

# Alpha Iota State - Michigan Liz VanWestenburg, President

Geographical Areas,
Coordinating Council Membership
and
Chapter Geographical Boundaries

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#### Introduction

The Alpha Iota History and Research Committees have updated the 2005-2007 Geographical Boundaries Booklet. Much has changed over the last ten years! Over the course of the last year each chapter has been asked to provide information about their current membership. The data collected included: places of residence, places of employment, historical notes, and membership. Membership data was divided into active, employed and retired, or reserve status. Some chapters included honorary members.

As you use this booklet, realize that many chapters have members who live and work in locations that overlap other chapters. This reality offers flexibility in choosing a chapter. Reviewing the history and membership demographics of each chapter may be helpful when it comes to a transfer within the state or a member from another state transferring into the Alpha Iota State organization. We have included a description of the Chapters by Area as defined in the Alpha Iota State of Michigan By-Laws and Standing Rules (May 2013)

Also included is information on Coordinating Councils. Not all chapters in the state are in a coordinating council. Knowing the location of a nearby council may encourage a chapter to become part of an existing council or work together with other nearby chapters to create a new one.

The information contained in this booklet reflects the data provided by each chapter or that the compilers could glean from Alpha Iota documents. Editing was done for format, but accuracy of submissions was not checked. There appears to be some differences and overlap between retired and employed members. It appears that many of our members have retired from their primary employment, but continue to work in a variety of positions. Some chapters provided more information than others.

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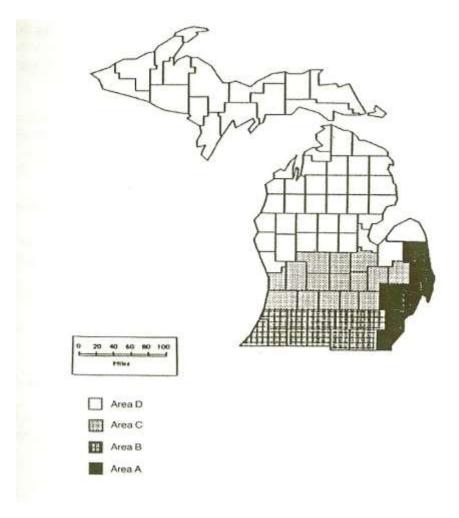
# **Geographical Definition of Areas**

**Area A**: Counties of Monroe, Wayne, Oakland, Macomb, St. Clair and Sanilac (to M-46)

**Area B**: East boundary of Washtenaw County to Lake Michigan, south boundary to state line, and north- the boundary of counties through which I-94 passes.

**Area C:** From west boundary of Sanilac County south of M-46to Lake Michigan; south boundary will be north boundary of counties through which I-94 passes. Does not include Saginaw and Bay City chapters.

**Area D:** South boundary will be MM-46 and will include remainder of Lower Peninsula and all of Upper Peninsula.



Source: By–Laws and Standing Rules (2013), Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Alpha Iota State – Michigan

# Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Alpha Iota State - Michigan Coordinating Councils - 2015

Article IX Section 3E(2) Coordinating Council Committee (chair appointed). This committee shall encourage the formation of coordinating councils in areas where several chapters have been organized

Source: By–Laws and Standing Rules (2013), Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Alpha Iota State – Michigan

Capital Area: Alpha Upsilon, Alpha Lambda, Alpha Theta, Upsilon, Alpha Eta

Cascades: Gamma, Omicron, Nu, Beta Alpha, Beta Beta, Beta Rho, Beta

**Detroit Metro**: Alpha, Zeta, Kappa, Gamma Alpha, Gamma Gamma

Flint Area: Mu, Alpha Alpha, Alpha Pi, Alpha Omega, Beta Mu, Gamma Beta

**Greater Southwest**: Epsilon, Pi, Rho, Alpha Epsilon, Gamma Zeta, Gamma Theta

Kenowa: Sigma, Psi, Alpha Kappa, Beta Kappa, Beta Omicron

Northern Lights: Alpha Xi, Beta Omega, Gamma Eta

**Oakland County**: Alpha beta, alpha Gamma, Alpha Omicron, Beta Eta, Beta Chi, Lambda

Riverlake: Omega, Alpha Zeta, Alpha Mu, Alpha Phi, Beta epsilon, Beta Tau, Beta Xi

**Upper Peninsula**: Delta, Alpha Tau, Beta Sigma

# Alpha Iota State's Geographical Boundaries By Chapter

(Including Places of Residence, Places of Employment, Historical Notes and Membership Information)

# **Alpha**

**Places of Residence:** Novi, Westland, Farmington Hills, Detroit, Plymouth, Southfield, Waterford, Livonia, Lathrup Village, Trenton, Highland Park, Oakland, CA, Henderson NV, Dallas TX, Peoria, AZ

Places of Employment: Detroit, Wayne State University, Dallas, TX

**Historical Notes:** Chartered May 28, 1938, Beta chartered same time. Dr. Annie

Mae Blanton presided at the installation. **Membership:** 18 (18 retired, 0 employed)

