

*Nashville Alumnae Chapter's Bal d'Hiver: Supporting Theta's
Bright Young Women through Give to Lead, Give to Learn*



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In an ever-changing world, traditions are still a treasure. Kappa Alpha Theta has many long-standing traditions, some in place for almost 150 years. Similarly, in Nashville, Tennessee, the [Nashville Alumnae Chapter](#) has a tradition we hold dear to our hearts—the [Bal d'Hiver](#), the oldest charity ball in Nashville.

Beginning in 1947, the Nashville Alumnae Chapter of Kappa Alpha Theta has hosted this annual fundraising event not only to recognize exceptional young women who have made a difference in our community, but also to support Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation and what Theta Foundation does to provide for the future of bright young women beyond our city's borders. As both Nashville and Theta have transformed over the years, so has the Bal d'Hiver. What began as a traditional presentation ball has grown into an event that raises hundreds of thousands of dollars each year for worthy charitable causes, and has allowed opportunities for mentoring and networking relationships for each of the young women involved. We strive to honor both the Bal and Theta tradition each year by naming an esteemed Nashville Theta

alumna as an honorary chair of the event, and incorporate new ways to keep the event fresh and interesting for the young women. This year, Alpha Eta/Vanderbilt alumna and renowned entertainer Amy Grant emceed the event, and she introduced her own daughter as one of the honorees!

Without both long-standing traditions and future-minded women, the world wouldn't be what it is today. Without leading women to step out and take extraordinary action, we wouldn't have these long-standing traditions. This is why the Nashville Alumnae Chapter is pleased to contribute more than \$137,000 to Kappa Alpha Theta Foundation's *Give to Lead, Give to Learn* Campaign. Theta Foundation provides resources for bright young Theta women to reach beyond any limitations, and go out to change the world for the better. As an alumnae chapter, we are honored to do our part to help make that possible.



Honorary Chair Jane Corcoran, Co-Chair Anne Riegler, and Co-Chair Irwin Fisher, all Alpha Eta/Vanderbilt, at the 2014 Bal d'Hiver.



Nashville-area Theta Caroline Spencer and her date at the 2014 Bal d'Hiver.

The Nashville Alumnae Chapter, like all alumnae chapters, is committed to keeping our Fraternity soaring. Through the chapter's annual philanthropy event, the Bal d'Hiver, and many generous financial contributions, the chapter is able to support Give to Lead, Give to Learn at the [Champion level](#). The Nashville Alumnae Chapter is the Campaign's most generous chapter donor, and its support has been instrumental in funding the Campaign's two priorities: need-based scholarships, and the Educational Leadership Consultant (ELC) program.

To learn more about the Give to Lead, Give to Learn Campaign, visit www.GivetoTheta.org.