

# The Scoop

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April | 2022

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## Chapter earns high honors at SC ZTA Day

This year's SC ZTA Day took place in Columbia on March 26th.

Our alumnae chapter took home major awards both as a group and individually.

The chapter was awarded the SC Silver Tray. District President **Juliette Thier** awarded this highest honor of the night saying, "This award goes to [the Spartanburg Alumnae Chapter] who have gone above and beyond in all areas. They increased their membership



**Amanda Richardson, Molly Owens, Susan Cole, Kinli Abee, Ryann McCall, Ginny Fowler, Caroline Pruitt, and Juliette Thier** pose with the SC Silver Tray award.

for both last year and this current year already...they had creative and balanced programming...including six combined alumnae collegiate events since they support two collegiate chapters. They have one of the strongest social media presences and always have an updated website. Their reports are always thorough and on time, and they continue to increase their fundraising to the ZTAF. I have really enjoyed getting to know these sisters better."

Congratulations to **Ginny Gibson Fowler** who received the Distinguished Alumnae award which recognizes long and faithful service to the alumnae chapter and the Fraternity including at least 15 years of alumnae service.

Ginny has served at the collegiate, alumnae, and national levels, already having received her Certificate of Merit and Honor Ring. **Ryann McCall** says, "She is a treasure to our chapter!"

The honors for our members don't stop there, though! **Ashley Langley** and **Caroline Pruitt** both received Certificates of Merit, and **Molly Owens** was one of only two alumnae to receive the New Graduate award.

The Chapter also received the Excellence in Alumnae-Collegiate Relations award. Juliette said our chapter is "a great example of how to show that ZTA really is for more than four years, it's for life."

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# March Happenings

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## International Women's Day

It's hard to imagine a better way to celebrate International Women's Day than with your ZTA sisters! On March 8th, members got together at The Kennedy to catch up with each other and enjoy some delicious food and drinks.



"It was my first dinner back after missing a few events," said **Amanda Gossett**, "So it was so refreshing to be there

**Susan Cole, Dodi Williams, Amanda Richardson, Amanda Gossett, and Ryann McCall** at The Kennedy for International Women's Day on March 8.

and catch up with a small and close group at my favorite restaurant!" Make plans to join us at an upcoming event in April!



### DUES FUNDRAISER UPDATE

AS OF 3/22/22

Thank you for considering helping a collegiate with her dues! Please use the [CLICK HERE TO GIVE](#) link below to make your donation.



**\$482**  
in raised funds



**10**  
donors



**\$30**  
needed

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## To have the welfare and harmony of the Fraternity at heart

A rare opportunity to help a collegian-in-need presented itself to our chapter this month. In a letter to us, this senior asked for help to pay her final semester's dues and our alumnae showed up to support her.

In just seven days our sisters donated enough funds to ease this burden in her final days of school. The student wrote, "I am so thankful and grateful for all the help and Zeta love each of you have shown me!"

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# Chapter Business

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## Submit your contact info for the chapter directory

Please take a moment to [complete this online form](#) with your most up-to-date contact information for our chapter directory. Within the form you can opt-out of having your information published for all members to see; but please submit it for our records by April 15th!



