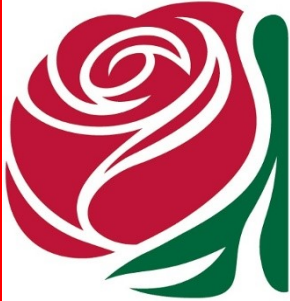


# Presidents' Message



Dear Alpha Upsilon Sisters,

Happy spring! Finally! This is an important month, in that both Easter and Passover are in April this year. We wish all our Jewish and Christian sisters a blessed and joyous celebration.

A wonderful time will also be had at our annual "Friendship Tea" on Thursday, April 11, 4:00, at Pat Kalish's lovely home. We hear it will have a French theme. Bonjour! Hopefully, we'll see you all there! Also, our Tea is always full of fun and fellowship and offers a great opportunity to invite guests. Alpha Upsilon has continued to add many wonderful new members due to your reaching out to friends and bringing them. In closing, after the much needed rain of this winter, we hope we'll all take time to enjoy the budding trees and blooming flowers.

Connie Hanson and Marion Darling,  
Co-Presidents



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Area XIII

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**DKG California**  
**2017-2019 Theme:**  
**Women Educators on the Move**  
**Making it Happen Together!**

**DKG California**  
**Educational, Professional,**  
**Making an Impact**

## Next Meeting

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### Annual Friendship Tea: Paris in a Cup

**DATE:** Thursday, April 11, 2019

**TIME:** 4:00 p.m.

**PLACE:** Pat Kalish's Home  
4420 Shepherd's Lane  
La Cañada

**RSVP:** Pat Kalish  
pjkalish1@aol.com



*Entertainment by Jan and Harriet!*

*This year's ANNUAL FRIENDSHIP TEA will have you shouting, Oh La La, Bon Appetit and Bonjour, as you enjoy Quiche, Eiffel Tower Cookies, French Pastries and more...*

*The theme is "Paris in a Cup"! So wear your Beret, Boa or FANCY Scarf and come and enjoy this special time together!*

*Delicious tea treats!*

## DUES for 2019-2020 Are Due!!

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At the February meeting Marion announced that all dues **MUST** be in by June 1 (if you weren't at the meeting this was in the minutes). The process for paying dues to International and DKG California is making a major shift this year. It is **VERY** important that Mary Jane have everyone's dues in April or May. Bring your check payable to Alpha Upsilon for \$85 to the April or May meeting. Let's all help out our hard working treasurer to meet the deadlines.

## Happy Birthday to....

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### April

- 1—Patty Compeau
- 3—Karen Gollhardt
- 8—Shriley Sauvageau  
Sue Fuelling
- 13—Pat Kalish
- 18—Dianah Greenlees
- 23—Kim Frank
- 28—Marty Unger

## THAT

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THAT hours reporting deadline is approaching in just a few short days! This will be the last time this year that you will have the opportunity to record your THAT hours (the time you spend helping another teacher). Please take a few moments now to record your THAT hours online now before you forget. It is important to our chapter that all of your volunteer THAT hours are counted. To record your volunteer hours, please follow this link:



<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSf4BD4SaHo50Oe1tqmZB3zX6d6Da4ETZdcP1zEA-Xkk491pQnw/viewform>

When you reach the THAT recording page, all you need to do is enter your name and volunteer information, as well as Area XIII and Alpha Upsilon. Since this is the last opportunity you will have this school year to record your hours, please estimate volunteer hours that you anticipate helping in the remaining months of this school year, and count them as well. All THAT hours **must be recorded online by April 1, 2019**.

Thanks for everything you do to help others!

**Karen Wilcoxon,**  
**THAT Liaison**

## DKG California Convention

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### Convention is coming! Convention is coming!

