

Keeping Border and Staying in Touch

Gamma Phi Beta - Epsilon Beta
807 Superior St., Alma, MI 48801

Fall 2016

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Keep up to Date

September 2016

- 6 Fall Term Begins
- 24-30 Continuous Open Bidding

October 2016

- 1 Fall Chapter Retreat

November 2016

- 5 Patroness Meet & Greet
- 19 Pancake Breakfast

December 2014

- 16 Fall Term Ends

*Pink denotes events alumnae are welcome to attend.

A Letter from the Chapter President:

Hello sisters!

We're looking forward to a successful year at Epsilon Beta. We have several exciting things coming our way this school year, from a sisterhood retreat next week to a new philanthropy event in April.

We finished off last year with 55 members, and even after graduating 18 sisters, we remain the largest sorority on Alma's campus. Our newest class consists of 11 new members--representing 16 different majors and minors, three grades, and three countries!

In addition to filling our quota this past winter recruitment with our 11 newest members, another part of our sisterhood going above and beyond is our philanthropy this year.

Pancake Breakfast is coming up on Nov. 19. This is our annual fundraiser for Girls on the Run of Central Michigan and while it is our international philanthropy, it's also a cause close to many of our sisters' hearts. We'd love to see you stop for it!

Our biggest philanthropy event yet, Moonball, will be held in April and we will share more details with you about as soon as we get further into planning.

Moonball is a philanthropy event

that will be held at every Gamma Phi Beta chapter in the US and Canada this year, so it will be an awesome opportunity to participate in.

This summer at Convention we had the opportunity to learn more about Moonball and all our chapter can do with it-- we cannot wait to share this event with you!

Not only did we learn about Moonball at Convention, we also had the opportunity to vote on 55 bylaw amendments, some of which made history by restructuring International Council. There was even more fun there with things like banquets and a night at the World of Coke for Confirmed Conventioneers.

Thank you for reading our newsletter and I hope to see you all at Homecoming this weekend (Oct. 8)!

In IIKE,

Màiri Clow '17
Epsilon Beta President



Keep Connected

Instagram: @almacollegegphib

facebook.com/GammaPhiBetaEpsilonBeta

GAMMA PHI BETA moonball

Gamma Phi Beta is introducing a new philanthropy event this year: Moonball!

All Gamma Phi Beta chapters across the US and Canada will be participating in this new philanthropy event but the particular Moonball event (kickball, volleyball or basketball) will vary by each chapter taking campus size, chapter size, and other aspects into consideration.

All money raised through the event will go to our philanthropic partner: Girls on the Run, through either a local council or Girls on the Run International.

For the Epsilon Beta chapter at Alma College our

Moonball event will be beach volleyball. We plan on having Moonball in the spring and while some details are still being worked out, look forward to a campus wide volleyball tournament ending with some glow-in-the-dark volleyball!

All Gamma Phi Beta Alumnae are welcome to make teams and participate in the event as well.



What's New at EB...

Stay Involved with Gamma Phi Beta

We encourage all alumnae to continue to stay involved with Gamma Phi Beta. There are many ways for alumnae to contribute. There are many International Volunteer opportunities listed on the Gamma Phi website for any alumnae interested in volunteering internationally. To read more information getting involved, check out this link:

www.gammaphibeta.org/international-headquarters/volunteers

Alumnae can also become advisors at any Gamma Phi chapter in the US or Canada with openings.

Gamma Phi alumnae are encouraged to join their local alumnae chapter as well as a way to

stay connected and get involved. There are four alumnae chapters in Michigan: Detroit Metro, Grand Rapids, Greater Lansing Area, and Oakland County Alumnae Chapters. You can search for more alumnae chapters near you here:

www.gammaphibeta.org/chapterlocator

One way to stay connected with the sisterhood right here at Alma College is to come to our philanthropy events. Many of our philanthropy events are open to the community and Gamma Phi Alums are always welcome! Our next philanthropic event is our **Pancake Breakfast on November 19th, from 8:30PM-1AM in Wright Hall's Lobby.**

Keep in the Loop:

Convention 2014

Hello sisters!

My name is Abigail Schaitkin. I am entering my junior year at Alma College, where I currently serve the Epsilon Beta chapter as Education Vice President. With all of my love for this sorority and for all of my sisters, I could not wait to attend Gamma Phi Beta's 2016 Convention in Atlanta, Georgia where hundreds of sisters gathered, "making our mark."

This Convention certainly made quite the mark on Gamma Phi's history as well as a mark upon myself and my fellow sisters. When I arrived, I met so many members from all over the country who oozed with laughter and kindness. I had no idea what sisters were like from other chapters in various other states, but I came to find out that Gamma Phi members have held true to being the most loving, hard working, and intelligent women that I have ever met. Throughout the week I attended the largest business meeting I could have imagined.

I was in awe as I saw the all of the chapter flags around the room, heard the overwhelming sound of snapping, and watched as history was made through new bylaws and the election of a new International Council. By the end of the Convention, I could not have been happier to witnessed a part of our history in the making and be able to

bring it back to our campus in the Fall. I learned and laughed as the Keynote Speaker, Ron Clarke, shared his story and inspirational messages. I met a seminar speaker, Betty Quick, who had helped install our chapter. I learned more about our new annual event, Moonball, exciting me for this coming year. We were told more about Girls On The Run and its impact th on girls all over the country.

