

DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

ALPHA IOTA STATE PRESIDENT'S NEWSLETTER

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*Happy
Halloween*

Dear Chapter Presidents,

I am so glad that you came to Muskegon for the Fall Conference. You are part of the Executive Board and one of your duties as president is to attend the board meeting.

You will find that Alpha Kappa Chapter has worked very hard to make this conference memorable. It will be a challenge to decide which of the wonderful breakout sessions to attend.

Chapter dues need to be sent to Loretta Miles by October 31. Chapter members should have already submitted their checks to the chapter treasurer. If you have a new treasurer, you may need to mentor her.

I hope that you are supporting our state project, Ten Interesting Women. It is a good way to help early-career educators and generate interest in joining Delta Kappa Gamma. Dr. Sample will be presenting information about it in a breakout session. Come to learn more and to have your questions answered.

Does your yearbook editor have the information she needs? Consider submitting your yearbook to Sally Garrison by December 1 for our yearbook competition. Your chapter yearbook is essentially a history of the chapter.

SEND YEARBOOKS

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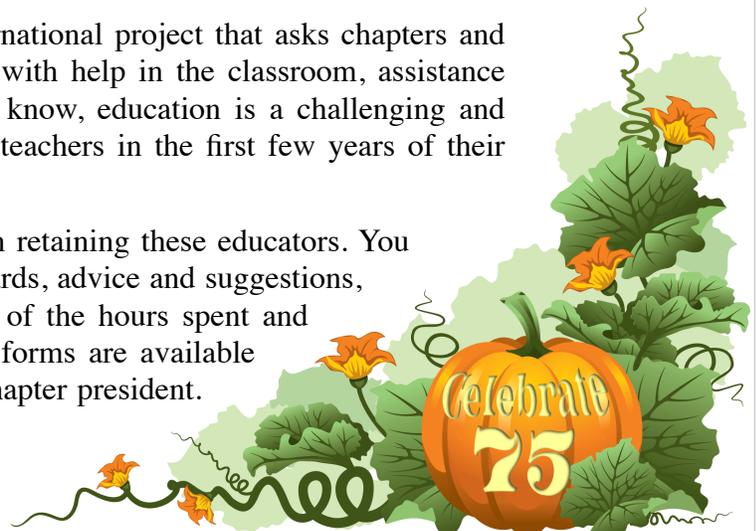


Supporting Early-Career Educators — (Formerly T.H.A.T.)

Supporting Early-career Educators (S.E.E.) is an international project that asks chapters and individual members to aid and assist newer teachers with help in the classroom, assistance with paperwork, and/or monetary donations. As we know, education is a challenging and demanding profession and we are losing many good teachers in the first few years of their career.

Teachers supporting teachers can make a difference in retaining these educators. You can help in many ways; with lesson plans, bulletin boards, advice and suggestions, supplies and more. Chapters are asked to keep track of the hours spent and donations contributed throughout the year. Summary forms are available on the state website and are being provided to each chapter president. Thank you for your support in this endeavor.

Liz VanWestenburg



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Friend of Education Reminder

This is a reminder to chapters to let us know your Friend of Education honorees.

The Friend of Education Award recognizes persons or groups who have given outstanding support and noteworthy service to education in Michigan. The award may be given by any chapter to an individual or community group that the chapter deems worthy of such recognition.

Chapters have the autonomy in determining who is to receive the award and how the award will be presented. It is totally up to the chapter – to establish criteria, to nominate, to confirm, and to present. Alpha Iota State supports your chapter's award by providing The Friend of Education Certificate with a seal, thus confirming the award at the state level. The chapter determines who, when, how, why, and how many Friend of Education awards will be given.

For Guidelines, please see the information under Forms on the state DKG website www.deltakappagamma.org/MI

Dorothy E. Sample, PhD, 2nd Vice-President
Alpha Iota State DKG

A Reminder

Please send three (3) copies of your chapter's yearbook to Sally Garrison by the December 1st due date. You may email your yearbook, submit hard copies, send copies on three CDs or direct me to your yearbook on your chapter's website. If a password is needed, please volunteer it. Please also send 1 completed copy of the current evaluation form available on the state website.

