Welcome aboard! I’m excited to serve as President of Newport-South Coast alumnae chapter this year and look forward to seeing you at our Fall Fiesta Kick-Off event on September 27. It promises to be a fun-filled afternoon!

This year's theme is **Get in the Circle - Get Anchored**. Whenever I see an anchor, I think of Delta Gamma. My life is tied to it, from college days and into alumnae life. Our lives are constantly evolving and, for some, Delta Gamma is a place that can hold you steady through all the changes life brings you. When you joined DG in college, you were anchored to your chapter—the anchor was in the middle of your life. Your collegiate life revolved around college and Delta Gamma. Delta Gamma was there for you and it provided a place of sisterhood, personal growth and an opportunity to “Do Good.” It was a place where a “circle” had a special meaning when you shared it with your DG sisters.

As I have gone through life, Delta Gamma has come back into my life as I have been a member in 3 different alumnae chapters—my first year out of college, the first year I lived in California, and then again after my daughter became a Delta Gamma. It has always been there for me when I have needed it and wanted it. You can find Delta Gamma again and again, just as I did, in different times of your life. Delta Gamma can truly last a lifetime and not just end with your college days.

The Newport-South Coast "circle" is a group of women who are dynamic and fun. Whether you are young, mid-life, or older, our alumnae chapter can be a place for you to form new friendships, connections, and opportunities through the many experiences we offer. Get involved by attending our great monthly events, dine-outs at wonderful restaurants, our Spring Foundation event and our new Special Interest Group, She is a Circle Book Club. If you have never joined an alumnae group or haven't been in a while, consider becoming anchored to Delta Gamma again. By joining us, you get to be a part of Newport-South Coast, you get to share in its sisterhood, you get to help us to continue to be the award-winning chapter that we are, and you get to be in our "circle."

Give yourself the special gift of Delta Gamma this year by joining us. Make a commitment to **Get in the Circle - Get Anchored!**

**ITB,**

**Patty Wayte**

*President*

Newport-South Coast alumnae chapter
Fall Fiesta Kick-Off

Sunday, August 27, 2015
2-5 PM
Home of Sally May
19 Augusta Lane, Newport Beach

Please join us for our Fall Fiesta Kick-Off on Sunday, September 27 from 2-5 PM. The event will be held at Sally May’s home in Big Canyon and there is no cost to attend. Light refreshments will be served. This event is a great opportunity to reconnect with your DG sisters, get involved with the alumnae chapter, meet the new leadership team and learn about this year’s upcoming events.

Bring cash or your checkbook if you would like to purchase tickets for our opportunity baskets and special silent auction items. Many of the items are anchor-themed and all funds raised will go towards our Foundation projects! We also will be collecting local dues for 2015-2016. Also, remember to bring used eyeglasses and cases and Box Tops for Education.

Please RSVP by September 17th via MemberPlanet. Please note, it is important to RSVP so your name can be placed on the front gate’s list at the entrance of Big Canyon. All those who RSVP by the September 17th deadline will be entered into a drawing on the day of the event. For any questions, please email nscdeltagamma@gmail.com or call Karissa at 651-357-0147.

Please spread the word to other DGs in the area who are looking to get involved with our chapter.
2015-2016 Newport-South Coast Local Dues

Our fiscal year is from July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016.

**DUES LEVELS**
- $125 Anchor Club*  
  (See website for free events for Anchor Club members)
- $100 Founders Circle*  
- $75 Blue Level
- $50 Pink Level
- $25 Bronze Level

50+ year member (pay local dues only)

*Appreciation Gift

(Anchor Club and Founders Circle Members will receive an appreciation gift from NSC!)

**TWO WAYS TO PAY DUE**

1. **Pay electronically**
   - Please visit our website to pay dues electronically. There is a link that will take you to MemberPlanet when you can pay your dues in seconds. It is so easy!

2. **Pay by check**
   - Make your check payable to Newport-South Coast Alumnae Chapter of Delta Gamma.
     - Mail check to our VP Finance, Joanna Faulkner, to 5155 Scholarship Irvine, CA 92612
     - Bring check to our Fall Fiesta Kick-Off on September 27!

**NSC LOCAL CHAPTER DUES HELP PAY FOR:**

- Member activities
- Mandatory national expenses and insurance
- Mailings
- Support for locale collegiate chapter, such as recruitment and bridging

***So far we have collected dues from 26 members, 11 of which are Anchor Club!! Thank you to all of our amazing members!!***
ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Babies
- Jessica Cobb Eisenman and her husband Anthony welcomed their first son, Ford Fitzgerald Eisenman on August 20, 2015. Congratulations to your new family of 3!
- Krista Pulatian and her husband Greg welcomed their second son, Nicholas John Pulatian on August 14, 2015. Congratulations to your growing family!

(Looks like we have a few George Banta’s to add to our Delta Gamma Family)

Delta Gamma is sponsoring DG “Do Good” Week, Sept. 13-19. The purpose of this week is to do good deeds. We hope this week will encourage and inspire our NSCDG membership to “Do Good” Any “Do Good” act is encouraged, no matter how big or small. Please email us what you did to “Do Good” so we can share it! #DGDoGoodWeek

WEDDINGS
- Our Collumane Chair, Susan Cloud, got married on September 5, 2015 to her now husband Jeff Johnson. There were married in Hawaii. We wish you and your husband a lifetime of happiness!
Who is MemberPlanet?

MemberPlanet has partnered with Delta Gamma to provide our alumnae organization with all the online tools we need to collect dues, communicate, grow our chapter, manage events, raise funds and much more. You will see all our invitations for Events, Dine-Outs, fundraising and more sent to our members using their system.

MemberPlanet has developed a Mobile App to keep you posted with information on events, important broadcast messages about events, and photos from events. Stay tuned for more information as we learn how to use it. In the meantime, you can download the MemberPlanet App from the App Store or Google Play and see information on Fall Kick-Off when you open the MP app you install on your phone.

Our alumnae group has been awarded the Five Stars to Alumnae Success Award. The award is designed to serve as an incentive in creating programming and calendar events while also achieving alumnae group standard operating criteria. Its purpose is to encourage alumnae groups to develop programming that focuses on fun, friendship, sisterhood and “doing good” while increasing membership participation and enhancing Delta Gamma awareness.

She is a Circle Book Club

The circle of women is as old as time. An energy pattern in the shape of a wheel - each woman connected to the others through her connection to the center of the circle and the center of herself. Each has an equal place on the rim of the wheel creating a space to share stories, thoughts, wisdom, compassion, laughter, tears, honesty and what she knows from her own life. A place to dream of whom she might become and how she can change the world. Join us for sharing stories... Get in the Circle!

We have started a new book club which will meet 4 times this year. Join us! Our first meeting is Monday, November 9, 2015 at 6:00 PM at the home of Helen Thies.

The book we will be discussing is Do You Dream in Color? by Laurie Rubin. Laurie was a keynote speaker at Delta Gamma’s National Convention in 2014. Have you ever felt isolated, lonely, afraid or that you don’t belong? Have you ever wondered if you “fit in”? Have you faced a challenge that seemed impossible? Find out how this international opera singer faced these issues and refused to be defined by any limitation - especially that of being blind since birth. She has experienced color all her life – have you?? Read the book and join us to explore what our own “journey toward identity” is, what traits we have that make us something more than “normal”, whether dreams can really overcome barriers and what it means to “belong.”