

The period covered by this report is Jan. 1–Dec. 15, 2019.

1. The chapter should approve the completed report and submit it by Dec. 15.
2. Keep the original hard copy for the Marshal's files.
3. Email one copy of this report and a copy of your chapter's annual newsletter to Kylie Smith, Archivist/Museum Director, at ksmith@kappa.org.
4. Email one copy of this report to the Ritual Adviser.
5. Email one copy of this report to your Ritual and History Specialist.

Summarize the previous calendar year, scholarships, group honors/awards, Convention awards, traditions, special events, philanthropic involvement, chapter goals, challenges and how they were overcome, and world/local events the chapter participated in or helped with (e.g., presidential campaigns, natural disasters, etc.).

Zeta Alpha held our 2019 recruitment January 31 - February 3. With Ani Hackett as Membership Chair, our chapter successfully offered 23 new member bids. On March 30th we initiated 22 members into Zeta Alpha Chapter.

Throughout spring 2019, Zeta Alpha chapter has participated in multiple events organized by our Philanthropy Chair, Maddy Hill. Our chapter hosted a canned food drive to donate to a local shelter for the first two weeks in February, and in March we hosted an indoor cycling class at a local spin studio, B/SPOKE Studios raising about \$800 for Reading is Fundamental. On April 1st, our Vice President of Academic Excellence, Addie Rodrigues hosted a scholarship banquet to honor our chapters academic accomplishments for the previous semester. Members with a GPA of 3.3 or higher receive an iris, and members with a GPA of 3.5 or higher receive a pearl to be attached to our badges as recognition. A few days later we had our sisterhood retreat off campus hosted by our President, Natasha Santhanakrishnan and Vice President of Standards, Sarah Hickey on April 5th. We spent the day together and did various activities in small groups as well as one on one to bond with each other. The following day, we participated in a Big Brother Big Sister event where we got to meet some of the kids in the program and show them around our college campus. On April 12th we had our Sapphire ball in Boston at ICON and had delicious grilled cheese sandwiches catered! In April we had three more philanthropy events, we had Cards with Sigma Phi Epsilon where we partnered with their fraternity and wrote cards to the military community in honor of Veterans Day, we also had a book drive, as well as an event at the fast casual restaurant B.Good where a percent of the proceeds when someone mentioned Kappa at checkout, was donated to Reading is Fundamental.

In the fall of 2019, Zeta Alpha chapter started out the semester at our college's Organizational Fair on September 21st which is great for our sorority as well as the Panhellenic community to talk to girls who are interested in joining Greek life in the spring semester during recruitment. During Babson College's Alumni weekend, on September 21st, we hosted an event welcome to all Kappa Kappa Gamma alumni where they could come and see our tower on campus and grab some snacks as well as meet current members of the chapter. Zeta Alpha hosted an informal recruitment event called Kookies

with Kappa on September 24th where we had over 25 PNM's attend for only 4 open spots in our chapter, so we are extremely excited that people were interested in Kappa and joining Greek life. On October 15th we hosted the new member pledging ceremony as well as our Founder's Day celebration in chapter. We hosted a brunch in the tower kitchen and invited everyone's parents to come make pancakes and drink coffee with our members during Babson's Parents Weekend on October 19th. Zeta Alpha also hosted the Alumni Founders Day Tea Party for the area on October 20th where our President, Education Chair, and Public Relations Chair all attended. On October 21st during chapter, we hosted our fall scholarship banquet recognizing sisters accomplishments which started out our second annual Kappa Spirit Week where we do something each day. One day we posted on our Instagram stories tagging sisters that we like to hang out with, like to eat with, makes you laugh, ect. another day we had a sisterhood scavenger hunt, and on the last day we had our disco themed semi-formal. On October 23rd we had big little speed dating for our four new members and big-little reveal was on October 30th. During Inspiration week, on November 11th during chapter we hosted the return of the new member pin ceremony and on Friday that week, we held the Fireside Ceremony for our initiates. On Saturday, November 9th we successfully initiated five members into our chapter and had a bagel brunch. The following week we had a sisterhood retreat with bonding activities and dinner. Zeta Alpha hosted another spin class this semester at B/SPOKE Studio's again on November 18th, another great success for RIF. In preparation for recruitment in the spring semester, our chapter participated in Tower Tours where we welcomed 100 PNM's into our tower to see where we live and get to know them prior to recruitment and talk about how the recruitment process works. As the semester was winding down, we hosted a Kappa Famsgiving on November 20th, right before we all left campus for Thanksgiving break and we played sisterhood Jeopardy. We also had a photoshoot at Cabot's, a retro ice cream shop which was super fun to take a study break during the end of the semester. We also attended the Fraternity and Sorority Life awards on December 10th where our chapter won the Academic Programming Award, Community Development Award, New Member Education Award, Public Relations Award, and Outstanding Chapter President Award. Lastly, our Membership Chair, Sriya Nuguri hosted Kandy Kanes with Kappa after the awards ceremony and had hot chocolate, peppermint bark, and other holiday treats for PNM's to stop by and make bookmarks for RIF and get to know more sisters in our chapter.

Describe the recent changes on campus and describe the chapter's overall nature. With most of SPC18 currently abroad this fall semester, and a big senior class graduating, our chapter has gotten smaller, but with taking in four COB's this fall, our chapter has gotten stronger and our new members are so excited for recruitment that it is really bringing up chapter morale.

Chapter Philanthropy

What organization does the chapter support?

Reading is Fundamental, Boys and Girls Club, Operation We Are Here

Why did the chapter choose this organization?

We chose Reading is fundamental because it is our national philanthropic partner and we believe in its mission to support child literacy. We chose Big Brother Big Sister because it provides millions of kids and teens a safe place to develop essential lifelong skills and make connections with others. Lastly, we chose to support Operation We Are Here to support the military community and their families in honor of Veterans Day.

Founders Day

How did the chapter celebrate Founders Day?

Two of our chapter advisors, Kristina Bunce and Mary Ann Cassel hosted a Founder's Day ceremony during chapter and our Education Chair, Caroline Ownes, reviewed some fun facts about Kappa and our history.

Sesquicentennial Celebration

How has the chapter begun to celebrate Kappa's 150th anniversary? Share what you have done this year and are planning to do in 2020.

Our chapter is planning on hosting a birthday party open to all of Greek life on Babson's campus to celebrate Kappa's 150th anniversary and have an internal event for our chapter specifically to bond and remember what our organization has done for us as well as another sisterhood Jeopardy game which proved very successful this fall semester.

Photographs

Are there any interesting photos in the chapter archives that you would like to share?



Spring 2019 Recruitment Night 2



Spring 2019 Initiation



Spring 2019 Cards with Sigma Phi Epsilon



Spring 2019 Sisterhood Retreat



Spring 2019 Sapphire Ball



Spring 2019 B/SPOKE Charity RIF R/DE



Fall 2019 Babson College Organizational Fair



Fall 2019 Initiation



Fall 2019 Big Little Reveal



Fall 2019 B/SPOKE Charity RIF R/DE



Fall 2019 Disco Semi-formal



Fall 2019 Tower Tours



Fall 2019 Kappa Famsgiving



Fall 2019 Cabot's Ice Cream Photoshoot

Date read to the chapter and approved by a chapter vote: 12/9/19

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