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The Silver and Bordeaux

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Fundraising Update

We are at 12% of our goal, a great start!

Sisters of Chi Chapter!

We want to sincerely thank those of you who have donated to the Building Our Future At 1107 fundraising efforts. Donation letters and forms went out in January and because of your generous donations, we have **so far raised \$12,264** this year in combined gifts from Homecoming and our letter campaign (If you did not receive a letter, it is likely that we did not have your correct address at the time). This puts us at 12% of our \$100,000 fundraising goal. We will continue to fundraise each year up to our Centennial Celebration in 2018 in hopes to restore the chapter to glory!

With the given money this year, we have updated much of the electrical in the house including installing recessed lighting in the basement, grounding all outlets in the facility, changing many of the two-prong outlets to three-prong outlets as well as installing new outlets in rooms where there were only two, but three women living there. Additionally, money donated at homecoming was used to buy the chapter all new initiation robes and a new washing machine.

Our summer plans include a basement remodel so that they may show it during recruitment. This includes new lighting, paint, furniture (couches, end tables, lamps, artwork) and possibly new flooring.

If you have not yet given to this great project this year, it is not too late! A donor form is on the last page of this newsletter and a return envelope is enclosed as well.

Please see the next page for a list of donors thus far and please feel free to check our websites for updated donor information.

Check out page 4 for an updated wish list of items for the house!

Check out the redesigned Chi
Chapter website at
www.umalphaphi.com

Volunteer Opportunities

The House Corporation Board is currently looking to fill the following positions on the board:

Vice President

Treasurer

Secretary

Newsletter Chair

Centennial Celebration Chair

If you are interested in any of these roles, would like a job description, or would like to join the board, please email President Kary Huffman at karycrumm@yahoo.com. We will elect all positions of the board at our annual meeting on May 15, 2011.

**Official Notice of the
House Corporation Board Annual
Meeting**

This newsletter is serving as our official notice to all members of Chi Chapter of our 2010-11 House Corporation Board Annual Meeting.

All members who have paid house bond (if you left the chapter in good standing then you have!) to the chapter are invited to attend and participate at this meeting.

Our meeting is scheduled for Sunday, May 15, 2011 at 10 a.m. The meeting will be held in the dining room of the chapter house at 1107 Gerald Ave, Missoula, MT 59801.

Official business of the Corporation will take place at this meeting including an annual review and officer elections.

If you plan on attending this meeting, please notify the HCB President Kary Huffman at karycrumm@yahoo.com or 510.673.5442 to RSVP so we can make sure there are enough refreshments.

***THANK YOU To Our GENEROUS ALUMNAE
for your gifts to the Building Our
Future at 1107 Project!***

Big Dipper Society (Gifts of \$5,000-\$9,999)

Bonnie Briggs Mountain '80

The Lily of the Valley Circle (Gifts of \$500-\$999)

Bev Simpson Brain '63

Betty Jo Akerson O'Brien '59

Jean Bolkovatz -82

Lisa Matz Skowfoe-'01

Silver Circle (Gifts of \$250-\$499)

Tonya Gies Legettino ;94

Cheryl Gravelle Nelson '66

Angela LeDuc '00

Carolyn Palin Gies '61

Barbara Kundert Moy '68

Shana Goss Smith '84

Bordeaux Circle (Gifts up to \$249)

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| Marion Ryder '50 | Kay Martin Duffield '70 |
| Mary Balk Fink '59 | Leslie Ragan Beffert '76 |
| Karen Schirm Irwin '60 | Ann Freeman Rasmussen '98 |
| Pat Lowthian '75 | Katherine VanVliet Meyer '64 |
| Marcia Holmes Yury '63 | Patty Robertson Buckely '73 |
| Patty Holmes Myers '69 | Nichali Paulsrud Sliter '65 |
| Allison Squires '07 | Margaret Moreno Balsam '70 |
| Susan Spicher Cravens '73 | Janet Ferguson Monsos '51 |
| Sally Barker Templeman '59 | Paula Morse Wetzsteon '64 |
| Jean Beaulieu '71 | Toni Gies '66 |
| Joan Hinds '58 | Debby Parock Cottfetter '75 |
| Susie Beaulaurier Graetz '67 | Sharon Mogstad Fiske '69 |
| Connie Corette Kenney '60 | Susan Heine Snyder '71 |
| Carol Rude Fleharty '68 | Myra Shults '63 |
| Rebecca Egemo Tirrell '58 | Jeri Whitten Walling '59 |



Chapter women participating in their "Cake Boss" event with Phi Delta Theta Fraternity!