The details and the checklist for evaluation are available on the state's website at "Yearbook." The committee is excited to see what you have created!

Although yearbooks will be accepted at anytime, only those received by December 1st will be considered for the 2012-2013 Yearbook Awards.

Cliff Notes

CHAPTER WOMEN OF DISTINCTION
DKG

When a member presents a motion, whether from a committee or an individual, they must write it on a motion form. Forms are available from Parliamentarian, Dr. Helen Popovich and Bernice Haglund, Recording Secretary.

The member presenting the motion needs to write pros and cons on the form and is the first person to speak to the motion during discussion. After presentation of the motion, it is given to the presiding officer. No vote occurs until the officer receives the written form.

Enthusiastically,
Olive

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| 16 - Bullying | 14 - Opal |
| 11 - Libra | 13 - Muskegon |
| 9 - Marigold | 12 - Oktoberfest |
| 7 - Elmer | 10 - Sample |
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| 4 - Scorpio | 6 - Gardner |
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Leadership Development Day, Grand Blanc	March 9, 2013
PAC, Lansing	March 23, 2013
Alpha Iota State Conference, Bay City	May 3-5, 2013
Northeast Regional Conference, Portland ME.....	July 24-27, 2013
International Convention, Indianapolis IN	2014

Celebrate - 75

Celebrate, celebrate! Have you planned a special activity to celebrate Alpha Iota State's 75th anniversary? We're collecting pictures and videos of all the activities.

We'll be asking you to send names and contact information for past chapter presidents to Dr. Dorothy Sample. These and other individuals who have served in chapter and state capacities will be paid tribute at the state celebration on Friday, May 3.

Please send contact information to Dr. Dorothy Sample 3335 Westwood Parkway, Flint, MI 48503, or dorothy.sample1@gmail.com

Know Your Websites

One of the most powerful communication tools available to International and Alpha Iota State is their website. As a president, it should be one of the first places you look for an answer to a question.

Do you need help with programming? The International Website has many ideas posted on line.

Are you or a member going back to school for a more advanced degree? Information on scholarships (and application forms) may be found on the International and State websites.

Do you need to contact a committee chair for more information? Contact information is available on the websites.

Do you want to sign up for a workshop or convention? Registration forms may be found on the websites.

Have you misplaced your latest edition to the Wolverine or DKG News? Not to worry. They can be downloaded from the website.

Many chapters are now assigning a member as a web watcher to look for pertinent information appearing on the websites. It may be an option for you.

International Website: www.dkg.org

Alpha Iota State Website:
www.deltakappagamma.org

Laura Perkins, Communications Chair

Bylaws/Standing Rules Committee

Proposed amendments to the Bylaws or Standing Rules may be submitted to the Bylaws/Standing Rules Committee by any member, committee, board or chapter. Proposed amendments must be submitted in writing no later than November 1.

Forms are available on line or from Ann Elmer. elmerann@comcast.net

Wellness Forms Coming

Branko Bojicic from Michigan Blue Cross Blue Shield announces Wellness forms will go out to BCBS retired members in October and must be returned by December 1, 2012.

So, look for this form to be coming to you in the mail soon.

Judy Foster





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Is There an International Position in Your Future?

Just think! At our 2014 International Convention you could be one of the officers or committee members to be elected for an international position! Do you have that desire to be involved at the International level? If so get in touch with Joanne Gardner by:

email: jgardner@cablespeed.com or phone:
517-588-9652

Joanne Gardner, Nomination Chairman
1575 Battle Creek Rd.
Charlotte, MI 48813

It isn't too early to start working on the process!

Nominations Committee, Joanne Gardner, Chairman

Legislative Update

The U.S. Supreme Court has said that school kids can't be required to recite the Pledge of Allegiance. But a new law will give Michigan kids the opportunity to say it if they want. That's after Governor Rick Snyder signed a bill today that will guarantee all public school students the chance to recite the pledge each day. They won't be required to if they object or if their parents do. The change takes effect at the beginning of the next school year.

