

## **MEMBER PROFILE**

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Having been born in Miami and lived in Florida, mostly the Miami area her entire life, Anne Helliwell is a true Floridian. Anne attended Epiphany School, graduated

from Immaculata Academy and then headed to the University of Florida where she pledged  $AX\Omega$ . While at UF, Anne had the opportunity to be a part of 2 summer programs at Disneyland in California. The day after Anne graduated from UF with a degree in English and Psychology, she started work at Walt Disney World. No she was not Minnie Mouse!

Disney World hadn't opened and it was a unique experience to wander around the Magic Kingdom without any crowds, ride the attractions without waiting in line and be there on opening day. When Disney World opened in October, Anne was assigned to one of the shops in the Contemporary Hotel but was also a floater and worked in the park when and where needed. What a great job to have right out of college! After a year at Disney, Anne returned to Miami and began a career in banking. She worked at Bank of Perrine (now TotalBank) for 12 years, rising to the position of Vice President. She was then hired by Junior Achievement of Greater Miami to set up their endowment fund. She later became VP of Operations working with local schools and businesses.

After 11 years with Junior Achievement, the opportunity to retire presented itself. Anne started a new "career" as a volunteer. Anne has been very active with Alpha Chi Omega both on the local and national level. She has served as Chair of the AX $\Omega$  Foundation, National Nominating Chair and on several other national committees. She also served as National President of Youth Crime Watch of America. However, her heart lies with local and often grassroots organizations such as Casa Valentina where she served on the inaugural board and as a volunteer the Museum of Science (now Frost Museum) and the American Cancer Society's Hope Lodge. Anne is a member of the local AX $\Omega$  Alum chapter, the Junior League of Miami and serves on their Foundation Board, P.E.O. and the 1000 Ladies of Deering. She is a board member and Assistant Treasurer of the Miami Lighthouse for the Blind.

While Anne's roots are firmly planted in south Florida, she loves to travel. Her passport is always up to date, fresh batteries are in her camera and her walking shoes are by her luggage. Hopefully she will get to use them all again soon.