#### **Beta**

**Places of Residence**: Saline, Ypsilanti, Ann Arbor, West Bloomfield, Pinckney, and Dexter

**Places of Employment**: Ypsilanti, Saline, Willow Run, Wayne- Westland, Ann Arbor, Huron School District, Eastern Michigan University, U of M and Detroit Charter

**Historical**: Started May 28, 1938. No original members still living

Membership: 39

#### Gamma

Places of Residence: Branch and Hillsdale Counties (Hillsdale, Camden, Montgomery, Montpelier, OH, Fremont, OH, Jonesville, Waldron, Quincy, Reading, Onsted, Jackson, Holland, Osseo)

**Places of Employment:** Hillsdale, Camden-Frontier, Siena Heights, Reading, Will Carleton Academy, Waldron, Quincy, Homer, Kalamazoo, Hillsdale College, Columbia, Pittsford, Baker College

**Historical Notes:** Third chapter in the state: chartered January 14, 1939; installed by Professor Ruth A. Barber of Hillsdale College and Professor Pearl Ludy of Albion College; helped charter Omicron in Jackson and Nu in Albion. State Officers: Ruth A Barber – State Charter Member and First Recording Secretary 1938-1942, First Executive Secretary 1942-59; Mrs. Anna C. Betts – Treasurer 1948-1955, President 1959-1961; Miss Carolyn Materson – Corresponding Secretary 1961-1963; J-Jay Pechta – State Recording Secretary 2001-2003, State 1st Vice-president 2003-2005, State President 2007-09, State Wolverine Editor 2009-present

**Membership:** 40 (24 retired, 16 employed, 5 reserve)

#### Delta

**Places of Residence:** Marquette, Negaunee, Ishpeming, Harvey, Michigamee, Kingsford

**Places of Employment:** Stanbaugh, Iron Mt., Menominee, Munising, Marinesco, Escanaba, Ypsilanti, Marquette, Ishpeming, NICE, Negaunee, Manistique, Gladstone, Feltch-Iron Mt., Green Bay, Wisconsin, Utah, Ohio, Topeka Kansas,

**Historical Notes:** Chartered in May 6, 1939. Reported in minutes that members took the train to places for meetings. Delta earned money for scholarships from a book by Charter Member Amanda Wiljaner Larson entitled "Finnish Heritage in America.

**Membership:** 32 (25 retired, 7 employed) 3 initiates spring 2015

# **Epsilon**

**Places of Residence**: Kalamazoo, Portage, Middleville, Galesburg, Vicksburg, Mattawan, Shelbyville, Parchment

**Places of Employment**: Kalamazoo, Thornapple - Kellogg School, Western Michigan University, Plainwell, Comstock, Battle Creek, Vicksburg, Galesburg, Portage, Kalamazoo RESA, Nazareth College

**Historical Note**: Epsilon Chapter - Organized in Lansing, MI on May 19, 1939 at the Olds Hotel. There were 17 members. Their first meeting occurred approximately one year after Alpha Iota State was formed (May 28, 1938). The members supported the State and International levels when established. All Charter Members are deceased.

**Membership**: 38 (21 retired, 9 employed, 8 reserve)

#### Zeta

**Places of Residence:** Beverly Hills, Belleville, Birmingham, Commerce Township, Dearborn, Detroit, Dexter, Farmington Hills, Harrison Township, Highland Park, Northville, Novi, Redford Township, Roseville, Southfield, St. Clair Shores, Westland, Yale, Ypsilanti, and Scottsdale, Arizona

**Places of Employment:** Detroit Public Schools, Ann Arbor Public schools, Fraser Public Schools, Catholic Central High School - Novi, Eastern Michigan University, Oakland Community College, University of Michigan Health System, Michigan Department of Education.

**Historical Notes:** Zeta Chapter was the 6th chapter to be established in Michigan. Chartered on February 17, 1940 with 20 charter members; installed by Effie Downer one of the Alpha Iota State Founders and first State

President. Additional Highlights:

One International President- Dr. Paula Dent 1996-98

4 State Presidents - Dr. Naida Dostal 1967-69, Roberta Dye 1975-77, Dr. Paula Dent 1983-85, Eileen Rodak 1997-99

5 State Women of Distinction

7 Golden Gift Recipients [The most of any chapter in the entire organization] One of our members was State Editor for many years of the highly regarded Wolverine.

Zeta believes itself to be among the first chapters to have initiated Nurse Educators as members in Michigan.

One member was honored to be included in the new "International Arts and Humanities Gallery" during the 2nd and 3rd Quarterly online editions.

**Membership:** Active – 30 (Employed – 7, Retired – 21), Reserve - 2

#### Kappa

#### Places of Residence:

Ann Arbor, Belleville, Bloomfield Hills, Brownstown, Canton, Commerce Township, Dearborn, Dearborn Heights, Farmington Hills, Inkster, Livonia, Northville, Novi, Plymouth, South Lyon, West Bloomfield, Westland in Michigan and Hendricks, Minnesota

**Places of Employment:** Bloomfield Hills Schools, Dearborn Public Schools, Detroit Schools, Livonia Schools, Plymouth-Canton Schools, Wayne-Westland Schools, South Redford Schools, Henry Ford Community College, Schoolcraft College. Wayne State University

**Historical Notes:** Kappa was chartered on November 4, 1944. Three of their earlier members had schools named for them. Currently they have 4 mother-daughter pairs in the chapter.

