

KEYping Up with Kappa

WINTER



2021

THE NEXT 100 YEARS OF GAMMA ZETA

How You Can Help Preserve Our Sisterhood

Gamma Zeta has so much to celebrate and be thankful for when we reflect on the last 100 years. Through the decades of sisterhood, our beautiful home at 1435 E. Second Street has been our rock. The chapter completed a major renovation and expansion in the fall of 2017, including a new, state-of-the-art chapter room, officers' and house director suites, renovated dorm rooms, ADA-compliant features, and much more. Adding these accommodations helped Kappa Kappa Gamma remain one of the top sororities at the University of Arizona.

FACING NEW HURDLES

All of this was key to putting us on a good path for the next 100 years, which officially kicked off in 2020. This year was truly challenging for all of us, including the active sisters navigating college life during a pandemic. Fortunately, our younger sisters are incredible women, and their commitment to each other and to Kappa Kappa Gamma has never wavered. As we look forward to the day when everyone can return to life as "normal," our younger sisters face an immediate need: financial support through scholarships and a safe place to call home.

Gamma Zeta has never asked our alumnae to give before, and now is that time. Your support is vital to meeting these important needs. Investment in our future members is needed now more than ever through an endowed Gamma Zeta scholarship. We are creating an endowed scholarship through the Kappa Kappa Gamma Foundation that will be transformative for our future Gamma Zeta members.

THE FUTURE OF KAPPA

To facilitate this, we are officially announcing a \$1.5 million *Kappa Kampain!* Contributions will not only fund scholarships for the

collegiate chapter, but they will help us pay down the mortgage on the chapter house and rebuild our savings, putting us in a better place to fund additional housing needs. For example, in the foreseeable future we hope to update the upstairs, downstairs, apartment areas, TV room and courtyards.

Another short-term goal is to further strengthen security measures at the chapter house. While we currently have a strong security system in place, our number one priority is the safety of our members. We as a board believe we must have the most up-to-date security system for our members. Additionally, we want to improve some of the landscaping and exterior lighting to enhance the security system. This is an expensive cost, but we cannot dismiss the upgrades and enhancements because it is our members' lives we are protecting. With this and other future updates, our home will represent the many advantages that Kappa provides to its members, especially safety, security, and mental health.

CELEBRATING OUR SISTERS

This is a special moment in our chapter's history, and we want to make alumnae support as manageable and meaningful as possible. We will of course accept one-time gifts, but to maximize your giving potential, you can establish a pledge of up to five years, to be paid in monthly, semiannual, or annual installments. Gifts can also be made in honor or memory of a beloved sister.

Your support will *not* go unrecognized. We are thankful for the support of early donors who have already contributed more than \$300,000 toward our goal, and we appreciate all alumnae for taking the time to consider this campaign. At



Undergraduate sisters during our centennial celebration. These ladies and the next generation of Kappa sisters are counting on our support.

a minimum, gifts and pledges of \$500 or more will be recognized in all campaign publications. Higher recognition opportunities will be available on the Loyalty Wall and Sisterhood Wall in the chapter house, as well as a limited number of room-naming opportunities.

In the coming weeks, you will receive additional information detailing the project, the campaign, and ways in which you can help. We will be honored to have you join our growing list of loyal supporters who are leaving their legacy and providing for future generations, as previous sisters did for all of us. We hope all of you are safe and healthy, and we wish you a prosperous 2021.

Loyally,

Lynn Johnson Engel '73

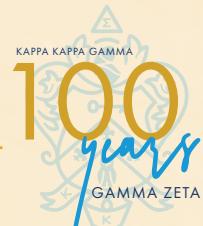
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All donors giving \$500 or more will be recognized in campaign publications.

If an error has been made in recording your gift, or your name has been mistakenly omitted or listed improperly, we sincerely apologize. Please contact our campaign coordinator at (785) 843-1661 so we may make a correction.