Winter also brought exciting new prospects.

Continuous Open Bidding has been very successful. We have accepted eight new women! These include Charlie Brents, Katy Edstrom, Gina Almas and Julie Giganti, as well as Alecia Johansen, Eliza Warner, Carly Drain, and Damara Simpson. At semester, we were proud to have new members move into the house because we made grades! To date, we have 53 women total! We look forward to the rest of spring semester and hope all our alumnae are doing well.

Love and AOE,

Your sisters at Chi Chapter

On the right is a picture of three of our newly initiated Phis.

Chapter Update!

New and exciting things have been going on this year at Alpha Phi!

Betsy Yaeger and Kylie Johns received this year's Jane Rowland Crouch Scholarship. Katie Novak received the Alpha Phi Scholarship and Kathryn Barsotti received the Greek Task Force Scholarship.

Also this spring, we had a very successful and fun Cake Boss Challenge with the Phi Delta Thetas.

Cardiac Care Week was in February, and an article about our campus event to raise heart-health awareness appeared on the front page of our school newspaper, the Kaimin

Also Chi Chapter won the Most Improved Chapter award at the Pacific Northwest Regional Conference! We hope to continue to keep Alpha Phi growing.



If you have a story idea/announcement/fun thing for the next edition of the Silver and Bordeaux Newsletter, e-mail: karycrudd@yahoo.com.

Updates from Alumnae!

This is a new section of our newsletter where we will feature updates from you, our alumnae! Please let us know what's going on in your life and we will share the news with other fellow alums! Feel free to include pictures, updates about family, jobs, vacations, or hobbies!

From Jennine Funk Budge '62:

In April 2009, my daughter and son-in-law, Diane and Dave Bonet, adopted a 13-month-old daughter, Allyson Janell Bonet. She was three years old on March 24, and a grand time was had by all at her Kidz Klub birthday party in Billings!

Besides being grandmother to Allyson, my activities generally revolve around musical interests, the most prevalent ones being Billings Symphony Chorale, the women's vocal ensemble Con Spirito, and Shiloh Methodist Church Choir.

From Leah Johnson Schnall '07

I am expecting our first child on September 27!!! Also, Garrett Johnson (Sigma Phi Epsilon-05) and I are moving back to Missoula in May!

From Cory Lee Arnold Rivers '98

I recently married on the 19th of March in London, where I live and my husband's name is John.

From Noreen Leary '71

I've lived in Reno, NV for 26 years and I am currently the COO of the Veterans Guest House, a non-profit corporation that provides temporary lodging to veterans and their families when they travel to Reno for medical care. It is a one of kind facility in the country and is funded entirely by private donations. I am not married, but I have certainly made great friends wherever in the world I have lived or traveled and I have a great extended family.

Missoula-area alums:

We're revitalizing the Missoula Alumnae Chapter, and we want you to be involved! Please join us for a "meet and greet" from 7 to 9 p.m. Thursday, June 9, at Jakers in Missoula. Alumnae from all chapters are welcome and encouraged to attend! E-mail allison.squires@gmail.com with any questions. See you then!

Chapter Wish List of Items for the House

*Note: These are specific items the chapter women have asked for. If you would like to donate one of these items in full, please contact Chapter Adviser Allison Squires at allison.squires@gmail.com.

Conference table with seating for eight for the exec room

Four drawer file cabinet for the exec room

Outdoor patio furniture for the back patio: tables with umbrellas, lounge chairs, enough seating for 12.

Water goblets (16 oz) for formal Monday night dinner-65 of them

Letter From the Chapter Adviser

Greetings, Chi Alumnae!

Though I've been the chapter adviser at Chi for less than a year, I can already tell you how proud I am of the progress and improvements our members have made in that short time.

I graduated from UM in 2007 amid dire circumstances at Chi: low membership and morale, seemingly insurmountable financial woes and a Greek system struggling to stay alive, which didn't leave me feeling optimistic about the chapter's future. Many of us graduating seniors weren't sure if the chapter would even be around when we returned for Homecoming in a few years.

