



## *A welcome from our National President*

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My name is LaToya Jackson (yes it is really LaToya Jackson! LOL) and it is with great honor and pride that I serve as your National President. I joined Lambda Sigma Gamma in Fall 2002 at Alpha Chapter, and I would have to say that one of my proudest moments was joining LSG. It is through this organization that I have made not just lifetime friends, but a true family. Further, it is because of the traits instilled in me by LSG that I have a Bachelor's degree in Inter-cultural and International Communication Studies from Sacramento State University, and a Master's degree in Communication Studies from San Jose State University. I also work full-time for UC Davis as an Analyst, and am a part-time lecturer for San Jose State University. As you can see, I am a busy gal. So on my spare time, I really love to just lounge, veg out, and catch up with some Keeping up with the Kardashians or watch my Spanish soap operas. Since I'm always on the go, it's nice when I can just relax in bed with some movies and popcorn!

Lambda Sigma Gamma has given me so much and that is why as National President, I want to give back. My vision is to instill the skills in the new generation that will help our members obtain whatever goals they may have while also creating lifelong friends, a lifelong family. I hope that I can be the leader that this organization needs, and please know that I am here if you ever would like to voice your concerns, ideas or questions.

## *Future Lambda Leaders / Expansion Highlights!*

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Lambda Sigma Gamma welcomed over 90 Sisters this fall!

Some chapter highlights are:

**Gamma chapter with 11 new members**

**Delta chapter with 20 new members**

**Kappa chapter with 7 new members**

**Omicron chapter with 13 new members**

**Pi chapter with 6 new members**

**Rho chapter with 7 new members**

**Tau chapter with 8 new members**



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## Director of Alumnae Relations

Hello Lambda Alumnae,

I hope this newsletter finds you and your families well. I want to take a moment to introduce myself; my name is Emily Zaman, Omicron Chapter Beta class #14. I was appointed the Director of Alumnae Relations in July and have enjoyed being a part of this year's National Board of Directors and working with our collegiate Commissioners of Recruitment. I hope you all received and enjoyed your chapter's alumnae newsletters. If you did not receive your newsletter via e-mail please let me know so I can forward your contact information to your chapter's Commissioner of Recruitment.

From Lambda Luau's to recruitment event, philanthropic involvement to annual family picnics our collegiate chapters

have been busy! It was a pleasure to read the chapter newsletters and see all the hard work our chapters have done this



year. It was also nice to see that many alumnae have been involved in supporting their chapters. This means so much to the chapters and Sisters. I encourage you to continue your support and participation! Keep a look out for e-mails to the alumni yahoo group regarding upcoming Alumni events. Please contact me

if are not on the alumni yahoo group and want to be added.

If there's an article topic or information you'd like added to a future newsletter please let me know and I'll do my best to accommodate your requests.

Love & Sisterhood,

Emily Zaman

Director of Alumnae Relations 2011-2012

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## Congrats to Fullerton Phi-nest & Outstanding Omicron

Allison Sweeney, Phi chapter Beta class for winning the Counterpart of the Year from Director of Expansions, Southern, and the Chapter's Rose Award for Sister of the Year

Amanda Aguilar, Phi chapter Beta class for receiving Phi chapter's Platinum Award, for most dedicated member.

Tina, Phi Chapter Eta Class who received the Philanthropy award for the most community service hours in her chapter.

Rosa, Phi Chapter Eta Class, who received the highest GPA award.

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At National Retreat Omicron chapter received the IPSE award for Chapter of the Year!

Omicron chapter celebrated their 10 year anniversary last spring.

*"Don't walk in front of me and be my leader, don't walk behind me and be my follower, but walk beside me and be my Sister."*

## Alumnae Involvement Opportunities

### Gamma Chapter

is coordinating classroom visits with our National Philanthropy, California Headstart Program. Upcoming visit on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Contact Belen Morales if you're interested in participating in one of the visits

If you're interested in participating contact the respective chapter for more info.