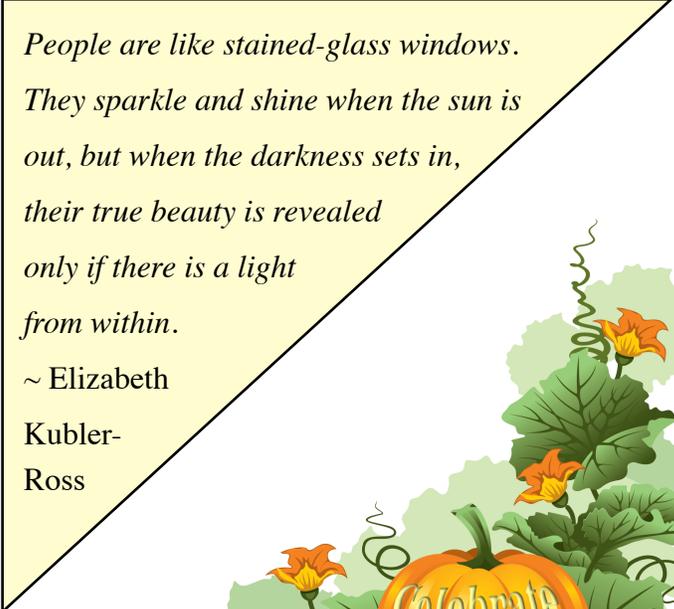
"This legislation provides one more way to help introduce students to the importance of civics," Snyder said in a press release. The new law also calls for American flags to hang in each classroom where students recite the pledge. The American Legion and Veterans of Foreign Wars say they'll provide flags to schools that can't afford them.

Judy Foster, Legislative Chair

Personnel Opportunities

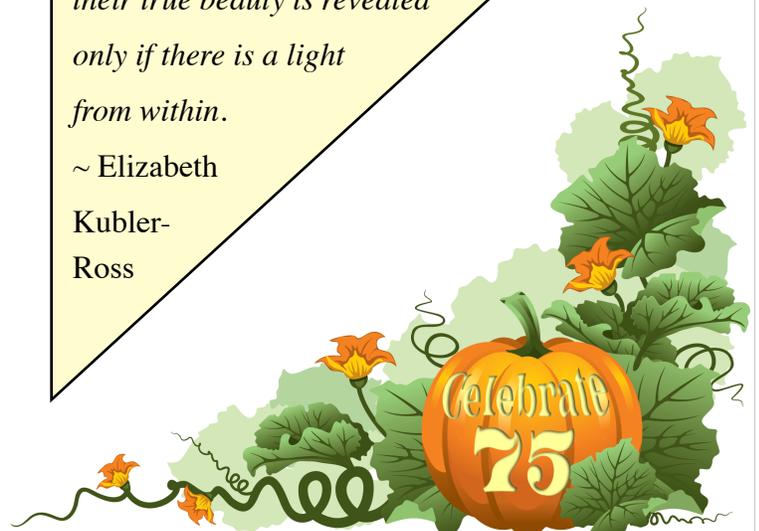
The Personnel Committee of Alpha Iota State is announcing staff vacancies for the position of State Secretary and State Editor, effective June 30, 2013. Please share this information with your chapter members and encourage interested and qualified individuals to apply. There is information regarding these positions in the Alpha Iota State Bylaws, Article VI, Section 2, G and H. The deadline to apply is April 1, 2013.

For further information and applications, please contact Kay Calley-Martin, Personnel Committee Chairperson. My home address is 115 Wa Wee Nork Dr. Condo 4B, Battle Creek, MI 49015. You may also contact me by phone at (269) 964-9639 or (269) 209-7992 (cell) or via email at kcmart@sbcglobal.net. Thank you.



*People are like stained-glass windows.
They sparkle and shine when the sun is
out, but when the darkness sets in,
their true beauty is revealed
only if there is a light
from within.*

