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To: State Leaders, Chapter Presidents, and Chapter WIA Chairs
From: WIA Chair, Sue Dion
Re: 40th CAR June 28 -30, 2019 at Allerton Park, Monticello, IL
Date: January 2019

Welcome to the New Year! We have exciting news from WIA! We will be celebrating the 40th Anniversary of the Creative Arts Retreat with a new date at a new venue. Join us for our Ruby Anniversary at the beautiful Allerton Park centrally located in Monticello, IL. The WIA Committee has been busy with plans for an extra special retreat to mark this milestone event! We will feature an Art Gallery showcasing work created by our talented DKG members as well as a Talent Show for our Saturday evening entertainment.

The Allerton Mansion was built as the private residence of artist and philanthropist Robert Allerton in 1900. The facility offers visitors an opportunity to experience art, nature, and history away from the distractions of everyday life. The retreat center includes formal gardens filled with sculptures and fourteen miles of hiking trails. There is space for all of our workshops conveniently located on the main floor of the Mansion, and specially prepared meals for our weekend immersed in the arts. You will also enjoy the luxury of private and semi-private accommodations in the Mansion, the Gate House, Evergreen Lodge, and the House in the Woods. Rooms are also available for individuals with mobility issues. On site lodging is limited so you will want to register **early** to ensure one of the lovely rooms is yours to enjoy during the 40th Anniversary of Creative Arts Retreat.

Our theme for the 40th CAR Celebration is "Somewhere Over the Rainbow in Ruby Slippers!" We will use the theme as a spring board for many of our weekend activities and for some of our workshops. The WIA Committee is looking for our talented DKG sisters to present workshops at our 40th CAR. You can share your expertise with a mini project on Friday evening, a self-instructed project prepared for the Creative Arts Learning Center, or present at one of the Saturday sessions. Art experiences in drawing, painting, lettering, sewing, basketry, jewelry, fiber arts, crafts, music, dance, writing, paper arts, collage, printmaking, card making, etc. are needed to make our 40th retreat extra special. Please consider sharing your knowledge as a presenter at our upcoming retreat. Fill out the presenter form and send a photo of the project to the WIA Chair for the DKG website.

Visit the Illinois Lambda State website for CAR registration forms, presenter forms, and tentative schedule of activities for the 40th CAR Celebration. WIA will have displays and information regarding the 40th CAR at the Illinois Lambda State Convention in April. You can also visit the Allerton Park website for more information on the retreat center. Remember, "We're not at Lorado Taft anymore!"