**Membership**: not reported, 5-6 are currently working

#### Lambda

Places of Residence: Bloomfield Hills, Clawson, Houghton Lake, Ortonville, Royal

Oak, Troy, Washington Township, West Bloomfield, Florida

Places of Employment: Bloomfield Hills, Clawson, Ferndale, Royal Oak,

West Virginia

**Historical Notes:** Chartered in November 1944. All charter members were teachers in the Highland Park School System. Gradually the chapter moved north on Woodward Ave. In 2012 Gamma Delta members joined Lambda. Gamma Delta members had all taught in Ferndale. Good things came to Lambda as we grew in members, talent, and Society support. The merged chapter transferred to the Oakland County Coordinating Council.

Membership: 12 (10 retired, 2 employed)

#### Mu

**Places of Residence:** Flint, Davison, Gaines, Grand Blanc, Swartz Creek, Flushing, Bridgeport, Fenton, Burton, Ann Arbor, Indian River, Bluffton, SC,

**Places of Employment:** U of M Flint, Carman Ainsworth (Flint), Holy Family (Grand Blanc), Flint Public Library

**Historical Notes:** Mu Chapter was founded on December 9, 1944 becoming the twelfth chapter organized in Michigan, one of the charter chapters of Alpha Iota State – Michigan. Ruth Barber, one of the founders of Alpha Iota, organized mu.

**Membership:** 44 (35 retired, 9 employed, 3 reserve)

#### Nu

Places of Residence: Albion, Parma, Concord, Battle Creek, Marshall

Places of Employment: Albion, Springport, Jackson, Waverly Marshall, Albion

College, Kellogg Community College

Historical Notes: Nu is supposed to encompass the Albion-Marshall area.

**Membership**: 18 (17 retired, 5 employed, 4 reserve)

#### **Omicron**

**Places of Residence:** Brooklyn, Clark Lake, Horton, Jerome, Jackson, Michigan Center, Parma, Spring Arbor.

**Places of Employment:** Columbia Community Schools, East Jackson Community Schools, Hanover-Horton Community Schools, Jackson College, Jackson County ISD, Jackson Public Schools, Jackson-Hillsdale Community Health, Michigan Center Community Schools, Torrent Center, Western Community Schools.

Historical Notes: Chartered on November 23, 1946 with 5 charter members; all Charter Members are deceased. Omicron has three Alpha Iota State Presidents: Florine Hall (1959-61), Katherine Keeling (1969-1971) and Kathryn Walker (1979-81). Michigan hosted the Northeast Regional at Mackinac Island during Florine Hall's biennium. Ruth Arnold and Barbara Fausell, Omicron members during Katherine Keeling's biennium, were co-editors of the Wolverine. Katherine Walker and Vera Goldsmith of Omicron; and Henrietta Henyon of Beta Beta were co-editors of the Wolverine.

**Membership:** 20 (17 retired, 3 employed, reserve 0)

PΙ

**Places of Residence:** Niles, Edwardsburg, South Bend, Indiana **Places of Employment:** Niles Community Schools, Edwardsburg School Corporation, Penn, Harris, Madison Community Schools, St. Mary's School **Historical Notes:** Chartered on June 12, 1948 with 12 charter members; one charter member reserve.

**Membership:** 20 (20 retired, 0 employed, 5 reserve)

#### Rho

**Places of Residence**: Benton Harbor, St. Joseph, Coloma, Watervliet, Bridgman,

Stevensville, Watervliet

**Places of Employment**: Not provided

**Historical Notes**: With assistance from Pi Chapter, Rho Chapter was chartered on November 6, 1948 at the Whitcomb Hotel in St. Joseph, Michigan. Mary Dixon was the first president. She later became State President in 1948 and Northwest Regional Director in 1970.

Rho Chapter formed beta Zeta Chapter on November 14, 1964. Rho and Beta Zeta shared an annual breakfast each year. In 1994, Beta Zeta dissolved and joined Rho.

**Membership:** 47 (45 retired, 4 employed, 2 reserve)

# Sigma

**Places of Residence**: Belding, Greenville, Ionia, Stanton and Sydney

**Places of Employment**: Belding, Greenville, Ionia, Central Montcalm, Ionia ISD, and

Montcalm ISD.

**Historical notes**: Our chapter has a history of getting into schools and doing hands on, extra activities with elementary students. We find this extremely important in these days where more "fun" activities are pushed aside because they are not directly related to content and testing! We always look for creative ways to raise money. Currently our main fundraiser is through Parade of Homes. We provide greeters at new homes that are open for tours.