I grew to hold our mission even more closely to my heart than when I had arrived. We cheered on other chapters for their successes at the awards dinner and the Convention-eers Dinner brought us to the Coca-Cola Museum where we enjoyed food and company, tasted flavors from all over the world, and celebrated the week of "making our mark."

With the close of the business session, I felt closer to Gamma Phi Beta and ready to bring what I had learned back to our chapter!

—Abigail Schaitkin, '16



HOMECOMING 2016

Please join us for Alma College Homecoming on Saturday, October 8th 2016 at 2:00pm on Balke Field.

It will be preceded by the Homecoming Parade at 11:00 AM, for which we will have a viewing area for the Gamma Phi Beta Epsilon Beta Alumnae and family located near the Alumni House on Superior Street.

There will be the pregame show, also on Balke Field starting at 1:00PM.

Immediately following the game, our chapter will be holding a picnic for our alumnae and family at the Gamma Phi Beta house, from 3:45-5 PM.

This year we will also be holding a fundraiser where we will be selling shirts around the time of homecoming for both alumnae and active members.

We hope to see many alumnae and their families at the game and picnic. Go scots and G Phi B!

Homecoming Schedule

Saturday, October 8, 2016

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| 11:00AM | Parade (with Viewing Area in Front of the Gamma Phi House) |
| 1:00PM | Pre-Game Show (Balke Field) |
| 2:00PM | Homecoming Game (Balke Field) |
| 3:45-5PM | Gamma Phi Beta Alumnae Picnic (Gamma Phi House) |



We'll be selling shirts with the design on the left at Homecoming for \$22 each. The shirts will be maroon long sleeves with white writing. If you cannot attend homecoming, check our Facebook page for information on how to order online if you are not able to attend homecoming!

A Note From Alumnae Relations...

Hello, my name is Lauren Kucharczyk and I am the new alumnae relations chair for the Epsilon Beta chapter. I am very excited to begin to help keep the connection going between our alumnae and our current chapter members.

While in the past our contact with alumnae has been lost, I am eager to help reconnect all of Gamma Phi Beta members and alumnae. I encourage any alumnae interested in becoming more involved with the chapter to reach out to myself, or any other Gamma Phi members.

As the new alumnae relations chair I hope to be able to build a stronger bond between all generations of Gamma Phi Beta Members. Always feel free to contact us or stop by the house if you're in town and we will gladly wel-

come you. A main goal of my time as the alumnae relations chair will be to establish good communication with our alumnae in order to keep everyone up to date on our events or other events at Alma so we can have as many alumnae join us as possible.

If you have any questions or are looking to become more involved in the chapter, feel free to contact me. I am looking forward to meeting as many of you as possible and I hope to see you at homecoming this year!

In **LIKE**,
—Lauren Kucharczyk, '19



Keep up with
Who's New

The Electric Eleven

Graduation Year: 2019
Hometown: East Lansing, MI
Major: Sports Communication
Outside of G Phi B: Active Minds
Youth Softball Coach, Sports In-
formation Dept. Worker
Family Line: Crab



Emily Jodway

Graduation Year: 2019
Hometown: Livonia, MI
Major: Pre-Vet/Biology and Spanish
Outside G Phi B: Honors Program, XC &
Track, Student Council, Student Alum.
Association, Barristers Society, KCP
Family Line: Lion



Lauren Kucharczyk

Graduation Year: 2019
Hometown: Marshall, MI
Major: Biochemistry and Math
Outside of G Phi B: Honors
Program, Volleyball, Volleyball
Coach
Family Line: Peacock



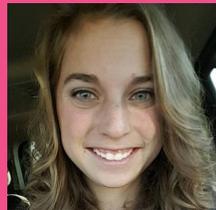
Brooke Mason

Graduation Year: 2019
Hometown: Bay City, MI
Major: UND
Outside G Phi B: ACDC, Active
Minds, FYG, KCP, Just for Kids
Youth Board, Pi Delta Chi
Family Line: Elephant



Madeleine Wingeier

Graduation Year: 2017
Hometown: Shepherd, MI
Majors: Psychology and Gerontology
Outside of G Phi B: Volunteer at Ma-
sonic Pathways, Choir
Family Line: Zebra



Alesha Hall

Graduation Year: 2019
Hometown: Fort Wayne, IN
Major/Minors: Art, Marketing and
New Media Studies
Outside of G Phi B: International
Club, Rotaract
Family Line: Tiger



Carly McKibben

Graduation Year: 2019
Hometown: Quito, Ecuador
Major: International Business
Outside of G Phi B: HisCo, Rotarac,
International Club
Family Line: Fox



Daniela Ribadeneira

Graduation Year: 2019
Hometown: Bloomfield Hills, MI
Major/minors: Spanish, Political Sci-
ence and Religious Studies
Outside of G Phi B: HisCo, Poli Sci
Club, Public Affairs, Barrister Society
Family Line: Giraffe



Karina Ankrom

Graduation Year: 2019
Hometown: Canton, MI
Major/minor: Nursing
Family Line: Panda



Laurel Demarois

Graduation Year: 2019
Hometown: Williamson, MI
Major/minor: Nursing
Outside of G Phi B: ACDC, Pi Delta Chi
Honorary, Nurse Association
Family Line: Cheetah



Maddie Pail

Graduation Year: 2018
Hometown: Fredrikstad, Norway
Major/minors: Math, Art and Edu-
cational Studies
Outside of G Phi B: Cheer and Stunt
Family Line: Zebra



Mia Tønnesen