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Alpha Iota's Second State Project **Educating the Whole Child**

Our second state project for this biennium is "Educating the Whole Child." There are many possible interpretations of this and many ways to work to complete this task. This project directly supports the mission and the purposes of the Society and our goals as educators.

"Educating the Whole Child" may be understood to mean that we need to include more than just the core subjects in the students' education. World language, the arts, civics, physical education and vocational training courses all help create and grow happy, well-rounded and productive citizens. These classes and programs are essential to the development of our children.

Experts seem to agree that younger children more easily learn world languages. Be



- sure to encourage your school district to include language classes in the lower grades, even if only short introductory programs. Students are introduced to, not only the language, but learn about other cultures. This encompasses the art, music and geography of the culture and offers our children a larger view of our diverse world and its peoples.

We also need to support the inclusion of the arts in the school curriculum. All too often, in a budget crisis, the art, music, and drama classes are reduced or eliminated. This is a shame, as experiencing the arts can help build self-esteem and confidence in a child and bring them great joy and reward. It can have a calming effect and allow students to explore their creative nature. There is also a close connection between music and reading and art and literature. Do what you can to encourage your district and our state to retain its arts programs in the schools.





You can also support your community arts councils, theaters, musical groups and symphonies. Donations of time and money are always welcome, but you can show your support by taking your children and grandchildren to the theatrical productions, instrumental and choral concerts, art exhibits and hands-on activities in your area. They will be

introduced to the beautiful world of art, music and drama as they begin to develop an appreciation for those means of expression. Attend local and school events-even if you don't have a child involved in the production. It's a wonderful, inexpensive way to spend an afternoon or evening and show the students and instructional staff that you appreciate their time, talents and energy. Your presence validates their work and their involvement in the arts.



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President's Message



Alpha Iota State 2013-2015 Biennium Theme Education: Our Focus, Our Future

Save the Date!

Dear Alpha Iota Sisters,



Have you saved the date for the Alpha Iota spring convention, May 2-4, 2014? The event will be held on beautiful Mackinac Island, with its rich history, pretty cottages, breathtaking views and geography. With no cars, only horse drawn carriages and

bicycles, the island offers a unique but fascinating downtown, historic sites and roadways or paths to explore. The award-winning Grand Hotel, with its stunning white façade and the world's longest porch, will be the site of our convention. When you register to stay at the hotel, your dinner and breakfast are included. The public spaces are filled with beautiful furniture, antiques and lots of places to sit and chat or enjoy a cup of coffee or tea. The guest rooms are all elegantly decorated and appointed. Each one is different, but they are all gorgeous. Dining at the Grand is a rare treat. Breakfast is a truly wondrous array of entrees, and sides, even a full buffet is available. Dinners are five-course meals with an incredible menu that changes each day. In the beautiful dining room you will enjoy delicious entrees and accompinaments and wonderful desserts. This is fine dining at its best. Be sure to plan on dressing more formally for dining and evening. After 6:30 PM at the hotel, gentlemen must wear jackets and ties and ladies must wear dresses or dress pants. It's an elegant affair!

From Mackinaw City or St. Ignace, take a ferry ride to the island where you can stop to explore downtown or hail a carriage and head up to the hotel. Please look for more information on the *sheplersferry.com* schedule. As our event is early in the season for the island, there may be a limited number of ferry crossings. Friday evening's Executive Board and General Membership meeting will begin at 9 PM. It's a little later than usual, but dinner at the hotel is later than many other sites. Saturday will bring a General Membership meeting and speaker for everyone, followed by a wide selection of breakout sessions and fun. We've built in time for sightseeing so you can explore the island or visit the fort, Governor's Summer Residence, fudge shops and downtown. Take a carriage or bicycle ride around the perimeter of the island. There is much to do! The banquet will be at 7 PM. Everyone should plan to attend. Again, more formal attire is required. Sunday we will have the Ceremony of Remembrance followed by the Awards Brunch.

It will be a very special convention, a chance to enjoy time with friends, learn new things, explore the island and immerse oneself in the luxury of the Grand Hotel. At the close of the convention you may choose to stay a while and experience the island's offerings before boarding a ferry for your return trip.

I hope you are making plans to join us for this wonderful event. The date is May 2-4, 2014. Bring friends, chapter sisters and family. Make this a truly memorable convention and vacation. I'll see you there!

Liz VanWestenburg, President, Alpha Iota State - Michigan, 2013-2015

State Project 2013-2015 Continued

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Civics and government classes are generally required for high school graduation in the state, but we should be working to ensure that all students know and understand the workings of the local, state and federal governments. Voting is essential in our democracy, but it is best done with solid background knowledge of the issues and the ramifications of our decisions. Our future politicians are often "born" in a civics or government class. All students need to see the importance and the excitement of participating in our political process.

Physical education classes are also an important part of the school curriculum. It promotes the health and well being of our children. Physical activity can stimulate thinking and problem solving, and it is a way to beat the current problem of childhood obesity. With so much time spent on computers and with video games, our children need reasons and encouragement to be active by moving, dancing, jumping and running.



Vocational training classes and programs are so important in this time of change and upheaval in the job market. In so many schools and districts, these programs have been de-emphasized or eliminated. Students need every opportunity to explore career options and find their area of interest or expertise. Classes in childcare, an introduction to dental and medical careers, computer tech careers, business and sales, automotive repair, fields such as the electrical, plumbing and other skilled trades offer students a chance to begin their preparation for their future occupations. Career tech centers and community colleges can offer a student time to work with a trained and experienced individual in their chosen field.

What can you do to support these classes and programs in the schools? Be aware of proposed changes in education at the local and state levels. Research the issue and share your concerns and suggestions with politicians and others

involved. Do all you can to be sure your own children and grandchildren have opportunities to experience and gain knowledge in the arts, language, civics and career options that may interest them. If you have a special talent or skill in any of these areas, offer to share your skills and interest in the subject in a classroom or work with a local arts or music council or theater group to promote their programs. Attend community



and school productions and let the students who are involved see that others share in their excitement and interest. Enroll in classes and activities offered by your school district-learn to cook, dance, swim, decorate cakes, make jewelry, etc. Share what you have learned with your family and friends and stress the importance of lifelong education on all fronts. Please let me know your thoughts and ideas about the project and we can, together, educate the whole child.

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

Grand Hotel Bits and Pieces of Important Information

If you are staying to 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.

All room rates at the Grand Hotel are based on the type of room (location/view/size/etc.) In addition, since there is NO TIPPING on site, an additional 19 1/2%, plus MI tax (6%) and a 2% Mackinac Island assessment apply to the daily rate. There is an additional **round-trip baggage handling charge, currently \$8** per person.

Room Rates are	Double/per person	Single/per person	
Category I	\$190	\$305	Girand Hotel
Category II	\$230	\$385	MACKINAC ISLAND
Category III	\$290	\$505	MICHIGAN

If you want to include a **3rd or 4th person** in your room, there will be a **charge of \$139 per person** to pay for the meals of those additional people. Include names on registration form or call before so there is no delay in getting a room.

If you are interested in **extending your stay** beyond Friday and Saturday nights, either before or after, our reduced prices may apply to your additional days. Contact the site and speak with Registration to make reservations for your extended stay.