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Jean Deramus Wagner '68

Mary Jo Brown '69

Ann Staver Irwin '71

Lynn Johnson Engel '73

In memory of

Beth Sharp '70

Leslie Bianco Phillips '74

Bertrude White Catterfeld '76

Shaun Bracken '77

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Pamela Wisecarver Kan '84

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Patricia "Trey" Ross '13

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Shelly Johnston Tanner '86

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In honor of

Grace Barilla '19

Kelly Baumgardner

In honor of

Jill Baumgardner '19

Dan Britton

In honor of
Emily Britton '19

Brian Broderick

In honor of
Allison Broderick '19

Cheryl and Dennis Brunet

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Mia McLey '19

Campaign Status
At-a-Glance
As of January 20, 2021

Campaign Goal
\$1.5 Million

Total Commitments
\$335,367

Total Contributors
151

Rebecca and Darrell Moffitt
In honor of
Alison Moffitt '19

Christine Ramagnano
In honor of
Emma Ramagnano '19

Andy and Rosanna Rocker
In honor of
Kassandra Rocker '19

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In honor of
Juliana Ross '17

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In honor of
Kendall Saba '14

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In honor of
Kylie Seidl

Andrea Stark
In honor of
Elyse Stark '19

Nancy Storm
In honor of
Maddie Storm '19

Matthew and
Jessica Thrower
In honor of
Aubrey Thrower '18

Kara and Todd Wilkinson
In honor of
Ali Wilkinson '20

Honoring and Updating Tradition

What Kappa Means to Melissa Vito '70

Having skipped eighth grade in school, **Dr. Melissa Vito '70** always felt like she was catching up socially. Then she met the women of Kappa Kappa Gamma, who were real and diverse, and finally felt like she was right where she was supposed to be. Despite being a rebellious young woman, Melissa also joined in part to carry on the Kappa tradition started by her mother.

LEARNING TO LEAD

Melissa had a blast living in the chapter house with her sisters, from late-night conversations and study sessions to parties, spring break, and comforting each other through breakups and other stressful times. "I grew up in the chapter, and my desire to challenge norms became a hallmark of the rest of my life." She often differed from the sisterhood by wearing pants to class instead of dresses, and she made a point to question traditions or events that didn't make sense to her. Melissa developed her voice in the chapter, and sisters such as then-Chapter President **Pam Lane Roberts '68** taught her to balance rebelliousness with actively working toward change. "I found my voice and realized I had the potential to lead."

Melissa earned her Ed.D. in educational leadership at Northern Arizona University. She has worked in education for more than 30 years, many of those at the University of Arizona in multiple roles that included Dean of Students, Vice President for Student Affairs and, ultimately, Senior Vice President for Student Affairs and Enrollment Management and Senior Vice Provost for Academic Initiatives

and Student Success. She began consulting immediately after retiring from the University of Arizona (July 2018), working with institutions interested in building online programs and companies interested in better understanding higher education. One of her consulting roles led to a full-time position as Vice Provost for Academic Innovation at UT San Antonio, overseeing online programs and digital learning, which has been especially valuable during COVID-19. She is a sought-after speaker, frequently presenting at conferences or seminars/webinars, and has been honored by multiple organizations, including NASPA, ACPA and AFA (the Association of Fraternity Advisors).

"As a leader over the years, I have always prioritized people over organizations, and I think my roles in Kappa helped incite that quality," Melissa said. In her various undergraduate roles, she and her sisters worked closely with advisors and learned not to jump to conclusions, but to think critically and seek advice. She values those lessons and has also always tried to balance fun and hard work throughout her career. Overall, Melissa feels the sisterhood shaped her attitudes about organizations and leadership—particularly the balance of honoring and updating tradition.

UPDATING GAMMA ZETA

Attending the Gamma Zeta reunion, and later learning about the capital campaign, reminded Melissa of how much Kappa has meant to

her throughout her life. "My years in higher education have also made me super sensitive to the increasingly complex issues that students face now, including financial, and I wanted to find a way to support." She proudly gives back to the organization (and the people) who helped shape her life, honoring her mother's Kappa legacy in the process.



Above all, Melissa wants the friendships and experiences that Kappa offers to be available to young women, regardless of their financial backgrounds. "Mental health issues, food insecurity, and learning disabilities are just some of the issues students face, and Kappa can be an anchor of support. I hope that women will realize that Gamma Zeta needs their assistance and develop a regular habit of supporting our chapter."

LEANING ON SISTERS

Melissa has enjoyed networking with sisters over the years, and the reunion only helped expand those connections. She has Kappa colleagues, sees a group of sisters every year for Homecoming, and during the pandemic she has joined sisters such as **Lyn Bracken Carrell '73**, **Lynn Johnson Engel '73**, and **Karen Johnson Riebe '78** for group texts and Zoom happy hours. In her limited free time, she enjoys riding her bike, seeing friends, and traveling (once that's safe again).

