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Important Dates

Committee Chairs and Officers Training (CCOT) South:

Jacob Finger United Methodist Church, 139 8th St., Mitchell, IN 47446 Saturday, June 9 North: New Hope Church, 346 South, 00 EW, Kokomo, IN 46901 Thursday, June 21

2018 International DKG Convention

Austin, Texas July 16-20, 2018

DKG Alaskan Glacier Cruise

Seattle to Alaska August 29 – Sept. 8, 2018 alaskacruisedkg.grouptoursite.com

State Executive Board Meeting

Saturday, Sept. 8, 10:00 am LaQuinta Inn, 5120 Victory Drive, Indianapolis 46203 (Chapter presidents; state officers; state committee chairs)

Janet O'Neal Seminar

Saturday, Nov. 10, 9:00 am-3:00 pm Logansport High School 1 Berry Lane, Logansport 46947

State Conference "Inspires Change"



Penny Schaefer, 2018 Conference Committee Members from across the state convened at the Courtyard by Marriott in Lafayette on Saturday, April 28th for fellowship, personal and professional growth, and recognition of key women educators.

A meaningful Ceremony of Remembrance honored those members deceased in the past year, including a personal recognition of the life of Dr. Joanne Lantz (State President 1975–1977) by Sharon Henderson.

The morning breakout sessions informed attendees about basic ukulele instruction, proposed international document changes, magical writing triggers for 4th grade students, worthwhile travel strategies, ice



breakers and opening thoughts, fancy napkin folding, parliamentary procedure 101, and copyright challenges. At the same time a group of women traveled to the Haan Art Museum to learn about Indiana artists' impact over the years.



Prior to the Birthday Luncheon members were enchanted by the mother-daughter duo of Kayla Gill and Lorelei Haley who sang and danced their way through several Broadway musical memories. After the meal Jitka Nelson, 2017 Indiana Teacher of the Year and member of Gamma Mu Chapter, shared her many activities and opportunities during the year as

she has represented the state of Indiana. Later, attendees posed for pictures with Ms. Nelson to publicize their attendance at the conference.

The general session adopted a new budget for 2018–2019, voted on changes to the state standing rules, elected Leslie Hamman to serve as state treasurer for another four years, reminded incoming chapter officers to attend CCOT sessions in June, and scheduled the November 10th event for the Janet O'Neal Seminar for Personal Growth.

An invitation by CC13 to attend the 2019 state convention in Lawrenceburg concluded the eventful day.

ATTENTION CONVENTION ATTENDEES

If you are going to Austin, please let Jo Jones know. Send her your name, chapter, email address, how many guests you are taking, and a phone number to reach you in Austin. The Indiana picture will be taken around noon on Wednesday, and Indiana will hopefully all go out to dinner together on Tuesday evening. Jo's email is immsjjj@comcast.net.

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Our Strong Bond

Jo Jones, Alpha Epsilon State President
nvariably during the week at 7:30 p.m. if I am home
or near a TV, I turn on Jeopardy. For the last couple
of years, my sister who lives in Danville, my niece
who lives in Chattanooga, and I watch the show and
text the answer to Final Jeopardy. Sometimes we all



get the answer, sometimes only one or two of us gets the answer, and sometimes none of us gets the answer. At the end, it isn't uncommon for us to talk about the question and answer. We occasionally mention questions that came up during the regular question period. We are even known to go to Google to find out more. When we are all together during a holiday, we have fun playing the entire game together.

The reason we have kept the tradition of watching Jeopardy together this way is the commonality of having a similar interest. All three of us are very different, yet among other similar interests, we do have this common bond of enjoying a good game of Jeopardy. Hmm. Think about it. You and I have a bond. And that bond is called Delta Kappa Gamma. Experiencing Delta Kappa Gamma can easily be compared to watching Jeopardy. Most of the time, you and I are apart, but we may have a question or thought about DKG. We might email back and forth trying to understand a point about DKG. Other times we might go to a different source for an explanation, such as the international or state website. If we are together for a meeting, conference, or convention, we can have a discussion. But what keeps us going is the commonality of love for the Society.

