

ANCHORline



NEWPORT-SOUTH COAST DELTA GAMMA ALUMNAE

STRONGER TOGETHER

2020 Winter Newsletter

UPCOMING EVENTS

[Join us this year](#) -- there is something for everyone!

- ⚓ February 29, 2020 (Saturday) Breakfast Club in Costa Mesa
- ⚓ March 2, 2020 (Monday) Just Breathe in Costa Mesa
- ⚓ March 7, 2020 (Saturday) Founders Day in Anaheim Hills
- ⚓ March 17, 2020 (Tuesday) Ladies Who Do Lunch in Newport Beach
- ⚓ March 18, 2020 (Wednesday) Book Club in Newport Beach
- ⚓ April 6, 2020 (Monday) Just Breathe in Costa Mesa
- ⚓ April 21, 2020 (Tuesday) Ladies Who Do Lunch in Costa Mesa
- ⚓ April 22, 2020 (Wednesday) Visions of Water Lilies: Painting with Monet in Irvin
- ⚓ May 28, 2020 (Thursday) End of the Year Safari Party in Fountain Valley

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Delta Gamma is a powerful sisterhood. We - all of us - make that statement a reality. Our Founders' friendship is the foundation of our Fraternity. Their lives made a circle of friendship. It is the heart and soul of Delta Gamma. Our commitment and oath to care for one another -- whether we have known each other for a day or years -- or whether we have met at all - is what makes membership in Delta Gamma so special. Everlasting friendship and sisterhood. This is our strength. This is what we celebrate each year on Founders Day. This is the legacy we continue to pass on. It is no small thing in this day and age. Your place in this circle of friendship has your name on it. We are so proud to call you sister. Thank you for your support of our alumnae chapter and the Fraternity. There is no doubt that "We are Stronger Together." I look forward to representing our fabulous chapter at Delta Gamma Convention this year in St. Louis and hope to see you soon at one of our events.

In the Bonds,

Helen Spagnoletti Thies, Gamma Chi, 1975

president, Newport-South Coast Delta Gamma alumnae chapter



IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO PAY DUES

Dues Levels:

- **Blue** (Anchor Club)* -\$110 (+MP fee)
- **Pink** - \$70.00 (+MP fee)
- **Bronze** - \$40.00 (+MP fee)

**Free admission to all home events for the year*

Your support helps us provide quality programming, alumnae activities, collegiate activities, fundraising efforts, and special events.

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Foundation News

Founders Day March 7th in Anaheim Hills. A message from our host North Orange County Delta Gamma alumnae chapter:

Delta Gamma Sisters! We look forward to seeing you at Founders Day 2020. The festivities are just 30 days away, so please get your RSVPs and payments in as soon as possible. If paying by check, please send your RSVP, \$50.00 per registration, your name, your college and your collegiate chapter name (e.g., San Jose State, Gamma Eta) to NOC-DG, P.O. Box 324, Yorba Linda, CA 92885. RSVP by February 29. Self-parking is included. What to wear? Business nautical! Do bring cash or checks to participate in the Opportunity Baskets and silent auction benefiting Blind Children's Learning Center.

Questions: nocdgfoundersdaychair@gmail.com.

The electronic link is:

www.memberplanet.com/events/northorangecountyalumnaeassociation/foundersday2020

Please help us reach all OC DGs and invite them to this amazing gathering of sisters, for hope, for strength, for life.

16th Annual Destination Independence 5K Walk for the Blind Children's Learning Center in Santa Ana is Sunday 6/6/20 - \$12.50 registration for Delta Gammas and friends will open in April. Join our other Orange County DG sisters, friends and families in support of our Foundation and Service for Sight. Demonstrate your pride in our philanthropy and our lifetime commitment to "Do Good." Get the word out - and start with educating your family and friends. Bring your dogs, your kids, your loved ones and your friends. Look for our DG Team on the BCLC Website and join the team or donate to this amazing cause. You won't regret it. Questions? Contact Jen at dgsmljen@gmail.com or Helen at hthies1873@gmail.com.

Upcoming SIG Events

Anchor Adventures

Interested in a Trivia Night, new eatery or something cool? Contact: Nancy Ortega at norte003@gmail.com.

Book Club

The next meeting is on Wednesday, March 18, 2020, at 7 PM at the home of Linda Eddy. The book is The Giver of Stars by Jojo Moyes. Read along with us - or better yet - join us! There is no cost to attend this event.

Contact: Sandy Wood at sandywd2@gmail.com or Charley Baker at bakersbungalow@aol.com.

DGs Out And About

Contact: Lynn Johsz at JohszFmly@aol.com for information on upcoming events. You will be notified by email and Facebook posts. Lynn is hosting a succulent dish garden workshop at her home in Huntington Beach in March or April. Besides being a master designer of gardens, Lynn propagates many of her own succulents, and knows where to purchase reasonably priced pots and supplies! So this event will be affordable for everyone. Don't miss out! You CAN do this - and you will be proud of your creation. Come on and join us. We will have fun. Just email Lynn and say you are interested. You'll receive an email response with details of this and other upcoming events.

