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## Alpha Iota State Welcomes International Guest Ms. Barbara Whiting

Alpha Iota State welcomes Ms. Barbara Whiting as our guest for this year's state convention at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island. Barbara is a member of the Society's International Administrative Board, as Member-at-Large for 2012-2016. She resides in beautiful Minnesota with her husband, Rick, a retired engineer and is excited to visit Mackinac Island with us.

Barbara's educational background is extensive. She earned her Bachelor of Arts in Elementary Education from Gustavus Adolphus in St. Peter, Minnesota, then finished her Masters in Special Education from St. Cloud State University in St. Cloud,



Minnesota. Her education continued with the completion of her Educational Specialist degree in School Administration from the University of Minnesota.

Ms. Whiting is certified in the following areas: Learning Disabilities, Emotional and Behavioral Disabilities and Supervision of Special Education.

Ms. Whiting was a classroom teacher, grades 3-5, a special education teacher and the coordinator of special services programs, curriculum and instruction. She is experienced in grant writing and served as a director of special projects. Her administrative background includes tenure as an elementary school principal, supervisor of student teachers and consultant for staff development.

She was a founding member of her DKG chapter, and has served as chapter president and chaired numerous committees. At the state level she has represented the Minnesota organization as president and was a chairman or a member of the Finance, Scholarship, Membership and Networking committees. She developed and facilitated the CHEERS project for strengthening the chapters in her state organization. She worked as a member of the steering committee for state retreats and was a frequent speaker at state events. Barbara now serves as the 2012-2016 International Board Member-at-Large, chair of the Educators Award Committee, chair of the Leadership Committee, member of Membership Committee, and she has participated in special projects and training with the Washington, Iceland and Wisconsin organizations' retreats. She presented more than ten workshops at regional conferences and international conventions, served as a member of the steering committee for 2004 International Convention in Minneapolis, and published an article, "Making Dynamic Presentations" in the DKG Bulletin.

Barbara is busy participating in a number of volunteer projects. She works with the Project Homeless Connect, an organization working to end homelessness in Hennepin County. She is a volunteer at her local library and at the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute where she is on the personnel committee and was an editor and board member.

We look forward to spending time with Ms. Whiting. She will be sharing information on the Society and on building chapter membership. Come meet her and give her an opportunity to get to know the sisters of Alpha Iota State!

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## **President's Message**



### Alpha Iota State 2013-2015 Biennium Theme

**Education: Our Focus, Our Future** 

### Let's Learn All About Delta Kappa Gamma!

In thinking about the theme of this biennium, Education: Our Focus, Our Future, one of the areas we can explore and learn more about is The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, our own DKG. You may have been initiated a number of years ago, or you may have just joined our ranks. In either case, we will strengthen our membership and become more committed and involved if we know the history, purposes, structure, projects and goals of the Society. How much do you know about DKG? How is it organized? How many members are there? What countries are represented? What are the current projects? What are the benefits of membership? These questions and others can be answered by exploring the many resources available to us.

A booklet that is an excellent resource for chapters and members is the "Go -To Guide for Chapter Members." It is a handbook of detailed information on chapter and Society structure, organization and operation. Included is a brief history and instructions for accessing the DKG social network and the Society's website. Information is shared on membership and scholarships, grants and awards. The emblems and symbols of DKG are pictured and explained. Rules about protocol, lists of Educator Award recipients and their publications, a brief guide to parliamentary procedure, information on forms and deadlines, and opportunities for members are delineated. This inexpensive handbook is available from the Society's website store. It may also be offered for sale at this summer's International Convention. (Note: This is simply a handbook. For specific, "official" details about structure, procedures, policies and such, please see the Society's Constitution By Laws and Standing Rules.)



Another valuable resource is "Pride in the Big Picture: An Orientation." It is available as a manual or as a PowerPoint presentation. Both can be ordered from the Society's store or downloaded from the Society's website (www.dkg.org). "Pride" includes notes about each slide and a script that tells all about who we are and what we do. An excellent

introduction to DKG for prospective members, new and current members, "Pride" makes a perfect program for a chapter meeting. A reorientation PowerPoint is entitled "Sustaining Pride in the Big Picture." All are wonderful resources and springboards for discussion among members.

Two brochures are available that introduce the Society and explain the benefits of membership. "You and Us" and "One for All: Get Involved" can be obtained from the Society store for just pennies and are a great way to start a conversation with a woman you feel is a prospective member or with current members.

Take a little time and explore the DKG website. It contains a wealth of information. There are committee newsletters that can help your chapter with ideas on communication, increasing and sustaining membership,

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becoming involved in International projects, and identifying and developing leaders in your group. Check the tab "Library" and find a section on topics such as "Strengthening Chapters" and "Orientation and Reorientation." You might even choose to spend time at a chapter meeting surfing the DKG website together to discover what is available. You'll be amazed at all that is there!

There are a number of printed Society publications. Here in Alpha Iota State-Michigan, we publish *The Wolverine*; a terrific quarterly that is filled with news, information from state organization officers and committees, details about upcoming events, photos and more. The Society produces and sends us the *DKG News*, a publication that shares news and information from International. The *Bulletin* is a juried, professional publication of members' research, reports, and written offerings.

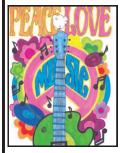
The DKG Network is a social network that is available only to members. It allows us the opportunity to chat with others in the organization, follow actions and projects of committees and the Society. For details on joining the network, please see your chapter president's November/December copy of the "Presidents' Page" or look on page 12 of the "Go-To Guide". Learn more about this network at a session being offered at our state convention, May 2-4, 2014 on Mackinac Island.

You can learn much about DKG at state events. Our fall conferences and state conventions offer sessions on Society business, and workshops that reflect on professional and personal growth. In odd-numbered years, there are regional conferences in varying locations. Alpha Iota is in the Northeast region; our next regional conference will be in Baltimore, Maryland during the summer of 2015. In even-numbered years the Society holds its International Convention. This summer's convention will be July 28-August 1 in Indianapolis. Conferences and conventions both offer keynote speakers, general sessions, forums, workshops and the opportunity to meet and chat with other members of DKG.

This is just the tip of the iceberg. We are members of an International Society of over eighty-thousand key women educators from eighteen different countries. We are educators, leaders and learners. Delve into the many available Society resources to learn more about who we are and what we are all about. Remind yourself why you joined DKG; revisit our goals, mission and vision. Then, share that knowledge with those around you as you recruit new members and revitalize current members. As we, both individuals and chapters, focus on learning about our Society, we will help ensure the future of DKG.

Submitted by Liz VanWestenburg, Alpha Iota State President 2013-2015

## From the Historian's Boxes: A Look Back 50 years.



In 1964 the Alpha Iota officers included: Miss Jane O'Connor, Psi (Grand Rapids) President; Mrs. Katherine Keeling, Omicron (Jackson) First-vice president; Miss Letha Stevens, Alpha Tau (Sault Ste. Marie), Second-vice president; Miss Marjorie Ludwig, Theta (Lansing), Recording Secretary, Mrs. Arselia Sebler, Psi

(Grand Rapids) Corresponding Secretary; Wilma E. Adams, Mu (Flushing) Treasurer, and Mrs. Irene Clarke, Zeta (Detroit) Parliamentarian. The State books were audited in 1964 and the auditor commented, "The books are in excellent condition. The bookkeeping is expertly done." According to the Financial Report of 1964, Miss O'Connor was reimbursed at the rate of 7 cents a mile for chapter visits. Effie Downer, Chairman of the Budget Committee had an \$850 line item for *The Wolverine* and \$150 line item for State Conventions. The 1963-64 theme was "Changing Patterns in Our Culture" and the 1964-65 theme was "Changing Patterns in Other Cultures."

There were 53 local chapters beginning with Alpha and ending with Beta Epsilon. At this time no chapters had been dissolved. Roll call at the State Convention held May 22,23,24 was recorded for all three days on purple ditto.

