We began a new fundraiser this semester, selling pancakes outside of Doherty Hall to raise money for our chapter. We're really proud to have a new fundraiser for our chapter and we hope to see it continue!

This year our chapter once again participated in Carnegie Mellon’s Relay for Life, an all-night fundraiser and a great event for the American Cancer Society. These events take place at schools and college campuses across the country, and we were proud to walk and fundraise at CMU’s in honor of our sister, Lauren Nicole Eshbaugh, who passed away in May 2010. Our chapter was the top Greek fundraiser, as well as the 2nd place overall fundraiser, raising over $2,200 as a chapter. Total money raised by the event was $25,200.

Congratulations!
The sisters of Alpha Mu would like to wish a heartfelt congratulations to our Province Officer, Rebecca Lingenfelter, on the coming addition to her family! We will be sad to see you go, but wish you the best of luck on this new journey!
Recently, Alpha Mu sisters Kahli Dalbow and Martina Caruso, as well as fellow CMU voice majors Nigel Rowe and Donovan Smith, organized a charity concert in the Pittsburgh community to raise money for the Children’s Miracle Network, an international non-profit organization that raises funds for children's hospitals, medical research and community awareness of children's health issues. They performed solo classical repertoire and some holiday favorites. They managed to make over 700 dollars for the Children’s Miracle Network!

**WEBSITE**

This semester we unveiled our beautiful new website! We are really excited to have it and to be able to send people there to find out information about our chapter and about SAI.

You can also follow us on twitter or “like” us on Facebook to keep updated on what’s happening here at Alpha Mu!
Performances and Honors

SAI members also performed in over 30 large ensemble concerts including Orchestra, Choir, Wind Ensemble, Jazz Band, Opera, and Baroque Ensemble, as well as smaller ensembles and chamber groups. A special recognition goes to soloists Claire Mitchell, Nina Mohan, Fiona Ryder, and Gillian Hassert in Honegger’s King David, as well as Gillian Hassert in Chanukah Lights in this year’s Holiday Concert.

Kat Brandt and Christine Hedden danced and choreographed for Dancer’s Symposium.

Gillian Hassert directed and performed in Scotch ‘n Soda’s Fall Cabaret, A Taste of Scotch.

Fiona Ryder performed selections for an Honors Convocation as a new member of the music honor society, Phi Kappa Lambda.

This semester, 3 sisters attended and placed in the National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS) competition. Martina Caruso placed 1st in Sophomore Women, Kahlil Dalbow placed 3rd in Sophomore Women, and Nicole Marie Gasse placed 1st in Advanced Women and 2nd in Upper Division Music Theater Women.

Christine Hedden also hosted a Ceilí dance at Carnegie Mellon this fall during Homecoming Weekend.

New Sisters!

This semester we initiated 6 beautiful new sisters on December 4th after a great Fall Membership Recruitment. We are so pleased to have them as our sisters! Welcome to Alpha Mu, ladies!

- Samantha Sugarman - Vocal Performance ’13
- Ally Ossowski - Vocal Performance ’14
- Meghan Gatti - Vocal Performance ’12
- Allysoun Kegel - MM Conducting ’13
- Jessie Cheng - Piano Performance ’14
- Meagan Peaco, Viola Performance ’13 & Physics ’12
About Sigma Alpha Iota
The International Music Fraternity for Women

Sigma Alpha Iota was founded in Ann Arbor, Michigan in 1903 at the University School of Music. The Mission of Sigma Alpha Iota International Music Fraternity is to encourage, nurture and support the art of music. Sigma Alpha Iota promotes interaction among those who share a commitment to music. Members of SAI are active in all areas of campus music and campus life, working closely with faculty, administration, campus and community groups, music professionals and patrons. In addition to personal encouragement and support, members may receive scholarships, loans and awards in many areas and at all levels of music-related study. Sigma Alpha Iota has long been recognized as a leader in the field of music and provides a lifetime of fraternity contact. The Alpha Mu Chapter at Carnegie Mellon was installed May 16th, 1930, and reinstalled February 12th, 2006. Alpha Mu currently has 30 members. For more information about Sigma Alpha Iota visit: www.sai-national.org

Congrats girls! We made it through the semester! I hope you all have an amazing break and I can’t wait to see you again in the new year.