Be sure to check the **Ferry Schedule** for the last departing time on Friday evening. As of this publication they have not posted their 2014 schedule. However, be aware that the daily schedule is different from the Saturday and Sunday schedule. Convention attenees will receive a special reduced ferry rate. See *sheplersferry.com* for schedule updates.

Membership



A Special Welcome to Alpha lota State Initiates



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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.



Anniversary Pins available for sale.

All pins Contact J-Jay Pechta, Information on page 2.

















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Membership

White Roses in Memoriam

Miriam A. Smith, Omega Chapter

Born in Litchfield, Michigan, Miriam knew from a very young age that she wanted to make a difference in children's lives by going into education. Her father was on the local school board and, in her family, education was always considered of great importance. She began her post-high school career at Jackson Community College and followed with a Bachelor of Science from Eastern Michigan University earned 1954. Her first teaching job, with L'Anse Creuse Public Schools, was secured before even graduating. She later received her Master's Degree from Saginaw Valley State University.

During her 30+ years in L'Anse Creuse School District, she taught in three buildings: South River Elementary, Jefferson Elementary, and Emma V. Lobbestael Elementary. Although she taught various grades, the majority of her time was spent as a kindergarten teacher. During her career, until retirement in 1990, she touched over 1,600 children's lives, not to mention all the families and fellow educators that she impacted. One "Lobster" parent (from Lobbestal Elementary) credited Miriam for giving her daughters a great start in life to become the wonderful women they are. Another family relates how all four of their children were so fortunate to have had their first school experience with Mrs. Smith. Others praised her for her intelligence and for her kind, gentle nature which made this lovely woman a joy to be around. Clearly, Miriam was respected by all. She had a remarkable way of making every child feel special and helping each one reach his or her fullest potential. During her years teaching, she was honored twice as Teacher of the Year in addition to receiving various other awards.

Outside the classroom, Miriam, a member of Knox Presbyterian Church, was a devoted wife, mother and grandmother. She was married to Wayne Smith for 48 years; together they enjoyed traveling, gardening, reading, and socializing with many dear friends. One of their favorite activities was tailgating and attending University of Michigan football games. She took great pride in raising her three children, Kevin, Kent, and Kimberly. In the later years, she cherished her time with her four grandchildren; Garrett, Griffin, Brayden and Chloe.

Miriam was recognized this past year for 50 years of membership in the Omega Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma. The last few years, Miriam was unable to make it out to meetings, but greatly enjoyed reading the bulletins and newsletters. Over the years, Miriam was very active in DKG, serving on many committees and holding offices, including Chapter President (1982-1986). She was honored as the Woman of Distinction in (1984). Miriam believed in the promotion of women educators, encouraging many teachers to join the chapter over the years, one of those being her own daughter.

August 2, 1933 - April 7, 2013

Janet Goering, Gamma Chapter

Our Gamma sister was the devoted teacher who "met each child where they were, accepted them," and created an environment where "they could be themselves with her as their teacher." Loved, appreciated and praised by her former students for her influence on their lives, this wonderful woman didn't limit her teaching to the classroom. She also taught Sunday school, Bible school, parenting and marriage enrichment classes. Janet's calling was improving people's lives, and she tried to help them overcome their obstacles whenever she could.

Born and raised in Toledo, Ohio, Janet became a devotee to art at an early age. From third through 8th grade, she attended every art class she could at the Toledo Museum of Art. After high school, she attended Michigan State College where she met and fell in love with her future husband who whisked her off to Kansas where they were married. She finished her art degree there at Bethel College before the couple moved back to Avon Lake, Ohio where she began her teaching career in art in 1956. The next year they bought the farm in Hudson, Michigan where she lived for 56 years. She taught art in Hudson until becoming a full-time mom to her four children. When her youngest daughter entered kindergarten, Janet continued her career in the Reading Community Schools, running the gamut of teaching K-12, then art at the elementary level and finally, high school art before retiring in 1988 from Reading after 29 years. However, since Janet enjoyed teaching "people of all ages in many settings," in 1990 she found herself teaching for three months at an Arizona Hopi Mission School.

Besides devoting much of her time to her extended family, she continued being active in the Mennonite church and in her community. An ardent seamstress, knitter and crocheter, her passion for quilting led her to be a volunteer quilter at Sauder's Village. She also was both a volunteer and a board member for Domestic Harmony. Her love of flowers and gardening also made her a natural for the Pittsford Garden Club.

After her initiation into Gamma Chapter, Janet also served her chapter as Chairperson of the Art Appreciation, Finance and World Fellowship Committees, as Treasurer from 1996-1998 and President from 1998-2000. Gamma honored her as Chapter Woman of Distinction in 2001. She was a special speaker several times in classrooms at Hillsdale College. Her advice to new teachers was "to be well aware of the emotional well-being of your students and to take time to look around at the beauty that surrounds us every day."

In 2008, our talented sister suffered a spinal stroke that left her paralyzed from the diaphragm down but did not conquer her indomitable spirit. She continued knitting, doing word puzzles, listening to music and inspiring others with her bravery and goodness.

June 8, 1935 - October 4, 2013

Membership

White Roses in Memoriam

Margaret Ann Gibbs, Alpha Zeta Chapter

Our Alpha Zeta sister, "Maggie" Gibbs, excelled as a teacher of exceptional children for 28 years in the Port Huron School District. One of her students remembers her as a warm, caring teacher who made a profound impact on her life. Everyday her students could count on having an "intelligent, creative, compassionate, kind" person guiding them through their daily work with the enthusiasm of one who truly loved her students and her job.

This carried over into Maggie's home life. Though she lost her husband of 55 years in 2006, friends and family still comment on the amazing Jazz on the Lake birthday parties that they hosted with their son Ralph in their backyard overlooking Lake Huron. They loved entertaining and shared their beach with so many people through the years. Members of the Blue Water Jazz Society, Maggie and Bob loved music and even donated a grand piano to St. Joseph's Church in Port Huron. She also loved opera and used to attend live broadcasts from the Metropolitan Opera with a fellow opera afficionado friend of her son. Friends remember her as a woman with the gift of making everyone feel special and welcomed and as a role model for all to emulate.

Maggie was a woman of many interests and talents. She loved reading, sewing, knitting, crafting and painting with water colors. Her passion for gardening led to her being a founding member of the Blue Water Garden Club and the Chair of the Port Huron Beautification Commission. She belonged to St. Mary's and Holy Trinity Churches, and for 33 years was a very active member of her DKG Chapter, Alpha Zeta. She served on numerous committees through the years and attended as many meetings and functions as possible. A friend leaves us with this commentary on Maggie's journey through life: "I can't imagine life without the enjoyment of Maggie's wit, intelligence and charm."

July 26, 1927 - October 8, 2013

In Honor

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



Chapter Presidents and Membership Chairs Share Your Chapter's Traditions



Chapters have developed a variety of ways to honor deceased members. Some chapters attend the memorial services held by the family and/or hold one of their own at a chapter meeting. A helpful suggestion for a chapter memorial service is to invite women who may have known the deceased member and could share some of her history that otherwise may be unknown to the chapter members. A white rose, symbolizing the deceased member is often used. We would like to hear from you about ways you honor deceased members. We request that the Chapter President *or* the Membership Chair share your chapter's traditions of honoring deceased members. Please send your information to **Gwen Graham** or **Julie Usher**, Ceremony of Life Committee Co-Chairs, so that ceremony rites can be shared with other chapters.