### Iota Chapter

Christmas Toy Drive December 1-16<sup>th</sup>

Christmas in the Park December 2<sup>nd</sup>

March of Dimes Walk April 28, 2012

### Theta Chapter

Volunteer w/ the local Girl Scouts of America, every Wednesday from 5-7pm



## Lambda Foundation

There is no question that Lambda Sigma Gamma Sorority, Inc. has had a profound effect on us all. As an alumna, I have realized that a significant part of my life today is a direct result of the time I spent, the life-long friends I've made, and the lessons I've learned from being a Lambda Sigma Gamma sister. Being a member of this year's National Board, I wanted to make sure that the LSG experience would continue for future generations of sisters. Therefore, it is my sincere pleasure to announce the creation of the Lambda Sigma Gamma Foundation, a nonprofit corporation being formed to serve as the philanthropic arm to Lambda Sigma Gamma Sorority, Inc. to provide support to both members and non-members and to help advance the educational and charitable purposes of our multicultural sisterhood.

On August 23, 2011, the Lambda Sigma Gamma Foundation became officially incorporated in the state of California as a nonprofit, public benefit corporation. The

mission of the Lambda Sigma Gamma Foundation is to empower all women to become leaders and role models in their community, promote leadership opportunities for women of all ages, and inspire individuals to engage in life-long civic responsibility and philanthropic engagement.



LAMBDA SIGMA GAMMA  
FOUNDATION

Not only will this Foundation enable our alumnae to engage with the sorority in new and exciting ways, but it also presents an opportunity for parents and friends to invest in the women of Lambda Sigma Gamma; women that are dedicated to the values of self-improvement, education, civic responsibility, diversity and cultural awareness. Everyone – from

alumnae, parents, and friends—will now have an opportunity to take part in ensuring the future growth and sustainability of Lambda Sigma Gamma Sorority, Inc.

The LSG Foundation will not only help create an enhanced collegiate experience for members, but will also begin a cycle that can lead to significant growth and advancement for the sorority at large. The achievements of our newly established Foundation will translate into changed lives, transformed campuses, and renewed communities. It is my hope that alumnae will come together and celebrate this wonderful achievement. IPSE!

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Alexa Almazán  
National Director of Fundraising, 2011-2012

\* For information about the Foundation and becoming a member of the founding Board of Trustees, please contact National Director of Fundraising, Alexa Almazán ([alexa.almazan@gmail.com](mailto:alexa.almazan@gmail.com) \* 805-453-3180)

## National Alumnae Association

Lambda Sigma Gamma is re-launching the National Alumnae Association at the beginning of 2012.

*"Not four years, but for life."*

If you've been wanting to get involved and reconnect with alumnae in your area the association will be a great opportunity

to do so. The associations will be based locally either by region or county and will consist solely of Lambda Sigma Gamma alumnae. Only 5 alumnae are needed to start an association in your area! The one-time charter fee is being reduced to the first 10 associations that start in 2012!

For more information on joining or starting an association in your area please contact Emily Zaman at [lsgomicron14@yahoo.com](mailto:lsgomicron14@yahoo.com)

*"Friendship lasts forever when sisters come together"*

## Lambda Shop

The Lambda Sigma Gamma on-line store is now available! The holiday shopping season is upon us and you can now shop on-line for LSG gifts.

Currently, the store is selling our 25 year anniversary commemorative pin (see photo, left) for only \$10. Additional items coming soon!

Please check the website for LSG paraphernalia at [www.wepay.com/shop/lambdashop](http://www.wepay.com/shop/lambdashop)

There will also be a link through our National website.

100% of the proceeds will go back to our national organization.





*Lambda Sigma Gamma National Board wishes you and your family a safe & enjoyable*

*holiday season and all the best in 2012!*



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**Iota Chapter at National Retreat 2011**



*Season Greetings from our Iota chapter!*

## *Upcoming Alumnae Events*

- Alumnae fundraising vent on Saturday, February 25th in the Los Angeles region.  
Invitation and event details coming soon!
- Alumnae Brunch in March 2012
- Regional Alumnae events in the spring!

If you're interested in helping coordinate an alumnae event in your region or have an idea for an alumnae event please contact Emily Zaman at [lsgomicron14@yahoo.com](mailto:lsgomicron14@yahoo.com).

National Retreat is April 28-29th at Gamma chapter, more info coming soon!

