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MICHIGAN RECEIVES CORNETET AWARD Presenting Leadership Seminar on Educational Technology

Did you receive a new tablet, iPad or smart phone for Christmas? Would you like to learn to use them effectively? Interested in how educators are utilizing them? What about students? Are there ethical concerns?

We are pleased to announce that Alpha Iota State has received a Lucile Cornetet Award for the forthcoming Leadership Seminar – *Tap, Swipe, Drag: Are you Using the Right Digit?* The Cornetet Awards are given for seminars and individual projects. For more information, look on the DKG International website.



On March 28, the Alpha Iota State Leadership Development Committee will present a seminar on technology for members and non-members alike at the Bavarian Motor Lodge in Frankenmuth. Look for on-line registration on our Michigan DKG state website (just type in deltakappagamma.org/MI) and choose EVENTS or look on page 3 of this issue of *The Wolverine* for forms. Registration is open to the first 100 members and *non-members* who apply. Participants can earn up to four state certified educational clock hours. Please register before March 7, 2015.

A goal of the March 28 event is to increase awareness of technical devices and assist members as they become comfortable using them. Another goal is to enhance our knowledge of how technology is implemented in classrooms of today and what the future holds.

It has been written in media reports, professional journals, and newspaper articles that educators are not as comfortable with technology as are their students. Many schools have student-run clubs that provide personalized technology instruction to the teachers. Dr. Jeffery Stanzler and Mr. Rory Hughes, from the University of Michigan, will present informative sessions in an entertaining manner so bring your laptops, iPads, and smart phones so that you may fully participate.

INTERNATIONAL MEMBER-AT-LARGE ATTENDING MICHIGAN CONVENTION



Dr. Hanna Fowler, who currently serves as International Member-at-large (2014-2018) on the Administrative Board, will be joining us in Auburn Hills as our International Guest. Dr. Fowler will be sharing her vision relating to how we can strengthen our Society now and in the future.

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President's Message



Alpha Iota State

2013-2015 Biennium Theme

Education: Our Focus, Our Future

Learning from DKG: Get Involved, Experience and Explore

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International is an organization that is all about education. The purposes, mission statement, programs, projects and vision all spell out our interest in supporting and advancing education. We often tend to focus on students and classrooms. We are educators, after all, and teaching others is our calling. But we are also learners. Our own DKG has so much to offer us in that respect. Printed material, travel, experiences, workshops and more can open up a world of enrichment to DKG members across the globe.



At each international, regional, or state organization conference and convention, there are speakers and breakout sessions to grab our interests. Some offer us the opportunity to learn about the workings of the Society. Some speak to professional practices, research, techniques, skills and common issues. Some sessions are all about personal growth; it might be learning about social networks and technology, exercise, fashion, history, literature, music or the arts. One can always find something new to learn about and experience. Our state organization will hold its state convention May 1-3, 2015 at the Auburn Hills Marriott Pontiac at Centerpoint. Make plans now to attend that event! There will be many interesting, informative speakers and presentations. Regional conferences are held in odd-numbered years, International conventions in even-numbered years. This summer's regional conferences will be (**Northeast Region:** Baltimore, Maryland, July 8-11; **Southeast Region:** Savannah, Georgia, July 15-18; **Southwest Region:** Wichita, Kansas, July 22-25; **Northwest Region:** Regina, Saskatchewan, CA, July 29-August 1; **European Region:** Boras, Sweden, August 5-8. The Alpha Iota State organization is in the Northeast, but members and their guests are encouraged to attend other conferences, as well. Regionals provide the opportunity to hear keynote speakers, participate in relevant programs, meet other DKG members, and explore new cities or regions. And, attending a state convention in a nearby state or Canadian province would be such fun. Many state organizations post the dates and locations of Society events on their websites. Check it out!

There are several seminars offered through DKG. The Golden Gift Fund offers a Leadership Management Seminar in even numbered years. All members are invited to apply by December 1, 2015; there are a limited number of spots available in each class. There is more information on the website under "Committees." The Seminar in Purposeful Living is planned for a few days before each International convention, generally in a location near the convention site. There are workshops and tours offered; participants enjoy the sights and learn about the history of the locale.



The U.S. Forum, a group dedicated to learning about and taking a stand on legislative issues, plans meetings, seminars or programs, and offers an International springtime Legislative Seminar every other year. Details are shared with members each year.

