

# Kappa Alpha Theta

*Delta Iota, University of Puget Sound*



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## Hello from the Editors!

Dear Parents and Alumnae,

We hope you have been enjoying a lovely fall. This semester has been very busy at Delta Iota. With our very successful Thetathon philanthropy leading a host of events, there has been non-stop excitement for our chapter. We welcomed three terrific new

members to Delta Iota during fall recruitment and are excited to welcome these wonderful women to our sisterhood. We hope you enjoy our fall update.

Theta Love and Ours,

Melanie Reiff

Andrea Becker

Lindsay Schommer

# Letter from the President

Greetings Parents and Alumni,

I cannot believe another semester is half way over. I have really enjoyed working with the girls of Kappa Alpha Theta this semester. Earlier this semester we added 3 wonderful women to our sisterhood. We had a very successful philanthropy 5K walk/run and raffle in October, raising over \$1000 for Court Appointed Special Advocates. We also had our annual Alumnae and Family Event after the Homecoming football game, participated in Greek Week, and have many events coming up in the next month and a half.

The Greek Community is excited to welcome back Sigma Alpha Epsilon. They will be back in full swing for Spring Recruitment. After the unfortunate loss of Sigma Nu in 2009, we are glad to have another fraternity joining us on campus.

As my term as President/ CEO of the Delta Iota Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta is coming to a close, I would like to thank you for all the support you give our chapter, your daughters, and your sisters. It has been an honor to represent such a great house and group of girls. This chapter has a bright future and I look forward to seeing our women excel in womanhood and strive to be the best they can be.

Loyally,

Sarah Bicker

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## LETTER FROM OUR ADVISOR - KARI BRADLEY

As advisors and alumnae, it's very easy to feel like we understand "Theta for a Lifetime" better than a lot of Thetas. We've had our college experience, we've met our lifelong friends, and we're giving back to the fraternity by advising a college chapter.

Being an advisor is much more than any of us anticipated! We've worked with women as they have battled failing out of school, horrible illnesses, family emergencies and losing a sorority sister. At the same time, we're helping to manage the business side of Theta (and real life) and instill values of budgeting, programming, managing meetings and managing time with academic responsibilities, jobs, leadership positions, and so on. Each of us feels a personal responsibility to show the Delta Iota women why Theta was memorable and valuable for us, and why we still care so much for the black and gold.

It's really a lovely balance and a great way to give back to the fraternity. We get to show the college women what it really means to be a Theta for a Lifetime and work with some incredibly talented women. There are seven of us on the advisory board, representing three chapters in Washington (Alpha Lambda/Washington, Alpha Sigma/Washington State, and Delta Iota).

There are a number of things to cheer about in regards to Delta Iots, but one of the biggest reasons to celebrate has been due to the chapter recognition with a Silver Kite Award at Theta Convention in June. This award demonstrates that the sisterhood at Delta Iota is strong, while the women are also committed to the social, intellectual and moral growth our fraternity values. There is a batch of Golden, Silver, and Bronze Kite winners every convention, so although there is room for growth, this marks the first recognition of this caliber for the chapter in approximately 10 years!

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## THETAS ABROAD

This semester we have six of our members studying abroad. We are missing them at Delta Iota, but we know that their travel will provide great learning and life experiences.

Mandy Warner - Granada, Spain

Carrie Eidsness- Chile

Elizabeth Gibson - Japan

Alyssa Christiansen - London, England

Marrissa Miles-Coccaro - London, England

Rachel Mestnick - Africa



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## INFORMAL RECRUITMENT

This year our chapter had a lot of fun with desserts for informal recruitment. On our first day of recruitment we cozied up by the fireplace and made s'mores. For the second day we decorated cupcakes and had desserts from around the world. We met some really great girls and had captivating conversations over gooey marshmallows and cream puffs. At the end of it all, we ended up taking three new girls in our fall informal pledge class: Sierra Phillips ('12), Rachel Waterman ('13), and Lizzie Kittle ('13). Each of these girls bring something unique and valuable to our house and we are happy to welcome them into our chapter!



### THETATHON

The Thetathon, our annual fundraiser for CASA and the Theta Foundation, is a 5k Walk/Run and raffle that took place on October 2nd. This year we were lucky enough to have the event take place on the Puget Sound campus, with beautiful sunny weather. We raised over \$1000 for the two organizations. It was wonderful to see support from the campus community and the Tacoma community as well.



ALUMNAE TEA



On Saturday October 9<sup>th</sup> during Homecoming weekend we held an Alumnae Tea Party get together at the house. We invited Theta alumnae from our chapter as well as alumnae from other chapters who live in the area. It was fun to see old friends who had recently graduated in addition to meeting other Thetas. With the Homecoming festivities taking place, parents of current members were invited to stop in and warm up with coffee or tea. Overall we had a good turnout, and it was a lot of fun for all who were able to attend.

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### UPCOMING EVENTS

Our chapter has been very busy this semester and we have even more events coming up! We have several functions with other chapters planned, such as pumpkin carving with Pi Phi, a murder mystery party with Beta, and mini golf with Sigma Chi. We also have a pre-registration party coming up where the upperclassmen will help the underclassmen decide on what classes to take next semester. This is only the second time we've done this, but we are looking forward to this helpful and fun academic event. In November, we have our formal dance, initiation, and faculty appreciation to keep us busy!

# Want to Stay in Touch?

## Delta Iota News Letter:

Please send us any blurbs you would like to share with your sisters including, but not limited to: wedding announcements, promotions, location updates, births, and reunion information. Our email address is [DeltaIotaThetas@gmail.com](mailto:DeltaIotaThetas@gmail.com). Your sisters would love to hear from you!

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