

# THE ROSETTE GAZETTE

Official Newsletter of the Sigma Alpha Omega® Foundation<sup>SM</sup>



## A Message From Our President

Dear Sigma Alpha Omega Foundation Family,

As we celebrate Easter and welcome the beauty of spring, we are reminded of the power of renewal, hope, and new beginnings. This season invites us to reflect on the ways we are growing—both individually and as a sisterhood—and to embrace the opportunities ahead with faith and purpose.

At the Sigma Alpha Omega Foundation, spring is a time of momentum. The seeds we have planted through your generosity, service, and dedication are continuing to take root and flourish. Because of you, we are able to expand our impact, support meaningful initiatives, and honor the mission that unites us all.

Easter reminds us that even after the darkest seasons, light and life prevail. It is a powerful reflection of the hope we carry as women of faith—hope that inspires us to serve, to give, and to lead with compassion. I encourage each of you to take this season as an opportunity to renew your commitment to the causes that matter most to you and to find joy in the ways you are making a difference.

In this spring edition of our newsletter, you will see the continued impact of your support, exciting updates on our initiatives, and opportunities to stay engaged in the months ahead. Thank you for being an essential part of this mission and for the many ways you uplift and strengthen our sisterhood.

Wishing you a joyful and blessed Easter season filled with peace, renewal, and hope.

Dove Love,  
Brett Pasquinelli  
President  
Sigma Alpha Omega Foundation

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## Krista Moss Women in Sports Memorial Grant

“Krista was kindhearted, compassionate and had a caring nature towards others. Remarkable woman, real and genuine, honest and loved running. She was imaginative, creative, inspirational...always wanted to make people feel happier and be impactful and emitted so much positivity in anything she did.”

### What is the Krista Moss Women in Sports Memorial Grant?

The Krista Moss Women in Sports Memorial Grant is established by the Sigma Alpha Omega® Foundation to honor the life, legacy, and impact of Krista Moss, a beloved alumna of the Alpha Chapter of Sigma Alpha Omega® who passed away in the summer of 2025. Krista was a devoted student-athlete whose passion for sports continued into her professional life.

This grant celebrates and supports active and alumnae sisters of Sigma Alpha Omega® who are “women in sports”—including athletes, coaches, sport management professionals, trainers, sport media professionals, and others working or aspiring to work in the sports field.

### Grant Timeline

#### March 8, 2026

Krista Moss Women in Sports Memorial Grant is announced at SAOF begins collecting donations

#### May 15 - June 15, 2026

Application Window

#### End of June 2026

Grant recipient selected

Donations can be sent to Sigma Alpha Omega Foundation® via Venmo or PayPal. Please note that your donation is designated for the Krista Moss Women in Sports Memorial Grant. [Click here to donate.](#)

The application will be announced via our quarterly Rosette Gazette newsletter, email, and Sigma Alpha Omega Foundation social media accounts closer to the start of the application window.

Learn more about Krista Moss and the Krista Moss Women in Sports Memorial Grant on the [Sigma Alpha Omega Foundation website.](#)

## Alumni Giving Day

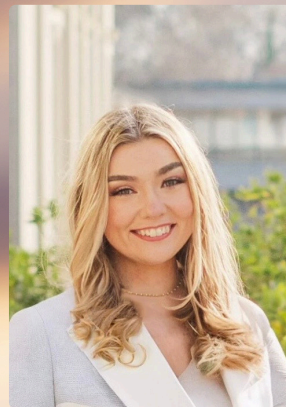
2 Corinthians 9:7 says "Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." Spring time reminds us that as God brings new growth, we're called to share His goodness with others.

May 1st is Alumni Giving Day - a perfect opportunity to give back to the sisterhood that continues to give us so much! Consider giving back to your Alma Mater or contributing nationally where your funds can make a difference, such as to Sisters Helping Sisters.

Mark your calendars and plan to give on May 1st, even if it is the cost of your coffee order that morning - your donations help fund grants, grow our organization, and keep the legacy of SAO strong with alumni, current sisters, and future new members!