The President's Letter for the 1963-64 school year indicated that chapters held on the average 7-8 meetings during the year. President O'Connor highlighted some of the chapter programs including an "inter-chapter council scholarship program, a tape summarizing 2 years of research on the topics of dropouts, early marriages, second careers, substitute teacher effectiveness and a local chapter providing enrichment experience for cultural deprived children." Local chapters contributed funds to many charitable organizations, and "One scholarship of \$500 was given this year for graduate study and \$2,212.75 total was awarded in the state for undergraduate study in the form of grants-in-aid."

Much has changed in 50 years, including expenses, the number of chapters and some of the language. However, I think we can agree that much has remained the same including the desire to help women achieve their personal best.

Submitted by Nancy Halmhuber Navarre, Ph.D., Gamma Gamma, State Historian

## Alpha Iota State Convention - Mackinac Island

## DO NOT MISS PRE-CONVENTION SEMINAR

Friday, May 2, 2014 7:50 to 8:50 P.M.

**Legislation: It Affects Us All** 



Be in the know! Find out what is happening in state politics today. The session will include the latest on legislation dealing with children, education, women and retirees, and how those bills will impact education in our

state. The Alpha Iota State Legislative Committee, with chairperson Judy Foster of Upsilon chapter, and State President of MEA-R will bring you up-to-date on the political happenings in Michigan. \* 1-SCECH

## DIRECTIONS TO MACKINAC ISLAND GRAND HOTEL

## Traveling North (Lower Peninsula to Mackinaw City)

Take US 31, 23 or I-75 North. Take I75 North to Mackinaw City Exits (337,
338, and 339). Follow exits and signs
to Mackinac Island Shepler's Ferry Docks.



### **Traveling South (Upper Peninsula to St. Ignace)**

Take US 2 East or US-23 and I-75 South to St. Ignace. Take State Street Exit and follow signs to Mackinac Island Shepler's Ferry Docks.

### Come join the Rosebud Chorus



Please come and join the chorus during our one and only rehearsal time, 1:00 pm to 2:25 pm in the Theatre room of the Grand Hotel. Our music is quite simple and easily put together in about ninety minutes time. All you need is a love of singing and sisterhood.

If you have instrumental talents or vocal talents you would like to share, please contact:

Nancy Tetzlaff , Beta Epsilon, State Music Chair tetzlaffwheeler@gmail.com

### **NEED A ROOMMATE?**

Are you going to the State or International Convention?

Do you need a roommate?

If you plan to attend any DKG function and need an overnight roommate, contact Sally Garrison.

She will try to pair you up with someone else in the same situation.

Phone (248) 540-3762

E-mail: wsarahsally@aol.com



## **Grand Hotel Bits and Pieces of Important Information**



If you are staying at the Grand Hotel Friday night, make sure to arrive in time for the **6:30 to 8:45 PM five-course dinner**. You have already paid for it by staying overnight Friday; dinner is included in the cost of your overnight room. Likewise, be sure to enjoy your **breakfast on Saturday between 7:30 and 8:45 AM**. There is an elaborate buffet or you can order from the menu, again, included in the cost of your room.

Be sure to check the **Ferry Schedule** for the last departing time on Friday evening. However, be aware that the daily schedule is different from the Saturday and Sunday schedule. Convention attendees will receive a special reduced ferry rate. See *sheplersferry.com* for schedule updates.

### **Evening Attire**

The Grand Hotel experience includes dressing up for dinner. Evening wear is required in all areas of the hotel **after 6:30** p.m.: Dress, skirt and blouse or pantsuit for ladies, and coat, necktie and dress pants for gentlemen. No denim please.

## Alpha Iota State Convention - Mackinac Island

### Michigan's 2013-2014 Teacher of the Year



Gary Abud, Jr. was named 2013-2014 Michigan Teacher of the Year by State Superintendent Mike Flanagan. Abud, a science teacher at Grosse Pointe North High School, with six years of classroom experience, who currently teaches chemistry and physics was selected from among 16 regional semifinalists statewide.

"Flanagan congratulated Abud on this recognition, saying, "Gary displays

every day in his classroom what great teachers in Michigan dolead by example and help every student find the ways to learn. He sets a high standard not only for himself, but for his students and fellow educators. He has followed his passion to continue learning and share what he learns with others,"

"While working toward becoming a physician, doing medical research at a hospital clinic for several years, Abud realized that his life experiences were convincing him that his true career calling was in the teaching profession."

A recipient of the 2012 Science Teacher of Promise Award from the Michigan Science Teachers Association, Abud said that in and outside of the classroom, his commitment to adopting educational practices that foster student success is at the forefront of his career. He uses project-based learning; service learning; digital learning; and social media to give his students broad learning experiences.

"It has been my philosophy that all students can learn and achieve in the classroom," Abud said. "Finding the right combination of strategies to match various learning styles is essential."

Grosse Pointe Public Schools Superintendent Dr. Thomas Harwood described Abud as "a teacher amongst teachers; an innovator of instruction, a supportive guide of knowledge, and a creator of dreams for students who wish to further explore their understanding of science."

"Change is happening in education, for the better, but the public is unaware," Abud said. "We need more educators to realize that in order to correct public perception, we must ourselves improve what we do and make that known."

"We cannot hold on to teaching practices of yesteryear," Abud explained. "Classrooms cannot look the way they did during the Cold War; and no longer can we as educators allow divisive public rhetoric about our profession keep us from unifying for the best interest of students. Teachers are ambassadors of education, and we must lead our own reform."

Mr. Abud is a Grosse Pointe North alumnus, who attended Wayne State University for undergraduate college and Saginaw Valley State University for graduate school. He earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in Philosophy from Wayne State University, where he also completed the pre-medical sciences program.

Mr. Abud will be presenting a workshop on Saturday entitled "Next Generation Science Standards" taught using the Modeling Method.

### The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Alpha Iota State Convention Schedule May 2-4, 2014

### Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, Michigan

Friday, May 2, 2014				
2:30 PM - 9:00 PM Registration - Theatre Foyer				
	osed during Executive			
	rd/General Membership meeting)			
6:00 PM	Past State Presidents' Dinner, Pontiac Rm.			
6:30 PM - 8:45 PM	<b>Dinner</b> , Salle á Manger for Grand Guests			
7:50 PM - 8:50 PM	Pre-convention Session, "Legislation It Affects Us All" Judy Foster *1-SCECH			
8:20 PM - 8:40 PM	First Timers' Orientation, Theatre			
9:00 PM -11:00 PM	Combined Executive Board/General			
7.001111 11.001111	Membership Meeting, Theatre (all			
	members are expected to attend. Guests			
	are invited.)			
	<b>Keynote Speech: Mr. Bob Tagatz,</b> "A look Back at the Grand Hotel's 127			
	Years of Rich History" *1 SCECH			
	Processional Rehearsal for Incoming &			
	Outgoing Chapter Presidents			
	Social Time, Coordinating Council			
	Meetings as needed.			
	aturday, May 3, 2014			
7:30 AM - 8:50 AM	Breakfast, Salle á Manger Grand Guests			
8:00 AM - 6:00 PM	Convention Registration, Theatre Foyer			
9:00 AM -10:30 AM	General Membership Meeting, Theatre; (all members are expected to attend. Guests			
	are invited.)			
	Keynote Speech: Mr. Steven Brisson,			
	"Furs and Beads, Wealth and Breezes"			
	*1 SCECH			
10:30 AM - 10:45 AM	Coffee Break			
10:20 AM - 4:00 PM	Funding Our Purposes Auction, Chapter			
10:45 AM - 11:45 AM	Sales, Theatre			
11:55 AM - 12:55 PM	First Workshop Sessions Second Workshop Sessions			
12:55 PM - 1:15 PM	Snack Break			
1:15 PM - 2:15 PM	Third Workshop Sessions			
1:00 PM - 2:25 PM	Rosebud Chorus Rehearsal, Theatre			
2:30 PM	Grand Hotel Kitchen Tour			
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2:30 PM - 4:40 PM	Corsage Pick-up at Registration			
6:00 PM - 7:00 PM 6:40 PM	Cash Bar, Terrace Room			
6:45 PM	Presidents Line-up, Art Gallery Head Table Line-up, Art Gallery			
	President's Banquet, Theatre			
All members and guests are invited to attend				
Sunday, May 4, 2014				
7:30 AM - 9:00 AM Registration				
8:00 AM	Luggage Pick-up for Grand to Ferry Line			
8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Ceremony of Remembrance, Terrace Rm.			
9:00 AM - 12:00	Awards Brunch and Executive Board			

