

2013-2015 WOMEN OF DISTINCTION

Delta Kappa Gamma is made up of women of distinction. This information was brought to our attention through your newsletters and by nomination of your chapter presidents.

(Note: This is a sampling of the activities and awards for these dedicated ladies.)

- Omicron-**Katie Cadle** is recognized as Indiana President of READ, Indiana State Reading Association.
- Theta-**Sue Carr** was presented the Louis Weil Jr. Award for Volunteer Leadership at the October 2014 annual meeting of the Art Museum of Greater Lafayette.
- Theta-**Marla Glover** is serving as a member of the American Physics Teachers and high school physics committee.
- Theta-**Shelia Klinker** was elected for a 16th term as an Indiana State Representative.
- Theta-**Debby Cross** was named Indiana School Psychologist of the Year.
- Theta-**Ruth Van Matre** was elected to a two-year term as a member of the Tippecanoe Township Advisory Board in Carroll County.
- Theta-**Kathy Trout** was named Distinguished Fellow of the Art Education Association of Indiana.
- Theta-**Mary Van Sickle** was nominated for her work in incorporating her amazing quilting skills into presentations in classrooms to teach history, such as the Underground Railroad.
- Theta-**Colleen Reader** is being recognized for her distinguished Book Cycle Project and dedicated involvement in the Reading Coalition of Lafayette.
- Beta Alpha-**Angie Schonberger** is being recognized for her dedication and commitment to leadership with the latest being Beta Alpha's service project of Glenwood Leadership Academy.
- Beta Alpha-**Janet Leistner** is the Director of the Virtual Academy of the Evansville-Vanderburgh School Corporation and director of programs, as well as principal of Harrison High School.
- Beta Alpha-**Marcia Onnybecker** give 1,000 hours of service to Master Gardeners each year (for 10 years) and is on the board of the Evansville Chapter. She is also co-chair of Outlook Garden.
- Beta Alpha-**Mary Lou Winsett** has been a member of DAR and is very active with committee involvement. She has worked with Meals on Wheels for many years.
- Beta Alpha-**Donna Tyner** has spent 25 years with the Angel Tree Giving Project for needy children at Christmas.
- Beta Alpha-**Debbie Brand** has served as Director of ESLI, Inc. (English as a Second Language Institute, Inc.) housed on the campus of the University of Southern Indiana, and has served with DAR for years.
- State Member-**Carol Grieser** is serving as State President of IRTA (Indiana Retired Teacher's Association) for the 2013-2015 term.