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The International Speakers Fund is a way to share your knowledge and expertise with others in the Society and travel while learning about different states and countries. Members who would like to be a speaker or presenter at an International DKG event may apply to be considered as an "International Exchange Speaker." It means exciting visits and a chance to interact with DKG members from all over the world. Have you thought about submitting your name? You could be selected to speak at a conference or convention next year!

The *DKG Bulletin* presents professional research-based articles and writings on a number of topics. Each issue has a focus topic. For example, the most recent publication included articles on "Teacher Leadership in Nonsupervisory Roles." These articles are written and submitted by members, and provide a wealth of knowledge on the subject while offering intellectual reading, collected data and references.



There are numerous ways we can learn from our Society and its resources. Next time we will explore more of those! There are so many DKG sources of material on topics of professional and personal growth. Make use of the resources and opportunities offered by the Society. Expand your horizons to increase your knowledge, while sharing conversations and experiences with other key women educators. Our purposes urge us to "advance the professional interests," "stimulate the personal and professional growth of members" and "inform the membership." What better way to do just that?

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

Leadership Development Committee Presents Seminar: Technology in Education

**Tap, Drag, Swipe:
Are you using the Right Digit?**

A Leadership Seminar about Technology

March 28, 2015 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Bavarian Inn Lodge, Frankenmuth, Michigan

\$35.00 made out to Delta Kappa Gamma by March 7, 2015

(add \$10.00 if applying for SB-CECH credit)

Fee includes continental breakfast, lunch, and break snacks.

Program for the Day

Session 1: The Big Picture

The role technology has played in education and should it be playing. What are our responsibilities to prepare students for a work world that doesn't yet exist? They will show how to attempt to integrate teaching and technology in the professional development of teachers.

Session 2: Peeking Behind the Curtain

A look at how an 11th grade teacher uses technology to enhance and extend his classroom. Examining tools such as Google, Doceri, and Remind 101 and how they can help us support our students and cultivate a meaningful community of learners.

Session 3: Online Testing and What it Means for Our Students and for Us

The elephant in the room is getting bigger: districts must have the tech infrastructure and students must have the tech skills in order to succeed on the impending national exams. We will look closely at the exams and consider how to navigate this new landscape.

Session 4: Playful Learning

We will explore the possibilities and present examples of integrating technology and play into learning, with a focus on the power of simulation. Through demonstration and hands-on experiences we'll consider how a playful spirit of learning can be leveraged for the benefit of our students, giving them opportunities to bring to the table a wider variety of skills and ways of thinking.

The presenters are Dr. Jeffrey Stanzler and Rory Hughes from the U of M School of Education.

They bring enthusiasm to the possibilities of technology uses in the classroom for students and teachers.

Dr. Stanzler is an instructor for seminars on technology instruction, curriculum, support materials, and evaluation and professional and outreach activities.

Rory Hughes is an English Language Arts teacher and Department Chair at Thurston High School in Redford, Michigan. He trains faculty focusing on curriculum mixed with technology and coordinates that training. He was a nominee for Michigan Teacher of the Year 2014.



**Leadership Seminar
March 28, 2015**



**Tap, Drag, Swipe: Are you using the Right Digit?
A Seminar about Technology in Education
Members and Non-members welcome.**



**Each participant is asked to bring
a laptop or tablet.**

Registration Form Deadline: March 7, 2015

Name _____ Position _____

Chapter/Other Organization _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone _____ Email _____

**There is a \$35.00 registration fee which includes:
Continental Breakfast, Lunch and Snack Break
Please indicated with a check mark if you need a special meal
____ Vegetarian ____ Diabetic**

**Mail completed form and check payable to Delta Kappa Gamma for \$35.00
(Add \$10) if you are applying for SCECH credit**



The registration deadline is March 7, 2015

**Mail or e-mail to the Registrar:
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**Hotel Reservations?
Bavarian Inn Lodge
One Covered Bridge Lane
Frankenmuth, Michigan 48734
Phone 989-652-7200**

Membership

White Roses in Memoriam

Margaret Hunter, Gamma Zeta Chapter

Our Gamma Zeta sister, “a quiet woman who had a twinkle in her eye and a good word to say” about everyone, will forever be immortalized by the way she lived her life and by her influence on a multitude of art students who were fortunate to have her as a teacher.