The Alpha Iota Ceremony of Life will be held the morning of Sunday, May 4, 2014. Please share the date with your chapter members and mark your calendars to attend the 2014 Alpha Iota State Convention and the Ceremony of Life at the Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island. If you have a member who has passed away since February 1, 2013, that person will be remembered in the 2014 Ceremony of Life and the chapter president or designee from the chapter will carry the rose and light the candle when the deceased person's name is read. This is a ceremony of remembrance, we hope you will honor those who have passed on by attending the ceremony.

Having members annually update their biographical information for the chapter is an important step in having accurate and detailed information for the memorial service and obituary. Since information about individual members can be sparse or lost as they age, it is important to gather as much information as you can while members are still able. Remember to send **Form 6** immediately following the death of a member to **Lynne Elsesser**, Necrology Chair. Including detailed information regarding the deceased member along with the Form 6 is very helpful for composing the "White Roses in Memoriam" that is published in *The Wolverine*.

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

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Parliamentary Moment Chapter Minutes 101

Do you cringe when asked to take minutes?

Relax. Here are basic guidelines to make the job easy.

What information should minutes contain?

The **first paragraph** should contain:

- ◆ The kind of meeting (regular, special, etc.),
- ♦ The name of the chapter,
- ◆ The date, time, and place of the meeting,
- ◆ The fact that the president and secretary (or substitutes) were present, and
- Whether the minutes of the previous meeting were approved;

The **body** should contain (each in a separate paragraph):

- ◆ Each main motion (whether as presented or as amended), who made it (but not who seconded it) and whether it passed or failed.
- ◆ The substance of each committee report,
- ◆ Notice of any motion(s) to be made at a future meeting, and
- All points of order and appeals, and their disposition;

The **final paragraph** should state the time of adjournment RONR (11th ed.), p. 468, l. 22-p. 470, l. 22.

What information can be excluded?

Minutes "should contain mainly, a record of what was *done* at the meeting, **not**

what was *said* by the members"

RONR (11th ed.), p. 468, ll. 17-18.

Do minutes have to be **read** to be approved?

No, if they are distributed before the meeting, they can be approved as distributed.

What is the most efficient way to approve them?

The president asks, "Are there any corrections?" She takes corrections, if any, and

then says, "The minutes stand approved **as read** (distributed)," or, "The minutes stand approved **as corrected**."

...Minutes should be signed and dated when approved.

How should corrections be recorded?

Corrections are inserted into the minutes that were corrected. Minutes of the current meeting say only, "The minutes were approved as corrected."

Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised (11th ed.), pp. 468-475 includes a sample set of minutes and detailed rules for handling them.

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

Professional Affairs Committee Needs Presiders at Convention

I am looking forward to seeing lots of DKG members at the state convention at the Grand Hotel, on Mackinac Island. The state program committee has planned an interesting group of sessions that should appeal to everyone. My committee, Professional Affairs, has the duty of finding presiders/scribes for each session. Responsibilities are: make sure the session starts and ends on time, introduce the speaker, stamp any SCECH forms if the session qualifies and write a short summary of the session. If you would like to assist with any session, please let me know. The tentative schedule is in this issue of The Wolverine. Please contact me if there is a particular session you would like to attend as presider. I will look forward to hearing from several of you.

> Submitted by Kay Tebo, Gamma Eta, State Professional Affairs Chairman hierarchy5@gmail.com

World Fellowship

The World Fellowship committee grants funds in accordance with the Constitution and International Standing Rules when sufficient funds are available. It maintains contact with the World Fellowship recipients for the duration of their studies and when possible encourage members to maintain contact with the recipients studying in their state. The committee may also grant requests for fellowship extensions.

The program began in 1946 as a project to aid women in war torn countries to gain higher education. As of 2013 more than 858 women from more than 117 countries have received aid through the World Fellowship grants to pursue advanced degrees in the US and Canada. Currently about 30 women pursuing Masters and PhDs are World fellowship recipients. An additional 8 women have received extensions of their fellowship grants.

At this time, Michigan does not have a World Fellowship grant recipient studying in our state. However, Michigan DKG members continually and generously support this committee's efforts to fund this important outreach. We use funds from our twice annual raffle to support World Fellowship. Our next raffle will be at the State Convention on Mackinac Island in May of 2014.

Submitted by Joyce Daglow, Gamma, World Fellowship Chair

What's In Your Membership Toolbox?

Presented by Claire La Bontebok, Northeast representative to the International Membership Committee, in Portland, Maine



International Membership has a goal for 2013 to survey every member through Form 50 and a compiled chapter picture with form 80. The results will help all levels build our Society by knowing our members and chapters better. Each chapter is to collect chapter member profile results

from their members and send the results on to International. An interactive Form 80 using survey monkey (which automatically compiles information) is available at International, www.dkg.org, under the Forms section to record the chapter results. To find this link search for the words (survey monkey).

Claire also suggested that we go to the Membership site for ideas on the White Rose Ceremony, recommitment and reorientation, a model for successful chapter practices, leadership development, and more.

Of the members responding to the survey to date, 90 percent of surveyed members say that fellowship and mutual support are the main benefits of DKG membership. Have fun, highlight member achievements, and use the DKG web site for more information.

Submitted by Elaine Christensen, Alpha Mu Chapter

The Distinguished Service Award

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Please reflect on your chapter's previous Friend of Education honorees and other outstanding service-to-education contributors in your community and select one to be considered for **The Distinguished Service Award**.

Chapters make nominations and then a state organization committee determines which of the nominees is most worthy of recognition during the Alpha Iota State Convention. This is a competitive state award, not a chapter award. Nominees may be recipients of a chapter Friend of Education Award or may be other persons the chapter wishes to recognize at the state level for their community and/or state support of education. If your chapter has nominated previously someone who was not selected, please submit your nominee again.

Please see the information under Distinguished Service Award on the state DKG website

www.deltakappagamma.org/MI.

Submitted by Bernice Haglund, Beta Beta Chapter Alpha Iota State 2nd Vice-president

State and Chapter Woman of Distinction Reminder



The **Alpha Iota** State Woman of Distinction Award is a competitive award program. A member nominated for this award should be chosen because she has made significant contributions to education beyond the chapter level. A member who has

been previously nominated, but not selected as Alpha Iota State Woman of Distinction, may be nominated again. Please remember that a currently serving state elected officer or employee, can not be nominated until her term has ended. Chapter Presidents and/or Chapter Personal Growth and Services Chairs are encouraged to complete the application found on the state website and send it to Jackie Smart, State Personal Growth and Services Committee Chair, by March 15, 2014.

The Chapter Woman of Distinction Award provides an opportunity for a chapter to honor a member that has exhibited an outstanding contribution to education, her chapter, and/or her community. Individual chapters decide upon the criteria and method of selection for the Chapter Woman of Distinction Award. Chapters may choose a member for the honor by involving the entire chapter in the selection process or allowing the Personal Growth and Services Committee to decide. Occasionally, chapters select more than one individual as the year's Chapter Woman of Distinction. The name of the honoree is also to be reported to Jackie Smart, State Personal Growth and Services Committee Chair, by March 15. The form MUST be returned by the deadline in order for the honoree to receive a recognition certificate at the State Convention.