- Alpha Omega-**Carol Borowski** is being recognized for her intense involvement in her church and community. She has many responsibilities at her church in Crown Point. She also heads the churches' ministry in a local nursing home. She served as the president of Friends of Crown Point Adult Learning Center for 8 years.
- Alpha Omega-**Evelyn Campbell** is being recognized for her leadership role as president and active involvement in the Kiwanis Club in Hobart. She dedicates much of her time to service at her church.
- Alpha Omega-**Barb Gillan** is actively working with In Pact, which provides housing and other services for handicapped children and adults. She is President of the Board of Directors. Barb dedicates her time and travels to the mission work of her church.
- Alpha-**Leana Brunson McClain** is being recognized for her distinguished leadership, service, and intense involvement in community and Indiana University Projects. She serves as co-director of the Indiana University School of Education Academic Resource Clinic for K-8 Students and is a faculty sponsor and advisor for the Indiana University College Mentors for Kids. She started the Book Bag Project providing literacy book bags for children in Costa Rica and Bloomington, Indiana.
- Alpha-**Kathy Hollinger** is being recognized for her intense involvement in her church and community. She reaches out to those in need as she donates many hours to assist them.
- Beta-**Michele Lefkovitz** was presented the MSD of Lawrence Township's Teacher of the Year Award for Forest Glen School of Spanish Immersion in 2014.
- Beta-**Ruth Simmons** is being recognized for having the honor of displaying her artwork at the Indianapolis Art Center.
- Delta-**Coral Cochran** is being honored as one of the "Wabash Valley Women of Influence" for 2014 by the *Tribune Star*. She serves as the Volunteer Director for the Breast Cancer Survivor's Group.
- Kappa-**Thelma Frame** was featured in the local newspaper as a featured artist at the young age of 94.
- Kappa-**Joan Martin** is being recognized for the publication of her first book, [Murphy and the Doctor](#).
- Kappa-**Denise Selm** is being honored as Teacher of the Year for the Richmond Community Schools.
- Pi-**Amy Walker** was named a finalist for the 2015 ATHENA Award, which recognizes exceptional leaders in the Evansville-area community. She is recognized for actively and generously assisting others in the attainment of professional excellence and leadership skills.
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- Pi-**Deborah Hartz** was named 2013 Horace Mann Indiana State Teachers Association Hoosier Educator of the Year.
- Tau-**Karen Turner (In Memory)** was awarded the 2014 Spirit of Women National Community Hero. Sadly, Karen passed away but she will still be recognized and her memory honored.
- Omega-**Joy Goetz Connors** received a \$10,000 Lily Grant.
- Alpha Alpha-**Eva Dunavan** has written and published three children's books: Run, Buddy, Run; The Antics of Naughty Paige Pelican, and Red Harvest Moon.
- Alpha Gamma-**Olga Granat** is being recognized as a summer of eLearning Opportunities team member for the Northwest Indiana District. This is designed to get new ideas, applications, and tools introduced in this digital age.
- Alpha Zeta-**Carol Herzog** is being recognized for her submission to the Mailbox Magazine.
- Alpha Zeta-**Judy Ward** was named 2013-2014 Kiwanian of the Year by the Wabash Kiwanis Club.
- Alpha Phi-**Stephanie Walsh** was one of the 24 FIRST Robotics Mentors chosen nationwide to attend a 4-day U.S. Air Force/FIRST Robotics Leadership Experience in Colorado Springs, Colorado.
- Alpha Psi-**Madeline Marcelia Garvin** is being recognized for addressing the members of the National Council of Teachers of English at the NCTE Convention in Washington, D.C.
- Beta Eta-**Dr. Michelle Boyer** has been honored by Indiana State University for 25 years of serving as professor and chair of the Department of Communication Disorders and Counseling, School, and Educational Psychology. The reception area of the Norma & William Grosjean Clinic at University Hall is now named the Dr. Michelle C. Boyer Clinic Reception Foyer.
- Beta Sigma-**Olive Leskow** received the Wings of Beneficence Award from Ball State University for her continued philanthropy to the university.
- Beta Upsilon-**Helene Andrews** was recognized at the National Business Professionals of America Conference for 45 years as a local, district, state, and national advisor.
- Beta Psi-**Roberta Weliever** is being recognized for her dedication to getting a skate park built for the children in Clay County. This was made possible through her grant writing and fundraising efforts. Roberta was named one of ten Community Women of Influence.
- Gamma Mu-**Marla Sellers**-is being recognized for sharing her classroom library as she donated over 800 books to students at Franklin Elementary. She stays very active in the school and community even after her retirement.
- Gamma Mu-**Elaine Brown** received the IRTA President's Award in recognition for her activities in the IRTA, the Cass County Area Retired Teacher's Association, and the Cass County Community.

- Gamma Mu-**Coleen Shook** was nominated White County Woman of the Year by the Literacy Volunteers of White County.
- Gamma Mu-**Jitka Nelson** is being recognized for her work with the Logansport English Learners program.
- Gamma Mu-**Ethel Miller** is being recognized for being 100 years young and a DKG member.
- Gamma Mu-**Jessica Rule** is being recognized for her volunteer work with Friends of the Library in Monticello.
- Gamma Mu-**Audna Johnson** is being recognized for being 100 years young and a DKG member.
- Gamma Mu-**Bonnie Sonafrank** has been named director of the Cass County Reading Railroad. This promotes early literacy among children by helping parents become their child's "first" teachers.