



KAPPA ALPHA THETA

Houston Alumnae Chapter

May 4, 2020

Greetings Theta Alumnae Sisters,

A lot has happened to us. We are living in a time of uncertainty, making us fearful and sad. We canceled everything in our lives this spring, and we are still not sure how to plan for the future. We have also had time to reflect on what is truly important. Our health, employment, and physical surroundings have caused us worry while our families, friends, and faith have held us together. One thing is for certain, we are not alone. We Thetas are here to support each other. We need each other. So now, more than ever, it is important that Houston Thetas plan for our future.

I am asking you to reconnect with your fellow Theta sisters by renewing your annual Houston Alumnae Chapter membership or to **join us for the first time**. We are reaching out to those of you whom we haven't had the pleasure of meeting yet, and to those of you who were members years ago and may have drifted away, and to those of you who pay your dues regularly, but are not as involved anymore. As someone who has been a member of a Theta Alumnae chapter for my entire adult life, I can honestly say that I have gained more than I have given. And when you join this alumnae chapter, it is possible for you, too.

The Houston Alumnae chapter is the largest in the US, and we believe we offer a friendly welcome, along with lots of fun and interesting things to do. We also provide a place where you can be comfortable, knowing that your Theta friends share so much with you...history, values, connections, memories. It is also a great place to make new friends, network with others and rekindle or solidify old friendships. And now, of course, we will have even more reasons to gather, after having been apart for so long. Working together and playing together, we create a bond that very few other organizations can offer.

This year will be a *transition year* for us, meaning that we will be trying a lot of NEW things. We will be working on establishing a NEW Philanthropic Event, we will offer NEW ways to become involved in the chapter, and we hope to create NEW Special Interest Groups: things that appeal to all ages. We want YOU to share in the transition, so that **you can create the Theta Alumnae experience that you want**. We want to offer opportunities that fit your lifestyle, skills, and interests. We also understand that joining us may not work out for you this year, for many reasons. But we hope you will not forget us. We are here to help you, as sisters should.

Please follow the instructions on the enclosed Membership form, plus the Involvement and Interests form, and mail them back with your check (directions are on the forms). You can also pay your dues and indicate your interests at www.houstonthetas.org. I look forward to seeing your smiles in September!

Dinah Hampton McClymonds
President, Houston Alumnae Chapter, 2020-2021
Alpha Omicron, University of Oklahoma

Houston Alumnae Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta 2020-2021 Membership Form

Please complete the Membership Form and the Interest Form and submit them with your annual dues payment to: **Houston Alumnae Chapter, KAO, Attn: Beth Cozby, 5773 Woodway Dr., #260, Houston, TX 77057.** You may also pay dues online at www.houstonthetas.org. Our chapter year runs from May 31, 2020 to May 30, 2021. **The deadline for Dues Payment is July 1, 2020.**

DIRECTORY INFORMATION

The information you enter below will appear in the annual directory. Compared to last year's directory, is the information (choose one): **SAME** _____ **NEW** _____ **CHANGED** _____

Salutation _____ First & Middle Initial _____ <small>(Mrs./Ms./Miss/Dr., etc.)</small>	
Last _____	Maiden _____
Birthday (mm/dd) _____ Spouse's Full Name _____	
Street _____	Street Suffix _____ <small>(Bld/Cr/Ct/Dr/Ln/Rd) (Apt/Suite/Unit)</small>
City _____	State _____ Zip _____
Home Ph _____	Cell Ph _____ Work Ph _____
Email _____	Initiation Year _____
College _____	Chapter _____
Profession _____	

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

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|--|----------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Regular Membership | \$65.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Young Alumnae Membership (ages 22-35) | \$40.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Theta Star Membership | \$100.00 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Voluntary Recruitment Donation | _____ |

TOTAL: \$ _____

LIFE LOYAL MEMBER?*

- Yes No *If yes, deduct \$31.00 from the above total* _____ **-31.00**

REVISED TOTAL: \$ _____

Deadline for Dues Payment is July 1, 2020.

*Life Loyal Membership is a one-time separate \$299 payment made to KAO, which covers your annual per capita dues for LIFE, (currently \$31/year.) For more information and to sign up, visit www.thetalifeloyal.org.

Questions: Please contact Beth Cozby, 713-858-6193, or email her at bethcozby@comcast.net
Please contact Dinah McClymonds, 832-594-0407, if you need help with your dues.