**Membership**: 19 active (14 retired, 5 working, 7 reserve)

#### Tau

(Data derived from Alpha Iota sources)

**Places of Residence:** Mount Pleasant, Alma, Shepherd, Stanwood, Jensen Beach FL., Smyrna GA.

Places of Employment: Mount Pleasant, Alma, Shepherd, Beal City, Central

Michigan University

**Historical Notes:** Chartered on November 17, 1948: installed by Miss Ruth A.

Barber

Membership: 13

# **Upsilon**

**Places of Residence:** Charlotte, Grand Ledge, Vermontville, Potterville, Eaton Rapids, Maple Valley, Olivet

**Places of Employment**: Charlotte, Grand Ledge, Vermontville, Potterville, Eaton Rapids, Maple Valley, Olivet, Olivet College, Sylvan Learning Center.

**Historical Notes:** Chartered April 28, 1950, First Congregational Church, Charlotte, MI. Member of the Capital Area Coordinating Council.

Members have held seven state offices and two members have been State Woman of Distinction.

**Membership:** 29 (24 retired, 5 employed)

#### Phi

**Places of Residence**: Williamsburg, Traverse City, Empire, Kingsley, Northport, Cadillac, Kalkaska, Elk Rapids, Interlochen, Suttons Bay, Leland, Muskegon, Kewadin **Places of Employment**: Traverse City, Kingsley, Traverse Bay Area Intermediate School District, Elk Rapids, Dowagiac, Flint, East Detroit, Ferris State, Kirtland Community College, District 181 Hinsdale, ILL, Northern Illinois University, Kalkaska, Cadillac, Suttons Bay, Kansas City

**Historical Notes**: Phi Chapter was chartered in Traverse City in 1951 with 19 members. Our last charter member, Gertrude Onker, passed away this past December 25, 2015. Our membership has had one state president and that was Marie Grassa, 1981 - 1983. We also have had one member, Ann Laurimore, who received the State Woman of Distinction in 2011.

**Membership:** 31 (30 retired, 1 employed, 8 reserved) 2 honorary

# **Omega**

Places of Residence: Clinton Township, Chesterfield Township, Fraser, Grosse Pointe Shores, Grosse Pointe Woods, Mt. Clemens, Harrison Township, Macomb Township, New Baltimore, Shelby Township, St. Clair, Sterling Heights.

Places of Employment: Mt. Clemens, L'Anse Creuse, Chippewa Valley, New Haven Historical Notes: Omega Chapter was founded on June 8, 1952. Omega was one of the founding members of River Lake council and sponsored two other chapters. Thelma Ulrich was just honored by being names as one the city of Mt. Clemens' local treasures for her volunteer work.

**Membership**: 32 (30 retired, 2 employed, 1 reserve). Many retired continue to volunteer in schools and other areas of community service.

# Alpha Alpha

**Places of Residence:** Flint, Davison, Flushing, Grand Blanc, Clarkston, Flint Township, Hale, Howard

**Places of Employment:** Flint, Genesee Intermediate School District, Bentley **Historical Notes:** Alpha Alpha was chartered in 1952 at the Durant Hotel in downtown Flint. The hotel served as Flint's premier hotel for over 50 years. In the early 1970's the hotel closed and, as with so many old beautiful, historic buildings, was left to urban decay. In 2012, with the help of the Genesee County Land Bank, the C.S. Mott Foundation and other partnerships, a historic renovation preserved the architectural features of the building while creating contemporary urban lofts. When Alpha Alpha celebrated its 50th Anniversary, the renovation was not complete enough for us to celebrate at the hotel but we hope to hold a future anniversary celebration in the building in which we began.

Membership: 14 (16 retired, 9 employed) 11 reserve

# Alpha Gamma

**Places of Residence**: Troy, Rochester, Rochester Hills, West Bloomfield, Grand

Blanc, Lake Orion

Places of Employment: Clarkston Community Schools, Rochester Community

Schools, Troy Community Schools, Lake Orion Community Schools

**Historical**: Established in 1952, we have one member who has a 50-year

membership

**Membership**: 13 active, 1 reserve

# **Alpha Epsilon**

**Places of Residence**: Bronson, Cassopolis, Constantine, Portage, Sturgis, Three

Rivers and White Pigeon

Places of Employment: Constantine, Nottawa, Sturgis and Three Rivers

Historical Notes: Alpha Epsilon chartered on May 5, 1955 in Three Rivers, MI by

Miss Ruth A. Barber with 16 charter members,

**Membership**: 30 (15 retired, 15 employed, 0 reserve)

# Alpha Zeta

Places of Residence: Algonac, St. Clair, Capac, Yale, Port Huron, Marysville, Clyde,

Fort Gratiot, Memphis

Places of Employment: Algonac, Capac, East China, Marysville, Port Huron,

Memphis, Yale, Baker College, Saint Clair College Community College

Historical Notes: Alpha Zeta Chapter was founded June 4, 1955 with thirteen

charter members.

