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IE Alumnae Chapter Newsletter

# President's Letter

Dear Sisters,

First of all, I'd like to introduce myself, I am the new Inland Empire Alumnae President of Alpha Phi, Virginia Clarke. I was an alumnae initiate five years ago and I joined because of my daughter and all of her wonderful sisters. They convinced me to join Alpha Phi and be a part of the IE Alumnae Board and from that point on I have enjoyed all of my time in being a sister. I never got to experience this in college and I have realized how valuable a sisterhood of women is...and that is why I want to welcome all of the sisters in the area and hopefully you will join us in revitalizing this wonderful chapter.

We have over 400 Alpha Phi sisters in the Inland Empire and we want to encourage membership in the alumnae group! We need your support and continued encouragement to keep this chapter alive and growing. Being a part of the alumnae chapter involves as much time as you can give, We need sisters who can give their full dedication and support and then we need sisters who can participate at a few key

events a year but always participate in membership. All of your time and support is welcome— no matter how big or small.

We are going to focus on "local area hosting" in an attempt to get members and other sisters to join us in small local events. I hope that each of you will benefit from this localization effort and participate in events. It is very much appreciated when sisters make that extra effort to come out and support events, and it encourages us to hold more events for the future.

We also plan on hosting two major events this year – a Founder's Day event on November 7th and then a Philanthropic Event in February with one of the local collegiate chapters. If your time is limited, then I suggest you mark the date for these events and that you support us in any way you can. These are going to be big events and we want as many sisters as possible to participate.

Finally, I want to say "Thank you" to all the new board members and their support of me for the upcoming term of my presi-

dency. These ladies give so much time, dedication and support to the alumnae chapter and their constant dedication is a true testament to the undying bonds of sisterhood! They have shown me what it is to make a lifetime commitment to Alpha Phi. I hope as President I am a reflection of their efforts.

I look forward to seeing and meeting new sisters at our upcoming events and if you have any concerns or questions, please feel free to contact me anytime. Thank you again for your support.

Loyally,

Virginia Clarke

IE Alumnae President of Alpha Phi

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# Executive Board Letter

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The Executive Board would like to thank everyone for their support so far in getting the Alumnae Chapter back on track! As Alpha Phi's, we all take an enormous amount of pride in what we do and who we convey ourselves to be.

The Inland Empire Alumnae Chapter, is dedicated to achieving the best experience for all of our members. We are unable to express to you our excitement as we take on our challenging positions.

We have made a commitment, not only to ourselves, but to the Alumnae Chapter as a whole to make our sisterly bond stronger than it has ever been before.

There are many obstacles we must overcome in order to achieve our goals, but we are determined to bring you the best Alumnae experience possible. Please consider joining us as a member of our Board as we still have opening for those who are interested!

AOE,

Alumnae Executive Board, 2009

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stronger than it has ever been  
before."*

## V.P. of Programming ~Upcoming Events!

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Wonderful Ladies of Alpha Phi,

I am very excited to be once again involved with the IE Alumnae Chapter as VP of Programming. It's been three years and I have missed the events, helping the collegiate chapter, receiving updates, meeting new sisters and the bonding times.

We now have "local area hostesses" who will be planning events in YOUR AREA!

So if you live these specific areas please contact your local host or check your email, text and/or voicemail for updates:

- Karla Hostin– San Bernardino East [sweetiekarla@yahoo.com](mailto:sweetiekarla@yahoo.com)
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### **First Annual Inland Empire Alumnae Chapter Founders' Day Ceremony**

Saturday, November 7, 2009

Location TBD

11 a.m.– 2p.m.

Founders' Day Ceremony, Lunch

I hope each of you can join us for the first IE Alumnae Happy Hour Event on Thursday, July 30, 2009 at the Claim Jumper on Hospitality in San Bernardino at 5:30 p.m. Appetizers will be provided for Paid Members. This event is the official start of our calendar for the IE Alumnae Chapter.

If you have ideas for upcoming events please email me at [iwonam2000@yahoo.com](mailto:iwonam2000@yahoo.com) or call 951-333-0468.

**Alpha Phi LOVE.. BEST!!!**

Iwona Luczkiewicz Contreras– V.P. of Programming

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### **OPEN POSITIONS....**

- Director of MAP Marketing/Community Services
- Director of Philanthropy/Fundraising
- Panhellenic Representative
- Local Area Host-Fontana

**If you are interested in taking a position,  
please email Virginia Clarke at:**

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## V.P. of Membership Letter

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Happy Summer everyone!!!  
Now is the perfect time to get involved with the Inland Empire Alumnae chapter of Alpha Phi. We have lots of great things planned for the revitalization of this chapter...we look forward to fun social events including local happy hours, as well as fundraising, a Founders' Day Event and a large event benefiting the Foundation.

