

TRI DELTA

Cornell Alpha Beta Alumnae

Alpha Beta Data

Spring 2024



Updates from the House Corporation

Welcome to our spring 2024 newsletter! I hope this message finds you enjoying buds that are starting to blossom, young people who are planning for a return home, plans for some summer vacations, and generally a lightening of your heart and our world.

For Tri Deltas who don't know me, I'm Heather Britt, the new and also returning House Corporation president. I held this role a few years back, before **Judy Fox '72** took it on and did a marvelous job getting us to a great place as a board and as a corporation. I'm glad to be returning for a little while as we continue to add new members to our board and grow leadership interest among our alumnae.

I'm a class of 1993 graduate from CALS and live in St. Paul, MN. I'm the executive director of a community-based research organization, Wilder Research, and I

have two college students: one a junior at Cornell (and studying abroad at the University of Edinburgh this spring) and one a freshman at Cal Berkeley. During the pandemic, I got a chance to reconnect with my dearest Deltas (Katie, Heather T., and Deanna) and have enjoyed spending more time with them and more time with many of our alumnae in our get-togethers around the country.

What's up with House Corporation over the next few months? Well, the "regular stuff" you might call it—continuing to build robust assets to support our collegians and our house, supporting the ever-evolving upgrade needs of the house, and strengthening our relationship with the national advisors for our chapter.

A couple of our House Corporation "regulars," **Cristina Moeder Shaul '91** and **Jen Joyce Barber Kean '93**, have

both stepped into national advisory roles for the chapter. We're excited about being connected to active alumnae who are supporting the chapter from the national advisor perspective and really excited that they're close friends of the House Corporation, an arrangement we hope will continue to benefit our collegians. You can bet that reconsidering the national model bylaws will be part of our ongoing discussions, as well as continuing to thoughtfully steward the assets we've built over the years meant to support our house and our collegiate chapter. More to come as we share how our relationship-building is going, how our support for our collegians continues to expand, and how you can get and stay involved with Alpha Beta!

Delta Love,
Heather Britt '93
House Corporation President

SUPPORTING THE TRI DELTA HOUSE

Our Tri Delta residence continues to be a popular and well-loved option for our members. After this year's successful bidding, we expect to have 33 in-house members. We continue to receive positive feedback about living in, and our home is a competitive option on campus. Updates are planned to maintain this standing, of course, and alumnae gifts can support these efforts.

We plan to acquire additional furnishings to accommodate this year's needs and to enhance some units with higher-quality dressers and armoires. Periodic upgrades like refreshing the first-floor public restroom support our commitment to a quality residential experience. Routine maintenance, such as painting and repairs, is key to maintaining attractive surroundings and resident safety. Our maintenance contractor, Ruff Maintenance, continues to ensure the house complies with both the city of Ithaca building and fire codes. We wish Jeanne Ruff the best as she transitions the business to leadership by her son, Nathaniel, over the coming months. She and her husband, Dave, have served our house for at least a decade.

You may wonder, "How does House Corporation know what to update?" "Who decides what needs to be done?" House Corporation has a long history of seeking professional expertise and guidance on our building needs. Our last professional evaluation was completed in 2015 and outlined short-, mid-,

and long-term project needs. Structural improvements and mechanical maintenance are emphasized. We are pleased to report that we have completed the projects identified (and more!) in our last plan. We are excited to be able to enlist Taitem Engineering again in the year ahead to identify and plan for future needs.

It's a pleasure to support the maintenance of the Tri Delta house and see women making memories in a home filled with incredible history and happiness too. As we continue to initiate projects, your donations *will* make a difference. Consider a gift today to support House Corporation!

Delta Love,
Robin Secord '85
House Corporation Property Committee Chairman

HOW TO GIVE

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or drop a check in the mail to Alpha Beta House Corporation of Delta Delta Delta, 410 E. Upland Rd., Ithaca, NY 14850. Make your check payable to Alpha Beta House Corporation of Delta Delta Delta.





CALLING ALL ALUMNAE TO ITHACA!

You're invited to Ithaca the weekend of May 3-5, 2024, for a fun Alpha Beta alumnae gathering culminating in the Circle Degree Ceremony and Pansy Brunch as we welcome active sisters (Pines) into alumnae status (Pansies).