**Membership**: 45 (44 retired, 1 employed, 2 reserved)

# Alpha Eta

(Data derived from Alpha Iota sources)

Places of Residence: Bannister, Owosso, Ovid, Elsie, Henderson, St Johns,

Places of Employment:

Historical Notes: Founded October 29, 1955

Membership: 13 (2 reserved)

# Alpha Theta

Places of Residence: Livingston County, Ingham County

Places of Employment: Fowlerville, Howell, Pinckney, Brighton, Hartland

**Historical Notes**: none provided **Membership**: numbers not provided

# Alpha Kappa

Places of Residence: Fruitport, Muskegon, North Muskegon, Norton Shores, and

Shelby.

Places of Employment: MAISD, Muskegon

Catholic Schools, Muskegon Heights Schools, Muskegon Public Schools, North, Muskegon Public School, Oak Ridge Public Schools, and Orchard View Public Schools, Oakland County Children's Center, Pontiac, Redford Union, Livonia, Grand Rapids and National Heritage Centers, Grand Rapids.

**Historical Notes**: Alpha Kappa was organized in Muskegon, Michigan by Mrs. Etta Evans on April 7, 1956. We are approaching our 59th anniversary.

**Membership:** 23 active, 1 reserve

# Alpha Lambda

**Places of Residence:** Lansing, East Lansing, Dewitt, Okemos, Mason **School Systems:** Lansing Public Schools, Waverly Community Schools, Michigan State University, Ingham Intermediate School District, Perry Community Schools, East Lansing Public Schools, St. Thomas Aquinas School, Williamston Community Schools

Historical Notes: Chartered on May 12, 1956 with 16 charter members, installed

by Phyllis Stid

**Membership:** 13 active, 7 reserve, 3 honorary

# Alpha Mu

**Places of Residence**: Grosse Pointe, Saint Clair Shores, Harsens Island, Bloomfield Hills, Rochester, Beverly Hills, Troy and Newport

**Places of Employment**: Grosse Pointe, L'Anse Creuse, Detroit Public Schools, Education Achievement Authority, Macomb Intermediate School District, Oakland University

**Historical Notes**: Five of our members are celebrating 40 years or more of membership in our chapter this year.

**Membership**: 23 (20 retired, 3 employed, 1 reserve). 3 are currently retired and working.

# Alpha Xi

Places of Residence: Alpena, Atlanta, Hillman, Hubbard Lake, Lachine, Lewiston,

Millersburg, Ossineke, Posen, Presque Isle, Posen, Rogers City

**Places of Employment**: Alpena, Atlanta, Hillman, Millersburg, Posen, Rogers City,

and Alpena Community College

**Historical Notes:** Alpha Xi was chartered on May 11, 1957 with 14 charter

members. Alpha Xi became a member of the Northern Lights Coordinating Council

in 2005.

**Membership**: 43 Members (36 retired, 7 employed, 4 reserve)

# **Alpha Omicron**

(Data derived from Alpha Iota sources)

Places of Residence: Birmingham, Madison Heights, Walled Lake, Bloomfield Hills,

and Waterford

**Places of Employment:** 

Historical Notes: Organized in Birmingham October 26, 1957. Charter member

Marilyn J. Kelly still active

Membership: 7 (3 active, 4 reserve, 1 charter)

# Alpha Rho

Places of Residence: Ann Arbor, Dexter, Tecumseh, Ypsilanti, Saline Places of Employment: Hudson, Hartland, Wyandotte, Clinton, Brighton, Manchester, Milan, Albion, Livonia, Homer, Westland, Garden City, Ypsilanti, Plymouth, Lansing, Jackson Willow Run, Columbus, OH, Long Island, NY, Chicago, IL., Des Plaines, IL; Brooklyn, NY, Monterey, CA Grove, IL, Baltimore, MD, Paris, France; Hillard, OH, Atlanta, GA, Williamsburg, VA

**Historical Notes**: Alpha Rho Chapter of Ann Arbor was founded on May 31, 1958 by Catherine Riggs. The chapter has given 42 scholarships in the last 14 years totaling over fifty-seven thousand dollars and donations over seventeen thousand dollars to a variety of local charities.

**Membership**: 48 (42 retired, 6 employed)

# Alpha Tau

Places of Residence: Mackinaw, Chippewa and Luce Counties. Grand Marais, St. Ignace, Cedarville, Newberry, Hessel, Stalwart and Sault Sainte Marie.

Places of Employment: Sault Area Schools, Bay Mills Community College, Ojibway Charter School, Pickford Public Schools, Rudyard Area Public Schools, Eastern Upper Peninsula Intermediate School District, Les Cheneaux Community Schools (Cedarville), Brimley Area Public Schools, Tahquamenon Area Schools (Newberry),

**Historical Notes**: Our chapter covers 6711 square miles. Dedicated members travel quite a distance in sometimes wicked winter weather to attend meetings.

Alpha Tau was one of 4 chapters developed from the Delta Chapter, which originally covered the entire Upper Peninsula. We have Annual Reports dated April 28, 1959, which states that our chapter started September  $27^{\rm th}$  1958

Membership: 47, Reserve 3

Lake Superior State University, St. Ignace.

# **Alpha Upsilon**

**Places of Residence**: Ionia, Saranac, White Cloud, Portland **Places of Employment**: Ionia Public Schools, Saranac, Portland, Lakewood, Ionia Intermediate Schools.