# MARK YOUR CALENDARS

# WELCOME TO THE NEW BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEMBER



**Emma Eakes**  
Director of Public  
Relations  
Alpha Delta Chapter

## WE STILL NEED YOU!

Dear SAO Alumnae,

We are currently searching for **TWO sisters** hoping to serve on the Board of Directors for the Sigma Alpha Omega Foundation! No matter how long you've been away from SAO, **you are welcome and valuable!**

### **Positions Needed Now:**

Treasurer || 2-year term (ending January 2028)

Director of Programming || 1-year term (ending January 2027)

### **APPLY HERE**

As summer 2026 approaches, we will be looking to fill a few more positions for those rolling off the board. Stay tuned for more info about that.

## POSITIONS AVAILABLE

### **DIRECTOR OF PROGRAMMING**

Be responsible for all programs – such as grants, scholarships, leadership programs, and Programs events. The Director of Programming directly supports the following current programs: Fall Leadership Grant, Founder's Day Grant, Convention Grants, National Mission Trip, and others!

### **TREASURER**

The Treasurer is responsible for overseeing all financial operations of the organization, including receiving and disbursing funds, maintaining accurate financial records, and ensuring compliance with legal and tax requirements. They manage banking relationships, prepare financial reports and budgets, and provide regular updates to the board on the organization's financial status. The Treasurer ensures that revenue sources are stable and sustainable, assets are protected, and proper financial policies are in place. Additionally, they support fundraising discussions and oversee specific financial programs such as the Sisters Helping Sisters Program and the Emergency Relief Fund.



# OPPORTUNITIES

## Convention Registration Grant

The Sigma Alpha Omega® Foundation is currently accepting applications for grants for sisters wishing to attend the 2026 Sigma Alpha Omega® National Convention, in Ridgecrest, North Carolina. It is the Foundation's hope that these grants will be used on a need-basis to assist Sisters (both Active and Alumnae) who might not otherwise have the resources to attend Convention by assisting with registration or travel costs.

Applications for this grant will be reviewed on a monthly basis, and funds will be awarded through April 2025 or until all funds have been allocated- whichever comes first!

**The 2026 Convention Registration Grant is open now!** All active, associate, and alumni sisters are invited to apply for this grant. If you have any questions about the 2026 Convention Registration Grant, or grants from the Sigma Alpha Omega Foundation in general, please contact Brett Pasquinelli at [president@sigmaalphaomegafoundation.org](mailto:president@sigmaalphaomegafoundation.org)!

To apply for the 2026 Convention Registration Grant, please [click here!](#)

## Founder's Day Grant Recap

Our 2026 Founders' Day grant recipient is Kennedy Roach from Alpha Xi!

Kennedy is an involved and driven student majoring in Exercise Science (Pre-OT) with a strong interest in health, movement, and overall wellness. She actively contributes to campus life through leadership and service, serving as the SGA On-Campus Coordinator and Special Events Coordinator, and participating in CAB, Camel Crew, and Tartan. Kennedy is also a Group X Cycling Instructor, a member of Sigma Alpha Omega, and has experience in marketing, blending creativity with strong organizational and communication skills. She is passionate about promoting wellness, building community, and creating meaningful experiences on campus while preparing for a future career in occupational therapy. Kennedy, we are proud of the good work you are doing in your community and grateful for the ways you represent SAO well!

Read the [devotional she wrote](#) based on our SAO verse of the year!

# T-SHIRT AUCTION

**This summer we are bringing back a fan favorite - the annual t-shirt auction during convention at Camp Radiant!**

Bring in all of your t-shirts or any other SAO gear and we will auction your items to convention attendees. Use this as the perfect time to spoil your Little (or Big!) or find your new favorite SAO t-shirt! All proceeds from the auction will come right back to the Foundation to support current and alumni sisters!

**For current sisters:** we encourage you to gather your items from your chapter and have your delegates bring them to convention. **For alumni sisters:** bring your items and fill your extra packing space with your new favorites from the auction!

All you have to do is bring your shirts to check in! Drop off your items with the SAOF board member there!

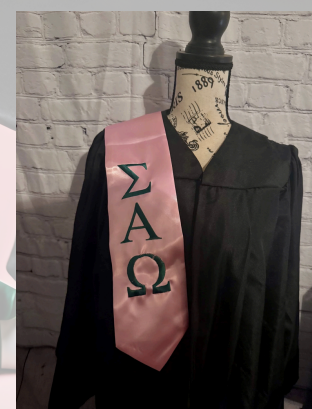
# SAO GRAD STOLES

**IS YOUR CHAPTER LOOKING FOR A VENDOR TO MAKE GRAD STOLES FOR YOUR UPCOMING ALUMNAE?**

Sigma Alpha Omega Mu Chapter Alumnae and National Board Trustee, Meghan Williams, will be offering SAO graduation stoles that can be purchased by individuals or chapters at a special SAO price.