~ Elizabeth
Kubler-
Ross



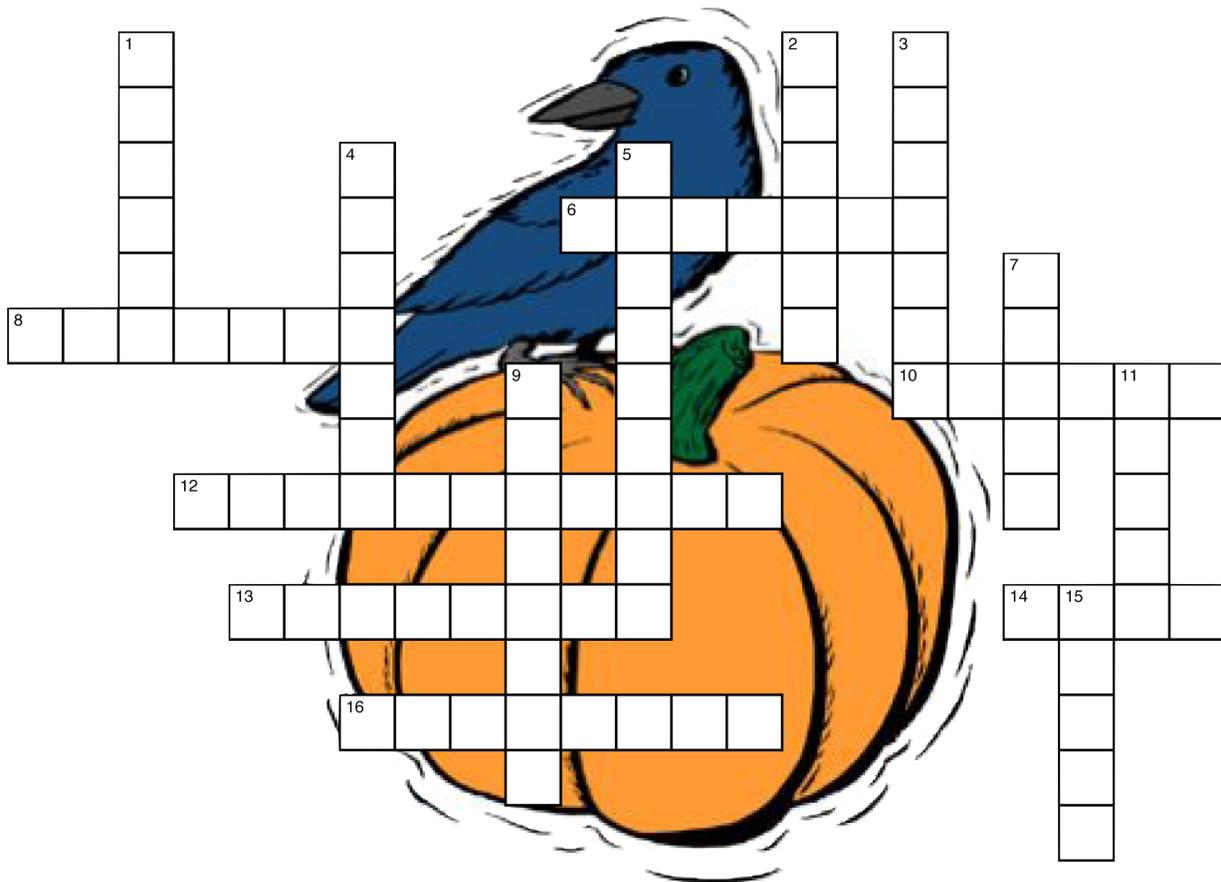
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October® Puzzler



Across

6. If you'd like to consider a DKG International position, you should contact Joanne _____.
8. _____ the movie of the story of Homer Hickam, a coal miner's son who was inspired by the first Sputnik launch to take up rocketry was called _____ Sky.
10. The Friend of Education Award guidelines are available from Dr. _____.
12. There are many festivals in October, celebrating the harvest. The one tied to Germany is spelled oddly.
13. In what city are you currently meeting for this Fall Conference?
14. October has two birth stones. One is Tourmaline and the other is _____.
16. October is National _____ Prevention Awareness Month.

Down

1. October is also National ____ Cancer Awareness Month.
2. Tom _____ wrote the popular novel, turned into a book, called "The Hunt for Red October."
3. Born on October 1st, this British actress named Julie, is most famous for the story of the Von Trapp family singers. .
4. After October 23, the Zodiac sign changes to _____.
5. The holiday most associated with October (31st).
7. Amendments to Bylaws or Standing Rules have to be submitted on a form. Who has these? Ann _____.
9. October has three flowers, Calendula, Hops and _____.
11. The Zodiac sign in early October is _____.
15. An all-American Italian food that is celebrated during October is the _____.