If you'd like to connect with Melissa, you can reach her at vitoboll@comcast.net.

MORE THAN A FAMILY FEEL

Emily Hernandez '18 Cherishes Her Many Kappa Connections

After moving to Oro Valley, Arizona, at the age of 6, **Emily Hernandez '18** spent several weekends with her family visiting the University of Arizona campus and attending Wildcat football games. Emily felt a sense of home that helped lead her to attend U of A, but while she was excited to follow in the footsteps of several of her family members, she also wanted to have her own special college experience.

Emily was also very familiar with Gamma Zeta since her mother, **Elaine Sayre Hernandez '83**, and aunts, **Sharon Sayre Stevens '81**, **Renee Van de Veire Sayre '83**, and **Jennifer Martian Sayre '91**, all joined Kappa Kappa Gamma at U of A. She kept an open mind while going through recruitment, but the immediate connections Emily made with the women of Gamma

Zeta made it an easy decision for her to share the Kappa experience with them and continue the family tradition.



"I am so thankful for the bond that I get to share with my family members," Emily said. "Each year, I become more and more appreciative of the women of Kappa as I understand the hard work that goes into keeping our chapter successful. This past year has been the biggest learning experience for me as a member."

Serving as house chairman in 2020 taught Emily the importance of leadership within the chapter, supporting one another, and uniting as a team. Facing the challenging times

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Sisters are ready for virtual recruitment.
Pictured: Nina Gallo '19, Sophia Gutman '19,
Crista Gallo '19, Alyssa Schmitz '19,
and Taylor Bakke '19.



A Kappa family on Big/Little Day!
Pictured: Alyssa Schmitz '19, Kaela
Stehly '17, Meagan Dickerson '18,
and Lauren Hobbs '20.



Our 2020 chapter council. Thank you, ladies, for
your service to our sisterhood! Pictured: Nicole
Hook '18, Ashlyn Zale '18, Rachel Saeli '18,
Madison Gilbert '18, Arielle Stanley '18,
Olivia Bryan '18, Cassidy Campbell '18,
Annika Fox '18, Tiana DePasquale '18,
Faith Nicholson '18, Annie Turner '17, Nicole
Johnson '17, Marlo McElroy '17, Lizzy Vega '18,
Emily Hernandez '18, and Kenzie Frank '18.

MAKING THE MOST OF IT

Undergraduates Adjust to Changes and Challenges in 2020

There is no doubt that these past few months have been strange and challenging. We were able to safely open the chapter house, which allowed many active members to return to campus. Although most classes and events were held virtually, this did not take away from the core of the Kappa experience: sisterhood. Creativity was key this semester and gave us opportunities to grow in new ways.

Following the spring 2020 semester, our cumulative chapter GPA was a 3.785, which unofficially ranked us second on campus amongst all other sororities. We are still awaiting our GPA from the fall 2020 semester.

Although our annual Hoops for Hope event was canceled a short week before the event, we were still able to raise and donate almost \$12,500 to the Joyful Heart Foundation. We offered safe ways for our members to volunteer if they were interested. "Despite the difficulties of this 2020 school year, I am very proud of our sisters who participated in volunteer efforts within our campus, community, and world. Out of 100 women who had the courage and determination to volunteer during the pandemic, they gave 721.5 hours of their time," Philanthropy Chairman **Faith Nicholson '18** said.

Over the summer we were informed that our entire recruitment process needed to be transitioned to an online platform and pushed back to take place over the first two weeks of school. In early September, we welcomed 105 new members to our chapter, and all were initiated virtually on November 6. "Through the virtual recruitment process, we had the opportunity to recruit new members by getting to meet them through Zoom. We were so excited to welcome our new members into the chapter this year," shared Membership Chairman **Nicole Johnson '17**.