> Submitted by Jackie Smart, Gamma Alpha, Personal Growth and Services Chair

NEED A ROOMATE?

Are you going to the State Convention?

Do you need a roomate?

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.

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Friend of Education Award

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

Beta Lambda Chapter awarded the Hearts of Autism Organization that provides support and educational materials to those in the community of Lapeer.

Alpha Kappa Chapter honored Representative Colleen Lamante, of Montague, Michigan for her continued support of education and educational issues.

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 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** 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 2nd Vice-president

Communications with Chapter Members



This is a friendly reminder that your chapters newsletters are due to Anne Wade by February 1, 2014. The committee has received newsletters from three chapters as of January 1st and we are looking forward to all the rest in the next 30 days. Anne's

email is wadeanne@gmail.com and her home address is 1409 Basswood Ct., East Lansing, MI 48823.

"Strengthening the Buzz" newsletter was recently received from International. Within the newsletter were two articles that are helpful to all chapters. The first article can be used by your newsletter writers and yearbook creators, "Tips on Using Images". This was good reminder on what images you are allowed to use in your publications so that you are not violating copyright laws. Within the article, the author suggested that you use these websites to find allowed images, Free Digital Photos - http:// freedigitalphotos.net, Pixabay - http://pixabay.com and Wikimedia Commons - http://commons.wikimedia.org/ The websites also provide wiki/Categories:images. information on how the images can be used, whether you have to purchase the images and how to give credit for the images.

The second article from International was detailed information on how to submit articles for publication consideration in the *Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin*. The Quarterly journal is accepting articles for consideration for the June publication by March 1st. The theme is "Impact of Educational Reforms". The Fall quarterly submission deadline is June 1st and the theme is "Teaching Performance".

For more details on the articles described above email Anne Wade at wadeanne@gmail.com and she can send you the newsletter, or visit the international website at dkg.org and you can find the article under the communication tab.

Submitted by Anne Wade, Alpha Lambda Chapter, State Communications Chair

State Dissertation Award



If you, as a Society member, have recently finished your doctoral dissertation, then, this information is for you! Any Alpha Iota member who completed a doctoral dissertation between March 15, 2013 and March 15, 2014 is invited to submit an entry form and a copy of the abstract. I will be happy to send an entry form to anyone who requests one. The completed form and abstract can then be returned to me. The deadline is April 1, 2014.

Hopefully, you will be able to attend the Alpha Iota State Convention at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island to receive this wonderful award. Writing a dissertation and earning your doctorate is quite a feat. Therefore you deserve the accolades and the recognition for such an endeavor.

Submitted by Nina Keener, Lambda, Research Committee Chairperson, 1215 Kirts Blvd. Unit A, Troy MI 48084. scakee@aol.com, 248-362-1627

Coordinating Council News For 2014



The Alpha Iota State Coordinating Councils have been taking on our 2013-2015 theme, "Education: Our Focus, Our Future." During the Fall Workshop in Clare, all Coordinating Councils were invited to meet and plan their events.

Some Councils finalized plans for upcoming events and other Councils began their planning sessions for spring activities

On November 9, 2013, the Cascades Council met at the scenic Cascades Manor House, 1970 Kibby Road, Jackson MI. Bernice Haglund and J-Jay Pechta have an active committee of members from Gamma, Omicron, Nu, Beta Alpha, Beta Beta, Beta Rho, and Beta. The attendees enjoyed a "Four-Corners" health-based activity program which included: food ideas, stress management, exercise, and crafts. State officers were welcomed, including our president, Liz VanWestenburg. Ice breaker activities were enjoyed by all, as the Delta Kappa Gamma sisters were involved in holiday-related fun. Luncheon was a sandwich and soup buffet with lots of goodies. As of the writing of this article Coordinating Council Celebrations are planned for:

March 22, 2014, the *Capital Area Council* will have a luncheon at Christy's Bistro in the remodeled Crowne Plaza Hotel, formerly, the Lansing Lexington Hotel off I-496 and Creyts Road in Lansing. The coordinators are: Alpha Lambda Chapter from Lansing. Patty Baldwin can provide reservation details. Her contact information is: Patty Baldwin, 5547 Starflower Dr., Haslett MI 48840, (517) 339-9871, RLBald@aol.com

April 12, 2014 at 10:00 AM at Forest Lake Country Club in Bloomfield Hills, the *Oakland Coordinating Council*, will have its Birthday Celebration. Contact Sally Garrison for information at wsarahsally@aol.com.

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

Submitted by Dr. Gedy Love, Omicron,
State Coordinating Council Chair



Scholarships and Grants



Are you working on a graduate degree, retraining, or seeking an additional endorsement in education?

Delta Kappa Gamma may have some financial help in the form of a scholarship for you.

Alpha Iota offers two \$1,000 scholarships, two \$500 scholarships for retraining and/ or additional endorsements in education, and one \$800 scholarship for graduate study.

The Katherine Keeling Memorial Grant supports Michigan members who wish to participate in seminars, workshops, research, and other work designed to contribute to their professional development.

Since this is a convention year, the International Convention Grant is available, one time only, to partially cover the cost of the registration fee for the 2014 International Convention in Indianapolis, IN.

The Jane Goudreault Memorial Grant is available to two first-timers at attend the International Convention. This is the first year that the grant will be awarded.

The Seminar in Purposeful Living Grant of \$500 is available to an active member to participate in the Educational Foundation's Seminar in Purposeful Living. This seminar will take place in Fort Wayne a week before the International Convention.

Information and application forms for any of the Alpha Iota scholarships, can be found online at http://www.deltakappagamma.org/MI

At the International level, the Society offers grants that support excellence in education and further intercultural underst+anding.

The Lucile Cornetet Award for Professional Development is an individual award granted to educators for the purpose of participating in professional seminars, workshops, lecture series, national certification, on-line courses, and other non-degree program opportunities.

The Golden Gift Fund is used to support an \$800 stipend for members to attend a two week Leadership/Management Seminar, taught by world recognized faculty. The next Seminar will be held in the Summer of 2016, in Austin, TX. Plan now as the deadline is Dec. 1, 2015.

Twenty-six scholarships are awarded annually for members who are pursuing doctoral studies.

Guidelines and application forms for the International grants and scholarships can be found online at www.dkg.org for Alpha Iota see www.dkg.org/MI

Submitted by Gloria Fisher, Nu, State Scholarship Chair 1207 Fitch St., Albion, MI 49224, (517) 629-7670 dkg.gloria@gmail.com



Omega sisters selling raffle tickets for baskets, golf packages, Nook and other things are, from left to right, Karen Meyer and Gretchen Cousino



Travels
With
President
Liz



n Tuesday, November 5, 2013, Alpha Iota State President Liz VanWestenburg and Visitation Chairman Sandy Downs were invited by Omega Chapter to join them at their big fundraiser. They were raising money for Macomb County Intermediate School District in their work to help the over 1000 homeless students in Macomb County. The event took place at the Cloverleaf Bar and Restaurant on Gratiot in Eastpointe. The restaurant donated 20 percent of food sales from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm, including take-out. There were 50/50 drawings held every hour along with raffle tickets for baskets of goodies and other donated items. Everyone was entertained by a local band who also donated their time. This was a big and much needed project that the Omega Chapter Sisters have committed much effort and time to make a success.

