

For whatever you choose to celebrate...

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*Blessings to one and ALL this
Holiday Season!*

The holiest of all holidays are those
Kept by ourselves in silence and apart;
The secret anniversaries of the heart,
When the full river of feeling overflows;--
The happy days unclouded to their close;
The sudden joys that our of darkness start
As flames from ashes; swift desires that dart
Like swallows singing down each wind that blows!
-- Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

Arizona - Connie Harrold, Beta Delta 4271 (Tucson) has just found out she will have surgery next week for lung cancer. She is asking for your prayers and good thoughts but please, no calls. Her address is 1917 S. Augusta Circle, Tucson, AZ 85710

California - Honorary Keys Member, Mary Edna Erickson, passed away. Mary Edna had served many, many years ago as an Illinois State President. We all know that Mary Edna had recently lost her husband, David, and her heart was broken. Please keep Mary Edna's family in your thoughts and prayers. Funeral services will be private and in lieu of flowers, the family has requested that donations may be sent to St. Jude Children's Research Hospital in memory of Mary Edna. Cards may be mailed to: The Family of Mary Edna Erickson 1116 South Astell Avenue West Covina, CA 91710

Martha Escobedo, Chi Epsilon President, fell early November and broke her ankle. She has a plate and several pins holding it together. Thinking of You and Get-Well cards may be mailed to: Martha Escobedo 8890 Carnation Lane Gilroy, CA 95020

Rickie Brown, Past IC and CSC President and President had surgery to repair a torn ligament, not only one tear but two. Rickie is also being held in place with pins. Her surgery went well, and she is recuperating at home. Cards for Rickie may be sent to: Rickie Brown 3372 Corvina Way Rancho Cordova, CA 95670

Georgia - Gail Marchant is finally home (with limitations) and doing great.....She is Amazing! Although she is moving slow and still sore (for good reason) she is able to manage the pain without much assistance so far. Thank you all again for all of the prayers. Please continue to pray for her as she travels the road to a speedy recovery. Cards can be sent to: Gail Marchant 6960 Cowan Mill Rd Winston, GA 30187

Gail Marchant's brother in law had surgery on 11/17 and needs our prayers. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers for healing. Send cards to: Eddie Anderson, 6870 Baggett Rd, Douglasville, Ga.30134

Geri Day's daughter, Susan, fell last week fracturing her pelvis in two places and her tail bone. She is in a therapy facility for 6-8 weeks Good wishes and prayers are needed for Susan and for her mother, Geri, who is taking care of her. Cards may be sent to Susan Neill, c/o Geri Day, 2080 Silhouette Ct., Villa Rica, Ga. 30180

Indiana – Lola Jaegers is still with her daughter, Teri. Her foot is healing very good. December 10th they are going to remove the neck brace, but she will continue to have the full body brace until possibly March. She is planning a memorial for Joe, January 19th in Greenwood, IN. She seems to be improving each day but still has a long way to go. Please keep her in your prayers. Lola Jaegers 2290 Willow Circle Dr. Greenwood, IN 46143

Iowa - Leora Walton. Leora passed just after midnight, Wednesday, November 27. Visitation will be Monday, December 2, 4p-7p at Weerts Funeral Home, 3625 Jersey Ridge Road, Davenport. (Kimberly and Jersey Ridge). Funeral is at 11 am Tuesday, December 3, with an hour of visitation before the service at First Christian Church, 510 East 15th Street in Davenport, IA. After the service they will go to the cemetery then return to the church for the luncheon. Cards may be sent to Sandi Anderson at 2525 29th Street, Moline, IL 61265.

Kansas - Margaret Shook, Chi Epsilon-Wichita, and all of her family. This is her message on Facebook November 5: "As many of you are aware Walt has been undergoing treatment for bladder cancer. Last week our oncologist recommended that we discontinue treatment and contact hospice. I ask for prayers that God will walk with us on this journey free of pain and surrounded by love and peace." Her contact information is: 2512 Meadow Grove Cr., Wichita, KS 67205, mshook@mail.com

Mikayla Wiechman. Her daughter Brooklyn has a genetic blood disorder. In the last year they have done an egg retrieval that resulted in an embryo that was a perfect match. (the odds of that were very low). Embryo was implanted and Mikayla is now VERY pregnant with a little boy that we can't wait to meet. They really wanted their baby to be born here at the Scott County Hospital, but no one here had ever done a cord blood retrieval. Scott County hospital has been trying to hire a head OB nurse for some time. In the last month a nurse from Dallas, Texas and her husband decided to move here to slow down the pace of their life and took the job. She was OB nurse in a hospital in Dallas and has done over 1,000 cord blood retrievals. She is currently training all the nurses. Mikayla is scheduled to have her baby boy here in Scott City on December 10, with her own Dr. and the new OB nurse scrubbing in. MaKayla's contact information is: 1110 S College, Scott City, KS 67871, mi_kay_la@hotmail.com

Walt Shook (Margaret Shook's husband) passed away on Sunday, Nov. 24, 2019 around 5:00 PM. Margaret, Chi Epsilon member, Past State President's email address is mshook@mail.com. Cards of expressions of sympathy may be sent to Margaret at 2512 Meadow Grove Circle, Wichita, KS 67205. Thank you for your thoughts and prayers throughout his illness. Please continue to keep Margaret and her family in your prayers at this sad time.

Michigan – Pat Ludwig she is still in the hospital. Surgery went fine, incision is healing nice, but her breathing is not where it should be. I know she is taking calls, texts and emails along with cards.

Cathy Taylor, an Alpha Kappa #4401 sister, is home from the hospital recuperating from knee replacement surgery. She is doing well and has started therapy at home. After an upcoming doctor appointment, she will have outpatient therapy. Cards of support may be sent to Cathy at 16564 Waverly Circle, Clinton Twp, Mi 48038

Ohio – Sandy Fuller. She has pneumonia and it is very serious.

Texas – Jean Owens passed on November 24th. She was a long-time member of ESA and a Beautiful lady inside and out. cards may be sent to her 2 sons: Ron & Pam Waddell 2349 Cr 582A Brazoria, TX 77422 and Gary Waddell 3629 Mendenhall Corpus Christi, TX 78415. Let us keep this family in our prayers.

Jan Mattson, District XI President, is continuing her cancer journey. This week she met with her doctors to verify she was healed enough from her prior surgery to begin chemo and radiation treatments. Jan is to receive 5 weeks of 5 days a week radiation treatment. I do not know the number of rounds of radiation treatments Jan will have at this time. She does know she will receive two Chemo treatments during the radiation treatments. Her treatment schedule begins as follows: Monday, December 2nd: Radiation mapping and scheduling Tuesday, December 3rd: Radiation and first of two Chemo treatments

Washington - Barbara Swanson, an Alpha Theta member, recently had surgery. Cards can be sent to Barbara Swanson 19 Lakeside Lane Naselle, WA 98638

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