[Registration](#) is open for the 2019 DKG California State Convention. [Hotel registration](#) is also available. **Remember Alpha Upsilon will pay the full registration for any member who wishes to attend. AND** since the convention is in the northern part of the state, the Chapter will also pay for members' hotel accommodations. So get someone to be your roommate and make travel plans! Learn about DKG outside the chapter level.

**May 3-5, 2019**

**San Francisco Airport Waterfront Marriott**

## DKG Conference

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Plan now to attend the DKG International Conference in July at the Orange County Hilton in Costa Mesa.

July 17-20, 2019

[Registration](#) is open at the DKG International website.





# Mini Grant Recipients Share

Re: Receiving the Alpha Upsilon Grant

First, I wanted to thank everyone involved in awarding me the 2018 – 2019 Alpha grant! It was a tremendous feeling to win, and I am so fortunate to be supported during a time when many arts programs are going unfunded.

To begin with my post-purchase update, as noted in my original application, one of the tasks the students love to do most is help with the loading and unloading of our large, gas Kiln. In the pictures, you will see the three towers in which the pottery sits within or upon. The two components are the posts and the shelves. They are both made from fire-proof brick and referred to as 'kiln furniture.' However, the shelves in the kiln are extremely heavy. They weigh about 30 to 40 pounds each. Being approximately 2 feet long and about a foot wide, it is extremely difficult to not only pick up the shelves, but to also lean inside the kiln and set the shelves securely on the stilts / posts. One wrong move and a several hundred pound tower of shelving and pottery can come crashing down, breaking the shelves and kiln floor. Even worse, destroying weeks and weeks worth of student work. And... as a 48 year old, I'm not exactly fond of throwing out my back any time soon.

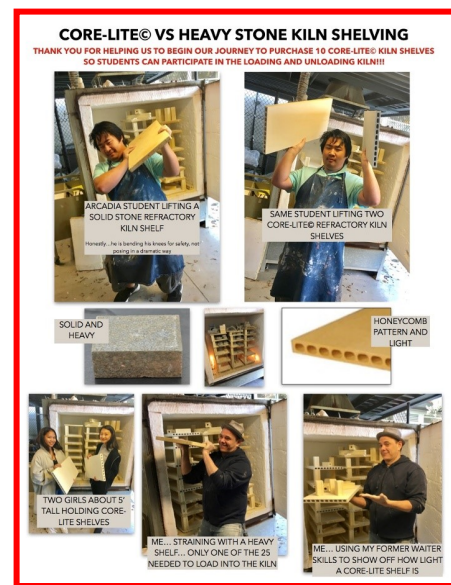
Therefore, having won the Alpha Upsilon grant, I was able to purchase 10, new, lighter and safer shelves called Core-Lite® shelves. Instead of the shelves being constructed of the heavier stone-wear, the Core-Lite shelves are constructed with a set of hollow tubes in the middle, making them well over 30% lighter, a huge difference when loading up 25 shelves each firing. But I swear they feel 50% lighter! I knew that students could finally help-out with the loading and unloading of the kiln furniture. And we would be a lot safer as well. Already, the purchase of the new shelves has given students the ability to start helping out in the kiln area, loading and unloading the shelves that hold the pottery pieces to be fired. I can already tell that they are so happy to be now a part of it.

As you may guess, teaching ceramics to teenagers is a tough job. It is not only challenging socially and academically, but also quite demanding physically. However, with the 10 Core-lite shelves, my ceramics class has started its journey into becoming a place students can participate and have their lives shaped for the better, just as I teach them to how to shape the clay.

To all at the Alpha Upsilon Chapter and Beebe Nuetzman Endowment Fund Committee, thank you again for making a difference in my world, as well as for the students at Arcadia High School. All the best this year!!!