Invite Any State Officer for a Chapter Visit

As your chapter plans for the upcoming year, please consider and schedule a visit from your president and other 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 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



Pictured from left to right: Sharon Gryzenia, Omega Chapter President; Liz VanWestenburg, Alpha lota State President; Sandy Downs, Alpha lota State Visitation Chairman; Pat Andrewes, Omega Chapter Project Coordinator





On Monday, November 11, 2013 Alpha lota State President, Liz VanWestenburg made a visit to Petoskey to join Beta Omega at their meeting. The chapter initiated 4 new members who are pictured with Liz from left to right: Carrie Corbin, Gina Cole, Liz VanWestenburg, Kathy Hopper, Beta Omega Chapter President Sue Blevins; Diane Clark. Each new member received a membership certificate and a lovely red rose. Also that evening, Amy, a 5th grade teacher in the Petoskey School District, was the Chapter's recipient for "Supporting Our Educators" state project. She was excited to receive markers, stickers, bean bag chairs, paper, books, and gift cards. A good time was had by all.



Travels With President Liz



| Recipie for a Good | DKG Leader

1 cup Communication
1 cup Listening Skills
2 cups Patience
1 cup Vision
2 cups Willingness to
delegate and
help others
grow

Mix together and bake in an organized manner



On Tuesday, November 12, 2013 Alpha lota State President Liz VanWestenburg traveled to Cheboygan to share with thirty-five members of Gamma Eta Chapter an evening of dinner and fundraising. Members made and brought salad, rolls, lasagna dishes and desserts. There were wonderful raffle items to win and a number of silent auction items. Everyone had lots of fun and social time. Kay Tebo, chapter president, presided over a well-run business meeting.

Holiday Visit to Alpha Theta Chapter

On December 14, 2013 Alpha Iota State President Liz VanWestenburg and Visitation Chair Sandy Downs went over the hills and through the woods (really ice and snow) to join Alpha Theta Chapter at Kathy Zents' home in Howell for their annual Christmas brunch. The house was decorated beautifully and each chapter member brought food to be enjoyed by all. Along with eating, a chapter meeting, a cookie exchange, a flute duet of holiday songs, good conversation and friendship was shared, as well as, Chapter plans for the new year. Liz shared news from the state and said she hoped to see everyone at the convention on Mackinac Island in May. Since Alpha Theta's existence (1955), there has always been a holiday gathering at a member's home.





lpha Iota State President Liz VanWestenburg and State Visitation Chair Sandy Downs traveled to Jackson to be part of the Cascades Council brunch, on Saturday, November 9, 2013 at the Cascades Manor House. Cascades Coordinating Council includes seven chapters: Beta, Gamma, Nu, Omicron, Beta Alpha, Beta Beta and Beta Rho. The welcome was made by Council President, Bernice Haglund. There was a "get to know you" mixer followed by "Four corner workshops" which lasted 30 minutes each allowing all to attended each session. The activities were Cooking Tips presented by Shirley Chu of Omicron; Craft Corner, demonstrated by Susan Helser of Beta Rho; Calming Stress I discussed by Dr. Gedy Love of Omicron; and Chair Exercises I instructed by Gloria Fisher of Nu. This was followed by a luncheon buffet and silent auction. Lots of fun, communication, winning raffles and the silent auction was enjoyed by all. The event ended with the singing of the Delta Kappa Gamma song. What a beautiful place, for strong professional women to spend a Saturday in November.



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 World Fellowship 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, 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, as well as chapters.

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

Gloria Fisher, Nu, a certified "SilverSneakers" instructor teaches the corner group techniques to keeping fit by using elastic cords and a chair to exercise and improve their strength, flexibility, balance and endurance.



Susan Helser, Beta Rho, on the left taught the Craft Corner and shared some techniques for making a "Get Well" card. Those participating Susan, Liz VanWestenburg, Gamma Gamma; **Jackie** Smart, Gamma Alpha; Theresa Sedmak, Alpha Theta; Diane Dray, Omicron; Willye Pigott, Beta Beta; and J-Jay Pechta, Gamma

Service Project Ideas for Chapters

Alpha Iota chapters are involved in a variety of community and service projects. Need a new project to ignite your chapter? Below is a list of possible projects from Michigan chapters.

- ➤ Book Donations (shelters, hospitals, dentist and doctors' offices, newborns and new mothers, local schools, nursing homes, and kindergarteners)
- ➤ Backpack Projects (filled with school supplies)
- ➤ Homework Supplies
- ➤ Foster Agencies and Women's Shelter Donations: Homemade Fleece Blankets, Hygiene Bags and Toiletries, Hats/Mittens/Coats for Needy Children; Snacks and Fruit; Office Supplies, Diapers, School Supplies, Books
- ➤ Card-making for Active Military and Veterans
- ➤ Children's Book Fair
- ➤ Holiday Donations for the Needy
- ➤ Summer Camp and Science Camp Experiences
- ➤ Financial Support for Children's Museum
- ➤ Dolly Parton Project
- ➤ Habitat for Humanity
- ➤ Grant-in-aid for Early Career Educators
- ➤ World Fellowships
- ➤ Dictionaries for Third Graders
- ➤ Little Dresses for Africa
- ➤ DKG Tote Bags (With Supplies for New Teachers and Information about DKG)
- ➤ Stuff a Duffle for Salvation Army
- ➤ Adopt a Family for Christmas
- ➤ Literacy Night for Parents and Children
- ➤ Support the Readiness Center
- ➤ Donate Quilts, Books, Diapers, Formula, Baby Food, and Clothes for Newborns
- ➤ Financial Support for Music Programs
- ➤ Seedlings Braille Books for Blind Children (Financial Support and Volunteers)

Jackie Smart, Gamma Alpha, State Personal Growth and Services Chair Alpha Iota State Convention

Chapter/Committee Sales Application

Saturday, May 3, at the Grand Hotel,

Mackinac Island, MI

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Document Storage Available

Judi Fisher, 20180 Rippling Lane

Northville, MI 48167, judifisher@vahoo.com

Alpha Iota State Sisters, arrangements have been made by our state organization to store Alpha Iota State hard copy information in boxes about 2' X 2' X 2' in a Grand Rapids storage facility. Items to be stored would be those that would not need to be accessed often - perhaps once a year or less. Items can be stored and accessed by state officers, committee chairmen, and employees. An itemized list of items in each individual box should be included (1) inside the top cover of the box, (2) outside of the box on a short end, 3) in the contributing officer/chairman/employee's Alpha Iota State Society files to be forwarded to the next position holder. A 4th copy should be sent to the Historical Document Storage Committee Chairman.

We have talked for years about needing such storage for state materials. There are members who will consider taking on state level responsibilities if they do not have to take items to be stored into their homes. Please use this new benefit and share the news. We can now keep on hand only what we need for our immediate business use; other items for archival and future use can now be stored and accessed as needed.

Feel free to contact me for more information or answers to your questions.

