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From the Presidents

Dear Houston Tri Deltas:

Plans are in the making for what we think will be a terrific 2011-2012 year for the Houston Delta Delta Delta Alumnae Chapter. Houston Tri Delta is a wonderfully diverse group that ranges in age from those who recently graduated to Tri Deltas who were initiated more than 50 years ago! Our Alumnae Experience interest groups offer fun evenings out, bridge, needlepoint, an investment club, philanthropy, lunch, chick flicks, and reading galore - we have something for everyone. In addition to providing social and life-learning opportunities for members, the Houston Alumnae Chapter continues its commitment to funding needs-based college scholarships. We want to build on past successes of Tri Delta Art Show for Charity with a strong letter-writing campaign year to support our efforts to make a difference in the lives of deserving young women.

We continue our strong and innovative leadership style of Tri-Presidents: **Connie Hinshaw Brown**, Administrative President, involvement with the alumnae group goes back to the Evening Pearls. She graduated from Southwestern University where she was a member of Theta Epsilon chapter. **Mary Rahmes Williams**, is serving her second year as Alumnae Experience President. Mary graduated from Emory University where she was a member of Alpha Omega chapter. **Risé Rutter Johns**, President of the Tri Delta Art Show for Charity, graduated from University of South Carolina where she was a member of Alpha Lambda chapter.

Each of us is blessed to be working with an enthusiastic and talented board and terrific committee members who are committed to providing meaningful opportunities for our members. We are thrilled that our new Board members have agreed to serve and are grateful for everyone's dedication and commitment to Tri Delta.

Our lives are busier than ever, and we know that you have many choices as to how you spend your free time and how you give of your volunteer hours. We hope that you will join the Houston Alumnae Chapter (if you haven't already) and take part in our fun chapter-wide gatherings or join in one of our many interest groups to reconnect with old friends and make some new ones as well. We are here for you all if you have any questions.

We hope to see everyone on **September 27th** at the Fall Membership Party and please encourage your Tri Delta friends to join you!

In the bonds,

Connie, Mary and Risé

Save The Date!



*"Sister You're A Firework!
Let Your Trident Colors Burst!"*

The Houston Tri Delta Alumnae Chapter invites you to **burst** into 2011-2012 at the Fall Membership Party.

Tuesday, September 27th, 2011

at the home of:

Lynnette Mafridge
3609 Inwood
Houston, TX 77019

Your \$5 contribution is appreciated.

RSVP by September 23rd to Dianne Hammelman, 713-973-7037
Diham39@aol.com.

Membership forms will be available at the event or join online today at www.houstontridelta.com.

Membership Committee

You are invited to the home of Connie Kerans Wright (719 Hunters Grove) for an invitation stuffing party on Tuesday, September 6th at 6:30 pm.

We will stuff the invitations to our Fall Membership Party. Please contact Frances Boswell, 713.667.0704, or fhboswell@comcast.net, if you can make it or if you would like to join the Membership Committee.

delta H.A.P.A.nings!

8th Annual H.A.P.F. Wine Tasting Event
Silent Auction & Supper Buffet

Join us for an evening
"By Moon and Candlelight"

Wine Tasting Presented By:
David Maggard
"The Wine Man"

Honoring Sherry and Rolland St. Aubin

Please join your Tri Delta sisters and other sorority friends for fun and informative gatherings at the Houston Alumnae Panhellenic Association (HAPA) meetings. We have great food and entertaining speakers.

Meetings are on the first Thursday of the month from October to April at Westminster United Methodist Church, 5801 San Felipe @ Bering Drive. Coffee at 9:30 am, meeting at 10:00 am in the parlor.

Questions? Contact Tri Delta's Panhellenic Delegate Katy Guerre, 713.467.1453 or kbguerre@aol.com.

Save The Date For Founders' Day!



Mark your calendars for **Tuesday, November 8th** at 6 PM. We hope all Deltas will join us at Brennan's when we celebrate our founding! More details in the November newsletter.