**Historical Notes:** 

Alpha Upsilon Was Founded October 4, 1958. Originally a part of Sigma Chapter in Belding. One Charter Member alive and active. **Membership**: 9 (6 retired, 3 employed, 1 reserve), 1 retired, but permanent substitute.

# Alpha Phi

**Places of Residence:** Grosse Pointe, Grosse Point Park, Grosse Point Shores, St. Clair Shores, E. Detroit, Sterling Heights, Rochester, Macomb Township **Places of Employment:** E. Detroit, Roseville, L'Anse Creuse, St. Paul's in Grosse Point and Mexico.

**Historical Notes:** Alpha Phi has two charter members still active, one Mille Kelly comes to meetings. Dr. Betty Brogan held several Alpha Iota positions including Treasurer. Members have had unique experiences including tutoring Japanese women in English in Mexico, volunteering as a church deacon, docent, and other tutoring positions.

**Membership:** 24 (21 retired, 3 employed) 2 reserve

# Alpha Omega

**Places of Residence**: Clio, Swartz Creek, Flint, Fenton, Flushing, Grand Blanc, Morrice, Davison, Burton, Waterford, Howell, Montrose

Places of Employment: Mich. School for the Deaf, Flint Community Schools, Dept. of Social Services licensing Child Care Centers, Michigan State University, Mott Adult High School, Spring Arbor University, Kearsley Community Schools, Carman Ainsworth Community Schools, Greater Heights Academy, Delphi Skill Center, Montrose Community Schools, Clio Community Schools, Sloan Museum and Longway Planetarium, Potter Park Zoological Society, Lapeer Community Schools, Valley School, Bendle Community Schools, Genesee Intermediate School District-Special Ed. Middle School, Dukette Catholic School, American Charter Education Services, Flint Public Library, Alternative Path Academy, University of Michigan, Fort Zumwalt O'Falls, MO.

**Historical Notes:** Charter May 7, 1961 with 15 members. Two charter members are currently reserve members.

Membership: 22 active, 4 reserve

#### **Beta Alpha**

Places of residence: Greater Battle Creek area

Places of Employment: Battle Creek Public Schools, Lakeview School District, Harper Creek Schools, District, Pennfield School District, St. Joseph Catholic Elementary School, Miller College, Western Michigan University

Historical Notes: Beta Alpha Chapter was formed May 10, 1961. The 24 original members were part of Nu Chapter (Albion, Marshall, and Battle Creek), but due to meeting times, space and distance, especially in the wintertime, dividing the chapter was in the best interest of Delta Kappa Gamma and it members. We continue to thrive and adapt the purposes of Delta Kappa Gamma to our changing world.

Membership: 35 (33 active and 2 reserve)

#### **Beta Beta**

**Places of Residence:** Clark Lake, Rives Junction, Jackson, Parma, Hanover **Places of Employment:** Horton-Hanover, Jackson, Concord, Jackson County ISD, Michigan Center, East Jackson,

**Historical Notes:** Beta Beta is 53 years old. Co-president Bernice Haglund, is now 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President of Alpha Iota. Civic projects include working with retired teachers, local schools and senior women at the Friendly Home. The Friend of Education award went to the Michigan Community Credit Union.

**Membership:** 15 (11 retired, 4 employed) some retirees continue to work in education related fields.

#### **Beta Gamma**

Places of Residence: Lake Ann, Interlochen, Benzonia, Frankfort, Beulah

Places of Employment: Benzie Central

**Historical Notes:** Chartered on April 23, 2015

**Membership:** 23(19 retired, 4 employed, 7 reserve)

# **Beta Epsilon**

**Places of Residence:** Utica, Shelby Twp., Detroit, Troy, Waterford, Macomb, Warren, Highland Park, Kentucky (Berry), Center Line, St. Clair Shores, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Woods, Clinton Twp., Sterling Heights

**Places of Employment**: Van Dyke District in Warren and Warren Woods District in

Warren

**Historical Notes:** Chartered on April 11, 1964 in Warren, MI with 18 charter members; one charter member is living in Kentucky; Beta Epsilon celebrated its

50th Birthday in 2014. There have been 24 different presidents.

**Membership:** 23(19 retired, 4 employed, 7 reserve)

#### Beta Eta

**Places of Residence:** Farmington Hills, Northville, Farmington, West Bloomfield, Dearborn Heights, Walled Lake, Novi, Howell, Orchard Lake, Brighton, Plymouth, Royal Oak, Birmingham, Bloomfield Hills, Au Gres,

Places of Employment: Clarenceville, Farmington, Birmingham

Historical Notes: Chartered on January 15, 1966 with 15 members; one member

still active

**Membership**: 39 (36 retired, 3 employed, 7 reserve)

# Beta Kappa

Places of Residence: Big Rapids, Whitehall, Stanwood, Mecosta, Paris, Evart,

Rodney Grand Rapids, Chippewa Lake, Rodney, Tampa FL.