Awards Pick-up

All members and guests are invited to attend

Delta Kappa Gamma Song

Funding Our Purposes/Announcements

Program of Work Committee Meeting

**Evaluations** 

12:00 PM

### Alpha Iota State Convention - Mackinac Island

### Ferry Travel to Mackinac Island

As our May 2-4, 2014 state convention will be held on Mackinac Island, people may need some information about ferry travel to the island. Although there is an airport on the island, most will choose to travel over by boat. There are three ferry lines operating from both Mackinaw City and St. Ignace, but Shepler's Ferry has offered our members and their guests a **discount on the fare**. The rates will be: \$18/adult roundtrip and \$9/child (ages 5-12). Children under age 5 travel for free.

Attendees will be responsible for purchasing their own tickets. Tickets may be purchased either **online or at the ferry dock** upon arrival. For anyone wanting to purchase their tickets in advance they may do so at the website **(www.sheplersferry.com).** The promotion code is **ALPHA**. For those who wish to wait until they arrive at the dock, they may check in at the ticket office and mention the group name. The ticket seller will honor the discounted rate. For the attendees paying for guests/family members they will just need to provide, at the time of purchase, the number of tickets they need.

The discount on the tickets will be available at the Shepler's dock locations in both St. Ignace and Mackinaw City and for departure from both docks.

The ticket discount will be available for travel starting on May 1<sup>st</sup> (in case people choose to go across earlier). It is not a problem at all if anyone leaves the Island after May 4<sup>th</sup>.

In regards to parking, there are three different options from which to choose in both Mackinaw City and St. Ignace. Shepler's has a free, open lot that is "park at your own risk". They also offer an outdoor fenced lot for \$7/night and indoor parking for \$15/night. Please note—in St. Ignace all of Shepler's parking is located right at the dock. Valet service to these areas in St. Ignace is a onetime charge of \$2. In Mackinaw City, the parking lots are located roughly 4 blocks away. For the convenience of their guests, they do offer a valet service for a onetime charge of \$7. This allows you to leave your vehicle with their staff in the unloading area at the dock and they will take it to the lot you have chosen. In exchange, you are given a car claim check number for when you are coming off the Island. You will turn that number in to the dock staff on Mackinac Island and they will call your vehicle in so the parking staff will know to get it and bring it back to the dock and have it waiting for you when the ferry arrives.

Parking **can be purchased online** or at the time of your arrival. You will notice when purchasing your parking online that **all of your options already include the valet service charge**. For anyone who does not want this, they will need to wait and make these parking arrangements when they arrive at the dock. The ticket seller can then direct them to the parking lot and they will not be charged for valet service. Remember it is 4 blocks away.

There are signs on the freeway and in both Mackinaw City and St. Ignace directing you to the ferry docks. The office address for Shepler's Ferry is 556 E. Central, Mackinaw City. MI 49701. The phone number is 800-828-6157. The website, again, is *www.sheplersferry.com*. Safe travels!

	May 2 - June 19				
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May 2 - May 22					
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Departur	es are daily				
mm Mighty Mac departs at 9:30 and 10:30 AM daily					



### It Is That Time of Year



As we move through 2014, many changes will be taking place in our chapters. The election of new officers is a big one. This is an important event, and should be taken seriously. Some chapters have difficulties in getting members to step up to the calling. It should not be that We were asked to join a way.

wonderful Society, a Society that honors us! We accepted, and in doing so, agreed to the seven purposes. The 7th purpose states "To stimulate the personal and professional growth of members and to encourage their participation in appropriate programs of action".

The way I read this and interpreted this was to get involved with my chapter. It was challenging to take on some of the chapter roles, but the more positions I assumed, the more I enjoyed the Society, and what it offers me. Suddenly I wanted to do more for the Society and found I had something more to offer. (Want to hear more of my story? Invite me to come to your chapter and share.)

Right now, I hope your chapter Nominating Committee is calling and asking members to step up and fill a position. Look to your chapter directories for clues that will lead to potential officers. Do not leave the job up to one or two people, look around you and inside you, and ask yourself who you might enjoy a new experience. Share some rewarding experiences you have had as an officer with a new member, or one who has not yet taken part in the leadership and planning. We ALL have gifts to offer. It is okay for two members to share a leadership or committee chair position, and that in turn may lead to a more active

Chapters can also help each other. If you have an idea for strengthening a chapter or a positive story to share, please send me your ideas and I'll be happy to share the ideas with

My wish for your chapter is a healthy, happy, full core of officers.

> Submitted by: Kathy Muench, Alpha Omega, State Membership Chair



### **Anniversary Pins for Sale**

35 Years Emerald Green Stones 45 Years Blue Sapphire Stones 40 year Ruby Red 50 Year Diamond

**Recruiting New Members** 



With all the snow days teachers have encountered this year, I cannot imagine anyone turning down a volunteer. The continuity of educational flow has been greatly interrupted and it will take a while to get the flow moving again.

What an opportunity we have to go back to buildings we worked in and volunteer to read or assist in some needed way. This will be a chance for us to let teachers within know about Delta Kappa Gamma. Perhaps an active teacher within

your chapter could use your help and together you can share what our Society offers teachers.

■ When was the last time you invited a guest to a meeting or special event? Perhaps it is time to invite them again so they can meet some of the chapter members. Potential members invited to informal ■ informational events may feel more comfortable knowing more about ■ the good works we do. Asking educators across the grades is not always easy, but certainly someone in your circle of members knows teachers at different levels or various educational institutions. Start within your chapter asking if someone knows a teacher of quality. ■ Then, plan an event for guests and invite them.

Remember initiations can be held at anytime of the year. Submitted by: Kathy Muench, Alpha Omega, 1 State Membership Chair

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### A Special Welcome to Alpha lota State Initiates



Alpha Xi

Karen S. Kowalski

### **Beta Omega**

Diane L. Clark Ginny L. Cole Carolyn (Carrie) S. Corbin Kathy A. Hopper Anne M. Munger\*



\* Reinstated

**H** Honorary

### Anniversary Pins available for sale.







bright gold







To order pins contact J-Jay Pechta, information on page 2.