Kay Ostrom, Alpha Kappa, State Alpha Iota Documents Storage Chair, gakaos1650@yahoo.com, phone. 231-798-2643

Chapter Presidents and Treasurers - Email Addresses Are Needed!!

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 I will add them to your files and send them to International. Thank you.

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, will bring you up-to-date on the political happenings in Michigan. SCECH UNIT

What Is Your Interest?

On May 2-4, 2014, Alpha Iota State members of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International will be convening in the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island. State conventions offer members opportunities to make new and greet continuing friends, assemble and learn together; celebrate our profession, our Society, and our personal achievements.

Why might you want to come to The Island?

eck those below that might interest you.
Check baggage at the dock straight through to the Grand Hotel
Travel by boat across the Straits of Mackinac
Take a horse drawn carriage to the world famous resort
Stay overnight in a stunning room designed by Carlton Varney
Glimpse geraniums everywhere as you roam the hotel and
grounds
Dine in elegance in the Salle á Manger
Stroll or rock gently on the majestic porch
Wander nearby streets to see Victorian Mansions
Journey around the island to see the 73 historic cottages
View sunset over the beautiful Mackinac Bridge
Write postcards or relax with friends in the Parlor
Savor High Tea in the afternoon
Delight in white glove treatment at the President's Banquet

☐ Play golf or tennis with spectacular scenery ☐ Trek to Fort Mackinac for a taste of history

☐ Tour local sights in a carriage or on horseback ☐ Use a Grand Hotel bicycle to ride around the island

☐ Listen to Big Band sounds in the Terrace Room

☐ View both the island and bridge from the Cupola Bar

☐ Observe Lake Huron from Arch Rock

☐ Travel to the waterfront shops for fudge, t-shirts and souvenirs

If you have checked two or more items, you MUST join us at the Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island where Old World Charm and Michigan's Society members will be waiting for you. See you there!

PRESIDENTS' PROCESSION **RSVP BY APRIL 1, 2014**

The President's Banquet at the Grand Hotel will be an event not to be missed! As the late Dr. Paula Dent said, "Wear your prettiest dress." This is the time when chapter presidents will be presented to our State President and membership. This year, as Past State President, one of my responsibilities is coordinating the Presidents' Procession. To make sure things go smoothly, we will have a rehearsal for the procession. The practice will take place at 11:00 pm on Friday evening, May 2, 2014. All outgoing and incoming chapter presidents should plan on attending this rehearsal. If you are unable to attend, please send a representative to stand in for you. Complete this form and mail (or email) information to: Olive Lane Horning, 4417 13th Street, PMB 186 St. Cloud, Florida 34769, ohorning@aol.com

Presidents' Procession State Convention Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, MI

May 2 - 4, 2014

Chapter	
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*Indicate if you are a substitute	
·If needed, include name pronunciation help.	

Come join the Rosebud Chorus



Please come and join the chorus during our one and only rehearsal time. 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 at tetzlaffwheeler@gmail.com

State Convention Mackinac Island Hotel Registration

Delta Kappa Gamma Alpha Iota State Convention ARRIVE: Friday, May 2, 2014 DEPART: Sunday, May 4 2014

ACCOMMODATIONS MAY BE AVAILABLE PRIOR TO AND FOLLOWING THE ABOVE DATES

Return this form by: Wednesday, April 2, 2014



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CATEGORY III - Special, deluxe lake-view guest rooms, some with balcony	\$290.00\$50	05.00
Grand Hotel operates on the Modified American Plan . This means that your daily Buffet, other facilities are available at Grand Hotel for lunch.	rate includes breakfast and dinner. In addition to our Grand Lun	cheon
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State Convention Mackinac Island Registration



The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Alpha lota State Convention Registration Form Education: Our Focus, Our Future May 2-4, 2014

Grand Hotel - Mackinac Island

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Saturday Breakfast @ \$40 7:30 – 8:50 AM	Yes	No	\$	(\$30)
President's Banquet @ \$80 Saturday 7:00 PM	Yes	No	\$	(\$80)
All members and guests are invited to attend. <u>Sunday Awards Brunch</u> @ \$40 Sunday 9:00 AM	Yes	No	\$	(\$30)
All members and guests are invited to attend Coffee , Snacks, if NOT staying at Grand Hotel @ \$5	Yes	No	\$	(\$5)
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In order to earn the State Continuing Education Clock Hours (SCECHs) you must do the following:

Photo Release: By your attendance at this event you are granting permission to Alpha lota State of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International to use your photograph in the *Wolverine* and/or on the Society website."

- 1. Register for the Credit on your registration form. (Fee is \$10 for member, \$20 for non-member.)
- Sign in for SCECHs at the registration desk when you check in. (State Required Form)
 A sheet will be in your packet.
- 3. Attend a minimum of five sessions for credit.
- 4. Assure that you are stamped in and stamped out of each session. (You must attend the entire session.)
- Turn in your Official Attendance Sheet and your evaluation sheet. There will be a special box at the registration desk for this purpose.
- The Executive Board and General Membership Meeting will be *combined* and will start at 9:00 PM Friday evening.
- . ALL MEMBERS should attend Executive Board/General Membership Meeting at 9:00 PM Friday.
- Practice for the President's Procession will be Friday night following Executive Board.

To help us "go green" please bring your neck wallet name badge holders. If you do not have one, or you forget it, plastic holders will be available.

Please mail this completed form and your check, payable to Delta Kappa Gamma to:

Patricia Wittler, Registrar 124 County Road 545 Marquette, MI 49855 Phone: 906-249-9626 Wit64ler@aol.com

Cancellation Policy:

"A person having to cancel will receive a refund provided her written request is posted fifteen days prior to the event" which would be April 17, 2014. (Standing rule 7:01 of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.) Requests for cancellations must be sent in writing to the same person to whom the registration form was sent. You must personally cancel your hotel accommodations. If it is necessary to cancel after April 17, 2014, you should attempt to get someone from your chapter to attend in your place. No refunds can be made after the cancellation date.

NOTE: HOTEL REGISTRATIONS ARE DUE BY APRIL 2, 2014 FOR GUARANTEE OF LOWEST AVAILABLE PRICE.

State Convention Workshop Sessions



State Convention May 2 - 4, 2014 Mackinac Island, Michigan **Tentative Sessions**



Friday, May 2, 2014 **Pre-Conference Seminar:** 7:50 PM - 8:50 PM

Legislation and How It Affects Us All



Be in the know! Find out what is happening in state politics 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, member of Upsilon chapter and MEA-R State President, will bring you up-to-date on the political happenings in Michigan. Find out what you can do to become involved and make your voice heard. This will be a provoking thought and educational presentation with practical information on the legislative process and democracy in action. The processes and details learned will be of interest to us all and can be used in social studies classroom presentations and discussions. This pertains to content standards for Civics, teaching students about governmental authority, how citizens can impact governmental decisions and how government will protect political and economic freedoms of citizens.