Many of us have belonged to different professional organizations, but I feel DKG is where I find the strongest bond to most of the members. I am proud to wear the keypin. I am proud to say I am a member of DKG. I am proud of all my sisters in the Society.

As a new biennium begins for the chapters, I hope the officers and chairmen keep in mind the bond we have. We are understanding of one another. We are helpful. We want to see success. A change is just around the corner, but it is not a change to fear. It is a change to grasp ahold of to make our chapters stronger. If any of you feel you are about to falter, look up. You will see another member there to help you. You will see a sincere smile of encouragement. Sometimes a smile is all we need.

See you at CCOT (Kokomo or Mitchell)

and at the September Executive Board meeting!

(more info at www.dkgindiana.org)



Projects, Programs, and Preparation......Oh My!

Stephanie Walsh, First Vice-President

As we make our way into the late spring and early summer months I know many chapters around the state will host planning meetings in preparation for the start of the new biennium. Chapter EEC Chairs should brainstorm programs to help raise awareness of needs in their communities, state, nation, or world. The chapter could then take on a project, or more than one project, that supports the needs and issues associated with those programs. Chapters can partner with other organizations in their geographic area in order to put an even larger focus on the project. Chapters can even come up

with a project unique to your community—it doesn't need to be associated with a national organization. Any local organization would work!

And once you carry out an impactful program or project, don't be shy. Let your community know what you are doing through press releases, newsletters, and social media posts! When your projects get publicity, it not only helps bring awareness to the project, it also helps educate those in the community about the purposes and practices of Delta Kappa Gamma.

The Educational Excellence Chairs will have a session at the June CCOT. Please attend if you are an EEC Chair, or would like more information about a variety of program and project ideas. And, even better, if you have a program or project that your chapter does well, bring information along to share with other chapters!

** Note from the editor: As you collect photos of various activities your chapter enjoys, please send them along with a quick description to the webmaster for inclusion in the new "Photo Gallery" section! Send to IndianaDKG@gmail.com.





Nancy Durham, Mu, Music Chair and Cheryl Odle, Gamma Mu

Serving Community SEMINAR LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT

DKG Art Gallery

Nancy Hoff, Personal Growth and Professional Affairs Committee Chair Have you visited the Delta Kappa Gamma Art Gallery on www.dkg.org? Find the gallery toward the bottom of the Home Page and click on the Art Gallery frame. On this page, move through the choices: Visual Art, Writing, Music and Video. **Ann Greenman Barnell** of Alpha Omicron has two entries under Visual Art. Congratulations! Information about the next submission should be posted soon.

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Treasury Notes

Leslie Hamman, State Treasurer Once again a fiscal year is drawing to its end.

This means it's time to remember the dates and deadlines listed below. The June and July dates are the responsibility of the outgoing treasurer. If you are an outgoing treasurer, please remember to complete Form 27 – Change of Treasurer form. To all outgoing



treasurers, I have enjoyed working with you! To the incoming treasurers, thank you for agreeing to serve your chapter in this capacity!

June 30th - End of the 2017-18 Fiscal year - prepare for and schedule a financial review of your books and records

July 15th - Deadline to complete Form 15 for your records as well as emailing or sending a copy to me for use on Indiana's yearend report to International.

July 1st to November 15th - Chapter and coordinating council treasurers file IRS 990-N epostcard. Recommendation: Do this with information collected from Form 15! Make sure to send or email me a copy of the status form stating your submission has been accepted!

August - Receive roster and dues forms from International

October 31st - Deadline for dues to be paid to Chapter Treasurer

November 10th - Deadline for Form 18, Form 18A, and dues to be sent to me

If you have any questions, concerns, problems... contact me! I am happy to help! <hammanleslie@yahoo.com>

Help Us Help You!

