



Lambda Log

CHI OMEGA AT THE UNIVERSITY OF KANSAS



LAMBDA CHAPTER ENJOYS UPDATED BEDROOMS PROVIDING A COMFORTABLE ENVIRONMENT FOR OUR SISTERS

The Lambda House Corporation Board had a very busy summer overseeing the renovation of all sleep and study rooms and corridors on the second and third floors. This was an ambitious 11-week construction project that was completed on time and under budget, and we are very pleased with the results.

The renovated spaces offer a variety of two-, three-, four-, and six-member room occupancies, with updated

finishes and built-in wardrobes, vanities, and workstations. Custom fabricated bunk beds further enhance the interior scheme and feature storage drawers and bins, accessory trays, and a custom finish to match the new casework.

Mechanical and electrical systems were replaced and reconfigured to maximize ceiling heights, streamline technology infrastructure, increase energy efficiency, and improve thermal comfort

throughout. Additional life-safety measures were also implemented, including the extension of the fire protection sprinkler system to cover the attic and replacement of the antiquated fire alarm system.

We hope all our alumnae will have the opportunity to visit the Chapter House this year!

Loyally,
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High Spirits in the Chi Omega Community

Lambda Sisters Lead a Successful Spring Semester



After resuming in-person recruitment in the summer of 2021, members of Lambda Chapter were able to round out their fall semester with as much class and commitment as would be expected of members of Chi Omega. After earning “Top of the Hill” for having the highest chapter-wide GPA in spring 2021, spirits were high leading into the spring of 2022!

The new executive board, elected in November, participated virtually in the 2022 Firesides Leadership Training. Although initially planned to be held in-person, the executive board and select cardinal cabinet directors were excited to attend the video sessions over the last weekend in January.

We were able to welcome 66 new members in the fall of 2021! Welcoming each of these inspiring women back to 1345 W. Campus Road was truly a sight for sore eyes after not having the opportunity to have an in-person Bid Day in 2020.

Under the leadership of the outstanding **Audrey Grabmeier '21**, preparations have already begun for fall formal recruitment in 2022! She is in the middle of selecting recruitment leadership positions and has been working tirelessly to ensure that, come August, all the young women walking through our front door will not only find a place that looks beautiful, but also a home to grow into over the next four years.

Our social chairman, **Elle Dahlgren '21**, worked diligently over the beginning of

the spring semester to plan our spring date party, Chi O Crush. The event was held on February 11 at the Eldridge here in Lawrence. Thanks to her thoughtful planning, the date party went off without a hitch—with ample smiles and laughter shared by members and their dates!

In these coming months, Vice President **Bailey Wilson '21** will be leading the Lambda scholarship selection. Lambda is fortunate to have numerous endowed scholarships at KU Endowment and the Chi Omega Foundation available for members. Scholarships winners and other academic accomplishments are celebrated at the Scholarship Banquet held in the Spring.

Lastly, our wonderful directors of Rock Chalk Revue, **Katherine Ewing '20**, **Katie Neal '20**, and **Abby Harding '21**, led our cast of 47 Chi Omegas to win 10 awards, including Best Overall Show! Not performing with a partner didn't stop these incredible leaders, and Lambda is lucky to have them.

I am truly blessed to have the opportunity to serve Lambda over this coming year and share these updates with each of you. Thank you for your continuous support of our Chapter!

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Kelsey Eriksen Barnes '07, Lindsey Eriksen Leslie '11, Jane Faubion Eriksen '56, Jana Eriksen Voth '78, and Whitney Eriksen Chang '05.

"There are so many great memories of Lambda Chapter traditions that make our connections stronger," Jana said.

inspired to give back to Lambda Chapter. Their contribution began with Jana's nieces, who supported the chairman campaign several years ago. "All three had a strong bond with their Chi Omega experiences," Jana shared.

The family's choice to support the bedroom project comes from their love of the Chapter House and how meaningful it is to Jana and her mother, Jane. The members look forward to how the renovation will improve their home and provide for future generations.

