



Iota Chi Comment Fall 2012

Iota Chi Chapter
Ball State University
Muncie, IN



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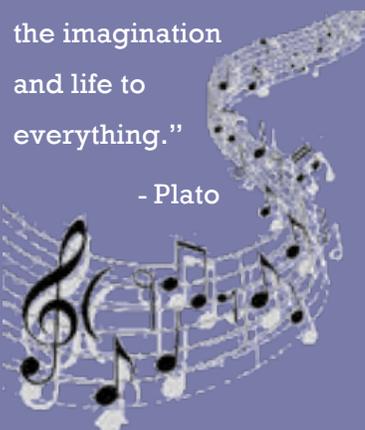
Left Iota Chi Chapter –
Initiation Fall 2012

Right Fall 2012 Initiates:
Cindy Himes &
Lindsay Fine



“Music gives a soul to
the universe, wings to
the mind, flight to
the imagination
and life to
everything.”

- Plato



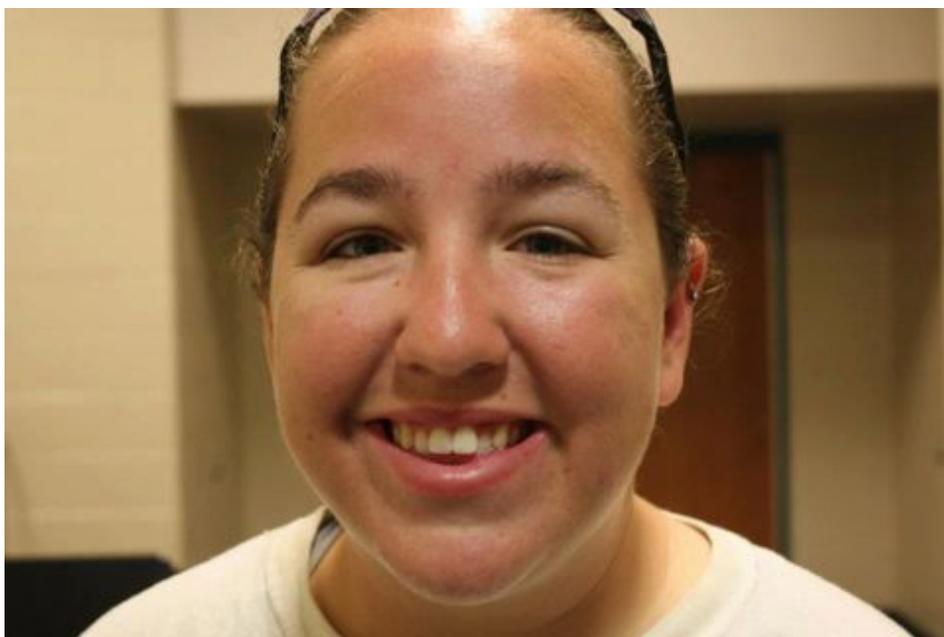
SAI Philanthropies, Inc. Benefit Concert

The Iota Chi Chapter of Sigma Alpha Iota will be putting on a Benefit Concert in the spring of 2013. The admission for the concert will be free to all those attending, but we will be accepting donations. All donations will go to SAI Philanthropies. This allows SAI National Headquarters to provide scholarships to its members and benefit projects like People to People, Music Therapy, and Special Needs Services. This concert will range in

performances from active members, alumni members, faculty who affiliate with SAI, and is also open to performances from sisters of other chapters. A date, time, and place are currently TBA. Check out our website soon to find out more details:

www.sai-ix.weebly.com

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Sister Spotlight Becca Carter VP Membership

Membership Enhances
Sisterly Bonding

by: hannah strayhorn

This semester's Sister in the Spotlight is Becca Carter. As our new Vice-President of Membership, she has not only helped our two new MITs make it through initiation, but she has taken sisterly bonding in a new and more personal direction.

In past semesters, sisterly bonding has often included fun games and crafts, providing a break from the serious activities of chapter. This semester, Becca has expanded sisterly bonding to include group therapy sessions, with the goal of improving relationships among chapter members and improving Iota Chi overall.

