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ALPHA UPSILON NEWS

Presidents' Message

International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

Dear Alpha Upsilon Sisters,

It's 2020! Wow! Another year, full of new beginnings and things we've already begun and want to finish. This saying by Meister Eckhart welcomes the new year with a smile.

"And suddenly you know: It's time to start something new and trust the magic of beginnings."

What a great thought! Before we focus on Alpha Upsilon, 2020, though, we want to thank Robin Williams for hosting our wonderful Holiday Party and Raffle Benefitting CASA. Robin and the Refreshment Committee put forth an amazing array of delicious things to eat, and she, Kathy Cockerill, and Penny Schopflin spent many hours arranging the treasures members donated for the raffle. A huge THANK YOU to all!

Now for what's coming up in the near future... Our January meeting at the Community Church of God will be special for two reasons: we will be inducting a new member, and Carol Vargas will be teaching us a useful, fun craft.

THIS IS A GOOD OPPORTUNITY TO BRING GUESTS! Also, please be sure to RSVP, because Carol will need to know how many will be attending. We hope to see you all there!

Before we close, we want to encourage you to join us at the DKG Area XIII Conference on Saturday, February 1, 8:00-12, at the South Hills Country Club, 2655 South Citrus Street, West Covina. This is always a very special, truly enjoyable event! It's not too late to send your \$35 to Mary Jane Hufstedler or bring it to the Alpha Upsilon January meeting.

We wish you joy and blessings in 2020,

Marion Darling and Connie Hanson Co-Presidents



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**DKG Vision:** Leading women educators impacting education worldwide.



DKG California
Educational, Professional,
Making an Impact

DKG California 2019-2021

Theme:
Crossing
Bridges
Together

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## **Next Meeting!!**



DATE: Thursday, January 9, 2020

**TIME:** 4:00 PM

PLACE: Community Church of God 545 W. California, Glendale

**PROGRAM:** Crafty Carol Vargas

REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE: Dorie Canavan (chairman), Judith Craemer, Judy Gold

man, Joyce Hamdan, Ana Haskins, Carol Vargas

PLEASE NOTE: Our very own Carol Vargas is giving us an opportunity to make crafts designed by Carol. PLEASE let me know if you will be attending so Carol will be sure to have sufficient supplies for all in attendance.

Joyce Hamdan, artisticjoy@yahoo.com

## **Membership News**



As of this writing we have no prospective members. Many of your friends and colleagues have visited the two times necessary for membership. If you would please contact anyone who has visited twice and is interested in membership PLEASE let us know immediately so we can schedule an introductory meeting

with them and you, their sponsors.

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# Happy Birthday to....



January 13—Rhoda Coleman Houry Mandjikian

## **Jared Bags**



Just a reminder that your filled bags are due at our February meeting. So you still have plenty of time to get items for City of Hope patients and siblings. Thank you!

Karen Gollhardt Sue Fuelling Willy Crouse

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Happy New Year! It's a brand new year with lots of opportunities to volunteer your time, and help another teacher. Be sure to record your THAT hours (the time you spend help-

<u>ing another teacher</u>) online by going to the state website: dkgca.org. Select the <u>THAT</u> icon on the homepage, which allows you to easily complete the form.

All you need to do is enter your name and volunteer information, as well as Alpha Upsilon and Area XIII. It is important to our chapter that all of your volunteer THAT hours are counted. As you find more ways to volunteer your time, or become aware of a teacher, program, or school that could use our assistance, be sure to share this information with us. Find a method that works for you to record your hours -- either record hours on an ongoing basis as soon as you provide a THAT service, or record your hours on a calendar or on your phone, and transfer them to the website at the end of the month. All THAT hours must be recorded online by 4/1/2020.

Have a great 2020, and thanks for everything you do to help others!

Karen Wilcoxen THAT Chairman

#### **BNEF Report**



The BNEF Mini-Grant committee has met and reviewed applications. Thirty -five teachers were selected for awards ranging from \$165–500. The total amount Alpha Upsilon will be

distributing is \$13,925. These funds will be helping 35 teachers in Alhambra USD, Arcadia USD, La Cañada USD, LAUSD and Pasadena USD. Thanks to **Rose Gant** and her committee for facilitating the selection process.

#### LIFE

Buck a Book returns to the January meeting. We are well on our way to reach our goal for 2020 of a \$200 donation to LIFE Foundation. Thanks for your donations of bucks and books!



What was the best book you read in 2019? What is on your list for 2020? I love histor-

ical fiction that is well researched. Kate Quinn's <u>Alice Network</u> did not disappoint last year. This is the story of female espionage agents in the Great War, loss and redemption. Natasha Boyd's <u>The Indigo Girl</u> is on my shelf ready to enjoy in 2020. Let's talk books at our next DKG meeting.

Mary Lou Langedyke LIFE Liaison

#### Visit the City of Brotherly Love!!

Have you put the dates July 7-11 on your 2020 calendar for the DKG International Convention?

Have you visited the DKG website to see the 7 reasons for attending or watched the videos?

If not, WHY not????



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#### DKG California Convention 2020

DKG California Convention May 1 - 3, 2020 Santa Clara Marriott Hotel

#### **Exploring New Pathways**



Fellowship and Fun / Speakers
Breakout Sessions
Professional / Personal Development

Remember: Alpha Upsilon will pay your full registration (registration and convention meals). Since this year's convention is in the north, the Chapter will also pay for your hotel.

## Volunteer!!



The nominations committee wants you to think about this word...

#### Volunteer.

You know what it means and you know that you can make a difference. learn new skills.

contribute to a cause you believe in, help empower others, gain a new perspective and have fun. **YOU** are needed. Think about a leadership position and call us before we call you. Check your directory (page 31) and see what position best fits you.

Mary Lou Langedyke, Nominating Committee Chairman Judy Kearns, Member Pat Rabe, Member

# Leadership Retreat



# THE BRIDGE BETWEEN WISHING AND ACCOMPLISHING...

January 18-19, 2020

Doubletree

Irvine Spectrum

Registration is open and waiting for you!

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# Another Successful Holiday Party!



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