# FORGET ME NOT

RICHMOND & CENTRAL VIRGINIA ALPHA PHI ALUMNAE

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Pay your 2017-18 local alumnae dues online with PayPal! Click the link on our website or log in to <a href="www.paypal.com">www.paypal.com</a>, select "Send Money", and enter <a href="mailloadline">alumni@richmondalphaphi.com</a>.

### President's Letter

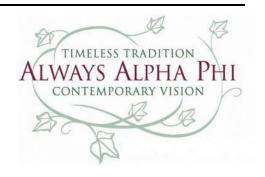
# Our Hearts are with Texas, Florida and Puerto Rico

The time is now for us to come together for our Alpha Phi sisters and their families impacted by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria. The Forget Me Not Fund is an assistance grants program dedicated to supporting our sisters in their greatest times of need. The Foundation has already received communications from sisters in need in the affected areas. We anticipate many more Forget Me Not applications to come. Please consider a donation to our Forget Me Not fund and lend a helping hand to these sisters in need. Click here to donate now or give to the American Red Cross.

Join us at one of our events this year and see what Alpha Phi Alumnae can offer! We love to get together to socialize, eat, craft, eat, play, and of course eat! Highlights of our calendar include Fondue for Founders' Day, bowling, our annual Christmas Cookie Party, and the Richmond Heart Ball.

Please don't hesitate to provide us feedback on how we're doing as a chapter, any suggestions you might have to improve your Alpha Phi experience with us, and ideas for new events. See you soon!

Alpha Phi love and mine, **Diana M.** (Eta Pi)



# 2018-2020 Executive Board Elections

Would you like to become more involved in your local alumnae chapter? Consider joining our Executive Board. Positions are for a two-year term. Our new Board will be installed in April 2018 and we would love to have some new faces get involved! Time commitments are minimal and it's a great way to be a Phinomenal Phi!

Anyone can nominate a sister (or yourself!) for a board position. However, only Dues Paying Members are eligible for board positions, so make sure you pay your dues!

- President oversees chapter operations
- VP Membership focuses on recruitment, retention and recognition of members, coordinates mailings, meeting minutes, etc.
- ∨P Communication and Outreach coordinates Evites for events, submits Ouarterly updates
- VP Ways and Means coordinates chapter philanthropic activities
- Panhellenic Representative represents us at local alumnae Panhellenic events/meetings

#### Why support your local Alpha Phi Alumnae Chapter?

In addition to your yearly dues to Alpha Phi International, your local Alpha Phi Alumnae Chapter depends on your financial support. Your dues allow the chapter to:

- Support collegiate Alpha Phi chapters in Virginia.
- & Keep in touch with Alpha Phi alumnae (you!) in the area with our newsletter and emails, and plan special events and activities in the Richmond area.
- & Make an annual donation to the Alpha Phi Foundation.
- Recognize 50-year and 75-year alumnae in our area. Any 50- or 75-year member who is also a dues paying member of our alumnae chapter will receive Alpha Phi's commemorative pin with our compliments.

#### We need you! Be a part of our sisterhood!



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All dues paying members will receive a small thank you gift and be recognized on our web site at <a href="www.richmondalphaphi.com">www.richmondalphaphi.com</a>. Remember .... Alpha Phi Lasts a Lifetime!

## **Upcoming Events**

Evites will be sent for each event; remember to RSVP!!!

October 12, 6:30 pm Founders' Day Fondue The Melting Pot

9704 Gayton Rd., Henrico

Celebrate the beginning of Alpha Phi with cheese and chocolate! This event is open only to Alpha Phi sisters. RSVP required by October 5.

December 10, 2:00 pm Cookie Party Sue R.'s House Midlothian

We'll be putting together our cookie tins for our Holiday Fundraiser (see details at right under Alpha Phi News.) Please bring 6-8 dozen cookies to contribute.

January 25, 6:00 pm Glass Work All Fired Up

4668 Commonwealth Centre Pkwy, Midlothian

Create colorful dishes, serving platters and more with glass fusing. This unique artistic method allows you to embellish glassware with patterns and personalized designs! Participants cover the cost of their pieces (it's Ladies' Night so it's 10% off!).

Don't forget: National Wear Red Day is February 3, 2017. So wear your favorite red sweater, red shirt, red dress or your red dress pin!



February 25, 3:00 pm

Bowling

Uptown Alley

**6101 Brad McNeer Pkwy., Midlothian** Bring your family and friends and enjoy an afternoon of upscale bowling. Visit

the website at

http://uptownalleyrichmond.com. Games are \$4.50 pp, shoe rental is \$4.

