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Sigma Alpha Iota International Music Fraternity, Omicron Province

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Sunday, April 16,

2:30 PM Formal
Business Meeting

Venue: Thorine
Peterson

Program: Fellowship
and Music

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Greetings from Your President

Happy Spring, Sisters!

We had a very successful Province Day on April 1st; no foolin'! It included terrific speakers, tasty food, a fun (and somewhat April-fooly) Musicale, Phlea Phlam, a celebration of Tucson's 85th Anniversary, and, of course, the chance to bond with sisters from other chapters. While we were very sorry none of our Epsilon Alpha and Delta Eta sisters could join us (both chapters had Operas scheduled that weekend), we did have 2 members from Alpha Beta, 4 from Tucson Alumnae, and 11 from our chapter, plus our Province Officer. All in all, not a bad turnout, considering the distance between our chapters. I want to thank the entire Province Day Committee: Heather, Kandice, Lauren, Katie, and Amy. You all did your part to make this day a success. I was impressed by how well-organized the committee was; we were able to get it done with only had 2 Zoom meetings, plus a bunch of group emails. I love technology when it works! I also want to thank our speakers, Karen Rolston and Marg Schmidt; your words were both entertaining and inspiring. Finally, our Phlea Phlam was also quite successful; we made about \$85 for our chapter and \$15 for Philanthropies. Next year, Tucson Alums will host, followed by Epsilon Alpha in 2025. Keep that in mind as we will be organizing carpools when the time comes.

Our next meeting will be Sunday, April 16th, at Thorine's. Since Thorine is in Sun City, I hope some of our West Valley sisters can join us. If you are one of these sisters and want to attend but don't have transportation, please let one of the E-Board members know so we can try to arrange a ride for you. Zoom will also be available, of course, but real hugs are better than virtual ones!

Love and Roses to you all,

Moria

Calendar for 2022-2023

Sisters are welcome to attend chapter meetings virtually or in person.

The link for Zoom is <https://tinyurl.com/SAIPACZoom>

Saturday, Mar 11, 2:30 PM Formal Business Meeting

Venue Katie Brown

Program Hop Into Spring, Elections

Saturday, Apr 1, All Day Province Day

Venue Community of Christ

Program Fun/Silly Musicale "April Foolery"

Sunday, Apr 16, 2:30 PM General Meeting

Venue Thorine Peterson

Program Fellowship & Music

Saturday, May 6, 10:30 AM Year-End Brunch

Venue TBD

Program Installation of Officers & Awards

Carpool Help

Need a ride to a meeting? Carpool Help Available

Need a ride to a meeting? You can contact:

Sun City West: Sarah Mason – 3 people

North Phoenix: Heather Featherstone - 3-4 people

Gilbert: Charlotte Burton, Kara Lee

Feel free to reach out to them to figure out carpool.

Driving Directions to Thorine's Home

From Loop 101:

Head west toward W Bell Rd

Turn left toward W Bell Rd

Turn right toward W Bell Rd

Turn right onto W Bell Rd

Make a U-turn at N 83rd Ave

Pass by Whataburger (on the right in 1.1 mi)

Turn right onto N Boswell Blvd

Turn right onto W Acacia Dr

Destination will be on the right

Sister News and Updates

Welcome to Levi Clark Murdock to the world. He was born at 3:33 pm on March 29, 7lbs, 2oz and 21 inches long! Toni and dad are doing well.



Karen Rolston is performing with the Chandler-Gilbert Flute Ensembles in Concert on April 11 at 7 pm - in PAC Room 150 on the Chandler-Gilbert Community College Campus, 2626 E Pecos Rd, Chandler AZ 85225.

Ruby Vineyard will be singing Rutter's "Requiem" on Good Friday, April 7 with The First United Methodist Church at 7 PM. It is at the corner of Central and Missouri. All are welcome.

Women's Orchestra of Arizona has a concert on April 30th at 3:00 called "Spring Surprises". Admission is by donation (they "pass the purse" during a break; no pressure). Tickets can be reserved on Eventbrite. They are also having a "Pass the Baton" raffle; for \$10 you can buy a chance to conduct a piece at one of our concerts next season. SAls in the group include Moria Bogardus, Melissa Silva, Sarah Peters, and Marj Sherman.

