

Presidents' Message

Dear Alpha Upsilon Sisters,

It's already November and during this month, with thoughts especially focused on thankfulness, our Alpha Upsilon sisters definitely come to mind! For that reason, we are beginning our message with a poem about friendship, by Dolley Carlson.

Heart to Heart

Here are words from my heart, just a few,
To tell you how thankful I am for you;
Your friendship and your light-filled way
Bless my each and every day.

With ability to hear what I don't tell,
You gently say, "Hope all is well."
For times of laughter, joy and play,
And when you ask, "How can I pray?"

As we sit and sip, or take a walk,
You open the door for one more talk.
I love you, sister, and hope to be
The kind of friend you are to me.

We, as Alpha Upsilon sisters, have several upcoming opportunities to be together. Wonderful! We'll see you at the November 14th meeting at Glendale Community Church and at our always terrific Holiday Party on December 8th.

*****REMINDER:** Please give your "treasures" to Robin Williams at our November meeting. They will be used at our Holiday Party raffle to raise money for CASA.

*****ALSO,** please bring your \$35 check for our fantastic February 1, Area XIII Conference. We hope ALL will attend. It will be a great time!

Gratefully,
Marion Darling and Connie Hanson
Co-Presidents



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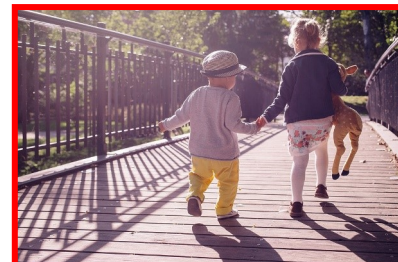
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Area XIII

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DKG Vision: Leading women educators impacting education worldwide.



**DKG California
2019-2021
Theme:
Crossing
Bridges
Together**

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

Next Meeting!!



DATE: Thursday, November 14, 2019

TIME: Social, 4:00; Meeting 4:30

PLACE: Glendale Community Church
545 W. California Ave., Glendale

PROGRAM: * Author **Anne Louise Bannon** writes mysteries, with some fantasy and romance tossed in. She writes fiction and nonfiction. She lives in Los Angeles with her husband and several critters. Anne is the current president of Sisters in Crime-Los Angeles. Anne will have some of her books for sale after her presentation.

* Judi Healey, Author and Climber of Mt. Kiliminjaro

REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE: Connie Hanson (Chairman), Marcelyn Bible, Judi Healey, Mary Lou Langedyke, Peggy West

RSVP: Joyce Hamdan, artisticjoy@yahoo.com



Membership News



We had several wonderful ladies as guests at the October meeting. Please bring them again to the November meeting. That will make 2 visits for membership. Also give me their correct name, address, phone, email, and school information. The November

meeting and the awesome Christmas event are wonderful times to showcase Alpha Upsilon. Let us know if you have any questions.

Judie Bakly judith@reterotargets.com

Marcelyn Bible Bible4cats@aol.com

Happy Birthday to....

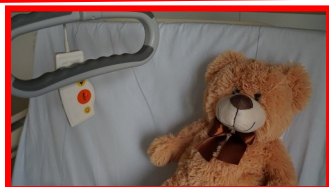


November

2—Donna Larson
Liliana Castillo
Gayle Nicholls Ali

5—Ana Haskins
18—Christine Werner
19—Nancy Thompson

Jared Bags




We are so sorry we missed everyone last month. Karen was out of town, and Willy was unable to attend the meeting at the last minute. BUT, the sign-up sheet and the bags will be available at the November 14th. This year you will see the ages and suggested items have changed. Last April when we brought the items to the hospital, the director was very appreciative, but she had a suggestion (which we asked her for ideas to make our program better). She said they get plenty of donations for younger children, but they actually had more older patients. Plus very often, older siblings of

young patients are sitting in the waiting areas with nothing to do. The items are simple to find and gather. These bags are due back at the February or March meetings. Thank you in advance for your help with these donations!!

Karen Gollhardt, Jared Box Chairman

THAT

A photograph showing several pumpkins of various sizes and colors (orange, white, and green) arranged on a wooden surface, surrounded by vibrant orange and purple flowers in pots.

We have much to be thankful for. One of our greatest blessings is the opportunity to give back to our educational community. This note is a reminder to please record your [THAT](#) hours (the time you spend helping another teacher) online by going to the state website dkgca.org. Select the [THAT](#) icon on the homepage, which you can then easily complete.

The form is very easy to fill out. 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**.

Thanks for all you do to help others! Happy Thanksgiving to all!

Karen Wilcoxon

I Know, I Know.....



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We all wait until the last minute and GUESS WHAT, the November meeting is the last chance to bring RAFFLE ITEMS (unless make special arrangements - with Robin- for pick up or delivery)

The HOLIDAY PARTY is only 5 weeks away!!!!

So far we have had wonderful donations of terrific "stuff" from 8 members. I'd really like to see 100% participation in this worthy FUND RAISER for CASA.

So, plan ahead and I hope to see you and your box or bag of donations at the November 14 meeting.