Invitations will be sent to all dues paying members.

Our Newest Tri Delta



Congratulations to Joe and
Nancy Williams Mathé

(Oklahoma State, '90), parents to Brielle Rhys
Mathé. Brielle was born on March 25.

*Please make sure to share your big news with
The Tri Delta Times by emailing Brandy Pugh
at BrandyDDD@gmail.com.*

In Memoriam

Please keep the following Tri Deltas in your
thoughts and prayers.

*Elaine Allen (Florida, '63), whose husband John
passed away this summer. Also, her sister, Sally
Donovan passed away this spring.*

*The family of Rhea Louise
Beckham (Southwestern, '55)*

*Claire Greaves Evans (S.M.U., '44), whose
daughter Sharon Kay passed away this summer.*

*The family of Martha Parce Fraser
(Cal - Berkeley, '42)*

*The family of Beth Barnes Finley
(Puget Sound, '61)*

*Sue Stiles White (Texas, '62), whose husband
Alfred (Buz) passed away suddenly on August 27,
2011.*

*The sisters of Gamma Alpha (Texas A&M),
whose House Mom of 16 years, "Mama Kay"
passed away this summer.*

The Art of Opening Doors to Opportunity 2012 Mail Campaign

Tri Delta Art Show for Charity

The Houston Alumnae Chapter of Delta Delta Delta continues its proud tradition of providing need-based college scholarships to area high school senior women from diverse backgrounds that, without scholarship assistance, would be unable to attend college. Since 2001, the Tri Delta Houston Alumnae Chapter has funded over \$340,000 in scholarships with proceeds from the Tri Delta Art Show for Charity, Inc.

We hope you will join us and make a difference in the lives of deserving young women with your contribution to the Tri Delta Art Show, The Art of Opening Doors to Opportunity 2012 Mail Campaign.

Your gifts fund Tri Delta Houston Alumnae Chapter Community Scholarships and Named Scholarships. Additional beneficiaries include The Texas Children's Cancer and Hematology Center's *Arts in Medicine* Program and Houston Alumnae Panhellenic Foundation Scholarships.

All gifts are greatly appreciated and make a difference in the lives of young women in the Houston area. Let's keep the momentum going! More information will be made available regarding levels of participation throughout the year.

Take the first step and give hope to the kids of St. Jude

On Saturday, November 19, 2011, St. Jude supporters in the Houston community, and in 80 cities across the country will join together to participate in the St. Jude Give thanks. Walk. Join the Houston Tri Delta Alumnae team in this family-friendly 5K walk. It is free to sign-up and all money raised will count towards Tri Delta's \$15 million in 5 years campaign.

Location: Houston Zoo
6200 Hermann Park Drive
Houston, TX 77030

Walker Check-in Starts: 6:30 AM

Walk Starts: 8:00 AM

Top reasons to join our team:

5. You can help get the HAC Tri Delta name out in the community.
4. You can help our team meet our goal of \$3,500.
3. You can add to your Tri Delta t-shirt collection.
2. You can get free breakfast after the walk. Can you say, SHIPLEY DONUTS!

And The Number 1 Reason To Join Our Team is.....

1. You get to spend quality time with your ΔΔΔ sisters and zoo animals.

We are still looking for someone to help coordinate the Tri Delta team for the St. Jude Give thanks. Walk as well as some additional philanthropy events throughout the year. If you are interested in helping, contact Mary Williams, 713.299.6030, maryrahmes@sbcglobal.net.

Delta's Night Out



Join the Delta's Night Out group for a cupcake decorating class (and cocktails too!)

Sugar Bunch Creations

3206 Jackson Street
Houston, TX 77004

Saturday, October 29
7:00 pm - 8:30 pm

There will be a fee of \$10/person but Deltas Night Out will cover the rest of the cost of the class (normally \$25). As there is limited availability for these classes, please RSVP to Delta's Night Out Chair, Anna Kuhn Lynch at 512.299.221 or ahkuhn@hotmail.com as soon as possible so we can keep this class date.