Sincerely,

Jason K. Ganley  
Arcadia High School



# Mini Grant Recipients Share

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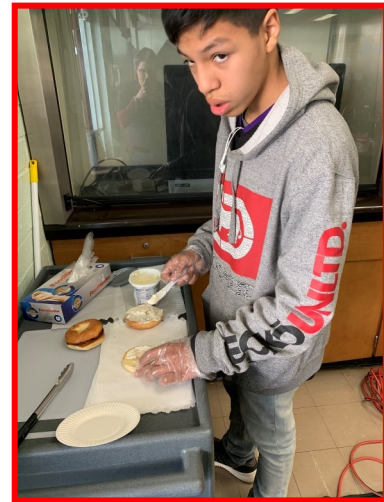
Dear Rose Gant and Mini Grant Committee,

Thank you so much for the mini grant. We were able to buy awesome items for the Alhambra Coffee HouSe and Office. We have bought a cash register, mini refrigerator, and a convection oven to help expand our coffee shop, provide more hands on learning about working in a real job, and expand our menu. The teachers and other staff members loved the bagels we are now serving for \$1. The shredder is currently en-route, but we have made the announcement to the special education department at the school and they are very excited to utilize our program.

This gives us the opportunity to provide our students with meaningful instruction through real appliances and securely stored cash. Our students have a sense of pride getting vocational experience and getting praise and support from our staff on campus. Not only do the students benefit from this, but the school as a whole. Thanks to the appliances purchased with the generous grant, we are able to help our students provide a common area for staff to take a break and interact with other teachers, thus creating an even more positive and inclusive atmosphere.

Again thank you for all of your support.

Jamie Peralta  
Special Ed Teacher  
Alhambra High School



# Going Green

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As we watch the effects of Cyclone Idai on Beira Mozambique it is hard to know what we as individuals can do. I read that this cyclone is possibly the most deadly and devastating ever in the southern hemisphere. However due to climate change more frequent and larger cyclones are predicted. Sadly the people of Beira contribute many times less than we do to global emissions.

Recently I went to a Climate Action Planning talk in Morro Bay, sponsored by the Central Coast State Parks Association. The speaker, Professor Mike Boswell, is chairman of the City and regional Planning Department at Cal Poly San Luis Obispo. His takeaway words were, "We as individuals need to do our part but we need cities, states, and the rest of the world to do their part too".

On the Central Coast all the cities of San Luis Obispo County have inventoried the sources of their emissions such as electricity use, industry, transport and have made action plans, such as creating walkable and bikeable communities with clean public transport.

At the state level California has reduced emission targets for 2020 (back to 1990 level), 2030 (40% of 1990 level), 2045 (carbon neutral). The very good news is that we have already hit the 2020 target and we have many more people here than in 1990.

However, the easiest fixes have been done already. Some of the challenges ahead are to double building insulation efficiency (we all know about 1950s to 1970s houses), clean up ways freight is moved and reduce the methane emitted by dairies and landfills. Other goals are renewable electric power generation and capping emissions from industry.

On March 12, Nevada joined 22 other states in the US Climate Alliance, representing half the US population. These states will try to fulfill the objectives of the Paris Climate Agreement by working on the same problems as California is studying.

If you are interested in learning more there is a talk on Saturday, April 6th at 9am, First United Methodist Church, 500 E. Colorado Blvd. Pasadena, doors open at 8:30 am. The title is "Capturing Carbon and Cooling Our Cities." This will be the 8th Annual Climate Change Forum of the League of Women Voters, Pasadena. <https://my.lwv.org/california/pasadena/event/lwv-pa-8th-annual-climate-change-forum>

For further information contact Jill at [jwaters@thegrid.net](mailto:jwaters@thegrid.net) or Patty at [patty.compeau@gmail.com](mailto:patty.compeau@gmail.com)





# Chapter Event Pictorial

A good time was had by those members who were able to attend the Chapter Outing to the Langham for lunch and then to tour the Old Mill in Pasadena.



The annual multi chapter dinner was a wonderful event as always! Alpha Upsilon led the way with the most attendees.



