

Fall 2019

Kite Tales



A Newsletter for the Oklahoma City Alumnae Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta

Dear Theta Sisters,

I am so honored and excited to be able to serve as your 2019-2020 Alumnae Chapter President! Our Nominating Committee put together a wonderful board of women who will help lead our chapter this year.

As in years past, we would like to focus on growing our membership and growing participation. So, please join me at all of the exciting events we have planned this year. I would also like to encourage each of you to invite a Theta friend to a meeting. Many of us just need a little nudge sometimes from a friend, but once we get there, we're so glad we came!

Also, we're always trying to think of ways to make things more convenient for you. So, we're excited to announce you can finally pay your dues via **Venmo: @BethArmstrong**. Simply put in the notes "Dues for: YOUR NAME". If you can think of other ways to make anything we do more convenient, please let me know.

I'm also excited to report that last year's "**GAME ON with CASA**" fund-raiser was a huge success! Our Oklahoma City Alumnae Chapter was the Presenting Sponsor of this event, and we will be the sponsor again this year. So, we will be asking for your help in a number of ways: sponsorships, table hosts, participation at the event and more. **Our goal this year is to raise \$25,000 prior to the event by way of donations and sponsorships from our members.** A mailing just went out to each of you, so please look for that and please help in any way you can. Our very own **Amy Cottrell** is the CASA Game On Co-Chair this year, so she'll be sharing more details with us as the event gets closer. Please save the date for this year's **GAME ON with CASA – March 26th, 2020.**

It's going to be a great year, and I want to thank each of you who help make it all possible – whether by serving on the board, a committee, or just by coming to everything you possibly can. We can't thank you enough!

I hope to see all of you at our **September 23rd General Meeting** at **Charlie Knight's home** to kick off our new year!

Loyally,

Tabitha McCuan
President



The McCuan Family
Mackenzie (20), Stuart, Peyton (17) and Tabitha



**Celebrate Theta's
Day of Service at
Rock n' Box
October 22nd
6:30—8:30 p.m.**



Kappa Alpha Theta's Day of Service is Oct. 19. Since its inception in 2009, the International Day of Service brings Theta collegians and alumnae together in service, linked heart to heart, in honor of founder Bettie Locke Hamilton on her birthday.

Day of Service is about taking time out of our busy lives one day a year to purposefully spread the widest influence for good to Thetas and non-Thetas alike. Really, it's the power of one multiplied by 200,000—the number of living, initiated members around the world.

Bring your husband, boyfriend, children, parents or roommates to join in the fun! Imagine the impact Thetas can have if we all give just a little bit of our time to help those in need.

LET'S BE BETTIES ON OCTOBER 22nd

**Join OKC Theta Alumnae at the
Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma
3355 S. Purdue, Oklahoma City, 73137
for Rock n' Box on Tuesday, October 22nd
from 6:30-8:30 p.m.
for our Third Annual KAΘ Day of Service event**

**Rock n' Box space is limited to 40 Thetas and
online registration is required**

**Contact Alexa Lienhard @ 405-990-1157 or alexalienhard@yahoo.com to
receive the registration link from Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma.**



THETA OF THE YEAR

It is time to select our **Theta of the Year**. Each member may nominate one person. Please consider a Theta based on her participation, past or present, in the Alumnae Chapter, representative of Theta ideals, and other community involvement. When submitting your nomination, please include a few reasons why you'd like to honor this special Theta sister.

We will announce our Theta of the Year at a special reveal in October. We will also honor her at our Founder's Day Luncheon and at the Oklahoma City Panhellenic Luncheon.

Also, in an effort to create a broader framework for the selection process and to make sure we don't overlook a deserving candidate, your nominations will be sent to a selection committee. This committee will be comprised of the following: President, President-Elect, Panhellenic Delegate, 3 Most Recent Thetas of the Year, and 1 Member-at-Large.

You may check your directory for a list of past Theta of the Year winners. To nominate a Theta sister, please email your nomination to Charlie Knight at charlieknightokc@gmail.com by Friday, September 27th. We will also have printed nomination forms at our September general meeting.

Please update your information with Nationals

The Theta portal is a new system for all members. Here you can update your contact information, view a Sister Search, access forms, pay dues and much more. So, please take a moment today to create your profile. There are many other tools to use in the portal once our membership is signed up and using it.

Creating your portal account not only helps Theta Nationals keep track of its members worldwide, but benefits our local chapter too. Through this portal we are able to identify area Thetas for potential alumnae chapter membership, identify our dues paying members for local and national purposes, run labels for mailings to dues paying members, and send emails to our membership. Currently, Nationals is only considering "members" those of us who have created our portal accounts and updated our information, so it is imperative that we all do this.