SCECH

General Session Friday Evening

History of the Grand Hotel by Bob Tagatz - Keynote Speaker

The Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island is one of the most historically significant hotels in the United States. Join Mr. Bob Tagatz, Resident Historian and Concierge at the Grand Hotel, in his informative session about

construction and preservation of this 19th century



wood frame hotel. The Grand Hotel's front porch is purportedly the longest in the world and overlooks a vast Tea Garden and the Esther Williams swimming pool. The Grand Hotel is well-known for a number of notable visitors, including five U.S. presidents, Thomas Edison, and author Mark Twain. Mr. Tagatz came to Mackinac Island specifically because of his interest in the Grand Hotel, but has

since become totally enamored with the beauty and history of Michigan and its people. SCECH

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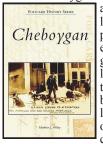
Schools have flexibility in how thev meet the requirement to provide "one credit in health and physical education." This session is applicable to women of all ages, and the



information will be of value to teachers, counselors and administrators. workshop will try and cover the alphabet of issues women face. Nancy Higgins, nurse educator and member of Zeta Chapter, will present basic ideas and suggestions on how to stay healthy and safe. She will touch on many topics to give you ideas on what you might want to explore further to maintain a healthy life style. The topic of domestic violence and impact on women and young girls will also be discussed. **SCECH**

Cheboygan-Postcard History by Matthew Friday, Historian of **Straits Area**

Matthew Friday, historian and author, will share Cheboygan's "up north" history. It's



amazing what you can learn from picture You will postcards. experience the birth and growth of the booming lumber town. Along with the growth came grocers, bankers, saloonkeepers, laborers, doctors, and other pioneers. Colorful characters and beautiful

buildings graced Cheboygan's bustling downtown. When the lumber ran out and the mills closed, residents sought a new identity. Tourism and industry led the way, and Cheboygan is enjoyed throughout the year. Mr. Friday's collection of images of Cheboygan and the surrounding area highlights its birth and growth from boomtown to vacation destination. SCECH

Communication with Social Media -



This session will explore the use of social media, such as Facebook and Twitter, in connection with increasing communication in Delta Kappa Gamma at the local, state and International

levels. Bring your laptop, I-Pad, I-Phone or other small devices and let's explore what social media can do for our chapter in getting the word out about Delta Kappa Gamma. We will learn how to create events on the Facebook page that we can invite members to, how to post photos of events to publicize more and also explore the state and international website, Facebook and Twitter pages to see what tools they have to help us increase communication overall. Join Anne Wade, Alpha Lambda, and State Communications Chair as she brings these fascinating aspects of communication and technology. together.

Current Educational Legislative Issues

Keeping up with the latest legislative information is a challenge. This session by Judy Foster, Upsilon Chapter, MEA-R President, and Alpha Iota Legislative Chair will bring you up to date about the latest health care issues for public school employees as well as inform you about legislation impacting children and legislation in the State of Michigan and the Nation. SCECH

History of Federal Parks on **Mackinac Island**

The purpose of social studies instruction is to develop social understanding and civic efficacy. Any teacher of Social Studies or one who is interested in history will enjoy this session presented by Steven Brisson,

Deputy Director of Mackinac State Historic Parks. You will learn that Mackinac Island is a small island; just 3.8 square miles in size but



the Mackinac Island State Park encompasses approximately 74% of the island's total area. Mr. Brisson shares information about the island and its historic parks and you will learn about Michigan's "forgotten" national park. SCECH

State Convention Workshop Sessions

It Doesn't Take Barbells to Strengthen a Chapter

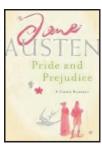


Barb Whiting, International Member-at-Large and International guest as she speaks on how making small changes in your chapter can build the strength

of your chapter, identify specific ways to move your chapter forward, build the leadership capacity of your chapter and show you that anything is possible!

Jane Austen: "Are the Only Good Men Fictional?"

The English Language Arts Standards are built upon the expectation that students will engage in broad reading and writing experiences. Jane Austen's novels have been a staple in most English programs. It's been nearly 200 years since Jane Austen



died, leaving behind only six completed novels, and yet she has never been more popular. Although her novels are firmly set in the time in which she lived, Jane Austen's works remain popular because the themes are real and ever-relevant. Join Jackie Smart, Gamma Alpha Chapter, an Austen devotee, and learn a little about Jane Austen's life in the Regency period. Since a good man was hard to find in Jane Austen's day and the wrong choice of a mate could spell social and financial disaster; attendees will help Jane Austen find the ideal mate from some of her fictional men. **SCECH**

Leadership Development Officer Training at the Island

In even years, all chapters elect and install new officers. The Leadership Development



Committee is charged with the task of conducting a training session for these officers prior to the onset of their biennium. All chapter officers are invited to attend. The Leadership

Development Committee will condense one day of training into two hours, so please plan to eat either before or after the training. This training session will be helpful to new and 'seasoned' officers. Participants will obtain essential information about their responsibilities, as well as leadership ideas and collegial support. The Leadership Committee, chaired by Past President Olive Horning, Gamma Beta Chapter, will assist chapter presidents as they enhance goal

settings and communication skills; meet the requirements of the Society office; and inspire others in their chapters. Chapter presidents will collaborate, share concerns, seek solutions, pool resources, recognize achievements, and prepare for the beginning of their biennium.

Next Generation Science Standards-

"Science standards and traditional teaching practices have focused heavily on content knowledge in the past. The Next Generation

Science Standards / (NGSS) advance science education by shifting the focus



from content breadth to three areas: science and engineering practices, disciplinary core ideas, and cross-cutting concepts. Learn how constructivist instructional approaches in science teaching, known as the Modeling Method, can be implemented to help students reach the standards of the NGSS." This session is presented by Gary Abud, Michigan's Teacher of the Year from Grosse Pointe School System. **SCECH**

Step Out of Your Comfort Level—-Way Out-

The concept of off-grid living is often unthinkable in today's world of being "connected." Join Fran Coulter, Alpha Phi



Chapter for a glimpse back at living without the benefits of share her Montana experience living in a self-sufficient home. Water off the roof, cabin

heated by a wood stove, composting toilet and more presented challenges to a comfort loving city gal. Fran will share photos, stories and laughs about the ups and downs of life without the basic things we take for granted. SCECH

The Place Where the Crooked Tree Stood

Join co-authors Jane Cardinal and Connie Cobb in this session about the history of the L'Arbor Croche area. Both presenters are

residents of Good Hart and The Place Where the fascinating descriptions and recollections of how Native American and early settlers endured challenges hardships with courage amazing and optimism. Their books will



be for sale at a local bookstore on the Island. Presiding will be Lynn Dinning, Beta Omega Chapter.

SCECH

Women's Roles in Colonial Mackinac

Colonial history comes alive in this session. Join Lisa Brisson, Executive Director of the



Michigan Association, as she shares what a woman's role was the home during Colonial times. Participants ASSOCIATION will experience colonial

open fire pit cooking and soap making. You will learn what was grown in colonial gardens and what foods were eaten regularly. Ms. Brisson will share some tools that were used during Colonial times to help make a woman's work easier. SCECH

2:30 PM Grand Hotel Kitchen Tour

Take a look "behind the scenes" of Grand Hotel's kitchen. Over 300,000 meals are served in the Main Dining room every season and, in addition, the employee cafeteria serves three meals per day to 550 employees. So how do they do it? Take a look at how food is brought to the hotel and their efforts to be "green", how the food is prepared, who it is prepared by, and be amazed at the amount of teamwork put into preparing their meals. Be amazed at the size of the kitchens and all of the different aspects needed to create each meal. Have your questions answered by a tour guide as you make stops modern technology. Fran will in the pastry shop, hot line where food is

cooked and served, the appetizer station, and the line and watch dish appetizers, soups, salads and even desserts being made right before your eyes. The 2:30 tour takes approximately 30 minutes. Maximum 150 people.: Cost: \$5



Registration Form

ote: The full schedule and the At-a Glance time table for the convention at the Grand Hotel will be in the upcoming Spring edition of The Wolverine.



