

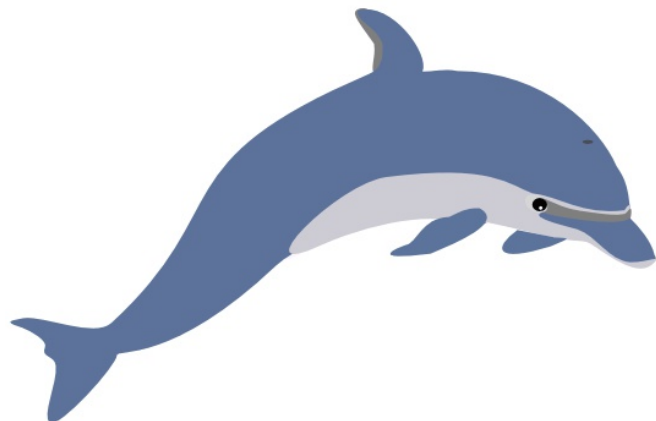
ΣAX Alumnae Newsletter

Spring 2016



Happy Spring!

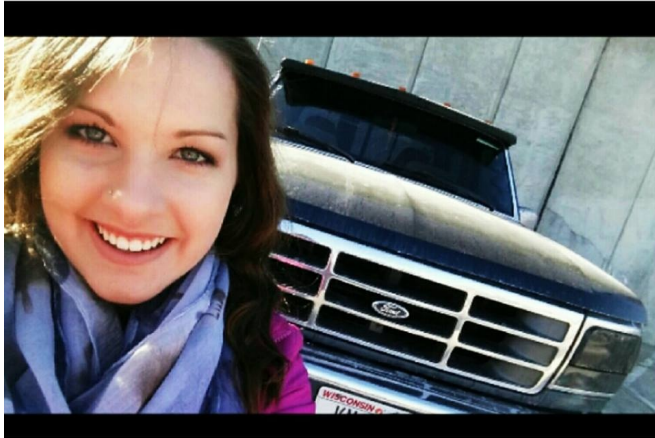
Hey Alpha Chis! We're very excited to bring you the 2016 spring newsletter! We got two new members, had a great spring formal, and we sent off our very first Balikbayan Boxes! We've also already got a lot planned for next year, so read on for more info on that!



New Member Class

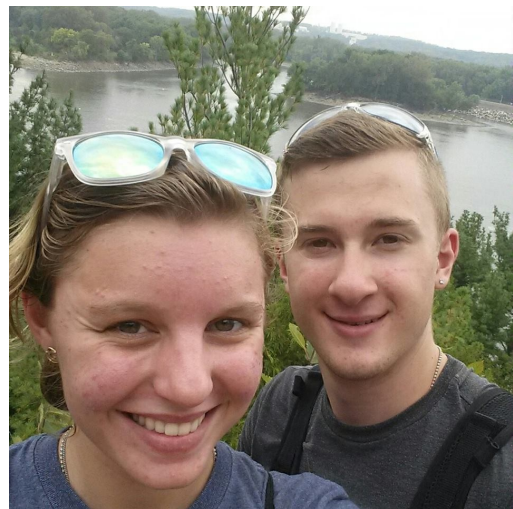
Sweet Thangs'

This semester, we got two new members: Allison Manka and Stephanie Hotz! We're very excited to have them with us. Their pledge class name is Sweet Thangs', and their names are Thing 1 and Thing 2.



Allie is Thing 1. Her sorority mom is Anna Amari! Allie is a sophomore double majoring in social work and psychology, and she hopes to pick up a religion minor. Allie likes barrel racing with her horse, working on her F350, and arts and crafts. She loves the outdoors!

Stephanie is Thing 2! Her sorority mom is Kristin Arnold. Stephanie is a sophomore majoring in social work. She likes crafts, music, and colorguard and like the other member of her pledge class, is outdoorsy person!



Please give warm wishes to our new members!

Where are they Now? A Look at Last Year's Graduates

Hello! From this newsletter forward, we will be updating you on the previous year's seniors in the spring, rather than the fall. I decided that it would make more sense to wait a year before getting updates on them.

In the fall, we will instead feature an older alum and go in depth about where life has taken her after her years with the sorority! So please contact me at arico@carthage.edu, or call/text me at 612-916-7482 if you would be interested in being featured in the fall newsletter!

So, nothing to see here yet! We'll tell you all about our 2016 graduates lives in spring 2017, but until then, congratulations to Joyce Salazar, Kassy Meyers, Jenna Duerig, and Kristin Arnold on graduating this spring! We wish you all the best and hope that you achieve all your dreams!



