

International Award of Distinction

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Patricia Ann Temple

**Texas Preceptor Lambda
Kappa, Richardson**
Member since 1971

Patricia joined Beta Sigma Phi through an International Rush in **Mission, Kansas**. In those 37 years she has served in all chapter offices and committees many times over. She has also willingly served in these offices in the **Richardson, Texas City Council** offering her business expertise where needed. In 2006-2007, she was voted chapter Woman of the Year and City Council Woman of the Year by the Richardson City Council.

She has taken the Beta Sigma Phi goals, purposes and aims very seriously and lives out what it means to be a member of Beta Sigma Phi.

In the chapter, Pat is the one who finds time to make the necessary calls, either on the phone or in person to a sick sister and bring a meal or two, to welcome a new member and go to lunch, to take a sister shopping, or perhaps to take another sister on a job interview.

Her energy and enthusiasm have been demonstrated by her service to the many different Richardson City Council offices and committees she worked on. She has served as City Council Vice President, Recording Secretary, and Corresponding Secretary and helped

City Council with the Valentine Ball and area convention.

“Whether it’s her chapter, her community, or her church, where she is a deacon and has been a lead deacon for three years, Pat always can be counted on and she is always ready to give 100% of her time and energy,” says Carol Moser member of Texas Preceptor Lambda Kappa, Richardson.

Cherie Wachholz, Preceptor Lambda Kappa member says, “Pat Temple is always there and the first to call or volunteer for her chapter as well as other chapters in Beta Sigma Phi. She is like the energizer bunny in that she never stops helping until she knows everything is fine. This is not just for a year but she has been doing this all her life.”

Patricia was actively involved with the committee and chapter Xi Sigma Epsilon that was responsible for the Special Olympics event held at SMU stadium in 1984.

Patricia received the Order of the Rose, Silver Circle, Valentine Sweetheart-numerous times, chapter Woman of the Year. Currently she has had 13 years of perfect attendance at chapter meetings.

“I enjoy being around people and enjoying life. Beta Sigma Phi has given me so many wonderful, close friends and the opportunity to foster those friendships with long lasting memories,” writes Patricia.

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Janet M. Baker

**California Beta Pi Master,
Santa Barbara**

Member since 1963

Janet joined Beta Sigma Phi in November 1963 in Sacramento, California.

“Since Janet arrived in Santa Barbara she immediately joined a chapter and became very active again. In her 45 years of sorority she has held every office in each chapter as well as in area council, including president in 1976. The only position she has not held is treasurer and as she said, “that’s not my thing.” Janet is currently president of our chapter, again. I can’t count the times. When a project was undertaken by the chapter, whether it was a luncheon or a rummage sale, Jane was there to help.

She has chaired ways and means projects and socials in Sacramento and also in Santa Barbara. As a member of **California Preceptor Epsilon Nu, Santa Barbara** she served as secretary numerous times. Her next chapter was **California Preceptor Alpha Xi, Santa Barbara** where she served on various committees and held several offices, particularly philanthropic.

In the Pacific, California Area Council, Janet has again almost held all offices. She has been secretary several times, was co-editor of the council directory in 1996, and president twice. In 1980-81 her theme was “Heart

to Heart” with the heart as her symbol and in 2000-01 the dolphin was her symbol. Besides holding offices, she has been named Girl of the Year several times for her work and dedication to sorority. In 1996 and 2004, she was chairman of the donation drawings for the conventions and raised thousands of dollars for our philanthropic projects.

Besides being so active in sorority, Janet gives back to her community as a volunteer. She was appointed by the mayor of Santa Barbara to be on the board of Directors of Sister Cities. She has served on the board for over eight years and has traveled to Puerta Villarta many times and to Kobe, Japan, the sister cities of Santa Barbara.

Janet has also volunteered for 17 years at the local sheriff’s department and at a local hospital. For many years she worked at a popular french festival to earn money for the community historical theatre. As a member of the American Business Women of America, she was selected several times as Woman of the Year.

Janet believes in the declarations of our Rituals and promotes fellowship and service to Beta Sigma Phi. “I have enjoyed serving on boards and traveling with Janet throughout California. She has helped me grow in Beta Sigma Phi,” writes Marcia Niesen-Greiten of California Preceptor Alpha Xi, Santa Barbara.