

Contemplation / Conversation

Reflect, Discuss, Grow.....*Just Forward*

SIGMA SIGMA SIGMA
for women



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Title: Our Founders

- What would the Founders say about Sigma Sigma Sigma Sorority today?
- Do we live the ritual as it was intended?
- Is the Declaration of Principles current and valuable today?

Facilitation Guide:

Send the above electronically to chapter members. If you are choosing to have a conversation program send the date and time of the program in the e-mail so the women have time to think about the questions. Here is an outline to follow for the discussion:

- I. Set the Tone for the discussion
 - a. Use included hints
 - b. No side discussions

- II. Our Founders
 - a. Who can name the founders?
 - b. Run through the list of questions above allowing women to respond, question, and listen to each other.

Set the Tone:

This is a time for a great chapter discussion on a topic other than chapter business. You will need to make sure that all voices and opinions are heard and discussed.

* Have women leave their backpacks/cell phones, etc. at the door of the program so they are focused on the discussion.

*Post the attached Rules for Discussion in the room.

*Post the Declaration of Principles for reference.

*Arrange chairs in a circle

*Play music as women arrive

Discussion Rules

Our goal is simple, honest conversation where we each have a chance to speak, we each feel heard, and we each listen well. *Margaret Wheatley*

- 1. Listen while others are talking.**
- 2. Respect the opinions of others.**
- 3. Have fun with the topic.**
- 4. Keep a speakers list so you can focus on what is being said, not when you will be speaking.**