Spring Formal

This year, our formal theme was Masquerade! Many of our actives, and even some alumni in attendance, donned masks and danced the night away. We had some great day activities too! We went to Big Star Diner and ate lunch there, before going to Petrifying Springs Park to enjoy the beautiful day! Those of us who were wearing appropriate shoes and were up for adventure also went geocaching!

As for the night, we stayed on campus and were catered in Woh's Place! Taylor Bingaman and Bridie Damisch, both alumni of 2015, joined us for dinner and dancing. We took pictures of pledge classes, moms and daughters, and family lines as well! We hope that you can join us for semiformal in the fall, or for formal in the spring.



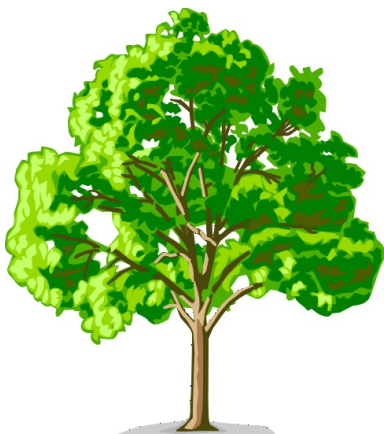
Upcoming Events And Misc News

Our summer retreat this year is camping! We will be camping at Bong recreation center which is near Kenosha. August 26-29, BYOT (Bring your own tent). The RSVP deadline has already passed, but if you would really like to come, Amanda is more than happy to put in a good word for you. For both the retreat and semiformal, you can e-mail Amanda Rico at arico@carthage.edu, call or text her at 612-916-7482, or if you wanna talk directly to one of our social chairs, you can e-mail Rachel at rmiller8@carthage.edu, or Sam at shaltom@carthage.edu



Homecoming 2016 is September 23-25! That means Hayride will ideally be on Saturday the 24th. We will keep you posted on hayride, but regardless, we hope to see you at Homecoming! And we'd love for you to join us in the parade! Not only that, but we are bringing back Alpha Chi Fries and will be selling them during the game! Hope to see you there!

Semiformal will be on November 5th at 8:00pm at location TBD! The theme is LET THEM EAT CAKE! It will be a dessert only event, but we'd love to coordinate with you and let you know all our respective dinner and day plans if you'd like to join any of us before dessert! The idea is that we all eat delicious sweets together while dressed somewhat formally (but not too formally!) Of course, it's always acceptable to overdress rather than underdress, if the theme has you feeling fancy!



Finally, as some misc news, as many of you already know, we've been working on reconstructing the family tree. I am happy to report that the actives can now trace themselves back four more generations, to Marie (Weber) Blawat, who pledged in spring of 1993. We have been working on the full family tree as well, so overall the full tree can be traced back to the late 80s. We hope to finish this project in time for the 50th, so we can not only reconnect, but also connect with members of our family lines, both new and old. If you have any information on your or someone else's family line, please contact Amanda Rico at arico@carthage.edu, or you can call/text her at 612-916-7482.

Fundraising and Service

We did Relay For Life! As a team, we also participated in many at-Relay fundraisers, such as putting our sisters in "jail" and then "bailing them out" with a cash donation.

We are also always accepting donations for Balikbayan boxes. We suggest sending gently used clothing along with school supplies, including textbooks! Of course, one of the most exciting parts for those who open a box is the possibility of chocolate, so non-perishable food items, including candy and chocolate, are welcome as well.

After our Mother's Day Brunch on May 1st, we packed a total of four Balikbayan Boxes. Thanks to the generous donations of various people including some of our alumni, we have sent them to Camiguin High School! Balikbayan Boxes are sent by Filipinos all over the world back to the Philippines so that their friends and families who don't have a lot can survive easier and better with the items contained within these boxes. We first heard of the boxes from the step mom of one of our actives, who herself is originally from Camiguin, and she used to teach at the high school there too!

We expect that the boxes will arrive sometime in July!

Our sincerest thanks goes out to those who donated.



Happy summer!

We hope your summer goes well! Remember to always apply sunscreen if you have outdoor plans! May you throw and attend many delicious barbecues!

Don't be afraid to stay in touch; we're always happy to hear from you! We hope to see you soon, and you're always welcome to drop by for a visit!



Our 50th Anniversary is coming
up just around the corner!

You can mark your calendar now:
Homecoming 2017 (September 29th -
October 1st) will be the weekend to be at
Carthage! More details incoming.

Questions about the newsletter, the 50th,
any upcoming events, or just want to get in
contact with the active members of the
sorority? Contact Amanda Rico at
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call or text, her phone number is 612-916-
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