This semester we coordinated a safe trip to the pumpkin patch and a socially distanced Orange Theory class. With less events, our chapter was able to focus more on programming this semester. Two topics were a big focus for us: DEI (diversity, equity and inclusion) and mental health. Our diversity committee presented new topics at biweekly chapters to get our diversity initiatives rolling. We also had mental health speaker Zach Westerbeck attend a chapter



One of our virtual chapters! Pictured:
Sophie Soell '17, Marlo McElroy '17,
Olivia Elver '17, Lizzy Vega '18, Paige
Wightman '19, Kristy Pierson '17, Aubrey
Brenton '19, Ashley Reed '17, Emily Osstenjuk
'19, Shannon Mora '18, Lauren Slepian '19,
Lexie Lichy '19, Cheryl Crozier '19,
Annie Turner '17, Brynn Weber '19, Arielle
Stanley '19, and Zika Jenkins '19.

meeting. "Zach started a really important conversation within our chapter on mental health. He made us feel comfortable during the presentation to open up with not only him but each other. I think this was a great way to break the stigma and start focusing on mental health as a chapter," **Paige Wightman '19** said.

Over the summer, Gamma Zeta won numerous awards during the convention, including the standards award and the Philanthropy Signature Event award. We also received an honorable mention for the Heritage Award and for our contributions to Reading is Fundamental.

Although we were unable to welcome parents and alumnae into the chapter facility this fall, we still had a pleasure seeing so many alumnae during our 100th celebration in January 2020 and during Kappa Kappa Gamma's virtual ceremony for our fraternity's sesquicentennial in October. We also got to meet new member parents during our virtual pledge presents ceremony and virtual initiation!

We are extremely optimistic looking into 2021! Thank you, alumnae, for your support. We need it now more than ever. We hope to reconnect with you more virtually next year and in person once it is safe to do so!



Loyally,
Marlo McElroy '17
Outgoing Chapter President

Welcome, New Members

Rose Ammatelli
Kansas City, MO

Lucy Charpentier
St. Charles, IL

Jamie Gribbin
San Jose, CA

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Phoenix, AZ

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Tucson, AZ

Nicole Banakis
Kildeer, IL

Annelise Dahlin
New Hope, PA

Ashlyn Hegar
Happy Valley, OR



New members Claire Lozelle, Emily Lofgren, Sofia Garber, and Lexi Bergamo on Bid Day.

Ansley Beck
Evergreen, CO

Lauren Decker
Overland Park, KS

Taylor Henkel
Gilbert, AZ

Chloe Lamm
Scottsdale, AZ

Marnie Olson
Chandler, AZ

Savannah Smith
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Lexi Bergamo
Paradise Valley, AZ

Ashley DiCarlo
San Diego, CA

Carlie Herrmann
Phoenix, AZ

Anne Langmade
Phoenix, AZ

Emily Orzol
Phoenix, AZ

Elle Sutherland
Scottsdale, AZ

Shaye Bergstrom
Phoenix, AZ

McKenna DiCarlo
Lone Tree, CO

Lauren Hobbs
Aurora, CO

Lillie Langston
Meridian, MS

Isabella Palmer
Dublin, OH

Monique Svendsen
Newport Beach, CA

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Tualatin, OR

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created by the pandemic added to the importance of those skills. As Emily looks forward to her senior year and post-graduate plans, which will hopefully include a career in health administration, she knows that the skills she hones at Gamma Zeta will be helpful throughout her life.

“Even though I’ve finished my term as house chairman, I aspire to stay connected with the members of the chapter and grow from the experiences that Kappa has provided me with,” Emily said. “I loved being a part of the house board last year and will stay connected with them as they serve as role models and wonderful alumnae of the chapter.”

Emily has started to realize how important it is to remain involved with Kappa as an alumna, especially after the early efforts of the capital campaign. She believes the campaign is going to strengthen the bonds of Gamma Zeta sisters across several generations.

“Kappa is a lifelong membership and I believe the campaign will reignite the memory of Kappa in several alumnae. Giving back to the chapter and supporting the active women, so that they might too get to share in the wonderful gifts that Kappa brings, will further strengthen the membership of those that donate,” Emily said. “It is so important during this time to stay connected and remain active in the organizations that mean something to you. Donating to the campaign might even bring some unexpected gifts back to you as you reconnect with sisters you shared some unforgettable memories with.”

It has been an honor for Emily to be one of many sisters to reap the rewards of the Kappa experience at U of A over the past 100 years. She hopes that alumnae can ensure that future members of Gamma Zeta will have the same opportunities because of the capital campaign.

You can connect with Emily at emilyhernandez1@email.arizona.edu.