

CAKD – March 2011

*If nothing ever changed, there'd be no butterflies. ~Author Unknown*

It is with a bittersweet heart that I write this last “Rachel’s Ramblings” for the Central Arkansas AC monthly newsletter. It has been an honor to lead you, my sisters, as President of this group for the past 3 years. It has been an amazing 3 year journey, as we have grown from a group of 22 alumnae to currently 46 dues paying alumnae and over 160 sisters on our Facebook and e-mail list serv. We watched a new collegian chapter start from the ground that has grown into a thriving chapter of our sisterhood. I am so thankful for all of your work and support of our AC! I am excited for the leadership that Taylor is bringing to the office of President, as well as the ideas and leadership of the slated executive board. I still plan to be involved (and hope all of you will too) as I continue to serve our alumnae chapter as the Parliamentarian / Past President.

In addition I am excited to announce that I have accepted the position of Alumnae Panhellenic Specialist on the Alumnae National Leadership Team of Kappa Delta for the next biennium (2011-2013). In filling this new National Officer position, will work with the Alumnae NLT team to ensure that all 200+ Alumnae Panhellenics have Kappa Delta representation, and work with the NPC delegation on education materials for those in office. I am honored, excited, and a little nervous about my new position – but thrilled to serve our sisterhood on a national level.

Good luck to the new Executive Board from your biggest fan! In our KD, Rachel

#### February 2011 Recap

CAKD met for a recipe exchange on the 24<sup>th</sup>, and we enjoyed getting a few new recipes to share with our families!



## VERY Last Chance for 2010-2011 AC Dues

CAKD is still 17 members away from our 2010-2011 membership goal of 63 members. Please consider joining today to help us reach our goal (and help us be considered for the membership building award at convention) by either joining via AOT dues or paying the \$5 service fee that the chapter pays per member. We ask that you pay by **March 15, 2011** so that we can complete our annual reports shortly after our annual business meeting on 3/16/11. You can pay by sending a check to Tammye Hall (13401 Saddle Hill Drive, Little Rock, AR 72212) or pay by using the link on our blog (<http://centralarkansaskd.blogspot.com>). Remember to use the pull down button to select the dues rate that you want.

## Help with the CAKD Annual Report

One part of the annual report is the section devoted to the participation of KDs in the community. Please help Rachel out by sending her an e-mail ([centralarkansaskd@hotmail.com](mailto:centralarkansaskd@hotmail.com)) answering this question for yourself or other Kappa Delta alumnae that you know in Little Rock by March 15, 2011:

*List all organizations, including offices held, for which ALL KΔ alumnae in area are members, including those not currently active in your AC if known:*

Thank you so much!

## 2011-2012 CAKD Executive Board Slate

The CAKD Nominating Committee presents the following slate for the 2011-2012 executive board. Elections will occur at the annual meeting on March 16, 2011.

President: Taylor Grace Owen Carter ([taylorgracecarter@live.com](mailto:taylorgracecarter@live.com))

VP-Membership: Jessica Cranford Ellis ([jesscranford@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jesscranford@sbcglobal.net))

VP-Public Relations: Jennifer Stanley ([jennifer.w.stanley@gmail.com](mailto:jennifer.w.stanley@gmail.com))

VP-Community Service: \*\*\*\*\*

VP-Programming: Cristina Broomas Easterling ([broomas@gmail.com](mailto:broomas@gmail.com))

VP-Collegian Relations: Jessica Riley Holcomb ([kdjesi570@hotmail.com](mailto:kdjesi570@hotmail.com))

Secretary: \*\*\*\*\*

Treasurer: Tammye Hall ([tammyehall@att.net](mailto:tammyehall@att.net))

Panhellenic Delegate: Megan Gardisser ([mdgardisser@chstout.com](mailto:mdgardisser@chstout.com))

Reference Coordinator/Alternate Panhellenic Delegate: Elizabeth Tucker ([eltucker@live.com](mailto:eltucker@live.com))

As you can see, we have not been able to slate a VP-Community Service or Secretary for the next year. Would you be willing to serve the AC in this way? If so, please send an e-mail to [centralarkansaskd@hotmail.com](mailto:centralarkansaskd@hotmail.com).