Also, plan ahead and come to our lovely Holiday Party on December 8. Bring a guest, a spouse, a friend and celebrate the holiday season. And, go home with some exciting treasures from the Raffle.

Robin Williams
Raffle Coordinator

Make Plans Now!

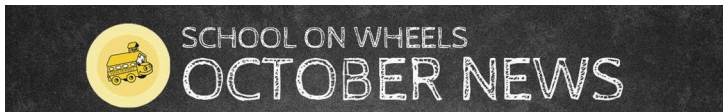
Have you put the dates July 7-11 on your 2020 calendar for the DKG International Convention?

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

If not, WHY not????



School on Wheels



Hello Kathy,

Recently there have been several articles and conversations addressing the homeless epidemic in our country. The more we talk about homelessness, the more likely we are to deal with this crisis as a society. At School on Wheels, we have witnessed firsthand the rise in students victimized by homelessness. We are in need now, more than ever, of the support of our communities.

Children without homes are the most hidden members of our society; omitting them from conversations around homelessness perpetuates the cycle they are caught in. We have to SEE them—because in seeing them, we see ourselves, and they become more human to us all. We are committed to advocating on their behalf to make them more visible.

So far this year, we have tutored more than 2,500 students. However, there is still work to do. Please join us in our effort to reach more students. Tell a friend, co-worker, family member, or anyone else in your network. Together we can, and will, make a difference.

Kathy Cockerill
Penny Schopflin
Christine Werner

It's Time to Party!



It's that time of year again for all of us, spouses/partners and prospective members included, to gather for the annual Holiday Party with Silent Raffle to benefit CASA at the home of Robin Williams.

Sunday, December 8, at 4:00 PM

562 E. Mendocino, Altadena, CA

It will be an event of yummy appetizers/light supper furnished by the committee as well as the fabulous fundraising raffle.

RSVP to Kathy Cockerill at katsltr74@aol.com

Leadership Retreat

Every year the DKG California Leadership Development Committee hosts a Leadership Retreat...one year in the north, one year in the south. It will be held in the south in January 2020! So get ready to take advantage of this benefit of membership!

THE BRIDGE BETWEEN WISHING AND ACCOMPLISHING IS...



January 18-19, 2020

Doubletree

Irvine Spectrum

[Registration stipends](#) available through the DKG California Scholarship Committee

Going Green

Recycling:

Key points from Republic Services/ Allied Waste Winter 2019 newsletter to LCF residents:

#1 Keep it simple

Paper and cardboard (flattened)

metal food and beverage cans

glass bottles and jars

plastic containers and bottles (with lids on)

#2 Everything should be empty, clean and dry

#3 Keep everything loose - do NOT put all out in a plastic bag

#4 "When in doubt, throw it out"

From NRDC re choosing toilet paper:

Canada's Great Boreal Forest (virgin, old growth) is being leveled at an unsustainable rate and much of it is being used to make toilet paper. You can help by reading labels before you buy.

For example, NRDC gives an F for sustainability to Charmain Ultra Soft, Kirkland, Angel Soft, Quilted Northern, and a D to Cottonelle Ultra Comfort Care, Scott 1000 and Comfort Plus and Trader Joe's Super Soft.

Among A choices are Trader Joe regular, Earth First, Seventh Generation

Read about this and more at <https://www.nrdc.org/stories/shoppers-guide-home-tissue-products>

Patty Compeau
Jill Waters
Global Awareness Chairmen



Minutes: September 11, 2019

Welcome and Announcements –

Connie Hanson:

Welcomed guests

Announced the February 1st DKG conference. Payment of \$35 is due now. Please register on line using the hyperlink in the newsletter, and either pay during the October meeting or mail a check to Mary Jane.

Marion Darling

Read a letter from LIFE thanking the chapter for our donation of \$200 for last year's Buck a Book contributions.

Presented THAT awards to several individuals for their 2018-2019 volunteer hours.

Inspiration – Ana Haskins Ana shared a story of a colleague who received an email from a prior student and how he had affected her career choice as an adult. She then had members share stories of how we affected our previous students.

Membership – Judie Bakly and Marcelyn Bible

Introduced three new guests. Irene Mendon commended our membership's continued effort to grow our chapter.

Programs – Joyce Hamdan introduced Gayle Nicholls-Ali and two of her students who traveled to Peru over the summer, primarily focusing on the Peruvian culture and photography.

Mini grants – Jan Tappan reported the current deadline for applications of up to \$500 is October 30th. She encouraged members to contact schools and principals to get the applications to the teachers.

Treasurer's Report - Mary Jane Hufstedler no report

Hillsides – Susie Vernand no report

Buck a Book, LIFE – Mary Lou Langedyke Please look at the books and donate. To date we have collected \$14

Jared Bags – Karen Goldhardt no report

THAT – Karen Wilcoxon Please go on line and record any time volunteering to help teachers

Global Awareness –Jill Waters Discussed the recycling of plastic and the need to choose wisely when buying products.