One woman took HS art for three years just to have Ms. Hunter as her teacher, the best of all her teachers; a Jr. High student struggling to paint a horse was heartened by the teacher who helped her, pointing out the good things about her work and not making her feel like a failure. Remembering the things Margaret taught also helped the student become successful as her church’s videographer. Another Jr. High student, now a retired Language Arts teacher, credits Margaret for her love of art which continued into adulthood when she experimented with oil painting and solidified her love of drawing, as well as, helping her in a “Stage class” where she built sets and designed costumes. Considering that many of the students making comments had her in the 60’s and still remember her, speaks to Margaret’s success as a teacher and as a caring human being.

Margaret’s educational background includes graduating from Dowagiac HS in 1939, attending Cass County Normal, receiving a BA in 1944 and later an MA from Michigan State University. She took art courses at Notre Dame for three summers. She taught Art and Drama at Webber JHS in Saginaw before returning to Dowagiac to teach Art in all grades from 1st to HS. Growth in her district led to her working with HS students only. She taught two evening classes for Southwestern Michigan College. Staff and administration remember her fondly.

Her activities included the Cass County Audubon Society, Dowagiac Junior Arts Club, The Visual Arts Committee of the Dowagiac Dogwood Festival, membership in the United Methodist Church and MARSP. Since 1950, Margaret was active in the DAR serving as Chapter Regent, Vice-regent and Librarian. She was also a faithful volunteer at the Southwestern Michigan College Museum, later as a receptionist when the museum became the Dowagiac Area History Museum.

In 1984, Margaret was proud to be a Charter member of Gamma Zeta. An active member, she hosted holiday luncheons in her home filled with her artwork and festive cheer. She presented chapter programs, and was an active participant in chapter activities helping with many of them. Her sisters in the Great Southwest Coordinating Council and Gamma Theta knew and fondly remember her, not only from their joint events, but also as the artist who created the beautiful painted stallion that was requested for the State DKG Convention Horses of Hope Project. A life well-lived!

September 28, 1921 - October 20, 2014.

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

Ceremony of Remembrance

Celebration of Life Committee

The Ceremony of Remembrance/Celebration of Life will be held at 8 a.m. on Sunday, May 3, 2015, at the Auburn Hills Marriott Pontiac at Centerpoint. Please share the date with chapter members and mark your calendars to attend the 2015 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 played an important part in their lives and remained members until their passing. If your chapter had a member pass away after February 1, 2014 and before February 1, 2015, they will be remembered at this year’s ceremony. Either the chapter president or a designee will carry a white rose and light a candle when the deceased woman’s name is read. If the chapter president is not able to place the rose, please let the co-chairs know who your designee will be by April 1, 2015. 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 State Necrology Chair

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It is very important that the chapters send **Form 6** immediately following the death of a chapter member. No information can be shared in **The Wolverine** until this form is received.

There are many members whose deaths are observed in chapter newsletters but the editor cannot list them in **The Wolverine** until Form 6 is sent by the chapter to:

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Membership



A Special Welcome to Alpha Iota State Initiates



<p>Beta Janet H Thompson *</p> <p>Gamma Debra K Brown *</p> <p>Delta Patricia Nina Jerry *</p> <p>Kappa Jennifer M LaRose Kimberly Lark</p> <p>Upsilon Vera Marie Bruce * Norma Lynn Curtis *</p> <p>Mu Catherine L Ayers Dr. Mariann Watson</p> <p>Omega Linda R Briguglio *</p> <p>Alpha Alpha Jenifer L Burke</p> <p>Alpha Epsilon Heather Brew * Jennifer M Burg * Michele S Bush Karen L Mullins <i>Reinstated *</i></p>	<p>Alpha Eta Susan Helen Farr * Lora Mae Furstenau</p> <p>Alpha Theta Meredith R Krebs</p> <p>Alpha Kappa Barbara Sheren *</p> <p>Alpha Xi Jan M Mooradian Christine M Witulski Denise L Cooper * Ruth Ellen Follbaum *</p> <p>Alpha Rho Lenore Binns Ruth A Corliss Eloise J Mays</p> <p>Alpha Phi Linds S Jones Migdalia Bowersock</p> <p>Beta Beta Melissa Paschall</p> <p>Beta Lambda Cynthia Ann Schaffer *</p> <p><i>Transferred T</i></p>	<p>Beta Xi Elizabeth Crane Janet Hooper Elsie Onychuk *</p> <p>Beta Omicron Marcia Huizenga</p> <p>Beta Rho Jill Loughney * Cheryl Stotz *</p> <p>Beta Sigma Mildred M Hofer</p> <p>Beta Tau Patricia Bartley Nancy Kritzman</p> <p>Beta Chi Tiffany Lynch *</p> <p>Beta Omega Barbara S Austin Carol A Koster Peggy M Wiechmann</p> <p>Gamma Alpha Doris J Prieskorn Judith R Baker Nancy M Geiger <i>Honorary H</i></p>
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Anniversary Pins available for sale. Cost \$8.00 each, shipping extra. To order pins contact J-Jay Pechta, information page 2.