Please go to: portal.kappaalphatheta.org

Click on "Claim Your Account"

Simply follow the steps and enter your information, then create a username and password.

Thank you for taking time to update your information today!

Theta's turning 150!

2020 is Theta's sesquicentennial, a celebration of our 150th year. What will you do to acknowledge this milestone in Theta history? Participate in our Alumnae Chapter activities this year - join us for a meeting, Theta Day of Service, Founder's Day or GAME ON with CASA!

Congratulations to these 2019 Theta Pledges from the Metro area!

University of Oklahoma

Grace Affolder* - Bishop McGuinness
Ashton Bowen - Westmoore
Brooklyn Bowen - Westmoore
Jillian Brannon - Edmond North
Rachel Brinkley - Edmond Santa Fe
Katie Burkhead - Edmond Santa Fe
Maddie Clarke* - Bishop McGuinness
Graycen Guthrie - Edmond North
Katie Han - Edmond Santa Fe
Caroline Judd* - Edmond Memorial
Olivia Leonard - Edmond North
Anna Lessman* - Southwest Covenant
Casey Minnick - Edmond Memorial
Kate Turner - Deer Creek



University of Oklahoma

Madeleine Oliver* - Heritage Hall
Lauren Richards* -
Edmond Memorial
Anna Robertson* - Edmond North

University of Kansas

Parker Poarch* -
Bishop McGuinness

Oklahoma State University

Kylee Blumenthal - Deer Creek
Chloe Case - Edmond Santa Fe
Ellie Harkins - Edmond Memorial
McKenna Hoppe - Edmond Memorial
McKenleigh Kelly* -
Oklahoma Christian
Annabelle Lindsey -
Edmond Memorial
Sydney Schmedt - Oklahoma Christian

Texas Christian University

Miranda Jelinek -
Bishop McGuinness

In Faith We Bid Farewell To

- Anna Lee Byrd, member of Alpha Omicron Chapter
- Kay Lynn Fellers Sturm, member of Alpha Omicron Chapter
- Geraldine Bollinger Raupe, member of Alpha Omicron Chapter
- Margaret Herrmann Bohanon Davison, member of Alpha Omicron Chapter
- Sherry Martin Conger, member of Alpha Omicron Chapter

Our Hope For Life's Blessings To

- Emily Davis and Brookes Wright who were married June 8th
- Ryley Good and Stephen Hoch who were married July 13th

Our Love Goes Out To

- Karen Raupe-Hanstein on the death of her mother, Geraldine Raupe
- Lee Ann and Elizabeth Nordin on the death of their husband and father, Mike Nordin
- Kristen Bohanon on the death of her mother-in-law, Margaret Davison
- Christen Conger and Jennifer Bentley on the death of their mother, Sherry Conger

Send congratulations,
cares and condolences to
Mary Anne Koch,
Corresponding Secretary,
maryanne_koch@hotmail.com

✧ Faith. Hope. Love. ✧

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2019-20 KΑΘ Calendar



September 23—General Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Home of Charlie Knight
1700 Camden Way, Oklahoma City, 73116

October 22—Theta National Day of Service
Regional Food Bank of Oklahoma
3355 S. Purdue, Oklahoma City, 73137
6:30-8:30 p.m.
Registration required - contact
alexalienhard@yahoo.com for link to register

October 22—**50 Year Thetas Meeting**, 10:30 a.m.
Oklahoma City Golf & Country Club
7000 NW Grand Blvd., Nichols Hills, 73116
Kay Oliver, President

Holiday Party -
Date, Time and Location to be Announced
We are seeking a host for this party. If you
are willing to host our couples holiday party
in your home, please contact Tabitha
McCuan.

February 1—Founders Day Luncheon, 11:30 a.m.
Oklahoma City Golf & Country Club
7000 NW Grand Blvd., Nichols Hills, 73116

March 26—GAME ON with CASA
Benefiting CASA of Oklahoma County
Science Museum Oklahoma
2020 Remington Pl, Oklahoma City, 73111

April 1—OKC Area Alumnae Panhellenic, 11:30 a.m.
The Women of the Year Luncheon
Oklahoma City Golf & Country Club
7000 NW Grand Blvd., Nichols Hills, 73116

April 6—General Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Home of Allie Dodson
11913 Barrywood Dr., Oklahoma City 73120
Program: 2020-21 Budget & Slate Approval

May 11— General Meeting, 6:00 p.m.
Home of Teri Hubbard
3516 Quail Creek Rd., Oklahoma City 73120
Program: Installation of 2020-21 Officers