Eileen R. Brown has a new address. She has moved into the Beatitudes Independent living. Please update your yearbook with her new address:
1650 West Glendale Ave.# 1292
Phoenix, AZ 85021

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We hope you will join us!

Stay-At-Home Black-Tie Affair

The Sigma Alpha Iota Phoenix Alumnae Chapter is thrilled to invite you to its 1st Annual Non-Event Concert. It will not happen on April 31, 2023. Cocktail hour will not start at 5:30 pm and no one is going to give a speech at 7:00 pm.

The concert will not include performances by some of our more famous SAI sisters including Kristen Chenoweth (Wicked), Renee Fleming (American Opera Soprano), Marian Anderson (American Contralto), and Sheryl Crow (pop music artist), without keynote addresses by Katherine Hoover (Flutist, composer) and Libby Larsen (composer).

In lieu of attending this event that no one else will be attending, we respectfully request you do something else nice for yourself.

We know you love SAI and value the time you spend with your sisters. You look back with fondness at the hours spent with each other. We also know you're a busy person, and you might like a night at home once in a while.

Please join us in our non-event, where you celebrate your fraternity by not coming.

VIP tickets for this event are \$50, and general admission tickets are any donation you would like to make to the fund. Ticket purchases WILL go toward the Phoenix Alumnae's general fund.

In not attending this non-event, you'll save yourself:

- The price of the tux or dress you'd have bought or rented
- Babysitter money and all the pizza you would have paid for
- LYFT rides or parking fees
- The hassle of convincing someone to go with you

Please consider making a donation right now, since all money will go to support our general fund rather than planning the event. Please send your donation to Alison Bachus, SAI Treasurer, 4641 N 42nd Place, Phoenix AZ 85018, or make your donation via CashApp at \$SAIPhoenixChapter (Alison).



Birthday Bash Campaign

SAI Philanthropies, Inc. invites you, chapters and individuals, to participate in our Birthday Bash Campaign!

Donate \$120.00 by Founders Day 2023 to honor the 120th "birthday" of Sigma Alpha Iota. Your donation will support the many grants, scholarships, and projects available to our members and musicians around the world.

Each chapter and individual that participates will be recognized via our social media pages.

Donations to **SAI Philanthropies, Inc.** may be made on our secure website:
www.sai-national.org/donate.
Please note "in honor" of Birthday Bash Campaign.

Donations may also be mailed to:
SAI National Headquarters
1 Tunnel Road
Asheville, NC 28805



Join us in celebrating 120 years by giving back to the charitable arm of Sigma Alpha Iota!

Province Day April 1, 2023



Teacher Directory

Are you are teaching lessons and want to be added to the list, please email heather.featherstone1972@gmail.com with the following information:

- What instrument(s) do you teach?
- What part of the valley are you located in?
- In-person or online?
- Best contact information.

Name	Instrument(s)	Location	Contact Info and More
Gail Rolland	Adult cello Privately	West Mesa, in person and masked	Email: gailrolland@gmail.com
Isola Jones	Voice, preferably students 18 years and older	Virtually since COVID South Mountain Community College or privately, but has students throughout the US and Asia	Phone: 602-810-2215 Campus email: isola.jones@southmountaincc.edu Personal email: isola@cox.net Dr. Isola Jones, DMA in Vocal Performance Sang 14 consecutive seasons at the Metropolitan Opera as a leading Mezzo-Soprano with over 500 performances and 10 "Live from the MET - Great Performances" telecasts Videos of performances of Isola's students and Isola can be seen on the college YouTube channel: Opera at the Mountain 2020 and 2021
Kandice Nelson	Beginning Suzuki Book 1 - Violin/viola/cello Soprano/Alto voice, any age	Zoom (no in-person lessons), nationwide	Phone: 602-3156614 Leave a voicemail with contact information, level, student's age, interests, and playing history
Katelyn MacIntyre	Voice, all levels, piano and guitar, beginning	Virtual lessons	Website: www.katelynmac.com Email: katelynmacmusic@gmail.com
Mia Lorenzen	Piano - beginners and intermediates	West Valley (Arrowhead) In-person (with masks) and online teaching	Phone: 602-524-4448 (call or text) Email: mlaine5075@yahoo.com Mrs. Mia Lorenzen, MME 25 years teaching experience Certified music educator and teaching in public schools

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