

ALPHA SIGMA ALPHA ALUMNAE BOOK CLUB DISCUSSION QUESTIONS
OCTOBER 2019 – “DARKEST JOURNEY” BY HEATHER GRAHAM

1. *Darkest Journey* brought history, romance and a murder mystery into one story. Which storyline was your favorite throughout the book and why?
2. As you were reading *Darkest Journey*, who did you think was the murderer? Why did you suspect them?
3. *Darkest Journey* incorporated lots of historical insight into the Civil War. Given that the main storyline is fictitious, did you learn anything new about the war or the soldiers who fought in it?
4. What were your thoughts about the paranormal aspect of *Darkest Journey*? Did you enjoy its contribution to the story?
5. Charlie and Ethan’s love story was a key theme throughout the book. Were you happy with the way their relationship was portrayed?
6. Throughout *Darkest Journey*, Charlie was adamant that her father was not responsible for the murders. At any point did you think that she might be wrong and that he was the killer?
7. What were your thoughts at the beginning of the book when Charlie was left tied to a gravestone in order to be admitted to the “Cherubs”? If you were Charlie, how would you have reacted in this situation?
8. A large portion of this story revolves around the paddleboat, *The Journey*. What were your thoughts about the historically themed cruises aboard *The Journey*, and is that something you would ever be interested in doing?
9. Were you surprised once you learned who the murderer was? Did you think it fit well with the rest of the story?
10. Were you satisfied with the end of *Darkest Journey*? If you could change something about the ending, what would it be?