## Mini Grant Recipient Receives Award

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Jan Tappan was delighted to be part of the presentation of a Beebe Neutzman minigrant to Marisa Ponce at her school, Mountain View in LAUSD. Marisa plans to use the grant to purchase hands-on activities for phonemic awareness and math.

## Get Connected!!

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**Have you been receiving the *DKG News*? What about the *California Connection*? Weekly *Highlights*?**

If not this means your email needs to be updated at the International website. Follow these steps:

1. Go to [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org)
2. Select "Sign In"
3. This will bring you to the [login page for members](#) (top screen shot on page 9); enter your membership number for the Username; enter dkg2014society as the Password (you can change the password if you like to a more personal one)
4. You will see your first name at the top of the page in the choices for the page; click on your name
5. You will come to a page that allows you to update your information (bottom screen shot on page 9); you can also change your password on this page
6. At the top of the page you will see a variety of titles including Publications; this is where you will find the *DKG News*, past and current issues. This is also where you will find the *DKG Bulletin* and the *Collegial Exchange*.
7. The items listed at the top of this page are for members only, they are not accessible by someone just searching the website
8. Once you have updated your information at the International website the information will automatically come to California and your email will be updated so you can receive *California Connection* and the weekly *Highlights*



Members must login with member ID to access members-only resources and forms.

Member login (Username = DKG member ID)

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Website Navigation Guide



Non-members must create a non-member account here to register for events.

For assistance, email [mem@dkg.org](mailto:mem@dkg.org)  
 512-478-5748  
 888-762-4685 (US and Canada only)

Note: Please contact us if you are having login problems.  
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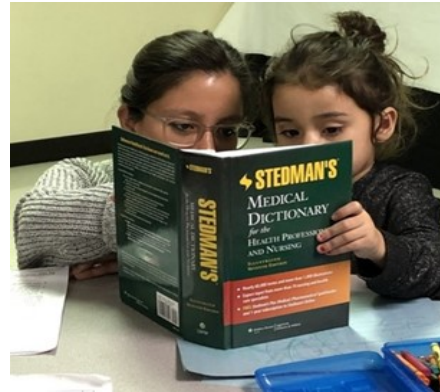
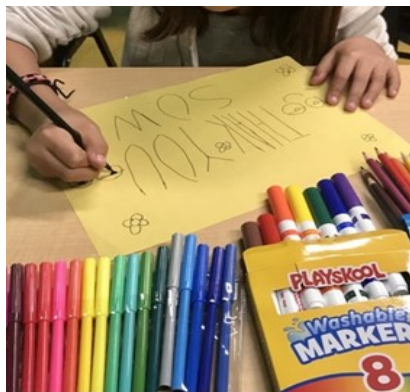
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My Addresses



## Message from School on Wheels



Dear Kathy,

Our students live with instability and anxiety every day. They experience significant levels of trauma; some have been victims of violence and abuse; many more have witnessed it. These children experience high rates of health problems. They also go hungry at twice the rate and have three times more emotional and behavioral problems than their housed peers. Moving and changing schools frequently takes its toll and their education suffers immensely.

Our volunteers and the relationships they form with their students make an enormous long-term difference in thousands of young lives. We know this not just because we see this on the ground, but studies of resilience have documented the importance of just one caring adult for at-risk youth. Supportive relationships are critical for youth development, providing an environment of reinforcement, positive modeling, and constructive feedback for physical, intellectual, psychological, and social growth.

In order to support and raise awareness of the work that our volunteer tutors do every day we are excited to announce our new volunteer ambassador program! Ambassadors are volunteers that are taking on additional responsibilities to help build community amongst existing tutors, recruit new tutors, and raise awareness of our work. Like you, these ambassadors support School on Wheels because they are concerned about the well-being of children experiencing homelessness, and they believe in the power of education to change lives. Thank you to all our wonderful supporters. You continue to inspire me and all of us at School on Wheels.

Catherine Meek  
Executive Director