**Places of Employment**: Big Rapids, Ferris State University, Morley Stanwood, Mecosta-Osceola ISD, Montcalm ISD, Novi, Reed City, Newaygo ISD, Kent ISD

**Historical Notes**: data not available

**Membership**: 40 (24 retired, 16 employed)

#### Beta Lambda

**Places of Residence**: Almont, Attica, Dryden, Imlay City, Lapeer, Metamora, North Branch, Otisville

**Places of Employment**: Almont, Central Michigan University, Delta College, Dryden, Imlay City, Lake Orion, Lakeville, Lapeer, Lapeer ISD, Mott College, North branch, St. Clair Community College

Historical Notes: Chartered on April 27, 1968 with 15 charter members, installed

by Catherine Riggs, one charter member still active **Membership:** 33 (26 retired, 8 employed, 1 reserve)

#### Beta Xi

**Places of Residence:** Grosse Pointe Park, Grosse Pointe Farms, Grosse Pointe Woods, Grosse Pointe Shores, St. Clair Shores, Bloomfield Hills, Bingham Farms, Dearborn, Brighton, Fraser, Ferndale, Harrison Twp., Shelby Twp., Royal Oak, and Troy.

**Places of Employment:** Grosse Pointe, Romeo, Farmington Hills, Retired Chippewa Valley and University Liggett in Grosse Pointe.

**Historical Notes:** Beta Xi Chapter was founded on October 27, 1969. The Alpha Mu, Grosse Pointe Chapter, saw a need for another chapter in the Grosse Pointe area and decided that sponsoring a new chapter was appropriate. Eighteen women educators became the Founders of Beta Xi. Beta Xi's last founding member Florence Lightfoot, passed away in 2013.

**Membership:** 31(22 retired, 9 employed)

#### **Beta Omicron**

**Places of Residence:** Grand Rapids, Wyoming, Hudsonville, Holland, Zeeland, Allendale, Jenison, Manistee, Grandville, Comstock Park, Rockford, Ada, Byron Center, Scottsville

**Places of Employment:** West Ottawa, Jenison, Grandville, Wyoming, Godwin, Byron Center, Grand Rapids, Ottawa ISD

**Historical Notes**: Installed in April 1971 by Jane O'Connor Psi chapter member and

Past State President. Marilyn Galer is a charter member and still active.

**Membership:** 32 (31 retired, 1 employed)

#### Beta Rho

**Places of Residence:** Temperance, Ida, Dundee, Lambertville, Monroe, Flat Rock, Quincy, Erie, Petersburg, Bedford, Blissfield, Carleton, Samaria, Sylvania, Ohio **Places of Employment:** Battle Creek, Niles, Summerfield, Escambia, Ida, Bedford, Eastern Michigan University, Bowling Green State University, Monroe, Bedford, Monroe Jefferson, Dundee, Westland, Hicksville, Ohio

**Historical Notes:** Beta Rho has activities in 2 states. Barbara Harris was named Volunteer of the year in 2012 and 2014 at 2 different schools in Missouri City TX and Houston TX. Karla King was awarded a Fulbright Scholar Award in 2002 for study in Japan. Many others continue to volunteer at many different venues. One charter member, Charlotte Woelmer active in chapter and is currently editor of chapter newsletter.

**Membership**: 33 (18 retired, 5 employed 8 reserve). Many retirees are working or volunteering.

# **Beta Sigma**

**Beta Sigma**: South Central UP and NE Wisconsin including the Michigan counties of Delta, Dickinson and Menominee and the Wisconsin counties of Marinette and Oconto.

**Places of Employment**: Michigan - Iron Mountain, Bark River, Cedar River, Rapid River, Gladstone, Kingsford, Manistique, Calumet, Escanaba, Norway, Daggett, and Wisconsin - Marinette, Oconto, Peshitgo

School Systems: Wisconsin - Oconto, Peshtigo, Marinette Michigan - Menominee, Stephenson, Carney-Nadeau, Escanaba, Gladstone, North Central, Bark River-Harris, Norway-Vulcan, Iron Mountain, North Dickinson County Schools, Baldwin Township, Kingsford. Bay DeNoc Community College (East - Escanaba, Mi. and West - Dickinson County Iron Mountain, Mi.), University of Wisconsin Marinette, Northeast Wisconsin Technical College in Marinette, WI.

**Historical Notes**: Beta Sigma Chapter was founded at the Dickinson Inn, Iron Mountain, Mi. on October 27,1973, with 57 charter members. Alpha Iota State decided to divide the Delta Chapter, Upper Michigan, founded in Marquette, Mi. into Western, Eastern, and finally a Central Chapter. Beta Sigma was the Central Chapter. Presently 6 charter members remain active. The first president of Beta Sigma was the outgoing President of Delta Chapter. She also was the first Alpha Iota State Woman of Distinction. Many of our charter members were Delta members.

**Membership**: 43 members, (42 retired, 1 employed, 4 reserved)

#### **Beta Tau**

**Places of Residence:** Rose City, North Street, Carsonville, Croswell, Deckerville, Marlett, Port Sanilac, Sandusky and Snover.