Bright Copper



Bright SILVER



### White Roses in Memoriam

### Carole Jenkins, Alpha Rho Chapter

Our Alpha Rho sister and Historian for many years didn't know the meaning of giving up-whether it involved striving to make a Both of Margaret's parents loved the law and, after her mother's better life for the handicapped or dealing with her serious heart untimely death, her father, a 1917 U of M Law School graduate, condition caused by a virus - Carole was a fighter! A native New thought his three daughters should have college degrees. He Yorker, she grew up in Essex Junction, Vermont and with her encouraged them toward non-traditional careers for women of lifelong friend Carol S., graduated from H.S. there. Then she that era. attended Castleton State College in General Education before educational path by attending U of M for their BA's and transferring to Springfield College and earning her Bachelor's in graduating from the U of M Law School, and to the third earning Health, Recreation and P.E. in 1968. In 1971 Carole moved to Michigan and received her M.A. in Special Education-Adaptive Margaret, one of two women in her graduating class of 1945, P.E. from MSU where she made many of the friends she traveled and golfed with during her lifetime. She did her Post-graduate work through the Teachers College of Columbia University in Administrative and Educational Law. Carole devoted almost 23 years to the Ann Arbor Schools as a Teacher Consultant/ Supervisor of Special Education. In the 90's, she was the Secondary Education Special Education Supervisor for Ann Arbor Schools. During this time she also twice served Ypsilanti as Interim Special Ed Director in addition to spending 8 years as Ypsi's Director/Principal of the New Horizon Program for POHI and almost three years as Principal at Adams Elementary. In 2000 she became the Special Education Monitor for Washtenaw County and was a Liaison with the Michigan Medicaid Claiming Program. She was then back in Ann Arbor as an Elementary School Principal until she retired in 2006 and moved to Brighton. Carole had quite an accomplished life for woman whose H.S. Guidance Counselor said, according to a friend and classmate, that she would never make it in college. She never backed away from adversity, treated everyone well and was highly respected young attorneys practicing" law in her court and to "those by all she worked with.

excelled in all types of athletic activities. A life guard at her her as an honorary member in 1981. Margaret, along with her hometown pool, she always loved the water and all water sports, husband of 58 years before his death in 2006, raised four including sailing. With her graduate school friends, she went children, one of whom is a judge in Nevada. She described her camping, canoeing and white-water rafting. She skied and yet work-life blend as a 'neat balancing act." Long active in civic always had time for a good card game. She always made time and community affairs, she served on her local City Council, her for friends and the families she had worked with, giving thoughtful gifts such as the first pair of ice skates for a special child. Besides being extremely active in her church in Brighton, she volunteered at the Brighton Senior Center, was a "soup lady" for the Kiwanis, and was a big sister/aunt to a dear friend's children. Devoted to her parents and family, she would return to Vermont for summers and holidays. She clearly shared a work ethic with her father who was honored in his 90's as the oldest full-time employee in the U.S. Carole also had many other talents—she rehabbed a house on the Huron River, doing the plumbing and wiring herself along with some carpentry. Shortly before her last battle with her recurring heart problem, she flew down to Hilton Head to help a friend and her daughter fix up a golf villa on the Moss Plantation. She became ill there and though her body gave out, her spirit never did.

July 12, 1946 - March 11, 2013

### Honorable Margaret G. Schaeffer **Beta Eta Honorary Member**

This led to two of his daughters following his her PhD and becoming President of OCC/Auburn Hills Campus. went on to clerk for judges in Michigan and California, before joining her sister (class of 1947) in practicing law at their father's law firm and later at Markle and Markle in Detroit. In 1971, Margaret was appointed to The Workers' Comp Appeal Board for the State of Michigan and, in 1974, was elected as a Judge for the 47<sup>th</sup> District Court for Farmington and Farmington Hills, eventually becoming the chief judge of the district. At that point, Judge Schaeffer and her sister, Judge Cornelia Kennedy, became the first sisters to serve as judges in the USA. For 18 years, before retiring in 1992, Judge Schaeffer, known as a kind, fair pragmatist, mentored many judges and helped pave the way for other women judges and lawyers to become accepted in their field. One brand new Asst. Oakland County Prosecutor assigned to Margaret praised her for how intently she listened in court, her comportment and her judicial temperament. This woman, now a judge herself, considered Judge Schaeffer her role model both personally and professionally. The Judge also was known to be 'very generous with her time and resources to many, including to seeking political office," especially locally.

Besides having such an illustrious career in education, Carole However, that is only part of why our sisters in Beta Eta initiated Township Board of Trustees, the Beautification Committee, and the Community Center Board of Directors as well as being active in her church and other organizations such as AAUW. She loved gardening and traveling; she and her husband visited all 50 states and all seven continents. To celebrate her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday, she and her family took a small boat cruise to Alaska. Living life to the fullest and well seems to have been mantra of this gracious, humble woman who made time for everyone who needed it.

November 21, 1920 - April 11, 2013



### White Roses in Memoriam

### Sarah J. Clock, Beta Eta Chapter

To honor our Beta Eta sister, Sarah Clock, her family recommends you do as Sarah did: read lots and help children to read; play games and listen to music; think of her when you see the Detroit Red Wings and Tigers play (she was a great fan); and surround yourself with great friends (and family) and always ask others how you can help! This epitomizes a woman who gave of herself and her time to friends and family selflessly in good times and in bad, to her special needs students and other students during her 37 years with the Farmington Hills Schools, to the Madonna education students she taught as an adjunct professor and the student teachers she supervised there, to her community and the Civitans (including helping found a chapter in Farmington Hills,) to all the children she helped by volunteering in Pontiac, Utica and Farmington Hills Schools, to all the dogs she loved and those she dog-sat for, to her Beta Eta sisters whom she served as 1st Vice-president and as an active member of many committees! That was how Sarah lived her life.

Born in Grand Rapids and raised in Allegan, when she was eight years old, she moved to southeast Michigan to live with her aunt and uncle after her mother died. After skipping 5<sup>th</sup> grade there, she met a life long friend in 6<sup>th</sup> who became part of her "family," as did other great friends she made during her lifetime. Sarah graduated from Ferndale H. S., majored in Education for the Deaf at EMU, receiving her BA in 1967 and a MA in Special Education in 1972. Having none of her own, her nieces and nephew became her children. During elementary and middle school, she took each child for a week each summer and went to Tiger's games, Boblo Island, restaurants, shopping, the zoo and many other fun places for children. Sarah read voraciously, played games of all kinds-- especially Yatzee with her family and other card games, and she didn't leave the house in the morning without having done her crossword puzzle. She patronized the library, often gave books as gifts, loved movies and tried to see all that were nominated for awards, loved music and concerts at the Ark in Ann Arbor, was a season ticket holder for the Detroit Symphony Orchestra and always supported her favorite Detroit sports teams. Her special Taco Dip was and still is a family favorite and, along with all her good works and great memories created, will always remind friends and family of this wonderful woman who did so much for everyone.

May 11, 1946 - May 18, 2013

### Harriet Lucille Cooper, Alpha Rho Chapter

As a teacher, you have a lifetime of influence on your students that isn't just based on the information you impart but on who you are as a person, a role model. When a former 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> grade student of Lucy Cooper at Wines Elementary in the 70's learned of her passing, she wrote "Miss Cooper was a good soul; a good person teaching with goodness in her heart and was the

epitome of kindness. Thus, there is a little bit of her in me now (working and living in Alaska) and when I share goodness and kindness,-that is her legacy." This young woman still remembers specific lessons in writing and geography; she credits Lucy for her own life-long addiction to maps and praises her for using various anecdotes such as one involving a cruise ship, a geography-challenged passenger, and the equator which got all the children involved and captured their imaginations. She combined a lesson in geography, kindness, humor and irony with the value of getting a good education, and, in the process, influenced her students for a lifetime.

Lucy was born on a Unadilla, Michigan farm just before the Great Depression. She grew up with hard-working, loving parents in a close-knit extended family which included not just her brother, but also 11 first cousins. Educated in a one-room school and shaped by her childhood church, which started her on a life-long strong faith journey, Lucy went on to graduate from H.S., and with her father's urging, she went to MSU, graduating with a degree in Elementary Education in 1948 and a lifelong devotion to the Green and White as evidenced by the décor in her home! She first taught in Jackson and Chelsea while still living with her parents. When they retired, the family moved to north Ann Arbor and Lucy began teaching at Burns Park Elementary. When Wines Elementary opened in the early 60's, the principal there asked Lucy to come and teach for him, so impressed that he was by what she had done at Burns. She never regretted her decision, and was loved and highly respected by the staff, students and parents there. She soon added EMU to her loyalties, receiving her MA there and made her first trip to Europe with an EMU group, gathering even more info for her classes. She retired in 1983 after a successful and happy 34-year teaching career.

