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# Delta Gamma beta nusletter

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# House Renovations

Delta Gamma Beta Nu started the new academic year off fresh with renovations to the first floor and basement of our house. The changes were spearheaded by Director of House Management, Raina Bradford-Jennings. We were proud to debut the completed renovations during formal membership recruitment and alumnae tea.

The improvements included a new floor design, fresh coats of paint, and all new furniture in the living room. The scholarship room was also completely redone with newly organized shelves and matching furniture. With the new plush furniture placed on the first floor, the previous ones were moved to the basement to shape another comfortable lounge area.

The renovations were a joint effort by many dedicated women in the house, with sisters pitching in everywhere to make it a beautiful and fun place to hang out. With a mere three weeks to execute the plans before FMR, the house came together for the final push. The effort put forth by some of our sisters to finish exemplified why we're proud to call ourselves Delta Gammas!



Top left: We showcased some of our trophies and photos on the wall by the door. Top right: The scholarship room is functional and bright so we can focus and work. Bottom: New rugs and couches are welcoming to all sisters and guests of our house.



# Fall Recruitment

KATIE CAMERON

After another fantastic formal membership recruitment, Delta Gamma Beta Nu welcomed 24 new sisters to our chapter! Before FMR, we had an opportunity to host a cupcake decorating event with Alpha Phi and an Iced Coffee and Candy Social with Alpha Chi Omega. We also debuted our newest philanthropy with a commemorative and educational pre-recruitment event on Service for Sight: Joining Forces. Sisters and potential new members assembled goody bags with candy, eye drops and educational writing on Service for Sight opportunities available to veterans and active members.

During FMR, we were excited to show the new renovations that included a first floor that our very own sisters painted, a Scholarship Room that is now functional and stylish, and an updated basement with more places to hang out with sisters.



Overall, we were thrilled to have another successful FMR! Our campus had the fortune of having 6 chapters participate this year, which was a great step for our Panhellenic Community. And as always, a successful recruitment has led to 24 more beautiful members that we have welcomed into our sisterhood!

**NAUTICAL DAY AT DELTA GAMMA BETA NU**  
Sisters ready to set sail before the third night of parties, focusing on our newest philanthropy.



Left: VP Membership, Katie Cameron, and President Ellie Hopen are ready for the second day of parties.  
Below: Sameena B., Dina B., Mitra R., Sara G., and Lily D. pose with Hannah Dolls on preference night.



Our lovely new members are all smiles on Bid Night . Pictured: Sage Y., Alex P., Julia S., Shaune M., Stephanie J., Emily C., Virginia D., Sangeetha S., Caroline S., Bec H., Sasha K., Leslie W., Didi O., Charlotte T., Amanda B., Saru N., Ximena O., Sade I., Evi B., Ceci M., and Veronica S.. Missing: Charlotte S., Leila T., Melissa Z.







This semester, Delta Gamma Beta Nu held our inaugural Anchor Clanker in place of Dunk-a-DG. Anchor Clanker was held on a beautiful, sunny afternoon in Gesling Stadium on October 12. Teams comprised of men and women from Greek organizations, sports teams, and just groups of friends, participated in field day games such as a three-legged race, wheelbarrow race, and obstacle course, culminating in a tug-of-war. The friendly competition ended with the basketball team, “No the TAs”, in first, and Kappa Alpha Theta placing second.

Anchor Clanker was organized by our Director of Games, Amelia Jones. By the end of the event, our chapter raised about \$800! This was also a special event this year, as our proceeds benefitted Delta Gamma’s new philanthropy, Service for Sight: Joining Forces. Shout out to Amelia for executing a great event!

Top: Delta Gamma sisters celebrate a successful Anchor Clanker on a beautiful day at Gesling Stadium.  
Right: First-place men’s basketball team with their fearless coach, Claire Chapelli.



# GYLT

One of the valuable benefits we are privileged to have as Delta Gammas is our incredible network of sisters and alumnae all over the world. We leveraged the knowledge and experiences of some of our wonderful alumnae in the Pittsburgh Alumnae Chapter of Delta Gamma in a special edition of GYLT (Get Your Life Together).

