

E-Violets
Denver Area Alumnae Chapter
Sigma Sigma Sigma
August 2008

SEPTEMBER MEETING

The September 8, 2008, meeting will be held at 6:00 p.m. at the home of Lynn Harrington. Please bring your favorite easy-to-carry casserole, salad or dessert. Phyllis Kempkes and Videll Nordmark are co-hostesses.

The goal for every meeting this year is to include time for fun. The theme for 2008-2009, "Make a Sigma Sister Smile," complements that goal. Come to the September meeting and find out which sisters' interests and tastes are similar to yours.

Sisters new to the Denver area are encouraged to attend the September meeting to begin to feel connected to alumnae life. We're an excellent resource for you as well, for networking within the community. It's always a pleasure to meet young sisters.

ETA PI

TEA

Sunday, September 21, 2008, is the annual tea with Eta Pi Chapter at Metro State College, Tivoli Student Center. Mothers, grandmothers, aunts, daughters etc. are invited. Everyone is asked to bring a favorite teacup. Alumnae are asked to bring cookies or prepared tea or tea bags. Nicole Pech and husband, Kevin, will once again provide tea-sized sandwiches like the deliciously unique ones we enjoyed last year. This is the only social activity we have with the collegians, and it's a great time to let the young women and their mothers see what lifetime friendships mean to us. Try to work this fun afternoon into your busy schedule.

ALUMNAE ADVISORY BOARD

Bobbi Smith, Chapter Advisor for Eta Pi Chapter, is enthusiastic about the coming year. Formal Recruitment is the first big event she and other board members are helping the collegiate members organize. Amanda Allee Koback, Essential Sigma Advisor (education), Jennifer Fetzer Kumfer, Recruitment Advisor and Katrina Millette, Financial Advisor, make up the dedicated alumnae board.

ETA PI RECRUITMENT WEEK

September 8 – 11 is fall formal recruitment week at Metro State. Alumnae are invited to participate in any or all of the evening social gatherings. Monday and Tuesday from 6:00 to 7:00 p.m. or Wednesday and

Thursday from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. are the times to be there. "Pref Night" on Thursday would be the best time to go and we are asked to wear black dresses or skirts that night. The location for the parties will be posted inside the main entrance to the Tivoli Center.

Arc Degree will be Wednesday evening, September 17, 2008, and would be a great time to show alumnae support.

ALUMNAE UPDATE

Many of you receive Alumnae Update, sent electronically by Mandy Chocheles, Alumnae Vice President, but for those who do not, the latest issue is included at the end of E-Violets. Denver Alumnae Chapter is featured in the Spotlight section as an example of excellence.

SANDI CHAMBERLIN

Sandi is at home recuperating from surgery she had August 11 to remove some of the "hardware" inserted last September. Nearly one year ago the curvature of scoliosis in her lower back and stenosis (crowding of the spinal column) in her upper back were corrected but the lengthy surgery left her with neuropathy in her feet and legs and dependence on a walker for mobility.

It was hoped that by removing the "hardware" that had shifted in her lower back, Sandi would be relieved of the pain she has had since before her first surgery. She continues to need pain medication, and heavy doses of antibiotics in a thirty-minute drip once a day for infection discovered in the recent surgery.

Sandi's sister Judy came from Nebraska to cook, clean, shop, take Dylan (the dog) to be groomed and, of course, to be company for Sandi the first week out of the hospital.

So far Sandi's getting along fairly well on her own and is able to stand up much better than she has in months but she still depends on the walker, someone to grocery shop, clean, take her to appointments etc. Her physical therapist, occupational therapist and visiting nurse are "cute, young, energetic and very competent" women who come to her home six times a week.

Sandi is especially appreciative of the cards she has received and wants everyone to know they really make her day. She was thrilled to have many of them in the stack of mail when she returned home from the hospital.