Our Alpha Rho sister loved her family, friends and always had a cat. She was an avid reader, a quilter, did cross-stitch, and was a seamstress, a talent needed by this vivacious woman only five feet tall. She was extremely proud of and thoroughly enjoyed doing her own yard work and housework. Her extensive travels to Europe with friends, out west, to Hawaii and cruising to Alaska allowed her to experience first-hand much of the artwork, antiques and history of which she was so fond. Her travels also kept her in touch with her family both in Florida and near Milford, MI.

Originally initiated into Alpha Sigma, she transferred to Alpha Rho in October of 1960, serving her sisters by working on chapter books, hostessing several meetings, and serving on the committees: Nominations, Initiation both as member and as chair, Professional and Social Affairs, Telephone and Research. She was also Recording Secretary, Vice-President and Historian. A great teacher, friend and DKG member, Lucy, you will be remembered.

May 10, 1927 - November 10, 2013



### White Roses in Memoriam

### Arselia M. Ensign, Alpha Eta Chapter

the U. of Illinois in 1941, Arselia returned to her hometown to teach at the high school. There, she discovered her abiding Bay de Noc Community College, she earned her Master's from interest in Special Education that led to her moving to Michigan NMU. Our Beta Sigma sister had a wonderful role model for and completing her Masters at the U. of Michigan in 1946. She teaching and becoming a member of DKG since her mother, went on to develop Special Education programs for Lansing and Grand Rapids students. She married her first husband in Grand Rapids in 1956. After his untimely death in 1962, she decided to continue her studies, receiving her PhD from MSU in 1969.

In the meantime, she joined the Michigan Department of Education in 1968 as a consultant on programs for the physically and visually handicapped. She was instrumental in founding the Physically Impaired Assoc. of MI (PIAM) in Lansing in 1973, the same year she met her second husband on a plane flight. She went on to establish two Assistive Technology Centers in Lansing and St. Johns. John Eulenberg, a Professor Emeritus at MSU felt honored to work with Arselia on these projects for the delivery of assistive technology to Michigan children and adults. He called her a woman who could articulate very well the dreams she had for the disabled, turning them into visions that she tenaciously pursued and turning them into actual policies and actions. She was a freedom fighter for those with disabilities and an example of how to liberate, empower and promote independence for a many generations to come.

To paraphrase one student, the then, Mrs. Sehler taught at the beginning of her career, "I am a quadriplegic who she encouraged to follow her dreams and who helped me to become the woman I am today, a graduate of GVSU, a teacher for 35 years who met and married at age 64. She, as my friend and Beta Sigma benefited greatly when last year she undertook to put teacher, gave me memories to last forever."

Our Alpha Eta sister, is a longevity award winner, was initiated in 1974. Arselia spent 50 years as a teacher and administrator but also had a personal life. She moved to her new husband's farm in Bannister, embraced his family as her own, and took the time to further her writing and poetry skills and to take up oil painting. This talented woman made so many contributions to improving the lives of the handicapped at the state and national level. She shared books of her poetry with others, was an asset to the Elsie Women's Literary Club, was active in her Bannister Methodist Church, loved her pets, championed animal welfare, rejoiced in her stepchildren and their children and grandchildren. A life well lived!

June 10, 1919 - November 30, 2013

They lived and brought a bit of beauty, love, and faith. Now their lives will ever be reflected in our hearts.

### Mary L. Myllyla, Beta Sigma Chapter

Born in Indianola, Illinois and receiving her BA in English from Born in Marquette and raised in the Upper Peninsula, Mary graduated from Escanaba High School in 1979. A graduate of Rose, is a longtime member. Mary's career in education included teaching at the elementary school level at Stephenson, Powers, Soo Hill and Rapid River. For the last five years, Mary taught Middle School 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade History and Social Studies for the Gadsden School district in St. Louis, Arizona where she was honored during her first year as "Teacher of the Month." Because she strove to make a difference in the lives of young people who truly needed her, she was quite involved in all aspects of the school doing after school tutoring, working with parents, chaperoning school dances, as well as, helping with other activities. She even involved her DKG sisters in Beta Sigma in projects to help her students The chapter collected belts for the boys in her classroom and was collecting Lego sets when Mary again was forced to go on medical leave. Despite her own health issues, Mary also had given of herself caring for others since 2008 doing respite work for Lakestate Industries and Pathways during her summers.

> In addition, Mary was quite active in her community. taught vacation Bible school for her church, sang in the choir, and cooked for Bay College student dinners. Her love of reading got her involved in volunteer work for the local library's Board of Directors. She also helped build Kid's Kingdom in Ludington

> the entire history of the chapter on computer disks, having to transcribe the early handwritten records. She put a copy in the songbook binders she had put together for each member. Mary also organized the storage of all materials pertinent to the chapter, put them in red suitcases, and organized the files chronologically by yearly increments so that members could be honored correctly for their years serving Beta Sigma. Mary was on World Fellowship and Research committees and was a sixyear member of the History committee. She put together a project involving local one-room schools inspired by her mom's own school reunion. She got the membership actively involved in presenting their own stories, making posters and bringing in artifacts.

> Family also played a huge part in Mary's life. She loved family camping trips and took her nieces and nephews on many travel adventures to broaden their life experiences, and brought back items to enrich her classrooms. She also involved them in her favorite holiday, Christmas. She had overnights for them where each one baked their favorite cookies to take back to their families. She started many family traditions including the acquiring of German ornaments for a special tree and having the young ones hunt for the "pickle" as several others. She loved all the holiday lighting and was herself a bright light and joy in the lives of so many.

April 26, 1961 - December 28, 2013

### White Roses in Memoriam

### Mollie R. Kahl, Alpha Tau Chapter

Our Alpha Tau sister had a penchant for education and knowledge that contributed to her being an outstanding teacher, administrator and counselor. She never stopped reading, learning, pondering and sharing with others all that she learned which is part of why she was so respected and well-liked by students, colleagues and community members alike. Looking back upon her forty years in education, she wrote, "We (my husband and I) wanted to make a difference in the lives of the students. We enjoyed working with them, and that, in my thinking, made all the difference."

Mollie was born in Chassel and raised in the UP following World War I. Her family lived in Brimley, St. Ignace and Trout Lake before settling in Marquette where Mollie graduated from Baraga High School in 1936. She attended Northern Michigan College (now NMU) receiving her B.S. in 1941 with majors in both Economics and English and a minor in Business. She began teaching that year at Quinnesec H. S. and two years later moved to the Rudyard Schools where she remained until retiring, nearly four decades later. She began by teaching English and Business in Rudyard at the Jr. and Sr. high schools. In 1947, she became the high school principal serving until 1954. During this time, she was also working on her MA from the U of M in Personnel and Guidance which she earned in 1949, the same year she married her husband, the superintendent of Rudyard Schools. In the late 50's, she returned to the classroom until 1963 when she established the Counseling Department which she headed until she retired.

During her early years at Rudyard she spent several years as the girls' basketball coach though, like most women her age, she had never had the opportunity to play herself. She also served as class sponsor for the classes of 1945, 1946, 1949, and 1952. She ran a tight, yet fair classroom, earning the respect of her students who appreciated her and how much she wanted them to succeed. Several of her former students later became her friends, including one woman who works at the Rudyard Public Library where Mollie volunteered and was a member of the Advisory Board. Another student later returned to Rudyard as a teacher herself, became a good friend and just recently her sister in Alpha Tau.

Initiated in 1969, Mollie served her DKG chapter as Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary and on several committees. Active in MARSP, she also served on the St. Joseph's Church Education and the Chippewa/Mackinac Mental Health Advisory Boards.

She had a passion for all things Irish and for crocheting which she did beautifully, making gifts for others, and donating to her organizations. She also was the "Good Samaritan" who checked in on others to make sure they were OK; who sent out innumerable cards and letters to friends, relatives and former students and was the proud mom of a talented daughter who followed her into education and is a Professor and the Chairperson of the Communication Department at Indiana State University.