On Friday night we'll meet at the house for dinner, and on Saturday we'll meet at the Ithaca Farmers Market, stick around for lunch, go on an afternoon hike at Sapsucker Woods or Buttermilk Falls, and enjoy happy hour and dinner out. We hope you'll join us!

Planning to attend? Please follow these steps:

1 Complete this quick form so we know how many to expect:
tinyurl.com/AlphaBetaAlumnaeWeekend

2 RSVP directly to **Aisling Mannion '24** at anm227@cornell.edu by April 14 to indicate your attendance at the Circle Degree Ceremony/Pansy Brunch on Sunday, May 5, at 11 a.m.

3 If you need lodging, please consider staying at the Homewood Suites in Ithaca or book another option of your choice.

Questions? Please email us at cornelldetalinks@gmail.com.

We believe in our lifelong sisterhood bonds and multi-generational connections. We look forward to seeing you!

Delta Love,
Cristina Moeder Shaul '91
Lifetime Experience Advisor
Delta Links Steering Committee
Co-Chairman
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Ariane Schreiber Horn '91 was drawn to Tri Delta for its strong focus on sisterhood and the potential to build lifelong female friendships. To her, Alpha Beta Chapter had the perfect balance of external social activities, including mixers, date parties, and formals, and internal, sister-only activities.

As an undergraduate, Ariane served as sponsor chairman and recruitment chairman, which helped her hone organizational skills and develop management and conflict resolution skills. Her experience with recruitment also helped as she interviewed for jobs and remains relevant as she interviews candidates for jobs at her law firm.

After graduating from Cornell Law School in 1996, Ariane worked for a federal district court judge in Buffalo, NY, for two years before moving to NYC to work as a litigation associate at a law firm. She then took a job as in-house counsel at a corporation that made chemicals and plastics. After four years, she moved to an in-house counsel job at a large pharmaceutical company. Now she is a partner at Arnold & Porter in Washington, DC, where she has worked for 13 years.

Ariane is a regulatory attorney, meaning she counsels clients on federal and state laws and regulations and how they apply to clients. She works with many clients in the pharmaceutical industry on legal issues such as how to appropriately promote prescription and over-the-counter drugs; how to appropriately structure payments and other transfers of value to doctors, hospitals, pharmacies, patients, and others to avoid inappropriately influencing the prescription or purchase of any prescription drugs; and how government health care programs, such as Medicare and Medicaid, cover and reimburse prescription drugs.

"I am fortunate to work with many very smart and hard-working lawyers at my firm, at other law firms, and in my clients' in-house legal departments," Ariane shared.

Ariane loves training the next generation of lawyers and spends a lot of time mentoring lawyers within the firm.

Ariane is doing meaningful work to help bring life-saving treatments to the market. She helps companies in a variety of ways to transition drugs from clinical development to commercialization.

"I help them negotiate contracts with a wide variety of customers to ensure that products are available in the marketplace as soon as the U.S. Food and Drug Administration approves a new drug," she shared. "I help them develop their promotional and marketing strategies and materials in a manner that complies with federal and state laws. I also help them develop and implement a wide variety of patient support programs, such as co-pay assistance programs, free drug programs for low-income populations, travel, and lodging support."

Ariane has been married for 24 years and has two amazing children. Her daughter is a junior at Bucknell University, a starter on the school's softball team, and is exploring a career in public policy focused on healthcare. Her son is a sophomore at Wake Forest University and is considering a legal career.

Ariane's mother joined Tri Delta at Middlebury College; her experience and lifelong friendships inspired Ariane. Ariane remains close with her own Tri Delta sisters; they actively chat on WhatsApp and have been able to get together over the years. "I always know that my Alpha Beta sisters have my back and will come to my aid if ever I need them, as I do and will for them."

Ariane loves riding her Peloton, reading, and taking long walks with her 8-year-old boxer. She is also a Bucknell softball groupie and travels around the East Coast most weekends. She is always happy to mentor Cornell students.

You can connect with her at
ariane.horn@arnoldporter.com.

WELCOME *New* MEMBERS!