**Places of Employment:** Carsonville-Port Sanilac, Croswell-Lexington, Deckerville, Marlette, Hale.

**Historical Notes:** Beta Tau was organized November 10, 1973 and had eighteen charter members. For many years, we have provided Read-To-Me bags to parents of newborns. These bags contain a bib, a book of nursery rhymes and information about the importance of talking and reading to your baby.

Membership: 26 (21 retired, 5 employed)

#### **Beta Chi**

**Places of Residence:** White Lake, Novi, Commerce Twp., West Bloomfield, Waterford, Plymouth, Walled Lake, South Lyon, Northville, **Wixom**, Brighton **Places of Employment:** Walled Lake Consolidated School District, Novi School District

**Historical Notes: Organized** in Oakland County May 28, 1975 with 21 charter

members. One charter member is still active in the chapter.

Membership: 27 (2 reserve)

#### Beta Omega

**Places of Residence**: Brimley, Charlevoix, Good Hart, Harbor Springs, Indian River, Oden, Petoskey and Topinabee, Michigan.

Places of Employment: Current - Petoskey, North Central Michigan College, Raven Hill Discovery Center. Past – Alanson, Algoma Township, Battle Creek, Bridgeport, Concord Academy (Petoskey, Boyne City), Forrest Hills, Gran Blanc, Grand Rapids, Harrison Park, Harbor springs, Hartford, Hazel Park, Inland Lakes, Lakeview, Lake Superior State University, Lansing, Leslie, Plainwell, Pellston, Petoskey, Saginaw, Saginaw Valley State University, Spring Arbor University, St. Francis Xavier, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Walled Lake, Wolverine Camps, Champaign-Urbana Illinois, Riverside California, Schaumberg Illinois, Rockford, Ilinois.

**Historical Notes:** Beta Omega was chartered April 8, 1978, sponsored by a

Traverse City Chapter. There were 11 original members.

**Membership:** 21, 2 reserve

# Gamma Alpha

**Places of Residence**: Northville, Canton, Livonia, Plymouth, South Lyon, Wayne, Westland, Novi, Ann Arbor, Gaylord, Gregory, Holland, St. Helen, West Bloomfield Wolverine Lake, Port St. Lucie, Florida

**Places of Employment**: Wayne-Westland, Livonia, Dearborn, Northville, Van Buren, Detroit, Grosse Pointe, Plymouth-Canton, South Redford, Wyandotte, Michigan State University, Schoolcraft College and out-of-state schools in California, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana and Kentucky.

Historical Notes: Chartered in 1979 with 12 Charter Members with 3 still active.

**Membership:** 43 Members (36 retired many consulting, 7 working)

#### Gamma Gamma

**Places of Residence:** Plymouth, Canton, Northville, Livonia, Ann Arbor, Westland, Chelsea, Novi and Kalkaska.

**School Systems:** Plymouth-Canton, Wayne Westland, Redford, Dearborn, Detroit, Redford Union, Eastern Michigan University, Oakland Community College **Historical Notes:** Chartered on September 12, 1982 with 20 charter members; installed by Mrs. Marie Grassa; 3 charter members still active. One State President: Liz VanWestenberg 2013-2015,

**Membership**: 29 (29 retired, 4 employed, 4 reserve)

#### Gamma Zeta

**Places of Residence:** Jones, Dowagiac, Lawrence, Hartford, Marcellus, Paw Paw, Cassopolis, and Lansing, Illinois

**School Systems:** Dowagiac, Marcellus, Lakeshore, Hartford, St. Joseph County ISD, Lewis Cass ISD, Van Buren ISD, all in Michigan and School District 157 in Calumet City, Il. & Bunker Hill, Indiana

**Historical Notes:** Chartered on June 16, 1984 with 12 charter members; installed by Dr. Paula Dent; two charter members still active

**Membership:** Active – 11 (2 employed, 1 part-time 1, 8 retired), Reserve - 0

#### Gamma Eta

Places of Residence: Onaway, Levering, Carp Lake, Alanson, Cheboygan, Millersburg, Mackinaw City, Ocqueoc, Indian River, Brutus, Harbor Springs.

Places of Employment: Onaway Public Schools, Cheboygan Area Schools, Inland Lakes Schools, Pellston Public, Mackinaw City Public Schools, and COP-ESD Historical Notes: Chartered on October 27, 1984 with 21 chartered members. Installed by Paula Dent. 9 Charter members still active.

Membership: 53 (Employed - 11, Retired - 41) Reserve 1

#### **Gamma Theta**

**Places of Residence:** South Haven, Mattawan, Brighton, Kalamazoo, Lawton, Paw Paw, Allegan, North Myrtle Beach SC, Bradenton FL, Sarasota FL

**School Systems:** Covert, River Valley, VBISD, Lawton, Bloomingdale, Western Michigan University, and Mosaica

**Historical Notes:** Chartered on April 24, 2000 with 20 charter members; four charter members still active.

**Membership:** Active--13 (Employed – 5, Retired – 8) Reserve -0