June 9, 1919 - January 14, 2014



### Ceremony of Remembrance Celebration of Life



The Ceremony of Remembrance/Celebration of Life will be held at 8 a.m. on Sunday, May 4, 2014, at the Grand **Hotel, Mackinac Island**. Please share the date with your chapter members and mark your calendars to attend the 2014 Alpha Iota State Convention and the Ceremony of Remembrance/Ceremony of Life. This ceremony is a beautiful and significant way to honor women for whom Delta Kappa Gamma was an important part of their lives and who remained members until their passing. If your chapter had a member pass away early in 2013 who was not already honored at the Bay City Convention, she will be remembered in the 2014 Ceremony of Remembrance/Celebration of Life. Either the chapter president or a designee will carry a white rose and light a candle when the deceased woman's name is read. We invite all of you to honor those who have passed on by attending.

Necrology Chair, Lynne Elsesser, would like to remind all chapters of the importance of submitting the Form 6, one copy of which is sent to her, one to International and one to the State Treasurer as quickly as possible. As long as the form 6 is received by the February 1 deadline each year or if Lynne has been notified that you are compiling the information needed for the form, your deceased member will be honored during the Spring Convention.

**Alpha Iota Necrology Chair** Lynne Elsesser (Gamma Alpha), 20440 Lexington Blvd., Northville, MI 48167, 248-348-0335, ELSESSL2@wowway.com

Alpha Iota Ceremony of Life Committee Co-Chairs Gwen Graham (Gamma Beta), 819 W. Shiawassee Ave. Fenton, MI 48430, 810-629-8418, godonnell@aol.com

Julie Usher (Alpha Xi), 6609 US Highway 235, Ossineke, MI 49766, 989-471-9182, dbujeu@gmail.com



In **H**onor of

or in Remembrance of
a beloved chapter and state
Society member
consider making a contribution
to your Chapter's Sister to Sister Fund
a State Scholarship Fund
or the International Educational Foundation
Send to Loretta Miles, State Treasurer, see pg. 2



## Parliamentary Moment Too Many Numbers to Handle?

Ann Ames moved that Zeta Zeta chapter donate \$500 to the public library for the purchase of biographies of women educators. Betsy Barnes moved to amend the main motion by striking \$500 and inserting \$300 (a *primary amendment*). Connie Colman moved to amend Betsy's amendment by striking \$300 and inserting \$600 (a *secondary amendment*).

Then Denise Daniels moved to amend Connie's amendment by striking \$600 and inserting \$400. The chair correctly declared Denise's motion out of order.

An amendment to an amendment to an amendment would be an amendment of the third degree, and, according to *Robert's*, "An amendment of the third degree *is not* permitted" [RONR (11<sup>th</sup> ed.), p. 135, ll. 22-23.].

So how could Denise get the chapter to consider her suggestion?

She could speak against Connie's amendment and say that if it is defeated, she will propose the figure of \$400.

She could simply wait to move her amendment until after Connie's amendment was voted on and there was no more than one amendment pending.

Or she could move to strike out \$600 and *create a blank*. The motion *to create a blank* can be made and voted on while both a primary and secondary amendment are pending [RONR (11<sup>th</sup> ed.). p. 163, ll. 26-30]. It requires a majority vote for adoption.

If the chapter voted to create a blank, any number of suggestions for filling the blank could be made. The numbers already proposed-\$500, \$300, and \$600—would automatically be included in the suggestions. When all suggestions were made, the chair would call for a vote on each suggested amount from the largest to the smallest until reaching the largest amount that the majority was willing to donate.

Submitted by Helen Popovich, PRP, Beta Kappa, State Parliamentarian

## **Tips for Recording Secretaries on Writing Minutes**

A duty of the recording secretary of a chapter is to take and keep the minutes of meetings. Since minutes are the legal evidence of what happened at a meeting they should be comprehensive but as brief as is possible. Minutes should contain what was done, not what was said, and should never contain the opinions of the secretary.

The first paragraph of the minutes should contain the name of the organization and the date, time and place of the meeting, as well as the name of the presiding officer. Action taken on the minutes of previous meetings should be included, whether they were approved as read or corrected.

The body of the minutes should contain reports of officers, regular committees, and special committees. The final wording of any motions should be recorded, and the name of the person making the motion, but not the name of the seconder. Also any announcements should be included in the minutes.

The last paragraph contains the hour of adjournment. The minutes are closed with the signature and title of the person writing the minutes. The words "Respectively Submitted" are no longer used before the signature.

Information for this article came from *Spotlight* on *You the Secretary* which can be ordered from the National Association of Parliamentarians www.parliamentarians.org.

Submitted by Gloria Richards, Nu, State Recording Secretary

#### Pins Available at Convention

Did your chapter honor a Woman of Distinction from your chapter this year? Give a Key Woman Educator pin to a new initiate. Pins available at at the Funding our Purposes Auction in the Theatre room - Grand Hotel.

### **Honor Members with Pins**

**Chapter Woman of Distinction**. RED Letters are on a gold background. The dark areas are raised gold. The DKG letters are in red.on gold

Available at state meetings or via mail with small shipping charge (\$2.50 for up to 12 pins)



#### **Key Woman Educator Pin**

Pin shows gold laurel leaves with a diamond setting. An open red rose rose with green leaves outlined a black background is in the center. Gold letters read "**Key Women Educators**.



### Friend of Education Award



Has your chapter honored someone for being a friend of education? To date these chapters have reported their honorees.

Gamma Chapter awarded Mrs. Emily Wood who has given outstanding years and hours of service to the Hillsdale Community Schools as PTO Treasurer, School Educational Foundation, Elementary Sub Sale Chair, Athletic Boosters Club, and to the Business Professionals of America to design and furnish the Study Cup, a student coffee shop business.

This is a reminder to chapters to let us know your Friend of Education honorees and they will be recognized in the quarterly issues of this publication.

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 gold seal, and signed by the State President, will be sent to you, thus confirming the award at the state level. The chapter determines who, when, how, and why the Friend of Education awards will be given.

For **Guidelines** and **Report Form**, please see the information under **Friend of Education** on the state DKG website www.deltakappagamma.org/MI

If questions, contact bernicehaglund@gmail.com or see page 2 for address.

Submitted by Bernice Haglund, Beta Beta Chapter Alpha Iota State 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice-president

### Invite Any State Officer for a Chapter Visit

As your chapter plans for the upcoming year, please consider and schedule a visit from your state president and other state officers. Any of the officers are willing and eager to come your way to share news or just be a guest. Perhaps you are doing something special that you would like to share, a new member initiation, a birthday celebration, a special speaker or program. Your state president, and state officers would like to spend time with your chapter members. Take advantage of this opportunity!

You should find the forms for visitations on-line. After completing the forms, send them to:

Sandy Downs 47755 Vistas Cr. N. Canton Mi. 48188

If you have problems or need me to send you a request form, contact me at 734-340-4229 or

sandradowns412@gmail.com

I'll be waiting for your requests

Submitted by Sandy Downs, Gamma Gamma,
State Visitation Chair



### Chapter Presidents and Treasurers - Email Addresses Are Needed!!

The government has passed a new law that commercial mailers now have to run all mailing addresses through the **National Change of Address Registry**. During the last mailing of *The Wolverine*, 98 members had a do not forward card on file. Of those, our state editor located 58 working e-mail addresses to e-mail them an electronic version of the winter issue. In order for the information highway to flow smoothly we need email addresses of members. International has added email

addresses to the chapter listings sent to all chapter presidents and treasurers. Please add any missing email addresses and update your copies and send a copy by email or snail mail to: Loretta Miles, State Treasurer, 7099 Reflection Dr NE, Comstock Park, MI 49321 or **jlmiles1@att.net** we will add them to your files and send them to International. Thank you.

