“Tri Delta has meant a lot to me all my life. The class of ’39 went to Coe during the edge of the Depression. No one had any money, a car or ran home for the weekends. So, we became very close. A few years later we started a Round Robin and sent pictures of our children and wrote about our lives. Our 40th and 50th year reunions, with spouses, were such fun. After 73 years, I’m still in touch with a few who are still living.

I do have one legacy, my granddaughter, Leslie, who attended SUI. From the perspective of a 94 year old, it has been a great journey!”

-Betty Jane (Levsen) Remley, Class of ’39, Coe College
TRI DELTA LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP

The Tri Delta Sorority Leadership Scholarship was started in 2009 by Kristin Strahm '05 to recognize one or more members of the Delta Eta chapter who excel in academics and leadership on campus. Last fall a mailer went out to alumnae of the chapter announcing the first recipient, Anne Koziak, a senior from Chicago, Ill. who is majoring in Elementary Education. It also invited members to support Kristin's efforts to build this $15,000 fund she created for future Tri Delta leaders. Through her generosity and belief in honoring fellow sisters who exceed, the Delta Eta chapter now has another recruiting tool and another way to impact our alma mater, Coe College.

The Delta Eta 100th Anniversary Reunion Committee is in full support of this effort. A goal of $10,000 was set by the committee in hopes of recognizing the efforts of all our alumnae at the reunion dinner at the Cedar Rapids Country Club on Friday, September 28. Some members have already supported the fund which has now grown to $17,525. Kristin has also agreed to match the $10,000 raised for our 100th Anniversary celebration. Imagine what we can do as a Chapter! Gifts of any size will make a difference. Through time, we can increase this fund and expand the number of sisters we honor each year.

Thank you, Kristin, for being a visionary who honors leadership and knows the impact of women of Delta Eta make on campus. A big thank you to our fellow sisters who have already supported this project. Our 2012 100th Anniversary will have even more meaning if we meet or surpass our goal. Let's work together to get this fund to $25,000 by September. We will continue to give you updates as the fund grows. For more information on how to give to this worthwhile project, please see pledge form on the next page.

TRI DELTA CONTINUES TO HONOR WOMEN AT COE

The Delta Eta Book Award was started at the 85th Anniversary Reunion in memory of Allison Orsborn who died suddenly after her junior year in 1997 from a ruptured aneurysm. The fund was presented to Coe’s President, James R. Phifer, at the Crowne Plaza Hotel during the large reunion dinner that year. Alumnae of Delta Eta raised over $12,000 and were able to let the fund accrue interest to reach the endowment level at that time of $15,000. In 2005, the first three awards of $300 each were issued to a member of Delta Eta from Kansas, an Alpha Sigma Alpha member from Oregon and a non-Greek from Nebraska. All three women were selected by an application process developed by Delta Eta alumna Charity Roberts Tyler ’96. Criteria includes a GPA of 3.2 or higher after their junior year, campus involvement/leadership and involvement in philanthropy (on or off campus). It is amazing to read the applications from Coe women. They have a great balance in their lives of completing academic requirements and giving of their free time as leaders and volunteers at Coe as well as in Cedar Rapids or their home communities.

The award has been well received on campus and is in its seventh year of being presented on campus at Honors Convocation during Commencement Weekend in May. Today the fund stands at $17,010. We would like to get the fund to $18,000 so the 5% interest covers the total $900 which is awarded each year. We have been using additional interest to help cover the shortfall. It would be wonderful to cover the award and let the additional interest help build the principle even more into the future. The enclosed pledge form includes the Delta Eta Book Award as an option to help honor women at Coe who, like Ali, continue to be leaders and help others.

MARVIN CONE PAINTING IN STEWART MEMORIAL LIBRARY

Doris Cone Weeks '45 was the president of the Delta Eta Chapter of Delta Delta Delta in 1944-1945. They had a chapter house on A Avenue. She asked her daddy if she could borrow a painting to hang in the house because they had no art on their walls. Marvin selected Old Quarry, Stone City which was hanging in their home and told Doris to take it for the house.

In 1970, the Tri Delta Alumnae Chapter in Cedar Rapids thought the painting was too valuable to be hanging in the house. They could not afford the insurance so they loaned the painting to the Cedar Rapids Museum. Its initial value at that time was $1500 according to museum records. It was exhibited three times during those 27 years, otherwise it had been in storage.

In September 1997, the alumnae chapter paperwork was processed to secure the painting and give it to Coe College. Bob Kocher, emeritus professor of art, picked up the painting on September 10 and placed it in the library vault. On the evening of October 11, 1997 the painting was unveiled and officially given to the college in honor of the Delta Eta 85th Anniversary at the Crowne Plaza Five Seasons Hotel. President James Phifer accepted on the college’s behalf.

DEFINING MOMENT: THE CAMPAIGN FOR COE

Tri Delta Sorority Leadership Scholarship & Delta Eta Book Award

One of the most meaningful ways to endorse the mission of Coe College is to pledge support in respect of institutional objectives. One objective critically important to the College’s long term growth and stability is to increase the endowment. The Tri Delta Sorority Leadership Scholarship is one such endowment as well as the Delta Eta Book Award. Within this context,

I, am contributing $ ______

Please note amount by the fund(s) you are supporting:

- Tri Delta Sorority Leadership Scholarship $ ______
- Delta Eta Book Award Endowment $ ______

Please select one of the following payment methods:

- I will set up my contribution through Coe’s secure online program at www.gifts.coe.edu (online giving provides the donor with a variety of payment schedules and options, including electronic funds transfer and credit card.
- I am paying by check. Check # ______
- I am paying by credit card: Visa MC Discover
- Credit Card #: Expiration Date: ______

Name as it appears on card (print): ______
Name as you would like it to appear in publications: ______
- Please send me more information on gift planning.
- Class Year (if Coe): ______

Home Address:
City: __________________________ State: ____ Zip: ______
Email Address: __________________________
- Yes, please post my e-mail on Coe’s website.

100th Anniversary Celebration, September 28-30, 2012 (Coe’s Homecoming)

- I am planning to attend the 100th.
- I hope to attend the 100th.
- I cannot attend the 100th.
- I am interested in ordering a long sleeved Delta Eta 100 Anniversary t-shirt.

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