



INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS  
**DELTA KAPPA GAMMA**

**Alpha Iota State President's Newsletter**

International President's Theme 2008 - 2010

*From Vision to Action: Advancing the Society*

[www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org)

State Theme 2009-2011

*AKT Service Sharing Sisterhood Scholarship - We Hold the Key*

[www.deltakappagamma.org/MI](http://www.deltakappagamma.org/MI)



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**Nominations**

Interested in serving Alpha Iota State as an officer for the 2011 - 2013 biennium? The Recommendations for Nominations to State Offices and State Nominations Committee are on Alpha Iota State website. Forms will be accepted by the committee until October 15, 2010.

**International Convention**

If you are planning on attending the International Convention in Spokane, WA remember that we need to sit together in the designated Michigan section during the business meetings so we can tally and report Michigan's votes on proposed constitutional changes. In DKG, each member in attendance at the business meeting gets a vote.

If your summer vacation plans include a trip to Spokane and the International Convention and you did not sign the list at state convention, please let me know. Sally Garrison can hook you up with a roommate. J-Jay Pechta has planned a Michigan Dinner on Thursday, July 22 at Hills Restaurant and Lounge. If you would like to join in the fun, email me at [jackie@mymartfamily.com](mailto:jackie@mymartfamily.com).

I have been asked by our N.E.R.D. Beth Ann Richey, to let convention attendees know that they are NOT to bring any student gifts to be given to local schools. The "gifts" that our Northeast members will be giving are provided and will be at the tables at our NE Regional Breakfast. The thought for the gift is for our members to "Give from the Heart - Feed the Spirit."



**Dates**

- **July 20 - July 25**  
 DKG International Convention in Spokane
- **August 21**  
 PAC Meeting  
 Lexington Lansing Hotel
- **July 21 - 25**  
 Registration forms for the 2010 International Convention in Spokane, WA are available on the International website at [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org)
- **October 15 - 16**  
 Executive Board and Fall Conference in Bay City at the DoubleTree Hotel.
- **October 22 - 24**  
 Women in the Arts Retreat

**We Need Your News!**

Articles, announcements, or chapter news for the August President's newsletter should be sent to Jackie Smart at [jackie@mymartfamily.com](mailto:jackie@mymartfamily.com) by July 20. The *Wolverine* editor would also like you to share your chapter's activities, news, and happenings with your Michigan sisters. Send news blurbs and photos to [jpechta.dkg.comcast.net](mailto:jpechta.dkg.comcast.net)

**We know not where our dreams will take us,  
 but we can probably see clearly where we'll go without them.**

*Marilyn Grey*

**Mission Statement**

*The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.*



## Scholarships

Do you need professional development money?

- Katherine Keeling Grant is open to any member who wants financial support to participate in work that will enhance her own professional development or effectiveness as an advocate for education. Look under Scholarship Forms on our state website. [www.deltakappagamma.org/MI](http://www.deltakappagamma.org/MI) Deadline for applying is April 1.
- The Cornet Award is given by International to educators for the purpose of participating in professional seminars, workshops, lecture series, national certification, on-line courses, and other non-degree program opportunities that relate specifically to an applicant's professional aspirations and/or current educational assignment. The award may pay for registration, fees, travel, lodging, books, and other expenses necessary for participation. Applicants may win an award only once, but may apply up to two times a year. Deadlines are: February 1, May 1, August 1, and November 1 of each calendar year. Applications are available on the International website: [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org) Click on Library, then Forms, and finally Applications.



## State Visitations

If your chapter would like a visit from our State President or any state officer or chairman, please complete an official state visit request form (found on the state web site) and mail it to me.

Fran Saenz, Gamma Alpha  
State Visitations Chairman



## Guideline Booklets

Guideline Booklets for the 2010 - 2012 biennium for Chapter Presidents, Membership Chairmen, and Communications Chairmen will be given out at the Leadership Training in Jackson and Clare. If you are unable to attend either training session, the materials will be sent to the president. Treasurers' booklets will be mailed directly to them. Be sure you have sent your President's and Treasurer's contact information to International.



## Summer Wolverine

Registration forms for Fall Conference in Bay City will be in the Summer Wolverine and on our website under events.

## Questions Answered

### Chapter Committee Changes

Chapters will soon be holding their planning meetings soon and some chapters have asked how the changes that may take place at International will affect their chapter committees. According to our Executive Secretary, Sally Garrison, each chapter and state is considered autonomous unless its operation is in violation with International policies. There are few things we can do that violate the International policies, most of those have to do with membership, money and International operational policies. You may have seen that there is actually a statement that will be part of the new Constitution which states that autonomy is expected for state and chapters. The bottom line... your chapter can retain whatever structure (including committees) that works best for your chapter. What International uses as its structure (which has always been different from states and chapters anyway) need not affect what works in your chapter.

### International Themes and Goals

The new International President will publicize her theme after she is installed in Spokane. We have to wait until after the International Convention (and the election) to know what her theme and goals will be.



## Message to Chapter Treasurers

Dear Chapter Treasurers,

The **990N e-postcard** needs to be filed between July 1, 2010 and November 15, 2010. This will be for the year 2009. File as soon as possible after July 1, so that if there are any issues we can address them right away. When you receive an acceptance email from the IRS please forward a copy to me [jlmiles1@att.net](mailto:jlmiles1@att.net) and print a copy for your records. Instructions for filing are below.