Supporting the bedroom renovation is just one way the Eriksen women stay connected to Lambda—they also love staying in touch with their sisters! At Whitney's, Kelsey's, and Lindsey's weddings, their pledge sisters joined their Chi O family members to sing "Shades."

In their personal lives, Jane resides in Hutchinson, Kansas, and Jana lives in Littleton, Colorado. Jane's twin sister was a Chi O with her at KU, and their older sister was a Chi O at Kansas State. Whitney lives in Fairway, Kansas; she worked for the KU Alumni Association and is now a second-grade teacher and has two children. Kelsey lives in Lawrence with her husband and their 2-year-old; she worked for KU Endowment and is now COO of a fundraising consulting company. Lindsey and her husband reside in Lawrence and are proud parents of a 1-year-old. She is an Investment Analyst for KPERS.

A BEAUTIFUL HOME

CHI OMEGA IS WHERE THE ERIKSEN FAMILY BELONGS

When choosing a sorority to become a lifetime member of, Chi Omega was an easy choice for the Eriksen family. With a beautiful house and location, it was where **Jane Faubion Eriksen '56, Jana Eriksen Voth '78, Whitney Eriksen Chang '05, Kelsey Eriksen Barnes '07, and Lindsey Eriksen Leslie '11** felt the most comfortable, and the place they knew would become their home away from home.

"Lambda Chapter has such a great reputation," Jana said. "The house is a centerpiece of the campus, and it drew us to Chi O."

The family members each had unique experiences, and they fondly look back at their time as undergraduates.

Movie nights in the Tube Room and red nightgowns around the holidays are just a few of their favorite memories. Some of the Eriksen women served as Chapter officers and were involved on campus, and they embraced their experiences.

Jana served as house manager and president her senior year, and Kelsey was a panhellenic delegate. Whitney enjoyed participating in Rock Chalk Revue her senior year and served as the philanthropy chairman. Jana keeps up with the progress of the Chapter and how it has provided new opportunities to its members over the years. "There is more focus on community service now than when I was in the house," she shared.

With so many wonderful memories shared between them, the Eriksen family was

OUR NEWEST SISTERS! MEET THE NEW LAMBDAS INITIATED IN FALL 2021.

Grace Abdallah
Sioux Falls, S.D.

Emma Bastien*
Mission Hills, Kan.

Meredith Cairns
Lenexa, Kan.

Cora Davis
Spring Hill, Kan.

Lauren Dvorak
Elkhorn, Neb.

Hunter Anderson
Dallas, Texas

Mallory Beattie
Wentzville, Mo.

Abby Carter
Westwood, Kan.

Anna Desmarteau*
Olathe, Kan.

Jeanne Eckels
Kansas City, Mo.

Akhila Ayyadevara
Overland Park, Kan.

Emma Bedrick
Castle Pines, Colo.

Emma Cass*
Littleton, Colo.

Katie Donnelly*
O'Fallon, Mo.

Emily Flowers
Overland Park, Kan.

Phoebe Babst*
Wichita, Kan.

Avery Brooks*
Georgetown, Texas

Katherine Clevenger
Wichita, Kan.

Abigail Dunsmore
Lenexa, Kan.

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Elkhorn, Neb.

Avery Frank*
Denver, Colo.

Madison Goff
Lee's Summit, Mo.

Eden Hadley*
Wichita, Kan.

Jayda Hankins
Kansas City, Mo.

Brynn Hare*
Cedar Park, Texas

Ellie Hartwig
Liberty, Mo.

Anna Heinzelmann
Fayetteville, Ark.

Gracyn Higgins
Emporia, Kan.

Sophie Hill
Atchison, Kan.

Grace Hills
Overland Park, Kan.

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Denver, Colo.

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Lawrence, Kan.

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Rapid City, S.D.

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Celine Khalife
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Edina, Minn.

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Chicago, Ill.

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Hugoton, Kan.

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Erin Mullany
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