Nominating Committee – Mary Lou Langedyke no report

New Business:

Holiday Party for CASA – Robin Williams

Explained CASA to the group.

Asked for a show of hands who have donated, who have made a pile to donate, and who have thought about donating.

Asked that we bring them to her house or the next meeting but not on the day of the party.

Joyce Hamdan thanked Betsy Bazdarich and Pat Rabe (for last month's meeting) and the program speakers with small potted plants.

Judie Bakly thanked the refreshment committee.

Next meeting – Thursday, November 14, 2019 at the Glendale Community Church of God

Respectfully submitted,

Marion Darling
Substitute Recording Secretary

Covenant House



The Covenant House is very grateful for and appreciative of all the toiletries, etc. that have already been donated by DKG members. Thank you so much! They will always be put

to good use so keep them coming!

The Covenant House is having their annual Thanksgiving Tuesday Celebration on Tuesday, November 26, from 6 PM - 8 PM. It is a celebration for all that we have to be grateful for. They serve a full Thanksgiving dinner for their community of alumni, youth, volunteers, and supporters. This is their holiday gift drive; they do not charge for the dinner, but they do request a donation of \$10 - \$25 gift cards, headphones, or blankets that go directly to the youth they serve. Someone would be able to give a tour of the facilities as well. Flyers will be available at the November meeting. I will answer any questions you may have. If you are interested in going they ask that you RSVP to Anthony Conley at aconley@covca.org. We are also thinking about a day time tour of the facilities sometime soon, so if you are interested in going on a tour please let me know.

Laura Strametz

Hillsides Decorating



Thanks for those who have volunteered to bring items for holiday decorating at Hillsides Sierra Cottage on Thursday, December 5

at 4 pm. It's located at 940 Ave.64, Pasadena 91105. We still need: 4 tiny artificial pine trees, tiny unbreakable ornaments for the trees, holiday gel stick-ons, 12 candy canes, garlands, apple juice and holiday napkins & cups. Please text me what you're bringing: (626)484-9958. You'll be blessed if you join us! ♡

Susie Vernand
Coordinator

Linda Endicott



Many of you know and remember long time member, Linda Endicott. Linda moved to the Santa Rosa area several years ago. Follows an update about Linda via Robin Williams:

“A few weeks ago Linda moved from her senior living complex in Petaluma to a beautiful Four Star complex in Santa Rosa. This complex had burned to the ground last year in the terrible fire that swept through Santa Rosa. So, it was rebuilt and everything was new and perfect. Linda was thrilled. Last week, she and the entire population new complex was evacuated to Sacramento in order to wait out the new fire ravaging Santa Rosa. She is in good spirits and they hope to return to an intact home when the fires are under control - what a “trooper”. “

Treasurer's Report: November 2019

The following members have paid for the Area XIII Conference, Saturday, February 1, 2020:

Judie Bakly

Batsy Bazdarich

Ardis Bunn

Kathy Cockerill

Willy Crouse

Marion Darling

Karen Gollhardt

Joyce Hamdan

Connie Hanson

Ana Haskins

Mary Jane Hufstedler

Pat Kalish

Mary Lou Langedyke

Gayle Nicholls Ali

Pat Rabe

Norma Russel

Penny Schopflin

Laura Strametz

Mary Linda Vandavelde

Carol Vargas

Robin Williams



If you are planning to attend the Area XIII Conference, be sure to [register](#) (just use this hot link!) and send a check payable to Alpha Upsilon for \$35.00 to Mary Jane Hufstedler. If you have already registered, mail your check or bring to the November meeting.

Grant Recipient Updates:

The first payment has been made to all the 2019 grant recipients.



Surveying the Past – Shaping Our Future



Delta Kappa Gamma Society International:
Key Women Educators



California State Area XIII Conference

Saturday, February 1st, 2020

8:00 am – 12:00 noon (Breakfast seating at 8:45)

South Hills Country Club
2655 South Citrus Street, West Covina

- Join us for a delicious breakfast
- Honor outstanding Chapter and Area members
- Raffle and door prizes
- Enjoy the company of DKG sisters
- Learn about Los Angeles's agrarian past

Cost: \$35

Keynote Speaker: Rachel Surls, Ph.D

Rachel Surls is the Sustainable Food Systems Advisor for the University of California Cooperative Extension in Los Angeles County. She has been involved with school gardens, community gardens, and urban agriculture around Los Angeles for more than twenty five years. She holds two degrees in agriculture sciences. In her book, with co-author Judith Gerber, she explores the early bounty of Los Angeles and the deep historic roots of agriculture. Was LA the original wine country of California? **From Cows to Concrete: The Rise and Fall of Farming in Los Angeles** explores the once paradise filled with grapevines and bovines!

Rachel's book will be available for sale at the conference.

Reminder: This is the only fundraiser for Area XIII

*South Hills Country Club has a dress code. Please no denim jeans, shorts, T-shirts, tank tops, halters or extreme tops, or warm-up suits.



Please click on the link below to complete
the Area XIII 2020 Conference Registration Form.

<https://forms.gle/cWygB5LA9gHkccbQ7>

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