### Coordinating Councils Have a Busy Spring



Springtime promises to be a busy time for the Coordinating Councils! Local councils are having brunches, lunches, speakers, and lots and lots of fellowship. I hope you are able to attend your local Coordinating Council and a neighboring

celebration, too. You will be welcomed and you will certainly enjoy the activities.

### ■ Check your schedule and join us!

### Riverlake Council (Area A), April 5, 2014

• *Birthday Celebration*: April 5, 2014 at the Hills, 6560 Peck Rd., Lexington MI 48450, 11:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Contact Sharon Gryzernia, spryz@comcast.net; and Ann Elmer, elmerann@comcast.net

### Oakland County Council (Area A), April 12, 2014

• Birthday Celebration: April 12, 2014 at 10 a.m. at Forest Lake Country Club in Bloomfield Hills

Contact Sally Garrison, wsarahsally@aol.com

#### Detroit Metro Council (Area A), April 26, 2014

 Birthday Celebration: April 26, 2014, Karl's Cabin, 6005 Godfredson Rd., Plymouth Township MI 48170

Contact Cindy Dietz, cdietz@comcast.net.

### Flint Area Council (Area C), April 26, 2014

• *Brunch and Speaker:* April 26, 2014, Atlas Valley Country Club, 8313 Perry Rd., Grand Blanc MI 48439, 9:30 am for registration.

Contact Delores DiGiacomo, dejack@yahoo.com

#### Cascades Area Council (Area B), November

Brunch and Speaker: November 1, 2014
 Cascades Manor House, 1970 Kibby Rd. Jackson, MI 49201, 9:30 am for registration
 Contact Bernice Haglund, bernicehaglund@gmail.com

If your Coordinating Council has additional activities, please contact Dr. Gedy Love at drgedy@frontiernet.net Submitted by Dr. Gedy Love, Omicron,

## **Grants for Indianapolis, Indiana International Convention**

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The 2014 Past Presidents' International Convention Fund Grant is available one time only for members attending the International Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana. This grant will not completely

cover all convention expenses. The application is available below in this publication and is due to the Scholarship Chair by May 1. *The form is also available on the Michigan DKG website deltakappagamma.org/MI* 

Submitted by Gloria Fisher Nu State Scholarship Chair

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#### The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Alpha Iota State



Past Presidents' International Convention Fund. Application for Partial Reimbursement of Expenses For the International Convention JW Marriott Towers

JW Marriott Towers Indianapolis, IN July 28-August 1, 2014

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I understand these conditions and  Applicant's Signat	•	International Conventio	n
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Chapter President	s Signature	Phone	
Mail completed application to:	Gloria Fisher, State Scholarships/G 1207 Fitch Street Albion, MI, 49224 e-mail dkg.gloria@g		



Application Deadline: May 1, 2014

### WOMEN IN THE ARTS RETREAT



REGISTRATION FORM

Theme: Wild West



Friday, October 17 – Sunday, October 19, 2014 Arrival 4:00 PM (or later) – 10:30 AM Sunday Ralph McMullan Conference Center, Higgins Lake Roscommon, Michigan (989) 821 – 6200

Deadline September 15, 2014 Address\_ City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter\_\_\_\_\_Phone Roommate Preference \$175.00 - Lodging and 4 meals at Straits (due to increase by the Center) \$17.00 - Friday Night Dinner - 5:30 PM (optional) (Dinner hour over at 6:15 PM) Please mark your choice\_ Shrimp Chicken \$192.00 - Total including Friday Dinner Single room, add \$40.00 Total Remitted: In late September you will receive a communication listing activities and other pertinent information about the weekend. Make check payable to: DELTA KAPPA GAMMA Send to: Nancy Higgins 11305 Island Lake Road Dexter, MI 48130 734 426 2914 nhigs@aol.com Cancellation Date: September 30, 2014 to guarantee a full refund Would you be willing to present an activity? \_\_\_\_\_ If so what one? \_

Come join your Delta Kappa Gamma Sisters at the lovely Ralph MacMullan Conference Center on beautiful North Higgins Lake for a relaxing weekend.

You do not need to be a member to come. Guests are welcome!

This year we will be staying in the luxurious Straits Lodge, where you share a bathroom with 2 rooms and larger rooms. Some may stay at the traditional lodges.

The price is all-inclusive and includes two-night lodging. 10/17 Check In

Optional Dinner for \$17.00

10/18 Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner 10/19 Breakfast Only

# Nominations Committee Alpha Iota State Needs Your Expertise

The Nominations Committee submitted the name of Sally Garrison for the position of Northeast Regional Director. She is most qualified for this position. No other names were submitted to the committee for consideration to fill International positions for this biennium.

The committee would like to encourage members to consider the possibility of serving the Society in a leadership position in the near future. Alpha Iota needs members to step up and take these positions. There is a core group of women who will support and teach you the responsibilities of the office.

Alpha Iota State nominations will be due no later than October 15, 2014, for the 2015-2017 biennium. The Guidelines and the Form can be found on the state WEB site under forms.

#### **Nominations Committee:**

Kathy Taylor, Chairperson. Beta Iota
Gloria Fisher, Nu
Dorothy Sample, Mu
Jackie Smart, Gamma Alpha
Julie Usher, Alpha Xi

### **Articles Wanted**

For *The Wolverine* about:

**Chapter News** 

**Events/Celebrations** 

**Program Ideas and Resources** 

**Good Works** 

Please send pictures with captions

showing members "doing something."

Spring Issue Deadline June 15, 2014

e-mail-jpechta.dkg@comcast.net

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### Proposed Amendment – Standing Rules of the Alpha Iota State, Michigan, 2014

Proposal # 1 Standing Rules Amendment No. 1

Page SR 1 Article IV Finances Section 2, 5G Be amended as follows:

Add: (7) At state events during which Executive Board meets, if state event funds are available, the Technology Chair or her representative, when providing audio-visual services at the event, shall be reimbursed for lodging from the events funds.

Page SR 1 Article IV Finances Section 2, 5G (7) If adopted would read: AT STATE EVENTS DURING WHICH EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETS, IF STATE EVENT FUNDS ARE AVAILA-BLE, THE TECHNOLOGY CHAIR OR HER REPRESENTATIVE, WHEN PROVIDING AUDIO-VISUAL SER-VICES AT THE EVENT, SHALL BE REIMBURSED FOR LODGING FROM THE EVENTS FUNDS.

Proposed by the Finance Committee

Rationale: Providing audio-visual services at state events is a stated responsibility of the Technology Chairman. Due to her required attendance at state events, it is appropriate that she be reimbursed for her overnight costs, if funds are available. Fiscal Impact: None on the approved state budget. Funds would come from event income, and be paid only if there is enough money available when the event books are closed.

Submitted by Dr. Barbara Souve, Omega and Charlotte Wenham, Rho co-chairs State Bylaws and Standing Rules Committee

### **Funding Our Purposes Silent Auction**



Spring Convention is coming early in May this year, so it's not too early for chapters to think about what kind of donation **or** theme basket they would like to bring for the Funding Our Purposes auction. For the Grand Hotel we are suggesting that items for

the auction be smaller, and lighter in size since they must be carried over (and back) on the ferry. If you intend to donate gift cards, remember that they should be for a statewide (rather than local) retail establishment. A basket could be a recycled backpack or suitcase. As creative as chapter gifts were in Clare, I look forward to the possibilities for May.

Finally, just a reminder that there are two categories for the auction donations. Donation items that have a value of \$50 or less are given yellow tickets and items valued **over** \$50 are green tickets. We need items for each category and welcome donations from individual members and chapters.

The auction will be held from 10:20 am until 4:00 pm in the Theatre. Please be sure to drop your auction item off at the properties room by the DKG Registration table. Also due to new IRS rules we have to have the slip from each donor stating the estimated dollar value and the chapter name or individual donor name.

