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Saturday, Mar 11,
2:30 PM Formal
Business Meeting
Venue: Katie Brown
Program: Hop Into
Spring, Elections

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Greetings from Your President

Greetings, Sisters!

Wow, this is a busy time, n'est pas? I went from no gigs to 3 in just a matter of days! We haven't met since the last DR went out, so I don't have much to say this time, so I will just tell you all to please plan to attend our next meeting! It is on **Saturday, March 11th at 2:30** at Katie Brown's home, 5151 N 12th St, Unit B, Phoenix 85014. Note this is a date change from what was originally posted in the yearbook, so make sure your calendar is correct and you don't show up on the wrong day. This is a Formal Meeting, so wear your best badge attire. We will be initiating two new members: a Patroness with Education and a Friend of the Arts. Our Province Officer will be in attendance, as her husband is one of the initiates! We will also be holding our officer elections and voting on our bylaws revisions. You won't want to miss it! Please RSVP to either Katie or me.

Province Day is almost here! It is on April 1st from 8-3:30 at Community of Christ. Please fill out and send the registration form ASAP. Don't forget to send Alison your payment, either by check or CashApp.

Be well, and I look forward to seeing you all soon!
Roses,
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

Dear Heather: (and Phoenix Alum - not his words)

As I have taken a few days to reflect on the 2023 AMEA In-Service Conference, I would like to say a special thank you for exhibiting and being a part of our conference. It was exciting to see everyone, both exhibitors and attendees. The board will be meeting next month to start preparing for the 2024 conference which will be held on February 2nd and 3rd at the Mesa Convention Center. The great news is that we have already been informed that there will NOT be a marathon on that Saturday!

Please plan to join us as AMEA will be celebrating its 85th anniversary! It should be a great celebration! Exhibitor information should be sent out in April or May to begin the registration process.

It was great to have SAI at the conference. I hope we can use this as a means of reaching out to the local universities to get more students involved in their chapters. Looking forward to next year.

I truly look forward to working with you at our 2024 conference!

Sincerely,

Michael R. Miller, AMEA Exhibit Chairman

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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 Katie Brown's Home

Take the 17 to “Bethany Home Road” exit, Head East on Bethany Home Road, and Turn Right on N 12th St.

OR

Take the 51 to “Bethany Home Road” exit, Head West on Bethany Home Road, and Turn Left on N 12th St

House is green with gray trim and a wood fence on the corner of N 12th St and Colter Ave. Please enter through the backyard off Colter Ave, there will be signs!

There is an RV parking spot and an additional spot with room for 1-2 cars in front of the house on N 12th St, please walk around the house and enter through the backyard, there will be signs! Street parking is available on Colter Ave.

Call for performers

Calling all Sisters!!!! If you would like to perform at our at meetings this year, please contact Toni Murdock, VPP, at toniclarkmurdock@gmail.com, or text at 270-977-6045,.



Sister News and Updates

News from our sisters in Boston!

Hi sisters,

The Boston Alumnae Chapter is hosting a virtual 5k race! All runners and walkers are welcome! You choose your own 5k course and you choose when you want to do it: anytime between April 15 and April 30. Registration includes a T-shirt, custom bib, and a curated Spotify playlist to pump you up while you run. Proceeds from the race are going to support the Boston Alumnae Chapter's Joan Reddy Memorial Scholarship.

We've added a bit of a friendly rivalry to this race. The chapter with the most participants will have a donation made to SAI Philanthropies, Inc in their chapter's name!

We'd love to have sisters from all over the country running and walking together in sisterhood and hope you'll share this with your chapter. Registration information can be found here:

<https://runsignup.com/Race/MA/AnyCityAnyState/SAIBostonAlumnaeChapterVirtual5K>

Love and roses,
Amanda

Tuesday, March 21, 7pm, Lenten Choir Concert featuring the Duruflé Requiem at St. Thomas the Apostle, St. Mary Magdalene and Corona del Sol high school choirs, Mr. Gregory Hebert, director, Dr. Heather Hernandez, organist, St. Thomas the Apostle Catholic Church, 2312 E Campbell Ave, Phoenix, AZ 85016

Free admission

[Click here](#) to see the Tucson Alum Newsletter

Dear Alumnae Members,

Once again we will host a virtual SAI Alumnae Week. The dates are Monday, April 17th through Friday, April 21st. Each day we will focus on a different aspect of our beautiful fraternity. Please save the dates. We would like the week to be more interactive than what we did last year.

We would like to have alumnae chapter participation, by creating a 2-3 minute video of your chapter highlighting a special event, a shout-out to the fraternity, or what you enjoy from being in an alumnae chapter. I ask you to submit your videos no later than April 7th to the link below. The videos will be shared throughout the week.

Send all videos to the following link:

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/17YKYrC97wuDHOBKOk0m4HYsMejxzrgJO?usp=sharing>

Calling all Daughters of Our Great and Singing Province!

Save the date to join your fellow Sigma Alpha Iota Omicron Province sisters for a day of music, sisterhood, food, and fun!

PROVINCE DAY

"Roses Bloom in the Desert"

Saturday, April 1, 2023

April Foolery will be accomplished!

Hosted by the Phoenix SAI Alumnae Chapter
Community of Christ Church, 5035 W Paradise Ln, Glendale, AZ 85306
8:00 am to 3:00 pm

Early bird registration: \$20 per person before March 1
After March 1: \$25 per person
(includes lunch)

We will have a mini Phlea Phlam - bring items to sell to help support
SAI Philanthropies.

For more details, email us:

heather.featherstone1972@gmail.com

Register for the day here:

<https://forms.gle/kNXqcSHUQrjyrwVcA>



Pay via CashApp: \$SAIPhoenixChapter (Alison)
or mail check to Heather Featherstone, 1757 W Oraibi Dr. Phoenix, AZ 85027.
Checks made out to SAI Phoenix Alumnae Chapter.

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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!

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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