



March 31, 2020

Dearest Phi Mu Sisters,

On behalf of National Council, I want to reach out to you with a moment of gratitude.

This is an unprecedented time, and we could not be more thankful for the swift and responsible actions of the Phi Mu Headquarters staff. They worked tirelessly to assist our collegiate members as campuses were closed down.

They are providing important communication, resources and programming to help our chapter members stay connected and supported. To see that information, you can visit <https://www.phimu.org/covid-19-updates/>. Their efforts have only just begun, and we know the upcoming weeks and months will continue to require their hard work, thoughtfulness and determination.

We appreciate the important role our alumnae have played at this time. Our advisory councils and house corporations have faced unexpected challenges, and we are grateful for the assistance they provide to our collegians. We appreciate how they are focused on guiding our chapter members through disappointment, confusion and uncertainty as they also manage their own families and careers.

Our collegiate members, particularly the Chapter Presidents and Executive Committee members, have done outstanding work in a difficult, quickly evolving time. They have been extremely responsive to staff members and volunteers, and have been incredibly creative in implementing ways to conduct important chapter business and "do sisterhood" virtually.

Earlier this month we celebrated 168 years of Phi Mu. As an organization we have lived through the Spanish Flu, the Great Depression and two World Wars, but we have endured. It is comforting to know that tonight, across the world, Phi Mu sisters will gather virtually to celebrate a Phi Mu Night In. Even in this time of physical distancing, we are still able to provide fellowship and community to each other as sisters.

Please continue to be safe, to take care of yourself, and of one another. If you are able in this difficult time, please consider a contribution to Phi Mu Foundation to support the M3 Campaign and Foundation's member assistance funds for those members who are not as fortunate. You can visit <https://phimufoundation.org/give/>, click on the M3 Campaign button

and select 'designate your gift' to choose either the Betty Wilkinson Emergency Fund or the Leona Hughes Hughes Heart and Hand Fund.

We know that the spirit of Phi Mu cannot be broken, and that times that challenge us make our sisterhood more important than ever. There is much more difficulty to face, but we will get through this together.

Love in Our Bond,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Andie Kash". The script is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of "Andie" and "Kash" being capitalized and prominent.

Andie Kash, Delta Eta
National President