Chapter News

Fundraising Fellowship and Soup

It is amazing how one person can create magic with her idea. Four years ago our sister, Sue Dzieciolowski came to the membership Alpha Phi-East Detroit/Roseville of Chapter with an idea for fellowship and fundraising. She would make several homemade soups and bring bread and we could have a meal at our November meeting. We could invite prospective members as guests to learn about Delta Kappa Gamma and our purposes. Each member would pay \$10 for the meal. Sue inspired the chapter and many members would bring desserts, soups and breads. It turned into a chapter building activity. We lingered with conversation over wonderful soups and raised money for our scholarships. A twist has occurred; in the future the funds raised will go to our Brogan/Cooper Stipend Fund to support current classroom teachers. Sue inspired us and created an opportunity that allows for Alpha Phi members to grow closer and support philanthropic activities.

Submitted by Fran Coulter Alpha Phi President



Alpha Phi's annual
November "Souper
Fundraiser" where
everyone enjoys a
meal of soups,
breads and
desserts, all made
by chapter
members. Sue
Dzieciolowski
originated and
leads the project
each year.

Alpha Phi members
Ellen DeMunnik, in
the foreground, and
Joni James help
serve one of the
many soups at their
fundraiser in
Novmeber.





Alpha Omega Celebrates the Season

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In early December, Alpha Omega had dinner at a nice restaurant in Flint. Each of us were asked to bring a beautifully wrapped gift and

money! After a great turn out gathered and a fine meal was served, we proceeded with the gifts.

Every person contributed \$5 and picked a number out of the hat. As your number was called, you were able to go to the table and selected a box or bag of your choice. Then, back at your seat you opened the gift for all to see. Nice gifts! After all in attendance had a gift, another surprise took place! For \$1 you were able to trade with someone for the gift they received. Oh, what fun! Some gifts moved back and forth and all around before finding a new owner. This turned out to be a very fun evening and a simple money maker for our chapter projects. Your chapter might want to try it sometime, maybe even in the spring!

We were pleased to welcome a guest from another chapter that is dissolving this year. We hope to welcome others to share with us in 2014.

Submitted by Kathy Muench, Alpha Omega Chapter



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."

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Chapter News



Betty Brogan Receives Award

Betty Brogan is a long standing member of Delta Kappa Gamma having joined in April of 1966. She has held many offices in her chapter of Alpha Phi Chapter, including president. Betty has been active in Alpha Iota State where she held many positions, including committee chair, State First-vice-president, and State President (1985-1987). Betty served ten years as State Executive Secretary, and most recently as State Parliamentarian. Betty went on to become a Deacon in the Episcopalian Church. Earlier this year, Deacon Betty Brogan was presented with the "Servant Minister of the Year" award by the Mount Clemens Episcopal Church.

Here is the presentation speech:

Betty Brogan is all the things you want to be when you grow up, and her love makes you believe you could get there - generous, gracious, patient, and humble.

Here are some memories of Betty's servant ministry over the past 12 years:

- Her arriving very early every Sunday morning to pray for us all, and quietly make sure we are ready to worship, which we never
 are
- Her standing at the beverage table every Wednesday night for 4 years of community suppers offering cups of cold water to thousands of thirsty souls
- Her enduring hundreds of meetings where she is always the cool, clear voice of reason, wisdom, and hope, and knowing which small bit of Robert's Rules will get us back on track
- Her bringing to us some jewel from the internet, NY Times, culture, demographics, the larger Church because she is so curious and bright
- Her gentle, irresistible proclaiming the gospel, after lovingly preparing to do so
- Her single-handedly taking on the demonic forces that plagued our sound systems for years and winning!
- Her waiting with the dying, supporting every fundraiser, listening deeply to the lonely, making the coffee, lighting the candles, paying someone's rent
- Her keeping us licensed, trained, registered, recorded, canonical whatever we had been careless about
- Her being at every community meeting and bringing news back as to how we must serve our neighbors
- Her helping us to hold on, to see the light, beauty, and potential in challenging people and times

And, mostly, her loving us all so well that we keep trying to become our best selves so to be worthy of her friendship and care. No one could deserve this award more than Betty Brogan who is not only the archetypal deacon, but, an archetypal human being of enormous courage, integrity, and grace. She doesn't know how old she is, which is fine with us, because we can't imagine life without the dignity and blessing she bestows at every turn. We love you, Betty, and thank you for proving to us there is a God who loves us enough to have given us you.

Working With Young Professionals

Presented by Sara Sweeney at the Northeast Regional in Portland, Maine

We were first introduced to the various generations still living and working in education.

Traditional born pre-1945, respects authority, adhere to rules, hard working and like one-on-one communications or written and are technically challenged. They believe experience deserves respect.

Baby Boomer born between 1945- 64 questions authority and are not afraid of confrontation. They have stellar careers, professional and personal fulfilment; quality and involvement are important. They lean toward less hierarchal structures and are team players. They are negative towards working at home and like fixed schedules. Money and recognition are important.

Gen X (1965-1980) craves balance and lacks loyalty to a workplace. They tend to be entrepreneurial and goal oriented, but work is a means to an end. They are multi-taskers. They are known for being social and confident. They are extremely comfortable with technology and use it to communicate. They live for the moment, often speak their mind, have high expectations of workplace flexibility and telecommuting. They prefer instant feedback and recognition.

Gen Y (1981-1999) works hard but seeks work/life balance. They learn a skill and take it with them to other areas. They are cautious about investing in relationships with employers. They constantly re-evaluate their career path. They prefer immediate feedback and communicate by email, text, etc., rather than in-person.

In order to use these generalizations to help recruit and retain members, your chapter must build caring relationships which are built on trust. Do not just invite one person from a group. They need to feel like they are not alone. They want to feel like an asset and need positive feedback. Know your members strengths, weaknesses, assets, and threats; then recruit and reclaim.

Submitted by Elaine Christensen, Alpha Mu Chapter

International News



2014 International Convention
July 28 to August 1
Indianapolis, Indiana
Downtown JW Marriot Hotel
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- ▶ Best Place to Raise Your Kids! Business Week
- One of the Nation's Best Children's Zoos! Parents Magazine
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The Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Foundation invites you to help us celebrate their 50 lyears by adding a lighted candle to their celebratory cake. When you contribute \$50 to the lyear, your name will be placed on this website with a lighted candle. Take a look at who is helping the Educational Foundation make a difference in the lives of educators and students.

Would you like to celebrate with us and leave a positive lasting influence by contributing funds for projects that support and encourage intercultural understanding and educational excellence around the globe? Light up the cake and light up educational opportunities by using the Online Contribution Form.

Celebrate by Giving:

- **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

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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 The Marriott Hotel and Towers

August 23, 2014

PAC Meeting Lansing, Crowne Plaza Hotel

October 10-11, 2014

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