Upcoming Events

IAP: January 4-29

Spring House Cleaning: February 3

Goodbye to you!

As part of my final alumnae newsletter, I would like to say goodbye and thank you! It has been a great experience learning about all that you fantastic alumnae have to offer, and I especially loved all of the nice emails that you would send me. Some of the emails were from sisters that I had never met telling me that they found something particularly interesting in the newsletter. Some of them were updates from close friends who had graduated. Some of them were even from my biological and AXO sister (hi Nenny!) So many of you have helped me and AXO Theta Omicron in many ways and it is exciting to see how the bonds of sisterhood extend beyond our college years. MIT is going by so fast, but I have learned from all of you that the friendships we form here never really have to end! I would especially like to thank Raffaela Wakeman, Jess Eisenstein, Rachel Ellman, Rashmi Khare, Kat Wong, and anyone I forgot who have been part of my alumnae relations inner circle. Without them, I would be very sad and also unable to perform my role as VP Alumnae Relations. As you can see from my picture (left), I am very sad to say that this is my last newsletter; but I know that Elise Hens (right, new VP AlumRel) is very excited to get to know all of you! Keep in touch! In the immortal words of Kelly Clarkson “my life would suck without you!”

LITB,

Carrie DeBoer
AXO Fondue: Chocolate, Classy Dresses, International Development, and More Chocolate Make Fondue a Big Hit!

The Fondue Committee (middle left picture) decided this year to start a new tradition of having a theme for Fondue. The theme was “how can we make a difference?” and the conversations during faculty hour concentrated on how our sisters and the MIT community has used our knowledge to help nations outside our own. More than 30 professors and their family attended faculty hour. They saw the AXO Mansion while also seeing the sisters’ dedication to helping others (while also enjoying delicious desserts prepared by our own sisters). Then, the house became open to the MIT community and friends of sisters came to enjoy music from a live band and feast on the delicious treats dipped in decadent chocolate. It was a wonderful night!

Photos: Top left: Sign showing the party’s theme Middle Left: Fondue Committee: Jessica Perez, Yuri Hanada, Manvi Goel, Jasmine Park, and Sandra Chen Bottom Left: sisters Elise Hens, Vanessa Bowens, and Julie Harrow entertain professors and their family during faculty hour Top right: Alumnae Melis Anhatar and her little^3 Lauren Sless Bottom Right: Julia Titarelli serving fondue and looking snazzy!
Sisters Receive Awards at Fiesta del Presidente

Margaret Leibovic, Theta Omicron’s outgoing President, prepared a wonderful meal with the help of Katie Thomas to end the semester. They prepared “home cooking” including meat loaf, macaroni and cheese, and ice cream sundaes. At Fiesta, sisters also received awards (some serious, some funny) as voted by the chapter! Pictured are a few of the winners

Academic Interest:
Emily Shao

Personal Development:
Claudia Richardson

Character:
Robin Dahan

Financial Responsibility:
Sam Fox

Leadership:
Minh Huynh-Le

Miss Alpha Chi:
Emily Houston

Most Likely to Send Pearls:
Charlotte Herhold

Most Likely to Receive Pearls:
Deepa Rao

Most Likely to Stay Up All Night Studying:
Alex Wright

Most Likely to Stay Up All Night Having Fun:
Vanessa Bowens

Talks Least, Says Most:
Lisa Schlecht

Most Likely to Make a Mess:
Steph Shin

Most Likely to Clean Up After Other Sisters:
Sarah McDermott

Loudest in the House:
Alicia Kaestli

Best 26th House Sister:
Katie Creasey

Most Likely to be Making Food for her Boyfriend:
Katie Thomas

Best Twins:
Jogrid (Joanna Faulk and Ingrid Chaires)
**AXOs in Athletics**

Jordan Taylor ‘11 helped MIT’s rugby team clinch the National Championship! This was the first time that the team competed in Division III (a few years they were at the bottom of D4), and they are now the best DIII team in the nation! Go Jordan!

The MIT Swimming and Diving Team competed at the MIT Invite at the beginning of December. The women placed 2nd out of 7 teams, and lost only to the Division I NYU team. Top finishes included Amy Jacobi ’11 and Lauren Lo ’13 in the 200 free relay which broke the MIT school record!

**Random chatter: a collection of funny quotes sent to AXO-spam**

Yeseul Kim ‘10:

hi guys,

if you were wondering what i did last semester abroad, check out several youtube clips my friends put up.
especially the ostrich riding clip.

Amy Jacobi ’11 on the JK Wedding Dance Youtube video being emailed out to the chapter:

I would just like to note that this is the 4th time this video has been sent out this summer

**Special Pearls**

Special pearls to the chapter, who helped Michelle Dion’s little brother’s hockey team play at the Winter Classic! In case you missed it on tv, the Winter Classic was a hockey tournament played outdoors in Boston over break, and 20 teams of young players were selected based on online votes to play! With the help of the chapter (and especially Jennifer Buz), Michelle’s brother’s team received a huge number of votes and got to play at the Classic!