\$1 from every stole purchased will go back to SAOF!

Get your custom graduation stole [here!](#)





## Easter Buddies Recap

"Thank you so much to everyone who participated in Easter Buddies this year! It's been so fun seeing our sisters connect and spread a little extra love across the country! Y'all truly made this so special and we're so grateful for this sweet sisterhood!"

## Spring Fundraiser Panda Express

This Spring, the Sigma Alpha Omega Foundation is doing a Spirit Day April 17th at Panda Express locations nationwide!

Get dinner with your sisters or order in after work – all you have to do is order online (pick-up or delivery) through [www.pandaexpress.com](http://www.pandaexpress.com) or the app, enter the code 9014116 in the fundraiser box, and 28% of your total will come back to the Foundation!

Check out our [event page](#) for more information on our fundraiser and for easier ordering on April 17th!

## When Our Words Become Worship

**“He is not here, for He has risen, as He said. Come, see the place where he lay.” Matthew 28:6**

**“He is risen!” we will hear declared triumphantly in our churches this Resurrection Sunday. Many of us will recognize this declaration as a call to which the appropriate response is, “He is risen, indeed!” This call and response has become part of an unofficial liturgy in some of our worship traditions. We affirm the resurrection of Christ as an act of worship.**

**This lenten season I have been reflecting on worship, pondering questions about the meaning of worship and the reach of worship in my life. How can we live worshipful lives? Where can I intentionally add worship to my daily routine beyond some favorite worship jams? What actions do we take daily that can be done from a posture of worship? Maybe you are a worship leader, and you are learning how to worship privately too. Maybe you are learning ways to worship through service. I am learning how my words affect my attitude, and how my attitude impacts the posture of my heart... so I am trying to speak more light and life, to affirm the goodness of God as an act of worship. This holy day, Easter Sunday, offers us opportunities to worship. One such opportunity is the act of affirming the resurrection of Jesus.**

**I encourage you, dear sisters, to take a moment to declare the affirmation today that He is risen indeed and worship the Lord in that affirmation. As you hear yourself saying, “He is risen, indeed,” I pray that you will take a moment to notice the weight of that affirmation and the mystery that a heavy affirmation makes our hearts light. We serve a risen savior. We believe in the faithfulness of a Lord who loves us in creative, spectacular ways - a Creator who loves His children enough to not only die for us but to bring hope and restoration to us all by rising again.**

**Prayer: Lord, You are good and your mercy endures forever. We thank You for the joy of our salvation made possible through the sacrifice of Jesus. Thank You for loving us too much to leave us to our own devices. We affirm our belief in You today. Help us to love our neighbors as You have loved us. May our hearts be led by your Spirit to walk with You all of our days. Amen.**

**Written By: Shelby Howard, Interim Treasurer**



## Donate

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!  
WE CAN'T DO WHAT WE DO  
WITHOUT YOU!

**Venmo:** @SigmaAlphaOmegaFoundation  
OR @SistersByGraceFoundation

**PayPal:** @SistersByGrace

**Check:** Email Shelby Howard, Treasurer,  
for address

**Donate button on website**



## Stay Connected

YOUR SUPPORT IS THE DRIVING  
FORCE BEHIND OUR ABILITY TO  
CREATE A MEANINGFUL IMPACT  
WITH OUR SISTERHOOD AND  
BEYOND!

Let's stay linked and make an impact together!

Follow us on social media for upcoming events and  
fundraising opportunities!



@sao\_foundation



The Sigma Alpha Omega  
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## Ongoing Support

### EMERGENCY RELIEF FUND

The Emergency Relief Fund is designed to help  
SAO sisters that find themselves in an  
unexpected place and need help financially. You  
can apply yourself or nominate a sister.

Emergency Relief Fund Application

### SISTERS HELPING SISTERS

Are you an active sister in need of financial  
support to help pay your chapter dues? The  
Sisters Helping Sisters Application is released  
twice annually: August/September & January

Are you an alumnae that would like to  
contribute to help support active sisters in  
paying for their dues? You can donate at any  
time! Just be sure to specify that the donation is  
for SHS!

We collect year round to help ensure we can  
support sisters in need!