## Collegiate Chapter News and Notes

Zeta Gamma -- The 2<sup>nd</sup> annual University of Arkansas Shamrock Annual Talent Show will be held at 6 PM in the Union Ballroom on Wednesday, March 9, 2011. In addition the chapter will also host a Spaghetti Dinner at the Zeta Gamma Chapter House on Wednesday, March 2, 2011 from 5:00-8:00 PM. If you would like additional information about the events or information on making a donation, please contact Shamrock Chair Lindsey Albright at [lalbrigh@uark.edu](mailto:lalbrigh@uark.edu).

In addition, VP-PR Kate Sorrell sent the following updates from the Zeta Gamma chapter:

We are really excited about Shamrock this year, and invite all alumni to attend! For the talent show, we have received donations from all over Fayetteville for prizes during the show. Also, we have participants from every Greek House on campus to perform in the talent show. We are expecting the event to be a great success! Of course all of the proceeds will be going to Prevent Child Abuse America, and also locally to the Child Safety Center in Springdale, AR.

Also, the house is doing very well this semester that we would love to let the Alumnus know about.

1. We were named 4th in grades for the entire Greek community at the University.
2. Kacey Keefe, a Zeta Gamma junior, was named Miss University of Arkansas. This was a very big honor.
3. Kappa Delta was named the Best Sorority on Campus by the Arkansas Traveler.
4. Our snack kitchen was renovated over Christmas break, which has been an excellent update to the house.
5. Recruitment Practice has begun in preparation of the upcoming rush. The Greek Life Office is predicting a quota of 150 girls for this upcoming year, so we are preparing for this large upcoming recruitment.
6. We had a successful Girl Scout Event on February 8, 2011 in which we taught some local Girl Scouts about bullying.

This semester has been very successful so far, and we hope to continue this trend for the remainder of the semester! If you have any questions about anything feel free to email me at [ksorrell@uark.edu](mailto:ksorrell@uark.edu) at anytime. I am always happy to help.

### CAKD Events

Please mark your calendars for these other upcoming events:

#### March 2011

16<sup>th</sup> – Annual Business Meeting at US Pizza on JFK in North Little Rock– The annual business meeting is when officer elections, bylaw changes, and just the business of the AC takes place. We try to make it fun for all members, and this year we will have the event at US Pizza (5524 John F. Kennedy Blvd., North Little Rock, AR 72116). Time: 6:30 PM-8:30 PM (\*NOTE the PLACE CHANGE from Previous newsletters)

#### April 2011

17<sup>th</sup> -- 2-3:30 PM GLRAP Sorority Recruitment Workshop. Do you know student who is interested in Greek life? Does she have questions about Recruitment? This event is for her! Members of the GLRAP and recent graduates will help to educate local women about life in a sorority and the recruitment process at the Darragh Center Auditorium at the Main Library (Central Arkansas Library System) 100 Rock Street Little Rock, AR 72201. Be sure to allow plenty of time for travel and parking, as parking is always an issue in the River Market District. GLRAP suggests you park on the street or in the River Market Parking Deck, as opposed to the Library Parking, as it often fills up quickly on Sunday afternoons.

TBA – Open Board Meeting / 2011-2012 Planning Meeting – this meeting date/time will be discussed with the incoming executive board at the March meeting.

#### May 2011

1<sup>st</sup> – GLRAP “Y’all Come” All Sorority Event – Mark your calendar as all NPC Sorority Initiates are invited to a “Y’all Come” event hosted by the Greater Little Rock Alumnae Panhellenic Association. Check with your neighbors, co-workers, and friends to see if they would like to come out for this all sorority event. Preliminary plans are to meet at Wildwood Center for the Performing Arts and enjoy an afternoon exploring their park. A canned food drive to help a local food pantry is also in the works. More details to come soon!

TBA – May CAKD Event