March 24, 6:30 pm Potluck/Book Swap Krissie G.'s House Chesterfield

Bring your favorite dish to share and any books you are willing to swap. Please RSVP to the Evite to let us know what you want to bring!

April 21, 4:00 pm Volunteer at <u>Richmond Heart Ball</u> Main Street Station 1500 E. Main St., Richmond

This will be our 8<sup>th</sup> year helping to raise money for the American Heart Association. If you are interested in volunteering with us, please contact Diana M.

April 29, 2:00 pm

Annual Exec Business Meeting

Diana M.'s House

Midlothian

All current/interested exec members required; all other Alpha Phis invited. Wine and cheese will be served. This event is open only to Alpha Phi sisters.

July 21, 1:00 pm Richmond Brewery Tour Richmond Beer Trail 2408 Ownby Ln, Richmond

Join us on a city-wide tour of Richmond's breweries! We will start at Hardywood Park and work our way around the map, stopping for snacks along the way as needed. Friends and spouses welcome! Visit the website at <a href="https://www.visitrichmondva.com/drink/richmond-beer-trail/">https://www.visitrichmondva.com/drink/richmond-beer-trail/</a> for more information. Wear comfy shoes!

August 11, 6:05 pm

Flying Squirrels Baseball
The Diamond

3001 N Boulevard, Richmond

Bring the family and friends to cheer on the Richmond Flying Squirrels minor league team. We'll meet at 5:30 in front of the will call booth. General admission tickets are \$9 (\$8 in advance.)

Remember, family, friends, coworkers, etc. are always welcome at our events unless designated as sisters only! What a great way to introduce others to Alpha Phi!!!

# Alpha Phi News

- Congratulations to Meghan B.
  (Alpha Lambda- alum initiate),
  husband Jon and proud
  grandmother Sue R. (Epsilon
  Epsilon Longwood) on their
  new baby girl Davis, born in April
  2017!
- The Alpha Phi Foundation Board of Directors is pleased to announce Amy P. (Beta-Northwestern) of Chicago, IL as its new Executive Director.
- Coa In August we had a blast escaping
  The Lost Jewel of the James at
  Escape Room RVA! We emerged
  with only a few minutes to spare!
  Look for another escape room
  event to pop up soon!
- Our Holiday Fundraiser will again be our homemade cookie tin sales!
  - ~ In the month of November, we will take orders for tins of homemade cookies, priced at \$10. Each tin will contain approximately 2 dozen small cookies.
  - ~ Ask your family and friends to buy tins! These make great gifts.
  - ~ Our December event will be a "cookie party!" We'll put the cookies in fancy tins and wrap them up as gifts. We will include a small note in each tin to thank the purchaser for supporting the Alpha Phi Foundation and women's heart health.
  - ~ Order forms can be downloaded from our website: www.richmondalphaphi.com.
  - ~ Contact Lynn N. for more information or if you would like to volunteer to bake cookies.

Are you on Facebook? Look for our group page
(Richmond/Central VA Alpha
Phi Alumnae) to find additional information on upcoming events.

<a href="http://www.facebook.com/groups/247786605232320/">http://www.facebook.com/groups/247786605232320/</a>

#### **E-mail Updates**

This could be your last newsletter! We are attempting to reduce our carbon footprint by going digital! If you received this in the mail, it means we don't have your e-mail address. If you have an e-mail address and still wish to receive our newsletter, please contact us at richmondalphaphi@gmail.com.

#### **International Dues**

Don't forget your International Dues to remain in good standing with Alpha Phi! You can pay \$38.45 (annual dues + Founders' Day pennies) or select Lifetime Dues (\$450) and pay once for the rest of your lifetime! Bonus gift: a 12-month subscription to SELF, Condé Nast Traveler, or Bon Appetit magazine! See the website at: <a href="https://www.alphaphi.org/alumnae/alumnaedues">https://www.alphaphi.org/alumnae/alumnaedues</a>.

#### **Dinner Club**

(formerly Craft N Chat)
1st Wednesday, held monthly, 6pm
All are welcome for a mid-week dinner
out! Contact: Diana M. to get on the
email reminder list for this event and to
stay updated on location as we try
different spots around the city.

Nov. 1
Dec. 6
Feb. 7
Mar. 7
Apr. 4
May 2
Jun. 6
Jul. 11\* (this is a change)

Aug. 1

Check out the newly revamped website for Alpha Phi International Fraternity at <a href="www.alphaphi.org">www.alphaphi.org</a>!!!