Fast-forward to 2011, and our chapter has grown to 53 motivated, hard-working sisters who are dedicated to the success of the chapter. We've straightened out our finances (our delinquency list is near zero), and we've made improving our members' experience in Alpha Phi our No. 1 goal. This means more focus on programming, sisterhood, leadership and philanthropy -- the cornerstones of building meaningful, lifelong dedication to Alpha Phi. The chapter has improved so much, in fact, that they won the "Most Improved Chapter Award" at the Pacific Northwest Regional Conference in San Jose in February.

The chapter couldn't have done this without the help from our amazing advisory board. We now have seven dedicated alumnae volunteering their time to our chapter, and we appreciate all these advisers put in to helping us in the recruitment, marketing, program development and chapter operations departments. We're also extremely grateful for the help we've received from members of the PNW regional team, who have made it their mission to see our chapter thrive once again.

We're also thankful to you, our alumnae, the members who laid the foundation for what the chapter is today. I know the chapter lagged in communicating with you for several years, but we're now dedicated to reaching out on a regular basis and connecting with you via our newsletter, e-mail, Facebook page and the Alpha Phi Quarterly. We also plan to invite Missoula-area alumnae to each future initiation ceremony and brunch so you can join us in the ritual that binds us all.

We're also so grateful for your fabulous response to the "Building Our Future at 1107" campaign. The money you've graciously donated will go toward desperately needed repairs, updates and renovations to the chapter house, which hasn't changed much since the facility was built in 1948! We plan to get started this summer by completely renovating the basement.

I'm also working with the PNW regional alumnae coordinator to revitalize the Missoula alumnae chapter this summer, and we're hoping to get alumnae from Missoula and throughout Montana involved in it. We'd like to hold several events during the year for Alpha Phi alumnae to reconnect and have fun with their sisters, making the alumnae experience just as exciting and treasured as the collegiate one.

We have a lot of exciting things happening at Chi, and we want you to be involved, too! We're gearing up for our centennial in 2018 (it'll be here before you know it!), and your continued support will ensure we can make it the biggest and best on campus yet. If you're interested in getting involved with Chi chapter in anyway, please feel free to contact me at allison.squires@gmail.com.

Thanks for all you continued support, Chi chapter alumnae. We wouldn't be where we are today without you, and we look forward to continuing to build our relationship with you.

AOE,
Allison Squires
Chapter adviser



ALPHA PHI

**“Building Our Future at 1107: Chi Chapter Renovation Project”
Chi House Corporation Board Fundraiser**

Current Name: _____ Maiden Name: _____ Initiation Year: _____

Address: _____ Grad Year: _____

City, State, Zip _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Giving Levels	Amount	<p align="center">My Fundraiser Commitment:</p> <p align="center">\$ _____</p> <p align="center">TO BE PAID:</p> <p align="center">_____ All Now</p> <p align="center">_____ Half Now, Half in April 2012</p> <p align="center">_____ 1/3 Now, 1/3 in April 2012, 1/3 in April 2013</p> <p align="center">Please make check payable to: Chi Chapter Housing Association c/o Dawn Lochridge 530 Benton Ave Missoula, MT 59801</p>
<p>*NEW The 1107 Club Any member who donates a cumulative total of \$1,107 will have their name on a special plaque for the 1107 Club</p>	<p>Cumulative gifts of \$1,107</p>	
<p>The 10 Founders Society</p>	<p>Gifts of \$100,000 or more</p>	
<p>The Forget-Me-Not Society</p>	<p>Gifts of \$10,000-\$25,000</p>	
<p>The Big Dipper Society</p>	<p>Gifts of \$5,000-\$9,999</p>	
<p>The Ivy Circle</p>	<p>Gifts of \$1,000-\$4,999</p>	
<p>The Lily of the Valley Circle</p>	<p>Gifts of \$500-\$999</p>	
<p>The Silver Circle</p>	<p>Gifts of \$250-\$499</p>	
<p>The Bordeaux Circle</p>	<p>Gifts Up to \$249</p>	

*At this time, donations made to Fraternity/Sorority Building Associations are not tax deductible