

Marina District Thoughts - January 23, 2021

Opening Thoughts:

Our theme today is “Flourishing in the New Year.” The dictionary definition of flourishing is growing well or luxuriantly; faring well or prospering; being in a period of highest productivity or excellence. Today let’s reach for those moments of excellence as we explore how we can enable ourselves and our sisterhood to flourish in the new year. 2020 was a difficult and challenging year. 2021 stands open before us. We have a chance to connect with each other, learn from this hard year and forge ahead into the new year close to each other in spirit. Goethe (Grrta) said, “The world is so empty if one thinks only of mountains, rivers and cities; but to know someone who thinks and feels with us, and who, though distant, is close to us in spirit, this makes the earth for us an inhabited garden.” Let’s revel in this flourishing garden of sisterhood at our Marina District Conference today.

Closing Thoughts:

A wise person said, “You have to nourish to flourish.” Today we have been nourished by nature in the company of each other. We have appreciated the beauty of Lotus Gardens together, thank you Nancy. Nature speaks to the deepest parts of our soul, taking us out of our everyday worries and concerns. Today we had a chance to share nature with each other in our inhabited garden of sisterhood. Let’s take our spirit of a flourishing garden back to our chapters. Let us be an example of how to flourish in 2021 and help our sisters flourish in the new year, too.