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40 year Ruby **Red**

45 Years **Blue** Sapphire

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 (\$3.50 for up to 12 pins)



Key Woman Educator Pin

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



State Committees

Funding Our Purposes Silent Auction



We will be looking for both large and small items for the State Convention in Pontiac on May 1-3, 2015. We welcome donations from individual members and chapters. Needed are small items for the auction or you may create a basket. Baskets should have a theme such as gardening, books for grandmothers, tea/coffee/chocolate items, Michigan items, a holiday or color theme, such as green or blue. Consider using a basket that can be recycled, a laundry basket, a recycle bag, or a covered file box.

Since we are required to provide the State of Michigan with more information on our auction items, we will include a **form in the President's newsletter**. On this form, each donated item and basket must be described and a value noted. This also helps us determine the number of tables and space needed for the raffle.

Proceeds from the auction go to three funds: **Scholarships, World Fellowship, Members Supporting Members.**

Your contribution to the auction also helps your chapter earn a point in # 8 criteria for the Award of the Rose.

Again, thank you for your generous participation in this important outreach.

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

Michigan Has World Fellowship Recipient

We have a World Fellowship recipient in Michigan! Lisa Veronica Decenteceo is a PhD candidate studying Ethnomusicology at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. Ethnomusicology is an academic study of various approaches to the study of music that encompasses the cultural, social, cognitive, biological and other aspects of music.



Lisa Veronica Decenteceo is from the Philippines and currently resides at 1609 S. State Street, Ann Arbor, Michigan 48104. I hope you will take a moment to welcome this young woman to Michigan. I know that you are as eager as I am to meet Lisa. Due to your generosity in funding World Fellowship, the national organization has been able to grant 23 women from 17 countries \$4,000 each in grants for graduate study at universities in Canada and the United States. See the article on page 9 in the "DKG News" Jan/Feb issue to learn more about other World Fellowship recipients.

Submitted by Joyce Daglow, Gamma, World Fellowship Chair

Coordinating Councils Committee Update



The Coordinating Councils have been busy planning their events for 2014-2015. Each year our members have creative learning activities that are interesting and enjoyable. I encourage you to attend your local Coordinating Council and visit other councils where you will always be greeted with big smiles and open arms. What a great way for us to keep our teaching tools up to date!

The **Cascades Council** held its annual workshop on November 1, 2014 at the Cascades Manor House in Jackson, Michigan. Participants enjoyed an interesting seminar by Joyce Betz, Staff Development and Training Coordinator for the Jackson District Library. She presented a program on Geocaching, which is a treasure hunting game that utilizes GPS and technology. This activity has spread worldwide. Cascades Council participants had a practical experience and were able to find their treasure in Cascades Park. The luncheon and auctions added to the enjoyment and success of the day.

The **Capital Coordinating Council** will be meeting on Saturday, March 14, 2015 at Cleary's Pub and Restaurant in downtown Howell, Michigan. They are planning on a local historian for the program with the possible appearance by Melissa Gilbert. There may be an optional tour of the Historic Opera House after lunch for those who are interested. Look for updates in our Delta Kappa Gamma *The Wolverine* and newsletters as plans are finalized.

The **Flint Area Coordinating Council** will be hosted by Alpha Alpha Chapter at a Spring Brunch on Saturday, April 18, 2015. The Brunch will be held at the GISD Davis Center in Flint, Michigan. More information will come out as the date gets closer.

The **Oakland County Council** will have its annual Birthday Brunch at Forest Hills Country Club in Bloomfield Hills on April 18, 2015 at 10:00 a.m.. Stacey Sharpe Mollison and Diane Hanaway will be featured as they discuss, "Simple, Smart Kids, Changing the World, One Child at a Time." Contact Sally Garrison for more information.

Northern Lights Council will have a dinner meeting at the Cheboygan Opera House on April, 30, 2015. Julie Kowalski is the contact person.

Thank you to everyone for all your efforts in making your Coordinating Councils so successful and so much fun. I look forward to attending your events as they are scheduled throughout the year. Also, I want to remind you that I am always willing to help you as you plan your events. Keep me updated with additional information and updates.