Currently, several Indiana DKG members are not getting ANY mail from DKG, either International or Indiana state. Why? Apparently their initiate cards were sent to International with only a name, chapter name, and a check. Without an address, we who handle mailings are up a creek!

Please, please, please – check over each initiate card BEFORE you send it to International. If you (or someone else in your chapter) move, PLEASE make sure that someone fills out Form 27 and sends it to both International (mem@dkg.org) and our Indiana state treasurer, Leslie Hamman (hammanleslie@yahoo.com). Address corrections caught by the post office are costly, both in money spent AND information lost!

JANET O'NEAL SEMINAR FOR PERSONAL GROWTH LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT ~SLAM DUNK SATURDAY~

Come join us in Logansport at Logansport High School on Saturday, November 10, 2018 for Leadership Development!

All Delta Kappa Gamma members are invited. Bring a friend or maybe someone who might be interested in becoming a member of Delta

Kappa Gamma. PGP points will be available for those of you who may need them. The day will include continental breakfast and lunch. Dress casual for the day and be comfortable. Mike Pinto, Principal of James Cole Elementary School will be our keynote speaker and other surprises. You will find Mr. Pinto very motivating and entertaining.

Visit the Indiana DKG website for a registration form and costs for the day.

Hope to see you all in November!

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DKG International Constitution Proposals

By Aggie Moynihan, Northeast Regional Director I have found that Annie Webb Blanton's words, "Be progressive. Keep up with the moving world while not discarding what in the old has value. Don't cling to the old when its worth has passed. Don't be a person so set in your views that nothing can change you." are exactly the words we need today. She knew things couldn't remain the same forever. Change is inevitable. She was a very intelligent, future seeing woman. She knew she had to give us permission to change things when needed. So, she did.

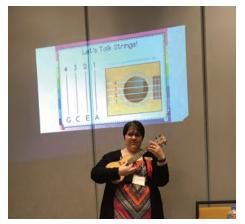
One of the overall changes being proposed is to 'Simplify'. Today the Delta Kappa Gamma name makes many people and potential members think we are a sorority and not a professional organization of key women teachers who provide scholarships for members as well as a support system for those members. When you hear the name Doctors Without Borders you immediately know who they are and what they do. Not so, with The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.

It has been proposed that we change our name to Women Educators International (DKG). The rationale is that this name promotes who we are. It doesn't tell what we do; but, with marketing that new name perhaps that would come to be known as well. It has also been proposed to change state names to the geographic area; so, Beta State would be known as Ontario. The state in turn would name the chapters. They could remain the way they are if the state chose to do that.

Although some see membership in DKG as a "reward," (an honours teacher society, and you have to be asked to be a member) Annie Webb Blanton was clear in Purpose 2 "to honor women who have given or who evidence a potential for distinctive service in any field of education." She didn't think that you had to have done something great before you could join. She just wanted you to have the potential for greatness so you could achieve that after you joined. But, it goes hand in hand, remember she was giving scholarships and support to the members so they could accomplish great things. In light of this idea, a number of proposals are trying to broaden membership.

It has been proposed to change the word initiated to inducted (modern term) and being able to apply to be a member not just by invitation. Remember, the idea is to simplify. You don't have to go out looking for members, they could come to you. Also, that you become a member as soon as you pay your dues to the chapter – not when Headquarters finally receives it. Members need a membership number to get onto the

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Ukulele Underground: Tiffany Ingles, presenter





Set an Impressive Table with Fancy Napkin folding: Carol Herzog, presenter • Jan Sypnieski shown folding (I)



Haan Museum Tour participants



Off To A Great Start: Saundra Brown, presenter

Do Not Print! Do Not Pose!

Marti Daily, Editor/Webmaster

Many of you may remember signing a "permission" note to allow your photo to be used in *The Hoosier Newsette.* After collecting several hundred of these notes, and realizing it really might be a problem for only a few who specifically do NOT want their photo used, the Standing Rule (2.g.6.) was changed to charge the editor/webmaster to keep a file of "Do Not Print" names. This note usually accompanies the registration form for state-level events, but if there is some reason that you do not EVER want your photo to appear in DKG Indiana publications or the website, PLEASE LET ME KNOW, and then if you DO see someone taking pictures, feel free to move away or ask that you not be included. We respect your privacy and will make every effort to keep your photo out of the public eye upon request.