Announcements

Please forward any announcement for births, weddings, illnesses, deaths, special thanks, recognition or congratulations to Jean Janssen, Corresponding Secretary, janssenjean@aol.com or 713.667.4034.

Interest Group Spotlight

Delta Flicks

Have you heard about the newest interest group? Delta Flicks is the Alumnae Chapter movie group that meets each month. Don't you always want to see a certain movie that your boyfriend/husband won't see with you? Need some girl time with a drink and a large slice of pizza? Delta Flicks is for you! We will be seeing *I Don't Know How She Does It* on **September 21st** at Studio Movie Grill in City Centre. Evites are sent out monthly with movie info and show times. Contact Kristin Lamb at KristinDDD@gmail.com.

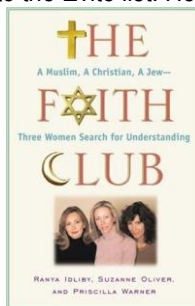
Mommy & Me (formerly Moms & Tots)

Calling all Tri Delta Moms with school age kids to infants! Come out, make new friends and have the opportunity to meet for play dates, Mommy's Night Out, motherhood class opportunities, possible school tours, clothing/equipment swaps, cooking classes and Stroller Boot Camp. Most activities will occur in the Heights/River Oaks/West University area. To be added to the Mommy and Me email distribution list please email your information to Nancy Williams Mathé at nancymathe@yahoo.com.

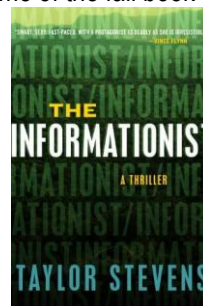
We will have our first play meet on **Tuesday, October 11th** at Lupe Tortilla's (2141 Southwest Freeway) at 3:30 PM to discuss future meets for the following year. Please RSVP to Nancy at nancymathe@yahoo.com by Friday, October 7 if you are attending this play meet.

Reading Between The Wines

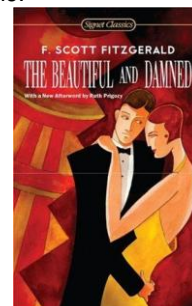
Like books and love wine? Reading Between the Wines is the group for you! Reading Between the Wines meets once a month to talk about our reading selection while enjoying the company of our sisters, yummy food and a glass or two of wine. If you are interested in joining us, please contact Brandy Pugh, BrandyDDD@gmail.com to be added to the Evite list. Here are some of the fall book selections:



September 26



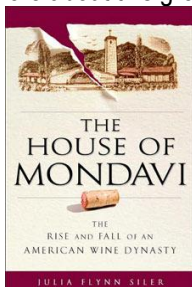
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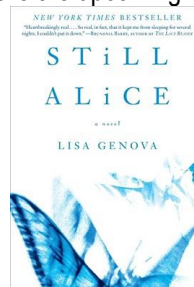
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The Pine Needle Readers

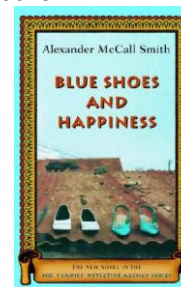
The Pine Needle Readers meet at 10:00 am on the 3rd Tuesday of every month, except in December. Come for the friendly conversation and discussion of the book for the month. Contact Chrissy Dunn, 713.465.1997, or cjrd9017@gmail.com if you want to learn more about this group. Here are the upcoming book selections:



September 20



October 18



November 15

Win a Gift Card to Fiori Spa!



Bring a Tri Delta sister to the Fall Membership Party and be entered into a drawing for one of two Fiori Spa gift certificates. When your Tri Delta sister turns in her 2011-2012 Membership Form at the Fall Membership Party, have her list your name as her "reference". Each new member is one entry. Winner will be announced at the end of the party. You do not have to be present to win, but it will be more fun if you are there!

