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Fall 2007 Graduating Seniors

Rebecca Lee



Becky was initiated into Epsilon Epsilon chapter in spring of 2005. During her time there she received the EE Service Award in 2006 and served as Alumni/Patroness Liaison in 2007.

Rebecca is a music education major with a concentration in flute. At West Chester she participated in Marching Band, Flute Ensemble, Night Winds, and Symphonic Band. She received the Richard Molenark Music Scholarship in 2003.

As an undergraduate sister Rebecca most enjoyed spending time with her sisters and great friends. She advises the sisterhood to always remember the bond that we have and how important it is to work together as one.

Rebecca plans to get a teaching job and go back to school.

Amanda Rash



Amanda was initiated into Epsilon Epsilon chapter in spring of 2005. During her time with the chapter she served as Recording Secretary, Service Chair, and Sergeant at Arms.

Amanda is a music education major with a concentration in flute. At West Chester she participated in Flute Ensemble, Night Winds, Concert Band, Symphonic Band, Wind Ensemble, Orchestra, Women's Choir, and Marching Band. Amanda was also part of an outside choir called Nothing but Treble. Amanda made Dean's List in Fall 2006 and received the SAI Sword of Honor in Spring 2007.

As an undergraduate, Amanda loved bringing service back to our chapter and working on incorporating meditation into our initiation day. She enjoyed watching younger girls come into SAI and grow into mature women. Amanda advises the sisterhood to keep a deep and meaningful bond, support each other, and make an effort to get to know and appreciate everyone.

Amanda plans to graduate and obtain certification for Pennsylvania, Maryland, and Delaware, and get a job teaching elementary music. She also hopes to travel and continue singing in her home choir, Nothing but Treble.

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Congratulations also to our vocalists, Kristin Sell, Kelly McConahy, and Justine Schoener who took part in the Vocal Honors Concert on November 8, 2007. Performing in this recital is a high honor, and our sisters performed beautifully, as always!

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