Inaya Abdul | Chicago, IL
Rachel Baron | Los Angeles, CA
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Sophia Luo | Staten Island, NY
Abigail Manning | Plymouth, MA
Abby Martinez | Hawthorne, CA
Magdalena Martinez | Larchmont, NY
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Molly Mazza | Kingwood, WV
Natalie McFadden | Geneva, NY
Lilia Mitra | Sugar Land, TX
Elizabeth Morton | Owego, NY
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Ashley Ng'oma | Blantyre, Malawi
Emily Nicholson | Canandaigua, NY

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Emma Robinson | Glenshaw, PA
Savanna Rostad | Whitefish Bay, WI
Ashley Sewell | Rockville Centre, NY
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Katherine Uy | St. Louis, MO
Stella Vass | Los Angeles, CA
Sophia Wu | Rockville, MD
Alexandra Yelle | North Eastham, MA
Vivian Yellen | New York, NY

EMBRACING SISTERHOOD

Recruitment and New Members

We are happy to announce that we recruited many new members during the fall 2023 and spring 2024 semesters. In the fall, we welcomed 12 new members through COB. We had a retro diner-themed Bid Day, and our new members were the cherries on top! In the spring, we welcomed 47 new members through formal recruitment and 11 through COB. Our Bid Day theme was underwater, and our new members were our treasure. We are incredibly excited about all our new recruits who have completed their new member periods and are officially initiated.

Philanthropy

In October, we partnered with Lambda Chi Alpha to host a clothing drive. We collected clothing donations across campus, sorted and priced the items, and then hosted the sale. All unsold clothing items were donated to various organizations on and off campus. We raised \$1,040.

In November, we set out to raise funds in our \$5K in a Day Event. We ended up surpassing our goal, raising \$18,565 in 24 hours for St. Jude. All our

philanthropy success can be attributed to the hard work of **Isabelle Erskine '26** and **Elizabeth Navarro '27**. Debbie Witschen, the mother of a St. Jude patient who passed away in 2010, spoke during a chapter meeting in November.

Events

Fall 2023 events ranged from sisterhood, to wellness, to social-centered activities. The chapter's favorite sisterhood event was our bouquet-making session, where we sourced flowers from a local florist and got together to make bouquets. This event was largely successful due to the hard work of **Lily Nicholson '26**, one of our sisterhood chairmen.

Right before finals week, we had a wellness event that included a cookie decorating competition. This was a great event for our sisters to come together and unwind before the stress of exams. Our social events included two date nights and one formal. Sisters enjoyed dressing up, dancing, and coming together to celebrate different milestones throughout the semester.

Delta Love,
Ally Schwartz '26, Chapter President



Sisters at our event in September at Catharine Valley Winery. From left: Elizabeth Navarro '25, Maria De Oliveira Segura '25, and Alessandra Kaestner '25.



The recruitment team at Spring 2024 Bid Day. From left: Kristen Ikle '24, Ava Glowney '25, Sophie Roth '24, and Jana Mildner '26.

A Special Thank You to Loyal Sisters

Our sisterhood truly appreciates the following sisters for contributing to Alpha Beta in fall 2023.

Thank you, **Melanie Mayer '67**, **Diane Frank Dow '72**, **Janeth Hendershot '77**, **Christine Neimeth Heijenga '87**, and **Sonya Hand Stover '96**.



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**CORNELL REUNION 2024
AND TRI DELTA OPEN HOUSE**
The Tri Delta house at 118 Triphammer will be open for alumnae or actives who are on campus from 4-6 p.m. on **Saturday, June 8**, during Reunion Weekend. We'll have simple refreshments, time to meet and visit with other Tri Deltas, and a lot of reminiscing and laughing!

SISTERS OF THE '70S REUNION
Come to the Berkshires this fall! **Alison Dick, M.D. '77** and **Jan Hendershot '77** are hosting a reunion for sisters of the '70s on **September 26-29**. Contact Jan at jchenders@verizon.net for more details.



40 Cornell Tri Deltas from 1989-96 reunite in Kiawah Island, SC.

A Successful Delta Links Program



On March 6, Delta Links hosted a virtual program for alumnae and active sisters entitled, "Introduction to Using LinkedIn Effectively." It was extremely beneficial and action-oriented. The session was led by **Rachelle Loranger Considine '99**, global director of sales enablement for LinkedIn.

Sisters learned how the world's largest professional networking platform works, how to build a compelling profile that gets noticed, how employers and recruiters use LinkedIn, and tips on helping LinkedIn members continually engage with the platform effectively.

Delta Links is proud to offer personal and professional development programs to the sisterhood virtually and in person throughout the year. Stay tuned for future offerings!