



**Detroit Metropolitan Alumnae Chapter Newsletter
May 2008**

DMAC Chapter Standing

The DMAC is currently facing some tough issues and decisions. Our membership last year was 24 women and this year, only 13 women have paid dues through the alumnae chapter, so essentially we have lost 50% of our membership. An additional 35 in the Detroit area paid their dues directly to IH, but unfortunately, the DMAC is not provided with the names of those women so we are unable to establish connections with them.

In addition to this, the DMAC had two important positions up for election this year (President and AVP) for which we did not receive nominations in time to hold officer transition at the correct time. We are currently in the process of determining a slate and hopefully nomination ballots will be coming out soon. Only dues-paying members are eligible to vote for nominated positions. If you would like to be a part of changing the face of the DMAC, please turn your dues in today! Information about paying dues is on our website.



How Can I Volunteer?

If you are interesting in volunteering in any capacity with the DMAC, please fill out this form and return it to Katrina Wright at kvwright23@gmail.com:



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Form--47---Volunteer

Passport Dinner Makes for Delicious Getaway

Several sisters gathered together on January 24th to share a great dinner at Bastone Restaurant in Royal Oak. Everyone enjoyed the vast selection of both non-traditional beer and delicious entrees. If you have an idea for a great Passport Dinner location, please be sure to contact us via our website using the "Contact Us" form.

Annual Race for the Cure Event

The annual Race for Cure event held in downtown Detroit will be on May 31st 2008. For over 5 years now, the DMAC organization has had representation at this event. Registration for Race for the Cure has already begun! You can place your registration today at:

<http://www.karmanos.org/detroitracefortheindex.asp>

The sisters of DMAC will meet at 8 AM the morning of the event near the large Tigers in front of Comerica Park. If you have registered for the event and are interested in meeting up with the sisters of DMAC, please let us know you have registered by contacting us via the "Contact Us" form on our website.



Circle of Excellence Standing

The DMAC prides itself on going into it's fifth year in a row of achieving the "Diamond Circle of Excellence" with Gamma Phi Beta, which will place us in the Founder's Circle of Excellence. Each year, the chapter must strive to meet the following minimum requirements:

- Payment of IH Dues by 12/1
- At least 12 members by 7/31
- Payment of Fess by 12/1
- File Officer's List by 5/15
- File President's Report by 5/15
- Hold 4 or more gatherings
- Assist a collegiate chapter

In order to achieve "Diamond" status the chapter must additionally perform 5 extra tasks such as:

- **Make a Founder's Day gift**
- **Contribute to Foundation**
- **Support a local philanthropy**
- Send a rep to Convention
- **Publish a newsletter**
- Initiate an Alum Initiate
- **Participate in a Panhel Chapter**
- Increase dues paying members
- Update by-laws

I have highlighted all of the tasks which we have already performed this year in green. We also intend to make a Foundation contribution and possibly

send a representative to Convention, so we are well on our way to the Founder's Circle!

Convention 2008—Cincinnati

Convention 2008 will be held from June 25-29 of this year in our neighboring state of Ohio. The DMAC was happy to help with convention by donating 1500 notecards to be distributed to members in gift bags during one of the luncheons.

We currently do not have a delegate to send to Convention, although we are in good standing and are able to do so. If YOU are interested in being the delegate for DMAC, please visit [here](#) for more information and contact Katrina.

Survey Time

It's time for our annual survey! Please click [here](#) to take the survey now. All answers are confidential.

WebMaster Needed

The DMAC is currently looking for a new webmaster. If you know of anyone who can help us, please contact Katrina.

****REMINDER:** Dues can be paid at any point during the fiscal year of Gamma Phi Beta (August 1st through July 31st). In order to qualify as a member in good standing with the DMAC, you need only pay your International Dues. For more information about dues, please visit our website at:

www.detroitmetrogb.org/dues