).



COURTNEY STILZ '98 is working as an auditor at PRG Schultz and loves being out of the restaurant business! Write to her at cdstilz@yahoo.com or at 2252 Jefferson Ave., #3, Cincinnati, OH 45212.



A grad student at Berkeley, FRANCESCA BALADA '99 can be reached at 1517 Walnut St., #5, Berkeley, CA 94709, or at fbalada@hotmail.com.



TIMOTHEA RYAN '99 wrote in June that she was finishing her last year of med school at the University of Pittsburgh. Drop her a line at 120 Ruskin Ave., #403, Pittsburgh, PA 15213; tarst32@pitt.edu.



In May 2002, PAULA URTZ '99 completed her master's degree in human resource development at RIT. She's currently working as an HR generalist with the advertising firm Saatchi & Saatchi. Stay in touch with her at paulaurtz@yahoo.com.



STACEY A. TROTTER '00 is in an MD/PhD program at the University of Virginia, and she invites any pre-meds to contact her at sat7k@virginia.edu or at 1725 Jefferson Park Ave., Apt. 5, Charlottesville, VA 22903.



When we last heard from LAURA VENTON '00, she and fiancé Brian Pflieger were planning an October 2002 wedding. Send best wishes to Laura and Brian at 1652 Oxford St., Berkeley, CA 94709, or at laura venton@yahoo.com.



TARA BENEDICT '01 writes, "I'm living in Boston with fellow Tri-Delt KATHY FRACHETTI '00. Kathy will be moving out at the end of the summer, but then AMANDA CLARK '00 will be moving in. Things are going great; I have two jobs that I love and a ton of great friends. I do miss Cornell, though." Drop a line to Tara at tbenedict242001@yahoo.com or at 41 Montfern Ave., Brighton, MA 02135.



AMY HAUKE '01 reports that she's active in the New York City Chapter of Tri-Delt. Every six months the chapter throws a party to raise money for a good cause (most recently for the widows and children of fallen police officers and firefighters). Any sister who'd like information about these events can e-mail Amy at cornellspirit@hotmail.com. "Maybe we could throw a Cornell NYC weekend during the weekend of our party!" Amy lives at 1521 York Ave., Apt. 3, New York, NY 10028.



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We regret to report the death of the following alumnae:

BARBARA (Brown) ANDERSON '46
January 28, 2001

MARION G. CLAPP '23
March 12, 2002