Indiana Teacher of the Year Jitka Nelson, Gamma Mu, was an outstanding keynote speaker.

Check out the Indiana state DKG website:

www.DKGIndiana.org

Can't find something? PLEASE let me know! Marti Daily, Indiana state editor/webmaster indianaDKG@gmail.com

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website. They need to start receiving mail from Headquarters. If Headquarters doesn't know they are a new member, they can't issue them a number and they can't send them material or publications. So, becoming a member as soon as you pay your dues and Headquarters being notified just makes sense.

Member Emerita is being proposed that members with 50 years or more in DKG don't pay dues. Long standing members who might be in a nursing home or special care units shouldn't be dropped because they can't pay their dues and sometimes the chapter just can't afford to do it.

Collegiate members would be graduate students who are enrolled in an institution working on an education degree. This introduces pre-career educators to DKG but also offers access to mentoring and support. They couldn't hold office but they wouldn't have time for that anyway. They would become active members after they get a job.

Many proposals have been put forth to make it simpler to focus on the mission of DKG with easier structures for membership, dues collection, training, conferences and even voting. Make it simpler to take risks for personal growth by changing shall to may to allow piloting and experimentation. This pertains mainly to Committee Work Article VIII, Meetings Article IX and International Conventions and Conferences Article X. Make it simpler to fill a leadership role especially with the leadership training and tasks for leaders.

Make it simpler to respond to change by being able to modify the Constitution every two years instead of every four years that it is now.

Paying dues is difficult the way it is now. Our year begins July 1. We have until October 31st to pay dues to the chapter. Then it goes to the state who has to send it to International by December 1st. Almost half the year is gone by, before Headquarters gets any money and that is only if everyone is paying on time. It also makes it difficult for Headquarters to know who members are. The proposed change is to pay dues to the chapter before June 30 for the coming year. Then it goes to state and state to International before September 30th.

For states with no Headquarters building, an available fund reserve (savings account) separate from the available fund would be maintained with a total of one year's operating expenses.

It is proposed to eliminate the Expansion Committee and the Golden Gift Committee. Their work would continue; Expansion by administrative board and Golden Gift by Leadership. The president shall assign members to committees according to the proportionate number of members in each region unless otherwise specified in the committee description (not one from every region). Leadership Development wouldn't necessarily precede each regional conference. Educational Excellence Committee will have six members including the chair (instead of 13) as well as the NGO representative.

It has been proposed to replace the phrase *Regional Conference* with *International Conference* which would allow organizing conferences in a variety of ways, including by regions, pairing regions and even consistency in themes.

Modifying the groups to receive training at the conferences has also been suggested. Editors and Webmasters have shown their interest is primarily in sharing which they could do easier in training videos and online sessions.

It's been proposed that treasurers receive a full day of training instead of a half day. They believe working with treasurers, presidents and membership chairs as a team would be very effective. It's also been proposed to remove the phrase "preceding each conference". This would give more flexibility to the timing of the training. It would also make it possible to train all presidents at the same time perhaps at a leadership conference.

There are other proposals about Headquarters, Publications, Awards, Amendments and an additional Enabling Act concerning the DKG Society Supporting Corporation. Those are very straight forward and I thought you could look at them yourself.

This is clearly a snapshot of some of the proposals to the constitution. I hope it has helped you to understand a bit better what is being proposed.

Getting Ready for Austin

- Look on the "resources" page of the dkg.org website for videos explaining the background of some of the issues to be voted upon in Austin.
- Did you want to tour the DKG International headquarters? Sign up in advance to get the time you want click on "events" and then "registration".
- Download the NEW DKG app not only is it full of information for the convention, but you'll have links to all kinds of DKG information year round, right in your pocket!

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