Coordinated by our Director of Scholarship, Ronny Ho, this semester’s GYLT featured our alumnae in a panel on “What I Wish I Knew in College.” Five alumnae from all different backgrounds shared stories about how Delta Gamma shaped their experiences post-college, and gave guidance on what to be prepared for in the “real world”.

Some takeaways from the panel included advice on finding your passions, planning a budget for real life, and how taking on leadership roles in college yields valuable skills you could leverage in the future. The panel was a great success and their input was incredibly helpful. It reassuring to see women coming from all different walks of life share how even if Delta Gamma wasn’t always a part of their life, they kept coming back and finding something new to gain from it --it isn’t just membership in college, but for life.



# Crush Party

With Crush Party falling so close to Halloween this year, Delta Gammas had a blast celebrating with a festive costume-themed event. The party was held at Up^ Modern Kitchen in Shadyside, where we enjoyed a night of socializing, snacking on delicious appetizers, and just enjoying hanging out with all of our sisters in entertaining and original costumes.

The night, put together by Director of Social Events, Ashley Sobhani, also included a couples costume contest. The winners for the best costumes were Vaidehi Tata and Alvin Mbongo, dressing up as Kim Kardashian and Kanye West, complete with baby North. The creativity and originality of everyone in our house was evident from everyone's costumes and we hope to make this an annual affair.



## COSTUMES SHINE AT THE DELTA GAMMA CRUSH PARTY

Above: Christmas, Hanukkah, Fourth of July, Father's Day & Mother's Day. Top right: Cher, Princess Peach, and sushi. Right: The winning couple, Kim Kardashian and Kanye West.



Saru Nanda and big, Monica McCall at the Bhangra in the Burgh late night event



# Bhangra in the Burgh

MITRA RAMAN

Bhangra in the Burgh, one of the biggest events in Pittsburgh and the country, hosts eight elite bhangra teams from around North America to compete against each other. Bhangra is an Indian folk dance that has caught on like fire around the world. Teams of up to sixteen dancers put on a performance for up to eight minutes filled with costumes, props, energetic dancing, and fun for everyone.

This year, Bhangra in the Burgh 7 was held at Soldiers & Sailors Hall on November 23, and there was a huge number of CMU students that helped make it happen, including many sisters from our very own Delta Gamma chapter. Sisters have continuously been members of the competition staff, this year involving senior, Monica McCall and one of our new members,

Saru Nanda. There is a huge amount time and energy that goes into planning, organizing, communicating, and preparing for a competition of this calibre, and DGs have always been at the forefront of the effort.

Another big attraction to Bhangra in the Burgh every year is the performance of CMU's very own bhangra team, one of the top collegiate teams in the nation. Many of the dancers on CMU Bhangra are Greek, and they bring a large crowd to Bhangra in the Burgh every year. Delta Gammas always arrive in huge numbers to support their sisters on the stage, including the captain of CMU Bhangra this year, Mitra Raman, and another senior on the team, Roma Luthra.

We are proud of Delta Gammas getting involved in exciting, fun, and cultural activities on campus and their



Mitra Raman hangs out with sisers, Vaidehi Tata and Roma Luthra, before her bhangra performance.

ability to share it with the rest of the Greek community. We hope that the tradition continues and we find some DGs on the stage every year at this event. Congratulations to all the sisters that helped make the event a success, and thanks to everyone that supported them along the way!



# New CMT

Congratulations to our new CMT! We are excited for this new leaf in our chapter, and know these women will continue to Do Good!



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Katie Cameron



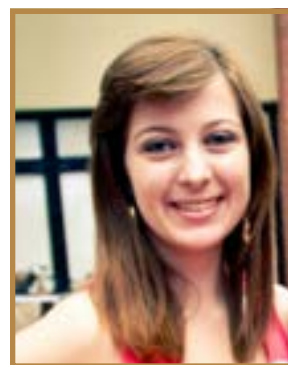
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