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THE NEWSLETTER OF THE ALPHA GAMMA DELTA FOUNDATION

WELCOME TO OUR LOYAL DONORS

Alpha Gamma Delta is loving, leading and lasting thanks to our loyal donors. This newsletter is published to share your impact, and to thank you for believing in our Foundation's mission of providing essential support for women's education, philanthropy and leadership. 🌸

ALPHA GAMS ARE *Leading*

ACORN PROGRAM



ACORN: A NEW WAVE OF LEARNING

It's fall, and it continues to bring its share of challenges and opportunities. Campuses ebb and flow between opened and closed. On-line learning is no longer for a handful. And who would have ever imagined virtual recruitment? Among the many lessons learned during these chaotic times, two immediately come to mind:

1. Our ability to quickly respond and pivot to serve our sisters is critical.
2. The world needs prepared women leaders now more than ever.

In short, there's never been a more important time for Alpha Gamma Delta.

To give our sisters the critical personal and professional development growth they need - no matter where they are - the Foundation has committed to underwriting Acorn, our Fraternity's new virtual learning platform launched this summer.

Here collegiate sisters across North America directly access self-care information including mental health and sexual assault awareness programs - two key issues research shows increase during times of global and economic stress. Here they grow confidence to prepare themselves as our next generation of women leaders. They find communication tools to better connect with their sisters and hold meaningful, thoughtful discussions. Acorn not only educates and trains our sisters to be better, safer and stronger, it provides a much-needed connection point.

You can access Acorn at acorn.alphagammadelta.org. Keep an eye out for future alumnae programs to also be housed here!

We are preparing our members to be ready for the world as it is so they can change it to what it needs to be. We can only do this with you. Will you join us? Give a gift today to our Alpha Gam Foundation.

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GAMS ARE *Loving*

PATTI CAREY FLOREN
ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP



Patti entered Chapter Grand in the summer of 2020 and her legacy has been cemented in our history thanks to her character and the generosity of sisters who created the Patti Carey Floren Endowed Scholarship. Her Alpha Gam sisters wanted to recognize and honor Patti's tireless efforts to ensure the world had better opportunities by launching an endowment in her honor. Please consider giving a gift in celebration of Patti and in celebration of sisters everywhere.

Endowments provide support for the generations. Have you thought about the legacy you'll leave? If you or a group of sisters are interested in more information about creating an endowment contact Executive Director, Julie Waitman at 317.663.4242.

To make a gift to the Patricia Carey Floren Scholarship Endowment, please go to our website and make a gift online with the note "Patricia Carey Floren Scholarship Endowment".

THE FUND THAT SISTERHOOD BUILT

Providing an example of strength and passion in all avenues of her life, Patricia Carey Floren, Delta Eta-San Diego State University, generously shared the ideals of Alpha Gamma Delta for more than 40 years. From collegian to International Council member, from educator to dedicated wife and mother, Patti brought the Alpha Gamma Delta Purpose to her life demonstrating the ideals of sisterhood, leadership and boundless contributions to all her activities.

WHY I *Give*

Melanie began giving to the Foundation in celebration of chapter sisters, some of whom are no longer with us. As a past scholarship recipient herself, she gives to support the educational goals and leadership development of our youngest sisters.



Alpha Gam challenges women to use their skills, take on more responsibilities, problem solve in a safe place and work with others. Without the Greek experience, women could go years without this kind of development. It prepares you for work and life.



MELANIE MATTHEWS CANTO

Delta Theta-University of Idaho
Former scholarship recipient
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**Read Melanie's story in the Gratitude Report on our website*

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TAX SMART Ways to give

There are many tax smart ways you can donate to the Alpha Gamma Delta Foundation. Maximize your tax deductions with one of these smart giving opportunities!

APPRECIATED STOCKS

When you make a gift of appreciated stocks before calendar year end, you may avoid capital gains taxes and receive a tax-deduction for the full market value of your gift. Be sure to plan ahead when using appreciated stock to make your gift!

QUALIFIED CHARITABLE DISTRIBUTIONS (QCD)

Using a QCD is a tax-savvy strategy allowing individuals 70 ½ or older to transfer up to \$100,000 per year from Individual Retirement Accounts (IRA) directly to a qualified charity, like the Alpha Gamma Delta Foundation.

Always consult your financial advisor when considering tax friendly giving options, and for more information reach out to Executive Director Julie Waitman at 317.663.4242 or jwaitman@alphagammadeltafoundation.org.



NEW PODCAST ON THE BLOCK

Alpha Gam's Love Lead Listen podcast is full of insightful conversations pertaining to relevant topics faced by our sisters and women today. With 14 episodes (new ones releasing every other week!), you're sure to find an episode from which to learn and grow. Proudly funded by the Foundation, add the Love Lead Listen podcast to your toolkit of personal and professional development. Find it on Apple Podcast, Spotify or wherever you download podcasts.

Note: Views and opinions expressed are those of podcast guests and do not necessarily represent those of Alpha Gamma Delta International Fraternity or Foundation.

AWARD WINNING!

The Alpha Gamma Delta Foundation is proud to receive a first-place award for our *Gratitude Report* from the Fraternity Communications Association! The *Gratitude Report* showcases donor impact in the lives of our members and communities and includes our *Honor Roll of Donors*. To read our most current issue, visit https://issuu.com/alphagammadelta/docs/gr2020_72pg

Special thanks to our sisters who allowed us to share their stories and Casey Miser, our Fraternity's Graphic Designer, for her outstanding work.

NEW OFFICERS AND TRUSTEES

A special welcome to our new 2020-22 Officers on the Board of Trustees! Thank you for your guidance and leadership.

- President: Carol Richards Peske, Alpha Beta-University of Michigan
- Vice President: Adrienne Kerr Beckett, Zeta Omicron-Kettering University
- Treasurer: Patti Guthrie Rogers, Gamma Delta-Auburn University
- Secretary: Sylvie Kramer Weikert, Gamma Iota-Mercer University

Join us in also welcoming **Melissa Jacobson James**, Rho-Iowa State University, and **Maurie Jones Phelan**, Eta-DePauw University, to the board.

Melissa previously served as Vice President-Alumnae for our Fraternity and brings significant experience and a unique perspective to the Foundation regarding membership and alumnae engagement.

Maurie brings 17 years of fraternal and foundation management experience to the Foundation and will leverage these skills to advance the Foundation's mission and goals.

They join re-elected members: Lynne Dunford Rossell, Omega-University of Akron, Alpha Gamma Delta International President and Foundation Trustee Lee Woodham Langub, Gamma Alpha-University of Georgia, and Martha Petry Parham, Gamma Lambda-Longwood University.



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OUR MISSION: "The Alpha Gamma Delta Foundation impacts and enriches our communities by providing essential support for education, philanthropy and leadership."

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