With all of these events in mind, it is definitely a good time to increase membership. We are currently at **32** active members and we really want to **reach 50 members by the end of the year!!!** I know we can do it, we were able to increase membership from 3 members as of May 1<sup>st</sup> to our current level by July 1<sup>st</sup>!!! Thank you to all the current dues paying members! Your continued support helps keep this chap-

ter running and all these great events going.

### **We do offer a GREAT INCENTIVE PLANS to get involved and get OTHER SISTERS INVOLVED:**

For those of you who bring in a "new dues paying member" and they put you down as "REFERRED BY" you will receive a discount on the following year's dues as well as recognition in our semi-annual newsletter! You and your new dues paying sister will also receive a gift from the Alumnae Chapter.

Now, if you bring in a potential new member (a sister who needs to be initiated), you will receive your upcoming year's dues for free — plus the new sister will receive an Alpha Phi "Get Started Pack" and you will receive an Alpha Phi Alumnae gift pack.

These are great incentives to get sisters involved as well as to get that special friend involved with the life long friendship and shared bonds of Alpha Phi.

I hope you will consider this when talking to your Alpha Phi friends who are not involved yet with the Inland Empire Alumnae Chapter of Alpha Phi. If you need a membership form please feel to email me at [kclarke875@verizon.net](mailto:kclarke875@verizon.net) or call me at 951 202-1259 and I can send one out to you. Hope to see you very soon!

Alpha Phi Love and Mine,  
Kimberly E.A Clarke  
V.P. of Membership

## V.P of Finance

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Ladies! Start your engines!! It's time to get this chapter moving!! As you know, in order to provide you with social opportunities with your sisters on both a local and area level, we need funds!! Our dues are only \$27 for the year which will provide you with appetizers at the local happy hours and other benefits as the year progresses!

We are looking forward to our two big events this year....Founder's Day

in November which will be a combined event with Eta Beta chapter from CSU-San Bernardino and our Foundation event in early 2010! More information will be coming out soon so keep an eye out for these exciting opportunities to bond!

If you haven't already done so, please submit your membership form to Kimberly and submit your dues! We can't do it without your support!

Thank you for your continued participation in your lifelong commitment to Alpha Phi.

AOE,  
Caroline Dollemore  
V.P. of Finance

## V.P. of Communication Letter

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Sisters,

I am extremely excited to be a part of the Alumnae Chapter, and even more so to be on the Executive Board! As Vice President of Communication I will be assembling the Newsletters you receive, sending in articles to Alpha Phi Quarterly, and more! In order for me to be successful at my position, I would like to invite all of YOU to take a part in my role. Please send me any pictures of events or functions where you spent time with sisters; stories on accomplishments

for yourself or other sisters; announcements of engagements, weddings, babies, etc. along with ideas on articles you would like to see covered in our next newsletter.

If you are an Alpha Phi who owns your own business, or would like to increase business where you work — our newsletters will have limited advertising space available — please contact me for more information.

As a Communication graduate I take this job very seriously, but I wouldn't be able

to have this wonderful position without the Alumnae Members, so please take time to send pictures, announcements, or fun ideas to me: [ieaphialum@verizon.net](mailto:ieaphialum@verizon.net)

I hope everyone is having a wonderful summer so far, hope to hear from you all soon!

Union Hand in Hand,  
Dayna Perry  
V.P. of Communication

# A Glance at our History...

Alumnae of Eta chapter gathered together to form the first alumnae chapter in 1887 in Boston. Chicago alumnae, primarily from Beta chapter, began meeting two years later at a Beta reunion.

In the fall of 1889, collegians from Beta chapter carried the petition of the Chicago alumnae to the Boston Convention requesting recognition as an alumnae chapter. The Boston charter was granted after lunch that same day. Though the Boston group had been organized earlier, the Boston alumnae, as good Convention hostesses, let Chicago "go first".

As late as 1906, Convention reaffirmed a policy of having no more alumnae chapters than there were collegiate chapters, though groups of alumnae could gather together for social purposes in other than college towns.

As the number of collegiate chapters increased, so too did the number of alumnae chapters. The establishment of these chapters made the name of Alpha Phi better known locally.

Alumnae became aware of potential new members and shared this information with the collegiate chapters. Colleges were identified as potential sites for extension as Alpha Phi grew. These first chapters provided general financial support and the leadership for the Fraternity.



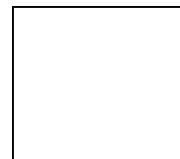
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