Houston Alumnae Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta

2020-2021 CHAPTER INVOLVEMENT, LEADERSHIP AND COMMITTEE INTERESTS SURVEY

Please check all that interest you!

NAME _____ EMAIL _____

PHONE _____ Check one: Cell ____ Landline ____

PROGRAMMING COMMITTEE INTERESTS

- I can help with planning our chapter events/meetings (recruit greeters, find locations)
 - I can HOST a meeting/event at my home or professional space (General meetings (4-5/yr.) are usually larger; Board meetings (2/yr.) are smaller)
 - I can coordinate or present a program on this topic: _____
 - I am interested in these new program topics: _____
 - I can help out with: All Alumnae Feast (October) Christmas Tea (December)
 Founders Day (January)
 - I can attend meetings/events: Daytime Evening Weekends Summer
 - I can coordinate a Theta Travelers Excursion (Day trip or multi-day trip)
- My idea: _____

CARING AND SERVICE COMMITTEE INTERESTS

- I can deliver a meal or treat to Thetas with an illness, a death in the family or special circumstances
- I can provide a ride to a meeting or event for someone in my area
- I need transportation to Theta meetings or events
- I can call a Theta who would like some company
- I can share a short devotional at Board or General meetings
- I am interested in helping organize our Day of Service project (October)
- I can print and mail newsletters or other documents to Thetas who have no internet

COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE INTERESTS

- I am able to help with chapter data entry, website, Kite Tale newsletter, or email communications
- I am able to help with social media
- I am able to help with Chapter and Special Events mailings

LEADERSHIP AND MENTORSHIP COMMITTEE INTERESTS

- I am interested in becoming an Alumnae chapter officer or Committee Chair
- I am interested in being a Career/Professional mentor to other Thetas
- I am interested in serving on the Theta Scholarship Application Review Committee, (2 weeks in March/April)
- I am interested in becoming a Panhellenic Delegate or Alternate

2020-2021 CHAPTER INVOLVEMENT, LEADERSHIP AND COMMITTEE INTERESTS, cont'd.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE INTERESTS

- I can reach out to recent college graduates or to Thetas who are new to Houston
- I can reach out to Thetas in their: 30's 40's 50's (circle one or more)
- I can reach out to other Thetas from my college chapter
- I can reach out to Life Loyal Thetas who do not attend meetings and/or encourage Life Loyal membership among active members
- I can help with membership renewal (i.e.; remind previous dues payers to renew)

**** NEW HOUSTON ALUMNAE CHAPTER PHILANTHROPIC EVENTS! ****

- I want to be involved! My area of expertise:
 - FUNDRAISING/UNDERWRITING
 - FINANCE/ACCOUNTING
 - PUBLIC RELATIONS/COMMUNICATIONS
 - COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS
 - EVENT PLANNING/DESIGN
 - OTHER _____

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS

*Please Note: Check all groups you are interested in. Group and committee participation is open to dues paying members ONLY. Please **join the Houston Alumnae Chapter** if you want to join in the fun! (Unless otherwise noted, meeting locations vary.)*

- BIBLE STUDY:** Mondays 1:30-3:00 at St. Luke's United Methodist Church
- BRIDGE:** Fourth Thursday of the month, 11:00-3:00
- MAH JONGG #1:** Mondays, 1:00-4:00
- MAH JONGG #2:** Every other Tuesday, 1:00-3:00 or 4:00
- NITE KITES:** Weeknight dinners. Working or non-working Thetas of all ages
- OCTET:** Sing Theta songs at Theta events
- THETA TRAVELERS:** Occasional day or overnight trips to special destinations
- WILDCATS INVESTMENT CLUB:** Second Wednesday of the month, 11:30-1:30
- YOUNG THETAS:** Ages 22-35. Social and networking activities

**** NEW SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS!! ****

- I am interested in chairing or starting a new special interest group with Thetas who enjoy doing the same things I do. Some ideas to consider:
 - BOOK CLUB
 - MOMS AND TOTS
 - SUPPER CLUB FOR FOODIES
 - CRAFTING
 - SPORTS TEAMS BOOSTERS
 - ADDITIONAL SUGGESTIONS _____
 - MOVIE GROUP
 - PANSIES AND PUPS (DOG OWNERS)
 - CULTURE CLUB (ART, THEATER, CONCERTS)
 - SCRAPBOOKING
 - HIKES AND BIKES