## Officer elections

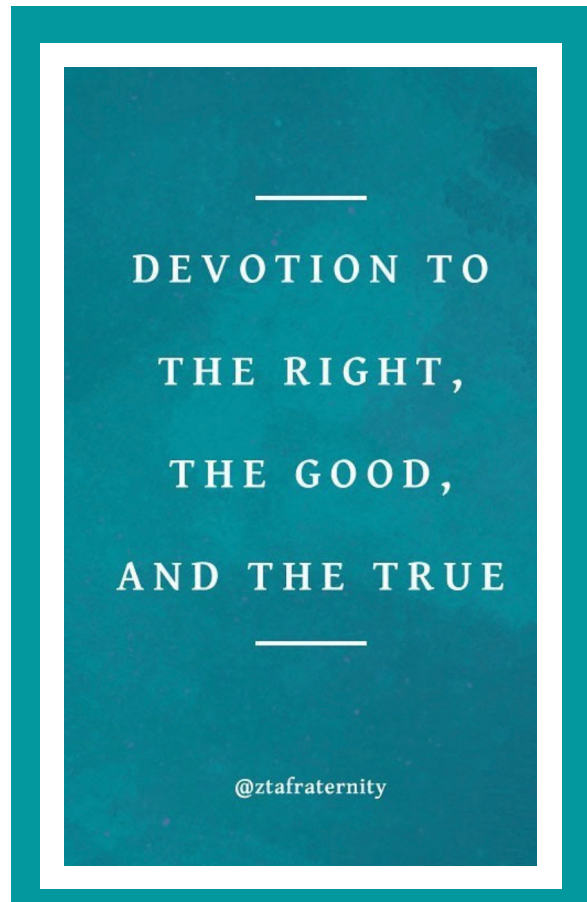
If you've been considering whether you should get involved as an officer for the coming year, here is your sign!

Serving as an officer for our alumnae chapter is a terrific opportunity to use your gifts and talents in a new way.

There are many ways to get involved, some with more responsibilities than others. [Click here to learn about each office.](#)

Ready to put your hat in the ring? It's easy to apply! Simply [fill out this form](#) no later than April 11th.

All positions are open! If you are a current officer who would like to continue in your role, please email us.



**Erin Curran, Dodi Williams, Alexa Pack, and Amanda Richardson** are 2021-22 officers.

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## Save the Date

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### Cheers to a great year

Look for information coming soon about an end-of-the-year event being planned for May. We are working out the details, but chapter officers will be installed at this time, so you won't want to miss it!



A memorable evening together at Bond Street Wines in 2019.

### We are ready to welcome new members

As the school year winds to a close, it's our great pleasure to prepare to accept new members into the alumnae world.

Our chapter annually hosts an event for local collegians to get to know us and what it means to be an alumna. It's a ton of fun to get to know these young women, but it's also a valuable

opportunity to share your wisdom with them about the transition from school to the working world or from undergraduate to graduate studies. Some of these women will also be transitioning from single to married life!

Please mark your calendar for April 18th, and look for more information and a

formal invitation to come to your inbox soon.

What advice do you wish you had received as a young graduate? Did you realize you had a network of ZTA alumnae waiting to help you?

Pay it forward by being the one who shows up to support these young women, and you won't regret it!



### Theta Zeta Hosts Crown Classic '22

Skip cooking on April 20th and pick up BBQ for a good cause instead! It's a win-win! For more information, to buy BBQ tickets, or to make a donation, [click on this link!](#)

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# Member Updates

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Photo from Instagram

## Dodi Williams earns EdD

Congratulations to DOCTOR **Dodi Williams**! After three years of hard work, in addition to her responsibilities to her family, career, and volunteer obligations, she has successfully defended her dissertation and will graduate in May with her Doctor of Education degree in Professional Leadership from the Converse University Professional Leadership program.

Dodi says, "I wore my grandmother's brooch because I know she would have been so proud of me. She received her education degree in her 50s and went on to teach special education for twenty years...I wouldn't have been able to achieve a doctorate without the support and encouragement from [husband] Vince and the boys."

## Record Fundraising

Christy Parris and Blair Clementson, along with eight (8) other Spartanburg stars and their professional dance partners, raised \$1.1 MILLION for the Cancer Association of Spartanburg and Cherokee counties! And Christy placed third overall in the competition! These monies provide to cancer patients in need critical supplies including nutritional supplements, bras and breast prostheses, ostomy supplies,



**Christy Parris** and her dance partner, **Blair Clementson** and her husband at the DWTSS event.

counseling, home care supplies, help with cancer medication costs, and more.

### **President**

Ryann McCall

### **VPI Programming**

Angela Mauney

### **VPII Membership**

Molly Owens

### **VPIII Fundraising**

Erin Curran

### **Service Chair**

Dodi Williams

### **Secretary**

Amanda Gossett

### **Treasurer**

Anne McChesney

### **Historian**

Alexa Pack

### **Alumnae-Collegiate Chair**

Amanda Richardson

*Officers*