For Your Fall Calendars

SEPTEMBER 2011

- 6 Membership Committee Meeting (PM)
- 7 Tri Delta Bridge (AM)
Tri Delta Traders (PM)
- 8 Delta's Night Out
- 12 Deltas in Stitches (PM)
TDASC Board Meeting (PM)
- 20 Pine Needle Readers
- 21 Delta Flicks – *I Don't Know How She Does It* (PM)
- 22 Downtown Lunch Bunch
Galleria Lunch Bunch
- 26 Reading Between The Wines
St. Jude Night at Chili's
- 27 **Fall Membership Party****

OCTOBER 2011

- 4 HAC Executive Board Meeting (AM)
- 5 Tri Delta Bridge (AM)
Tri Delta Traders (PM)
- 10 Deltas in Stitches (PM)
TDASC Board Meeting (PM)
- 11 Mommy & Me – Lupe Tortilla (4PM)
- 15 Newsletter Deadline
- 18 Pine Needle Readers
- 21 HAPA Wine Tasting (PM)
- 24 Reading Between The Wines
- 27 Galleria Lunch Bunch
- 29 Delta's Night Out – Sugar Bunch
Creations (7PM)

Spring 2011 Events

Golden Circle Luncheon Ousie's Table



**The Art of American Leadership
2011 Campaign Update**

Many thanks to all of our loyal and generous contributors to the 2011 Tri Delta Art Show for Charity.

The amount of \$65,000 was raised in support of Tri Delta's mission to advance the education of deserving young women through need-based scholarships. Through the success of this campaign, the Tri Delta Houston Alumnae Chapter Scholarship Program was able to commit a total of \$68,000 in scholarship funding as follows:

Community Scholarships:

▲ Libia Castro, 4-year, \$20,000 award

Named Scholarships:

▲ Emmanuelle Quitzau, 4-year, \$8,000 Leadership Scholarship

▲ Chioma Obi, 1-year, \$2,000 Barbara Snyder Nelson Hinds Scholarship

▲ Haley Boyd, 1-year, \$2,000 Carolyn Futrell Potter Theta Kappa '56 Scholarship

▲ Alana Mary Grace Anderson, 1-year, \$2,000 Kathy Robinson Hillman Scholarship

▲ Emily Josey, 1-year, \$2,000 Lawcille Elrod Walton Scholarship

▲ Tyanna Frazier, 1-year, \$2,000 Todd Brock Family Foundation Scholarship

Additional beneficiaries:

▲ \$5000 to the Houston Center for Photography Art Education Outreach Program, *Picture This*

▲ \$2000 to the TDASC Houston Alumnae Panhellenic Foundation Scholarships.

Also, in conjunction with the Community Scholarship Committee and approval by the Houston Alumnae Chapter Board, the HAC is making a Go the Distance pledge from a portion of the uncommitted balance in the Philanthropic Fund to each of the above-named recipients to assist these women through their fourth year of college. These young women will not have to reapply for funds but must continue to meet the requirements as set forth by the Community Scholarship Committee and the HAC:

▲ Chioma Obi, \$6,000 Go the Distance pledge for 2012, '13, '14 (\$2,000/yr.)

▲ Haley Boyd, \$6,000 Go the Distance pledge for 2012, '13, '14 (\$2,000/yr.)

▲ Alana Mary Grace Anderson, \$6,000 Go the Distance pledge for 2012, '13, '14 (\$2,000/yr.)

▲ Emily Josey, \$6,000 Go the Distance pledge for 2012, '13, '14 (\$2,000/yr.)

▲ Tyanna Frazier, \$6,000 Go the Distance pledge for 2012, '13, '14 (\$2,000/yr.)

Thank YOU for making a difference!!

**Tri Delta Art Show for Charity
The Art of American Leadership**



To view and order photos from this year's Tri Delta Art Show for Charity Underwriting Party and Luncheon, go to www.AlexandersPortraits.com. Click on Events in the upper right hand corner, and find Tri Delta. Enjoy!

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