At the beginning of the semester, Becca had sisters write down goals

for the chapter to reach toward during this semester and beyond. She organized our goals for the chapter into categories. Sisters were provided an environment in which to give feedback to our executive board and other chapter members on how our chapter is run. Becca helped us turn criticisms into positive and constructive feedback that has helped sisters work toward a common goal of making our chapter grow. By letting members who are not in leadership positions give input, Becca has given those sisters ownership of our goals, which has led to a positive outlook on how our chapter can move forward.

Half-way through the semester, Becca revisited our goals from the beginning of the semester and asked us how we felt we were doing on working toward those goals. Sisters expressed honest opinions on whether or not we were doing well on getting to those goals, or if we were falling behind in other areas.

She also organized sisters to support each other outside of the chapter. Recently, a sister had a charity event with another organization, and Becca organized three teams for the event. She also encourages sisters to support each other by going to each other's recitals, concerts, and other events.



Strawberry Jello Poke Cake

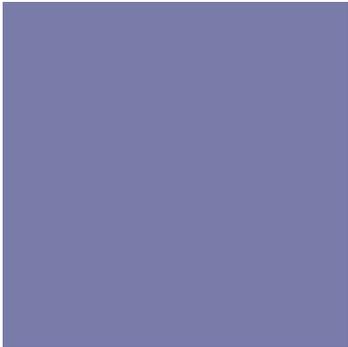
1 pkg. (2-layer size) white cake mix
1 cup boiling water
1 pkg. (3 oz.) JELL-O Strawberry
½ cup cold water
1 tub (8 oz.) COOL WHIP, thawed

PREPARE cake batter and bake as directed on package for 2 9-inch round pans. Cool cake in pans 15 min. Pierce cake with large fork at 1/2-inch intervals. **ADD** boiling

water to gelatin mix in small bowl; stir 2 min. until completely dissolved. Stir in cold water; pour over cake. Refrigerate 3 hours. **REMOVE** 1 cake from pan top with layer of cool whip. Remove other cake and place on top. **FROST** cake with cool whip. Refrigerate 1 hour.

*I used strawberries on the bottom edge. Also melted chocolate, poured into Ziploc bag, cut a little off corner, and drew out words, notes, and hearts on parchment paper.

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Above: Sisters of Sigma Alpha Iota and brothers of Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia, Delta Lambda, participating in the BSU homecoming parade

Left – President Leah Wooden, dressing as Bat woman for her win in the Halloween Fundraiser



Committee Reports

by: melissa whitney

Our committees have been very busy this semester. Here are some of the things we have been working on:

The **Music Committee** successfully organized the annual fall recital. This year they brainstormed a new name, titling it the “Autumn Rose Recital.” The committee also bought red choral folders to keep music in during performances.

The **Community Service Committee** has organized several successful projects this semester. Included in that list have been collecting for Global Heart Strings, singing in a hospital in Fort Wayne, and holding a food drive.

The **Social Committee** organized many social opportunities for our sisters, such as bowling, a tie-die party, a scary movie night, and the Fall Retreat. Fun was had by all who attended.

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The **Membership Committee** has had a busy semester. The committee organized and ran three successful small themed parties and the final party for recruitment. The themes were Casino Night, Murder Mystery, Sports, and Around the World. These parties were enjoyed by all, especially the then prospective members. The committee also put on a mid-semester recruitment party, in which they grilled hot dogs and discussed SAI with members of the marching band. Additionally, the committee successfully recruited and led to initiation two lovely ladies, Cindy Himes and Lindsay Fine.

The **Fundraising Committee** had two successful fundraisers so far this year. The first was a Halloween costume contest, which our President, Leah Wooden, won by a landslide. The second was a fundraiser through Noodles & Company, which was extremely successful. The committee continues to sell donuts on Friday mornings and all proceeds go to SAI philanthropies.



“If a man does not keep pace with his companions, perhaps it is because he hears a different drummer. Let him step to the music which he hears, however measured or far away.”

- Henry David Thoreau



SAI National Convention 2012

Hyatt Regency – Atlanta, GA

During August a few sisters, Amy Clerget, Leah Wooden, and Jessica Bush attended the SAI Triennial National Convention in downtown Atlanta, Georgia. Alumnae, Kendra McFarland and Dr. Rebecca Burkart, and P.O., Barbara Mueller accompanied them. There were many activities to participate in and things to learn in order to better our chapters and ourselves as music pursuers. There were many recitals and musicales including a local women's barbershop choir and an organ recital at a local church.

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