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# Greater New Orleans and Baton Rouge Alumnae Club

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## A Letter from the Club President:

Dear Sisters,

I hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday season. Now that things have calmed down a bit, and before things get crazy for Mardi Gras, it's time to think about getting together with our sisters again! The Greater New Orleans and Baton Rouge Alumnae Club needs someone in the Baton Rouge area to spearhead local activities and get together. It can be as simple as a girl's night out for drinks and appetizers or activities such as a night of music or dancing. Being located in New Orleans myself and not knowing much about

the Baton Rouge area, someone with local knowledge would be perfect for the position. It's not time consuming and is as easy as sending an eVite! If you are interested in helping out, please contact me at LouisianaAGDALum@gmail.com.

The Club also has a new Facebook page. We'd love it if you would join the group. It's yet another way to keep up to date on upcoming events and a place to share photos and memories.

If you know someone who wasn't at an event you think might be interested, we want to hear about her. The

facebook page is a great way to get her connected. After all, the more the merrier!

The club has also has several successful events, from participating at the New Orleans JDRF walkathon to a Snug Harbor night out.

The Alumnae Club is also still looking for someone to take over the position of Treasurer. We also still need people to help plan fundraisers and Philanthropy events.

I hope you enjoy your newsletter and join us at upcoming events!

Loyally,  
Catherine Desmarais

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Special points of interest:

- We're up and running, and have more events coming up soon!
- Join the Greater New Orleans and Baton Rouge Alpha Gamma Delta group on Facebook!

## How Else Can I get Involved?

Want to get involved with undergraduates? While we don't have any undergrad chapters in the area, International has a program called Pearl Sisters, where Alumnae serves as a mentor and friend for new initiates. We just opened new chapters at Syracuse University and Boise State! For more information

contact International.

If collegiates aren't your thing, think about joining up with a local Panhellenic group. The New Orleans Panhellenic chapter is having their Annual Spring Luncheon on March 26th. ([www.gnoap.org](http://www.gnoap.org)) All are welcome to attend.

## IRD is Coming!

The IRD theme for 2011 will be "Seasons of Sisterhood." This theme emphasizes the value of each member of Alpha Gamma Delta, no matter her age. This celebration will encourage understanding and appreciation of the interests and priorities of all generations of Alpha Gam and will take place in late April or early May. Watch your inboxes for the eVite!

Last year's IRD was a wonderful opportunity to catch up with old friends and meet new ones as well. We really hope, if you can't make anything else this year, that we get to spend a couple hours catching up over a nice meal this spring!



## The New Electronic Quarterly is Out

The newest Quarterly can be found online at <http://alphagamdelta.org/NewsAndEvents/theQuarterly.html>. Didn't receive a Quarterly in your inbox? Make sure your contact information with International is up to date!

## Officer Elections

We still need a Treasurer to handle Alumnae Club funds. If you're interested, please contact me at [LouisianaAGDAlum@gmail.com](mailto:LouisianaAGDAlum@gmail.com). For more information, see the position description below.

**Treasurer:** keeps accurate records of all monies received and disbursed, collects and records support fees, fund raising proceeds and newsletter contributions, forwards annual payment to International Headquarters. She must have sound budgetary and management skills and be detail oriented. She must be dependable, accurate, trustworthy and meticulous in record keeping.

## Winter Weather Reminder

It's that time of year where the wind blows cold and the water freezes. We know some of our sisters in more northerly parts of the state have experienced snow! Here are a couple winter weather reminders to keep your home and plants safe.

- Cover plants on nights where there are freeze or frost warnings. A simple bedsheet will protect them.
- Leave water in sinks dripping during freeze warnings to prevent pipes from freezing.
- Bang on the hood of your car before leaving home in the mornings to make sure no animals have taken refuge near the engine to stay warm.

## Alpha Gamma Delta Announces Program and Recognition Updates

As Alpha Gamma Delta Fraternity continues to encourage all sisters to reduce paper waste and go green, the 2010 International Convention minutes have been posted in the Member Services section of the Fraternity website. To locate this document, please log onto Member Services, select Resources/Handbooks from the left-hand side navigation, and then select 2010 Convention Workshops/Meeting Minutes.

### One Last Thing...

Are you (or a sister) interested in participating in a class, workshop or program which will advance you in your profession or enhance your ability to achieve career goals? If so, we invite you to apply for a Continuing Education Grant. With no application deadline this program could provide you with financial assistance now or down the road; or both! More information and a [Continuing Education Grant application](#) is available on International's website.

To welcome the opportunity of contributing to the world's work in the community where I am placed because of the joy of service thereby bestowed and the talent of leadership multiplied.