Any organization that fails to file for three consecutive years will automatically lose its tax-exempt status. *This is the third year.* This could also have an impact at the state and international levels of the Society. Phyllis Hickey, Business Services Administrator, reported that one auditor told a state treasurer that the IRS was going to fine each EIN account \$50 a day for each day the filing is late after November 15, 2010. If you need any help please ask [jlmiles1@att.net](mailto:jlmiles1@att.net) (616-784-2688) or [cheryls@dkg.org](mailto:cheryls@dkg.org) (1-888-762-4685 ext. 116) or [phyllish@dkg.org](mailto:phyllish@dkg.org) (1-888-762-4685 ext. 115).

**Form 15** is due July 15. Please be prompt as I need your information to fill out my State Treasurer Form 16. The Form 15 can be downloaded from [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org) or an interactive copy can be filled out online and emailed to me. Thank you for taking care of these necessities as soon as possible after July 1, 2010. I do appreciate your help.



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### 990n Filing Instructions

- GO TO <http://epostcard.form990.org>
- Click on e-Postcard: file your electronic FORM 990-N
- On the epostcard filing web page go to step 2 (Create your Form 990N) and click on it.
- In the login box enter you EIN number without the dash and a "01" at the end and if that doesn't work try "02".
- Next enter your password in the password box.
- You are now logged in to your electronic postcard. Before you proceed to enter your information, check your fiscal dates in part A. It should be 7/1/09 to 6/30/10. If the date is not correct, send an email to Cheryl Schnosenberg ([cheryls@dkg.org](mailto:cheryls@dkg.org)). Include your EIN number, name, address, and chapter. A letter will then be sent to IRS to have the dates corrected. If the dates are correct, then proceed with the following steps to file.
- Proceed to answer step B and C with a yes or no.
- In step C put the organizations name which should be Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, not your chapter. Your EIN is tied to the chapter.) d/b/a: means doing business as – put your chapter name here.
- At step D enter your EIN #.
- Once you have filled out steps A through D, you can click next page
- On page 2 at step C enter Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, if it is not already displayed in the box.
- At the "In Care of Name" section, enter your name.
- Below that enter your address.
- For the organizations web site address enter [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org)
- For Principal Officer enter your name again. Then below that your address.
- Once you have filled everything in you may click "Submit Filing to IRS"
- You will receive an email confirmation that your filing has been completed.
- Print a copy for your files and send or email a copy to your state treasurer, [jlmiles1@att.net](mailto:jlmiles1@att.net)

If you have any questions or problems, please contact Cheryl Schnosenberg at [cheryls@dkg.org](mailto:cheryls@dkg.org)

## Get Smart

State President - Jackie Smart



As I conclude the first year of my biennium, I can honestly say it has been a remarkable year. I have the pleasure of working with amazing women this past year. During my state visitations I have seen firsthand that Michigan's DKG members hold the key to service, sharing, sisterhood and scholarship.

I would like to extend greetings to the incoming Chapter Presidents who have accepted the torch of leadership. I am confident that the next two years will be filled with excitement, enthusiasm, and collaboration for you. My advice to you is to delegate, delegate, delegate! Enlist the help of your members in planning to keep your chapter active and vital. Become creative in terms of membership. I look forward to getting to know you and working with you during your biennium. I am only a call or email away if you have questions or concerns.

Please consider joining us in Bay City at the DoubleTree Hotel - Riverfront for our Fall Conference on October 15 - 16, 2010. The hotel is located just two

miles east of I-75 on the east bank of the Saginaw River. Olive Horning and the Program of Work chairmen have planned interesting and valuable sessions that will be of interest to everyone. The DoubleTree Hotel is steps from the Riverwalk, unique specialty shops, antique stores, eateries and pubs. The friendly, helpful hotel staff looks forward to welcoming DKG with their signature warm chocolate-chip cookie at check-in. I hope to see you there.

*Jackie*

## Professional Affairs

Please let your chapter members know that help is needed presiding sessions at Fall Workshop. Presiders do the following:

- Start the session on time
- Introduce presenter
- Distribute materials as requested
- If workshop offers SB-CEU credit stamp participants' forms both in and out
- Write up brief summary (50 words) of the session for the "Wolverine"

Contact Nina Keener, Professional Affairs Chairman, (scakee@aol.com) if you are interested in presiding a session.

## Alpha Iota State Longevity Award

Membership in Delta Kappa Gamma is an honor for all of us. Eight members who attended this year's convention have been members of DKG for 40 or more years. These members received a Longevity Award. Congratulations!

Frances Robbins	Alpha Tau	40 Years
Kathleen Quinn	Beta	40 Years
Sally Garrison	Gamma Delta	40 Years
Alice Andre	Alpha	41 Years
Carolyn Schalk	Alpha Xi	43 Years
Loretta Miles	Psi	46 Years
Dr. Geraldine Green	Beta Delta	46 Years

## Wilma Adams Fund

The Wilma Adams Committee is taking applications for funding worthwhile chapter projects. These should be received by January 1, 2011 to be considered for selection. The application is available on the state website at:

[www.deltakappagamma.org/MI](http://www.deltakappagamma.org/MI)

## Funding Our Purposes Auction

Due to the popularity and to provide "shopping opportunities" for our members, plans are being made to conduct another "large and small item" auction at Fall Conference in Bay City. Your donations as individual members or chapters are much appreciated and will count towards meeting one of the criteria points for the Award of the Rose. If you want to help with the auction contact me Judi Fisher at [judifisher@yahoo.com](mailto:judifisher@yahoo.com)