



Conventioneers were spellbound during a performance by world-renowned violin virtuosa, Elizabeth Pitcairn (Southern California) during the Foundation Luncheon at Convention. The luncheon, culminating the Foundation's 50th anniversary celebration, honored donors and past Trustees, featured two Philanthropist Award winners, and introduced a wonderful video created by Foundation Trustee Mary Vanier (Kansas State) reviewing the Foundation's 50-year history. With a look to our next 50 years, the video ended by introducing our new, enhanced logo designed by Susan Reeves (Texas-Austin) of Prism Design (see top of page).

Philanthropist Award winners, Mary Frost Frey (Minnesota-Twin Cities) and Jane Piper Gleason (Illinois-Urbana-Champaign) receive their awards and carnations from Foundation Chair, Linda Daniel Johnson (Vanderbilt).

With lights dimmed and a magical glow from 800 lighted wands waving in the air, the audience joined Dori Neff (Oklahoma City) and Caitlin Capozzi (Syracuse), singing "When You Wish Upon A Star," accompanied by Elizabeth Pitcairn on the violin and Leslie Stewart Kenney (Southern California) on the piano. What a lovely ending for a luncheon celebrating the Foundation's 50 years of "making the magic happen!" (To view the video on You Tube, click on the following link http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MDDfGNrg_oo).

Foundation Facebook Challenge

Join your sisters and become a "friend of the Foundation" by visiting our Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/gammaphibetafoundation>. Our group is 2000 members strong, but we need you to help us reach our goal of "10 in 10" - 10,000 Facebook "friends of the Foundation" by the end of 2010. If you are not yet a member of Facebook, register now at Facebook.com and enjoy connecting with sisters and friends around the globe. If you have questions, call the Foundation at (303) 799-1874, x 307.

Fun and Fundraising, Too!

Between meetings, meals, leadership education and other events, Conventioneers found time for fun in the Foundation Room, bidding on Silent Auction items and buying tickets for the Opportunity Drawing. The lucky winners left the Foundation Room smiling on Saturday with new jewelry, electronics, purses, fun Gamma Phi Beta items, vacation plans, tickets, spa certificates and many other items. However, the best part is that the money raised in the Foundation Room supports Gamma Phi Beta leadership education. Everyone wins!

More than \$21,000 was raised by participants in the Sorority's Crescent Classic: Walk by the Light of the Crescent Moon. Funds from this event support camping – Camp Fire USA, Girl Guides of Canada, Foundation camping fund and the Orlando Sunshine Council of Camp Fire USA. Thanks to all who participated in these Convention events!

Thank You Convention Volunteers!

Convention wouldn't happen without the dedication and countless hours of work by volunteers. Heartfelt thanks to all of our Foundation Volunteers – whether you worked in the Foundation Room or helped with a Foundation event, you made an impact! Special thanks to Foundation Convention Chair, Christy Ehrenreich; to Foundation Room Chair, Sally Lewis; to Opportunity Drawing/Silent Auction Co-chairs, Genie Street and Amy Williams; Foundation Liaison from the local committee, Crystal White; Foundation Luncheon Chair, Ann Brons-ing; 1874 Society/Major Donor Dinner Chair, Melinda Nutter, Friends of the Foundation Breakfast co-chairs, Magnes Welsh and Laura McMurray, to Mary Vanier, PR/Marketing Committee Chair for producing the amazing Foundation video and to Ginny Myer, Development Committee Chair for overseeing all Development Committee activities.

A huge thank you to Foundation Trustees Ruth Seeler, M.D. and Magnes Welsh for underwriting the 1874 Society/Major Donor Dinner.

And, of course, thanks to Karen Urette and her local Convention Committee for making all of this happen in Orlando!

Destination – Denver in 2012

Excitement is mounting here at IH as we begin the countdown for Convention 2012 right here in our own backyard. Make your plans for that Colorado summer vacation and join us for Convention 2012 in Denver!

Thank you for your support of our mission at the Gamma Phi Beta Foundation – to support and inspire the lifelong development of women.