



THE PROSPECT

FALL 2016

TAAP Receives NPC Certificate of Merit

The National Panhellenic Conference (NPC), one of the nation's largest advocacy organizations for women, recently recognized top Alumnae Panhellenic groups for service to community and sorority.

The Tulsa Area Alumnae Panhellenic was recognized with a Certificate of Merit for achievement in areas of Panhellenic spirit, undergraduate relations, and recruitment information.

According to NPC's most current data, there are 182 active Alumnae Panhellenics. In the past year, those groups have collectively:

- Donated 83,358 hours to community service;
- Raised \$514,921 for undergraduate scholarships;
- Awarded 437 scholarships;
- And raised \$342,366 for philanthropic causes.

“Alumnae Panhellenics play a vital role in providing sorority women with opportunities to collaborate, no matter the badge worn, for a lifetime,” said NPC Panhellenics Chairman Frances Mitchelson. “These award recipients model the values of lifelong friendship and service in their communities.”

2016-2017 TAAP Officer & Directors

PRESIDENT - Shelley Stauffer, Phi Mu

VICE PRESIDENT - Shannon Cancellare, Sigma Sigma Sigma

TREASURER - Yvonna Muselmann, Kappa Delta

SECRETARY - Stephanie Zuker, Alpha Delta Pi

PROCEDURE - Elaine Hanner, Kappa Kappa Gamma

PUBLICITY - Maggie Brown, Alpha Gamma Delta

RECRUITMENT - Katherine Castleberry, Pi Beta Phi

WAYS & MEANS - Carol Larson, Alpha Chi Omega

SCHOLARSHIP - Cheryl Baber, Alpha Phi

Letter From the President

My Dear Panhellenic Sisters,

As a Phi Mu alumna from Monroe, Louisiana and the University of Louisiana, Monroe, what a privilege it is to serve as President of our wonderful Tulsa Area Alumnae Panhellenic organization! I am both honored and thrilled by this responsibility, especially as we celebrate our 100th anniversary. WOW, we're celebrating 100 years of TAAP service to sorority women and the Tulsa Metro community! There is so much to report and to look forward to. And the time is already flying by!

In addition to all the traditional TAAP sponsored programs this year I'm super excited to announce that we will host a special 100th anniversary event. We are just in planning stages so stay tuned! It will be an exciting time in the March/April timeframe to recognize former TAAP Presidents and celebrate our accomplishments throughout the years!

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NPC Certificate of Merit

TAAP President Shelley Stauffer, Phi Mu, poses with the Certificate of Merit received from the National Panhellenic Conference. This is the fourth consecutive year TAAP has received an award from NPC.

Message from the President (continued)

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Congratulations to us! We recently received a Citation of Merit award from the National Panhellenic Conference. This is our fourth year in a row to receive NPC recognition. I hope your delegates shared this exciting news! This award is submitted by our NPC area coordinator and puts us in the top 1.3% of alumnae chapters around the world! Thank you to last year's president Yvonna Muselmann, Kappa Delta, and to each of you for your participation in the programs, philanthropies and events TAAP sponsors. Without you we would never receive such awards. Our goal for 2016-17 is to be awarded both the Citation of Merit and the Programming awards!

Speaking of programming . . . our first event is fast approaching! Please join us as we rally together to stuff backpacks for the Tulsa Food Bank. The Food for Kids Backpack Program provides nutritious food to food-insecure students to take home on Friday after school. The Food Bank distributes more than 6,500 backpacks of food each week to students in preschool through high school in Tulsa County. With help from partners they also distribute 3,600 backpacks of food each week in the rural counties of eastern Oklahoma.

Our goal is to have 45 sorority alumnae stuff backpacks with kid-friendly foods. We will also present a check for \$1,000 to the Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma. Find dates, times, opportunities for cash donations, and the link to register later in this newsletter.

Believe it or not we are already selling Poinsettias! I know it's early to begin thinking about the holidays; however Carol Larson, Alpha Chi Omega, Director of Ways and Means, has put together an exciting sales contest to increase our income so we can provide more eyeglasses to students at Tulsa Public Schools AND offer more scholarships to Greek women from the Tulsa Metro Area. I'm sure your delegates have shared our goal to increase sales by 20% per sorority. If met we'll be able to provide another 35 pairs of glasses and an additional scholarship!

Plans are well underway for our 2017 Women of the Year Luncheon led by TAAP Vice-President and

WoY Chair Shannon Cancellare, Sigma Sigma Sigma. We are very excited about the event and look forward to hosting you and your honorees in April. You'll find all the details in this newsletter.

Watch for details about our recruitment events for all potential new members of the collegiate Greek community! This information session explains the recruitment process and answers questions for high school seniors and their parents.



Scholarship deadlines and application processes will be finalized soon. Check out our website www.tulsapanhellenic.org for additional information on these and other events. TAAP includes women from 18 sororities and is a member of the National Panhellenic Council, one of the largest organizations for the advocacy of women.

Fraternally,
Shelley Runnels Stauffer, Phi Mu
TAAP President, 2016-2017



Help TAAP Help Kids!

Join fellow TAAP members at the Community Food Bank of Eastern Oklahoma on **Tuesday, October 25th from 6-8 pm** to fill backpacks for kids!

Our event is limited to 45 people

Registration is required:

<https://goo.gl/forms/Uf3tUm0TCDAzoK3A3>

Can't make it but still want to help? Consider making a donation. Each \$1 donated can be turned into \$4 by the Food Bank.