The Breakfast Club

2020 Leap day is Saturday, February 29th! It's time to celebrate - FROG style. HOP on over to our chapter President's home at 1786 Oriole Drive, Costa Mesa, CA 92626 for a fun and casual breakfast open house 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM. If you have never been to one of our events, this is the perfect chance to get to know us! We would especially like the opportunity to meet our new members. Leap Day is only every 4 years - come join us for some "leaping" fun. RSVP by Memberplanet invitation, email linda.bergstrom56@icloud.com or call Linda at (949) 235-2598. This group meets every other month at a member's home or designated place for breakfast and conversation. It's just for fun. You deserve it. There is no cost to attend this event.

Just Breathe

Are the demands of your life getting to you? Are you looking for a way to do something good for yourself and your health? Meditate, relax and "Just Breathe" on the first Monday of each month from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Savor an herbal tea, de-stress, go through a self-guided meditation, journal for a few minutes and get centered. No experience required. Wear comfortable clothing. Bring a meditation pillow or mat if you have one and a journal for your own use. There is no cost to attend this event. Contact: Helen Thies at hthies1873@gmail.com. Next Meeting: Monday, March 2, 2020.

COLLUMAE UPDATE

UCI had a successful Anchor Splash and fundraising event for Foundation this year - as always. Senior installation will be special. Interested in joining us? Contact: alisa821@sbcglobal.net.

PROGRAMMING HIGHLIGHTS

October 2019: Our fall Book Club selection was The Turn of the Key by Ruth Ware. This Gothic novel is set in a secluded mansion in a remote area of Scotland with a nanny as the main character who takes a job caring for four children and then is accused of murder. A Scottish picnic theme was the backdrop for our supper and discussion. Everyone wore plaid. Acting as a jury, we discussed the evidence and determined who was guilty. Using the "key" as a symbol, we also talked about what we value most in our Book Club gatherings.



October 2019: Our Hallowedding Bunco evening was a spooky success! Ernst and Pink, our two favorite skeletons, dressed as bride and groom, were married in a mock ceremony. Other wedding details, including cutting the cake and having a bouquet and boutonniere were included. Guests of the groom wore black and guests of the bride wore pink, and there were, of course, costumes. Pom/lemonade purple martinis were served in martini glasses that had a plastic spider placed in them. For "Do Good" in October, we

asked guests to bring gifts requested by the Blind Children's Learning Center. Bunco was played! Prizes were given for the highest bunco, lowest bunco, and last bunco. We welcomed our alumna initiate, Marci Myer, by sharing favorite stories about Delta Gamma and what it has meant to us to be members. We also sang "Do I See an Anchor in your Eye?" as our informal ritual.



December 2019: Newport-South Coast Delta Gamma sisters met for a fun holiday celebration! We enjoyed festive food (baked potato bar) and drinks walking distance to the beach and beautiful waves that we love in Newport Beach! Not only did we enjoy tiny bundt cakes for dessert, but 6 of us were celebrating birthdays, and we continued our Boomerang Birthday fun! Our traditional Anchor gift exchange was spirited! Members brought a gift, and all enjoyed "stealing" gifts from one another and opening surprises. Perfect holiday attire was worn and admired. We enjoyed a ritual, hearing about 3 amazing young women who formed Delta Gamma at Christmas time in 1873. Afterward, we walked about, enjoying the Twinkling Holiday lights! Our Do Good project in December was Operation Santa Claus, a project by County of Orange. Members generously donated 20 new gifts.



January 2020: Wearing gold, members of the NSC Book Club dropped in for a festive evening at Baker's Antique and Rare Book Emporium for a discussion of *The Goldfinch* by Donna Tartt. Still decorated for the holidays with multiple decorated trees and other holiday decorations, the setting was perfect for a celebration of New Year 2020 "Times Square Style" – with delicacies straight out of a New York deli. Members enjoyed Wassail, salads and sandwiches, New York cheesecake, Black and White cookies, and other delectable desserts. Our hostesses gifted all attendees a beautiful Goldfinch ornament!



February 2020: Our Pink in Love event was well attended. Everyone learned about their love language while discussing *The 5 Love Languages* by Dr. Gary Chapman!



2019-2020 Board Members

Elected Officers:

- **President:** Helen Thies
- **VP Communication:** Linda Eddy
- **VP Finance:** Lisa Whittemore
- **VP Foundation:** Jen Rothman
- **VP Membership:** Lynn Johsz
- **VP Programming:** Audrey Myer

Appointed Officers:

- **Alumnae Membership:** Jenna Wesseln
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- **SIG DGs Out & About:** Lynn Johsz
- **SIG Ladies Who Do Lunch:** Patty Wayte
- **SIG The Breakfast Club:** Linda Bergstrom
- **SIG Just Breathe:** Helen Thies
- **Webmaster:** Audrey Myer

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