It might be helpful for members purchasing tickets to bring self-adhesive address labels to put their information on the back of the tickets. It will save lots of writing time! We anticipate great gifts for the auction. Thanks, again, for your generosity.

Your contribution to the auction helps your chapter meet # 8 of the criteria for the Award of the Rose.

Submitted by Joyce Daglow, Gamma, World Fellowship Chair and Judi Fisher, Gamma Alpha, Funding Our Purposes, Chair

### Art Work Accepted by DKG Gallery of Fine Arts

Zeta chapter is pleased to announce that three works of art by Kathleen Rodak have been accepted into the DKG Gallery of Fine Arts.



"Crossing the Stream"



"Fresh Bouquet"

Her artwork will be on display in the Gallery which will open in May, for a period of 6 months.

When Kathleen retired from teaching she picked up her brushes and started taking watercolor classes and has not stopped since then. She is an active member of the Farmington Art Foundation and VAAL (Visual Arts Association of Livonia). She has

"A Place to Rest"

had paintings accepted in various juried art shows including the Delta

Kappa Gamma International Convention in Chicago in 2010. Zeta Chapter is proud of Kathleen and her accomplishments.

### **Chapter News**



Epsilon members, third from left; Bonnie Briggs, Secretary; fourth from the left Christina McGrinson; seventh from the left, Epsilon Chapter President Dee Lapekas give much needed teacher supplies to the staff at Portage Central Elementary School in the Kalamazoo area.

### Nu Chapter Sponsors a Healthy Community Service Program



Last spring Nu chapter decided they wanted to do a community service program with health as the focus. This fall it was decided to present information about the Affordable Care Act.

In January, in conjunction with the Albion District Library, a program was presented to the community. Teresa Osbourne, Director of Community Relations of the Community Healthcare Connections Organization gave an informative presentation about the Affordable \$ Care Act. Then, using the computers in the library, people could shop for and enroll in health insurance from the Healthcare : Marketplace. Counselors were present to help people navigate the Marketplace website. Nu Chapter members sponsored the program and served as mentors.



Gamma Gamma Chapter initiated a new member at the February meeting. Afterwards the members made cards for personal use and to donate to "Snail Mail for Seniors."

"Success is not the key to happiness. Happiness is the key to success. If you love what you are doing, you will be successful."

### **International News**

### The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International DKG Gallery of Fine Arts March 2014



The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Arts & Humanities Jury is pleased to announce the Spring publication of the

following works in the DKG Gallery of Fine Arts, an online gallery of works of art and letters at www.dkg.org:

- Crossing the Stream, Fresh Bouquet, and A Place to Rest, watercolor paintings, by Kathleen A. Rodak. Kathleen, a resident of Farmington Hills, Michigan, is a member of Zeta Chapter, Michigan State Organization of the Society.
- 2 African Violet, Leo's Locomotive, and Serious Art, watercolor paintings, by Beth P. Spencer. Beth, a resident of Muskegon, Michigan, is a member of Alpha Kappa Chapter, Michigan State Organization of the Society

## **International Convention in Indianapolis, Indiana**



Education, fellowship and fun await you at the International Delta Kappa Gamma Convention in Indianapolis, IN. July 28-August 1, 2014 are the dates for convention. The meeting this year is so close to MI; it is the perfect time for you to experience an International Convention.

What's in it for me you ask? Special arrangements have been made for us to experience many sites in the Indianapolis area. Meals have been planned for us that will certainly represent the area. Our convention has many programs planned with speakers from across the country and even our European countries. A highlight of the International Convention is the Installation of a new President, Society leaders. At this event, you will meet new Delta Kappa Gamma sisters, some of whom will change your life in the most positive ways.

As for me I am excited about the keynote speaker who will help me double my memory! I am excited about the ballot to consider Oprah Winfrey for International Honorary Membership. I am excited about the new slate of officers, one in particular who has been a speaker in MI more than once. And, for those of you that know me, I am excited about my European friends, whom I met 10 years ago at my first International meeting, coming for another visit.

Won't you consider joining MI members in Indianapolis, July 28 – August 1, 2014. I will introduce you to my friends!

Kathy Muench, Alpha Omega, State Membership Chair

### **Election Process to Be Considered at 2014 International Convention**



Members voting at the 2014 International Convention will consider proposed amendments that determine whether to continue with our current process of delegate voting or to institute a general election that allows every member to vote in the election of Administrative Board and elected committee members.

All members in attendance at the convention vote on proposed amendments to the *Constitution* and the *International Standing Rules*. State organization presidents who have one vote for every five active and reserve members currently elect officers and elected committee members. The state organization president

I may cast all her state's votes for a particular nominee or she may split her vote if there is more than one nominee.

If the convention votes to allow every member to vote, all members will be able to vote for the members of the Administrative Board. All members would vote for president, the vice presidents, the member-at-large, and Finance Committee members, while only members within a region will vote for their regional director and regional representatives to the Nominations Committee. Only Latin American and Canadian members would vote for their own area representative. Members would vote electronically or by requested paper ballot.

The Ad Hoc Elections Process Committee (EPC), approved by the 2012 Executive Board and appointed by President Dr. Beverly Helms, has researched costs, consulted the Finance Committee, studied the nominations process, communicated with members, and solicited member input via Survey Monkey and at regional conferences.

Various vending companies have submitted estimated costs of an electronic election ranging between \$15,000 and \$25,000 per election. The 2012-2014 Finance Committee is aware of the possibility of an every member voting election process. If the change is approved, the 2014-2016 Finance Committee will have the task of budgeting for the new voting process.

The Ad Hoc Committee submitted to the Constitution Committee proposed amendments that would make a general election possible. The convention has the final authority whether to approve or disapprove proposed amendments. The decision rests with the vote of the 2014 convention.

I Go to www.dkg.org to find more information about a general election and the full results of surveys taken in 2013 on the I Ad Hoc DKG Election Process Committee page. Become informed about the issue and let your state officers know what I you think about the proposed change.

## **International News**

### **DKG Educational Foundation Adopts a New Logo**

Celebrate! It's our 50th birthday and we have a facelift!

We have a new logo for the 21st century!

EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATIO

Your Foundation board members are so excited to have this new logo that uses the Society's current DKG lettering as well as updating the look of the laurel wreath

### **DKG Educational Foundation**

Giving to educate the world

Celebrate by Giving using the Onlilne Contribution Form

- Give to the Educational Foundation to honor your friends, your mentors, your chapter, your SELF.
- Give to the Educational Foundation to memorialize your loved ones
- Give to the Educational Foundation to celebrate an achievement, to recognize your champions.
- Give a dollar for each year just \$50 for 50 years and your name will be cited among the celebrants of the Golden Anniversary of the DKG Educational Foundation on the dkgef.org website.

Please take the opportunity to give \$50 for 50 years. The money collected will enhance the numbers and kinds of projects funded by the Educational Foundation. More Information available on the website. www.dkgef.org

Donations are 100% tax deductible for U.S. citizens



**2014 International Convention** July 28 to August 1 Indianapolis, Indiana **Downtown JW Marriot Hotel Registration Open Until June 30th** 

Visit dkg.org for registration



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Delta Kappa Gamma are the first letters in the Greek words for

Teacher, Key, and Women?

### **Dates to Remember**

### May 2-4, 2014

Alpha Iota State Convention/Conference Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, Michigan

### July 23-26, 2014

Seminar in Purposeful Living Fort Wayne, Indiana

### July 28 - August 1, 2014

International Convention Indianapolis, Indiana J.W. Marriott Hotel and Towers

### August 23, 2014

PAC Meeting Lansing, Crowne Plaza Hotel

### October 4, 2014

Upper Peninsula Fall Workshop Marquette, MI

### October 10-11, 2014

Alpha Iota State

Fall Conference & Executive Board Firekeepers Inn, Battle Creek, Michigan

### October 17-19, 2014

Women in the Arts Retreat Ralph McMullan Conference Center, Higgins Lake Roscommon, Michigan