Find more details on our Facebook page:
[facebook.com/TulsaPanhellenic](https://www.facebook.com/TulsaPanhellenic)

2016 Poinsettia Sale

Benefitting TPS Eyeglass Fund and Panhellenic Scholarships

Mail this form with a check, or order online (www.tulsapanhellenic.org) with credit card.

Mail checks/orders to: TAAP Poinsettias, P.O. Box 701021, Tulsa, OK 74170

Order Deadline: Monday, November 7



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RED GLITTER

TAAP is selling florist-quality poinsettias to raise funds for *Tulsa Public Schools Eyeglass Fund and Collegiate and Alumnae Scholarships*.

Name: _____ Sorority: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Home Phone: (____) _____ Cell Phone:* (____) _____

E-mail address:* _____

*Please include cell # and e-mail so we may confirm deliveries and/or pick-up of your order.

	<i>Red Traditional</i>	<i>Pink Lipstick Pink</i>	<i>White Pure</i>	<i>Burgundy Dark Red (not as full as other varieties)</i>	<i>Red Glitter White Highlights</i>	Total # Ordered	Price	Total # Ordered X Price
4.5 inch (3-5 Blooms)							\$6.50	
6.5 Inch (5-7 Blooms)							\$15.00	
8.5 Inch (15-20 Blooms)							\$30.00	
12" Mantle Box <i>Rectangular</i>							\$30.00	
14" Centerpiece <i>Round & Spectacular!</i>							\$40.00	

Your order is not complete until payment is received.

Order Total \$ _____

E-mail questions to poinsettias@tulsapanhellenic.org. Or call/text Carol Larson (918) 805-4411.

Delivery: Please deliver _____ (10 plants or \$180 minimum) Wed. Dec. 7, 1-5 pm _____ or Thurs. Dec. 8, 9-3pm _____
Delivery Location/Instructions _____

Pick-up: Wednesday, December 7, 1:00-6:00 p.m. and Thursday, December 8, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Southern Hills United Methodist Church, 6160 S. Lewis (South of 61st St./west side of Lewis. Drive to the rear of the church, entrance located at the back -NW corner).

_____ will pick up my order. I will pick up my order _____
(Name) **Thank you for your support!**



Woman of the Year Honorees, April 8, 2016

2016 Woman of the Year Honorees

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| Jessica Nalley
<i>Alpha Chi Omega</i> | Bobbie Thompson Burwell
<i>Alpha Sigma Alpha</i> | Donna Sonaggera Brooks
<i>Delta Zeta</i> | Gabrille W. Jones
<i>Phi Mu</i> |
| Melissa Vanatta Hamby
<i>Alpha Delta Pi</i> | Jo Helen Wilson
<i>Alpha Xi Delta</i> | Lindsay O'Donnell
<i>Gamma Phi Beta</i> | Melissa Donald Throop
<i>Pi Beta Phi</i> |
| Jacque Zehren Gaylor
<i>Alpha Gamma Delta</i> | Eleanor Davy Carmack
<i>Chi Omega</i> | Amy Gerald
<i>Kappa Alpha Theta</i> | Patty Edel Ball
<i>Sigma Sigma Sigma</i> |
| Elizabeth Moulter Brolick
<i>Alpha Phi</i> | Judy Whitehead Vogle
<i>Delta Delta Delta</i> | Katherine Grassmeyer
<i>Kappa Delta</i> | Valerie Williams Schutz
<i>Zeta Tau Alpha</i> |
| | Mary Elizabeth Nesser
<i>Delta Gamma</i> | Marcia Young
<i>Kappa Kappa Gamma</i> | |

SAVE THE DATE

Women of the Year Luncheon • April 7, 2017
We Stand Out But We Never Stand Alone
Tulsa Country Club • \$35 per person

DELTA GAMMA: In partnership with NewView Oklahoma, alums and TU collegians helped make touch and feel boards, sensory stations, and modified board games for children with visual impairments.



ALPHA GAMMA DELTA: Seven different chapters were represented by the members at last May's meeting.

Alumnae Group Happenings—Philanthropies & Special Events



PI BETA PHI: Day of Service at Jackson Elementary School focusing on literacy.



GAMMA PHI BETA: 2016-2017 Kick-off Happy Hour at Vintage 1740.



ALPHA CHI OMEGA: Officers displaying some of the 35 items collected for their charity - Domestic Violence Intervention Services.

PHI MU: Accepting Founder's Circle Award at the Phi Mu convention in Chicago.



ALPHA SIGMA ALPHA: First meeting of the year. Members collected items to donate to animals rescue groups.



CHI OMEGA: Kick-Off and Owl Swap, on September 27, 2016.

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Congratulations to 2016 Scholarship Recipients

TAAP has been dedicated to helping women achieve academic excellence for nearly 50 years. Last year TAAP contributed \$11,000 in scholarship monies to area collegians and alumnae who exemplify the best of what Greek women are.

Collegiate Scholarship Recipients were: **Ashlyn Brown**, Alpha Sigma Alpha at Rogers State University; **Erin Morris**, Kappa Kappa Gamma at Oklahoma State University; and **Fanesheana Barksdale** Alpha Sigma Alpha at Rogers State University.

University of Tulsa Scholarship Recipients were: **Whitney Cipolla**, Kappa Delta; and **Kelly Cosgrove**, Kappa Alpha Theta.

Alumna Scholarship Recipients were: **Renee Lanoue**, Alpha Phi; and **Jessica McQueen**, Alpha Sigma Alpha; and **Amy Subera**, Kappa Alpha Theta.



It's a Panhellenic Centennial!

2016=2017 is the 100th anniversary of the founding of Tulsa Panhellenic! Stay tuned for more information on special events to come.