

E-Violets
Denver Area Alumnae Chapter
Sigma Sigma Sigma
April 2009

FOUNDERS DAY RESCHEDULED

Due to weather related safety issues, the Founders Day Luncheon was cancelled last Saturday and will be held instead on Saturday, May 2, 2009. The Denver West Marriott is still the place to be at 11:00 a.m.

If you have questions related to the change in date, and/or have traded reservations with a sister who is now unable to attend, please contact Terri Dimond. Send your check made out to Denver Sigma Sigma Sigma for \$24.50 by April 28 to Terri Dimond. She is continuing to receive the checks/reservations and menu choices for the luncheon. Please indicate your salad preference on your check: Denver West Chicken Cobb, Parmesan Encrusted Salmon or Vegetarian Cesar.

Springtime in Colorado is often more like winter, as we've experienced the last few weeks. Founders Day will be as lovely in May as it would have been in April and we'll have special memories of the unusual date. No matter the month or day, we'll gather for the one hundred eleventh birthday of our beautiful sorority and remember our founders, their purpose and vision. We will celebrate each other, those who have planned our special day (Jackie Goreham, Terri Dimond, Videll Nordmark, Carol Jordan, Marge Behm and Colorado Springs Alumnae), the award winners, and Eta Pi collegians who will join us in our life-long Sigma Sigma Sigma journey.

ENJOYABLE TIME AT CELESTIAL SEASONINGS

Another springtime snowstorm gave thought for a possible cancellation of the Celestial Seasonings tour April 4, 2009, but the predicted amount of the white stuff didn't materialize and the day went as planned. Eight of us met at 10:15 a.m. for the scheduled tour, which included samples of many delicious varieties of prepared teas that tasted especially good on that cold morning.

Following the tour and learning of the many places in the world where tea and herbs are grown and imported, we purchased them in the gift shop. Some of us even found cute Easter trinkets for the kids. Lunch was at a nearby deli due to the fact that the Celestial Seasonings Café is closed on Saturday. We had a great time of strictly social sisterly fun.

MAY MEETING TO BE IN LOUISVILLE

The evening meeting May 11, 2009, will be held at the home of Terri Dimond. She, Kathie Osborne and Videll Nordmark will provide Hors D'oeuvres and beverages. Please come at 6:00 p.m. for the light supper, Circle Degree and the mad libs game.

Five women from Eta Pi Chapter will receive Circle Degree, making official their status as alumnae. The impressive ceremony is always a good reminder of why we become Sigmas and a chance to congratulate our newest members.

Mad libs is a game in which one player prompts another for a word that makes an hilarious story when read aloud. It will be a fun way to end the evening.

NATIONAL DUES GOING UP

National annual dues are increasing by \$10, from \$35 to \$45 in 2010. Lifetime dues are still \$1,050 but Triennial dues are increasing to \$130. Local dues remain the same, \$42.50 for those who have paid Lifetime Dues. If you have not paid lifetime dues, the total for national and local will be \$87.50

Treasurer, Sheryl Dahm, has a December 1, 2009, deadline for the 2010 dues.

SIGMA SISTERS GETAWAY

How many times have you said, "I wish I could just get away for a few days with my Sigma sisters!" Whether they are the women with whom you shared your college experience or Sigmas who are new friends you have met through an alumnae connection, you now have a chance to fulfill your wish.

July 9-12, 2009, are the dates, one year before Convention, and New Orleans, LA the place. The Country Inn and Suites, where a section of rooms has been reserved, is located in downtown New Orleans within a short distance of award winning restaurants, shopping, music and even a casino, and has offered us a very good room rate of \$85 per night. There will be no organized tours or meetings so you will be free to explore the city at your leisure. Several Executive Council members are planning to attend so of course Tri Sigma will be a lively topic of conversation. Each attendee will arrange her own transportation.

Plan now to be part of the first Sisters Getaway and contact National Headquarters at sigma@trisigma.org or 540-459-4212 to get specific information about hotel reservations. June 19 is the cut off date to qualify for the group rate.