

ALPHA OMEGA EPSILON



Beta Omega Chapter

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Winter Recap Newsletter

Active Initiation

On November 8, 2024 we welcomed our lovely Iota class as fully active members of Alpha Omega Epsilon. It was amazing to watch their journey as candidates, and we were so excited to celebrate them in this way.

“Getting to work with Iota class was such a fun experience. It was really awesome getting to know each of them and seeing how they’ve been thriving with each other as a class and also as new actives!” - Ashlyn Burkhardt, Membership Educator (Eta Class)



Big/Little Reveal

Following initiation, each Iota class member was matched up with a Big Sister! Big Sisters spent a full week hinting to their littles who they were, leaving them gifts and baskets, and planning reveal themes.

After an anticipation-filled Clue Week, Big Sisters revealed their identities to their littles during Big/Little Reveal! Littles knew who their Bigs were because they were dressed in matching costumes!



Jordan Tharakan (Eta Class) went bananas for her new littles!!

Kyoka Piccolo (Theta Class) thinks her little is “shark-tacular”!

Winter Birthdays

Wishing a happy happy day to our sisters with winter birthdays!

- Kaitlyn Cunningham (Zeta Class), 11/2
- Isabella Schmitz (Eta Class), 11/7
- Emmeline Duhon, (Iota Class), 12/1
- Trinity Kruse, (Theta Class), 12/3
- Emily Baird, (Theta Class), 12/6
- Lindsey Ford, (Epsilon Class), 12/12
- Kaitlyn Saldana, (Iota Class), 12/14
- Catherine Pfaffenberger, (Theta Class), 12/22
- Natasha Cardozo, (Iota Class), 1/5
- Ashlyn Burkhardt, (Eta Class), 1/8
- Ellie Hague, (Theta Class), 1/23



Semi-Formal

Sisters dressed to the nines for our annual Semi-Formal! This event allows us to have fun getting dressed up while also growing our sisterhood as we spend a fun-filled night together!

On the right, Julie Nieto (Eta Class), Aliyah Ahasan (Theta Class), Rachel Infante (Iota Class), and Barbara Ulloa Gonzalez (Zeta Class) pose for a pic during the event!



Winter Break Adventures

Our members took a well-deserved break after the fall semester, and during that time, they took part in many different activities!

Emily Baird (Theta Class) saw *The Nutcracker*.

“It was my second time seeing [*The Nutcracker*] and it was just amazing. My sister-in-law’s dad bought the tickets and we got to sit in the orchestra level which was awesome. Being a musician myself also made me really appreciate the music so it was all around so great!”

Adriana Nunez (Zeta Class) visited Portugal!

Natasha Cardozo (Iota Class) went skiing!

“It was my first time skiing, and it was a lot more difficult than it looked. I think I realized that I’m not the best at winter sports, but I would love to try again in the future!”

Kyoka Piccolo (Theta Class) got to explore New York City!



Sister of the Month!

When asked to nominate someone that stood out this past season, our members pointed to Juliana Martinez (Eta Class)!

“She has been killing it on the Instagram lately and I love how she’s been keeping up with everything and adding cute touches of our recruitment theme!”

“We had the first bannering shift, and she’s absolutely a sweetie! I feel like she does great at talking with everyone in the group that she encounters herself with, and she does a great job at keeping up with the social media for pictures to post.”



Graduated Sisters

The Beta Omega Chapter initiated their next class of alumnae on December 1, 2024. When these sisters were initiated, they received a white calla lily, the alumnae flower of Alpha Omega Epsilon. The white calla lily represents faithfulness, as our sisters have faithfully served our sorority in their time as active members. We are sorry to see them go, but we are so excited to watch them flourish in their future endeavors.



Emily Wong (Eta Class), Mechanical Engineering

Plans after graduation: "I'm planning on going to grad school for urban planning!"



Kashala Robinson (Zeta Class), Chemistry

Plans after graduation: "I'm really invested in moving abroad for a while and seeing different parts of the world for a sort of gap year and then eventually coming back and going to school to go into a healthcare position, probably either nursing or radiology."



LeeAnne Kong (Zeta Class), Petroleum Engineering

Plans after graduation: "I hopefully will be attending graduate school in the Fall, place to be determined, but I will be continuing my education in Geology!!!"



Tatiana Fern (Zeta Class), Computer Science



Plans after graduation: "My plans for after graduation include relocating to Dallas, TX where I will be working for L3Harris as a Software Engineer on their Integrated Mission Systems team."





Spring Recruitment

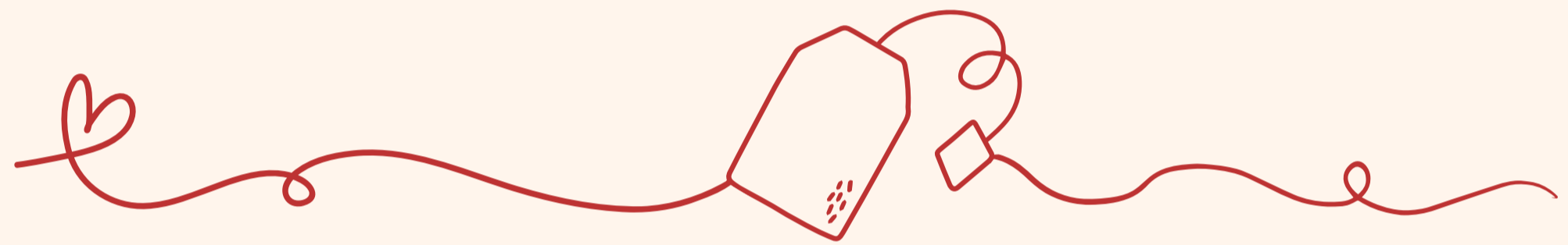
The start of the spring semester also marked the beginning of a new recruitment season! Sisters have been hard at work, bannering, attending informationals, and more, all to “pick the berry sweetest” new members!



We hosted one recruitment event to highlight each pillar of Alpha Omega Epsilon. This semester, as our philanthropy event, we hosted a feminine health drive for the bathrooms on campus! Sisters donated feminine health items and then worked together to organize them.

“It was so fun and rewarding to collect and distribute feminine health products on campus together!” - Johanna Gunther (Theta Class)

Winter Recipe



Sisters enjoyed each other’s company and made cute charm bracelets while sipping on tea and hot chocolate at our Charmed Tea Party event. It's simple to make your own hot chocolate at home in a few simple steps. Try making this peppermint hot chocolate at home to keep you warm in the winter weather!

Ingredients: 1 cup of milk, ¼ cup heavy cream, 1-2 tbsp sugar, a pinch of salt, 3 oz finely chopped semisweet chocolate, ¼ tsp vanilla extract, and ⅛ tsp peppermint extract

Instructions:

- In a pot, whisk together milk, heavy cream, sugar, vanilla and peppermint extracts, and salt. Heat on the stove on medium-low until bubbles start to form around the side of the pan.
- Reduce heat to low, add chocolate and extracts, and whisk until melted, glossy, and thickened slightly, 1-2 minutes.
- Pour into a mug and enjoy! For an extra sweet twist, top with whipped cream or marshmallows and a sprinkling of crushed candy canes.



Exec Board Highlight

During this busy season, we wanted to highlight our hard-working exec board and thank them for all that they do for us!

Thank you to Cindy La (President), Anna Woodruff (Internal Vice President), Isabella Nicholls (External Vice President), Ashlyn Burkhardt (Membership Educator), Madelyn Reitz (Treasurer), and Taryn Wright (Secretary). Your hard work does not go unnoticed!