Springtime promises many Coordinating Council events!

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

State Committees



A Parliamentary Moment

Now I Know: A Parliamentary Quiz

Educators are, by nature, terrific test takers. Have fun proving, or improving, your parliamentary skills with the following quiz:

- Minutes that have been distributed to the members but that have not been read can be approved by:
 - the president.
 - the secretary.
 - unanimous consent.
- The president has the inherent right to appoint:
 - the parliamentarian.
 - all special committees.
 - both a and b.
- A motion that is made by a committee at the conclusion of the committee report is acted upon:
 - immediately.
 - during new business.
 - a or b, at the discretion of the president.
- The minutes should record each motion exactly as:
 - it is stated by the maker.
 - the question is worded by the president, after debate, when she puts it forward for a vote.
 - the adopted motion is stated by the president after the vote is taken.
- A motion that is debated and adopted without having been seconded is:
 - invalid.
 - valid, only if adopted by unanimous consent.
 - valid.

Answers:

- C. Only the members have the authority to approve minutes.
- A. Although the president has the right to appoint the parliamentarian, she has the right to appoint all special committees only if the bylaws authorize her to do so.
- A. Motions arising from an officer's or committee's report is considered immediately after that report.
- B. After a motion is made, it may be modified in various ways before the president puts the question forward for a vote. The members vote on the question exactly as she words it when she puts it forward for a vote. Therefore the minutes should record that exact wording.
- C. The reason for a second is simply to show that more than one member wishes to consider a motion. If debate has begun or a vote has been taken, a second is not necessary since it is obvious that more than one member wished to consider the question.

*Helen Popovich, Ph.D., PRP, Beta Kappa,
Alpha Iota State Parliamentarian*

Scholarships and Grants



Alpha Iota State offers scholarships for educators who are working on a graduate degree, retraining, or an additional endorsement in education. Scholarship applications need to be submitted by March 15, 2015. A plan of study and proof of acceptance to the college or university must be included. Two \$1,000, two \$500 scholarships for retraining or additional endorsements, and one \$800 scholarship for graduate study may be awarded at the Spring Convention. This coming summer the Kathy Cashen NE Regional Grant is available to partially cover the cost of the registration fee for the 2015 Northeast Regional Conference to be held in Baltimore, Maryland, July 8-11, 2015. **One person from each chapter may apply.**

Information and application forms for any of the Alpha Iota scholarships can be found online at www.deltakappagamma.org/MI See state forms under resources. Also check out events.

At the International level, the Society offers grants that support excellence in education and further intercultural understanding. Recently the number of years of membership was reduced for International awards.

The Lucile Cornet 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. Grants are awarded for up to \$2000. This award is granted three times per year. Apply now for this award by **May or September 1st.**

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. This seminar is valued at over \$6,000. The next Seminar will be held in the summer of 2016, in Austin, TX. Plan now as the deadline to apply is Dec. 1, 2015.

Twenty-six scholarships of up to \$10,000 are awarded annually to 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.

Or contact the committee chair.

*Submitted by Gloria Fisher, Nu, State Scholarship Chair
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State Committees

Hear Ye Hear Ye

Staff Vacancy– Applications Wanted



The Personnel Committee of Alpha Iota State is announcing a staff vacancy for the position of State Treasurer, effective July 1, 2015. Please share this information with your chapter members and encourage interested and qualified individuals to apply. There is information regarding this position in the Alpha Iota State Bylaws, Article VI, Section 2, F. The deadline to apply is March 15, 2015.

For further information and applications, please contact:
Kay Calley-Martin, Personnel Committee Chair,
240 Ashton Lake Dr, Battle Creek, MI 49015
phone (269) 963-1109 or (269) 209-7992 (cell)
email at kcmart@sbcglobal.net.

Members Completing Dissertations

Each year Alpha Iota state recognizes members who have completed their dissertation. These members are honored at the state convention. Any member who completes her dissertation between March 15, 2014 and March 15, 2015 is eligible for this award. Applications must be returned by April 1, 2015. If you will be completing your dissertation this year you can get an application for the award from Nina Keener, 1215 Kirts Blvd. Unit A, Troy MI 48084 or by contacting her via e-mail scakee@aol.com. If you have any questions, please send a message.

Submitted by Nina Keener, Lambda, State Research Committee Chair

Friend of Education Award



Has your chapter honored someone for being a Friend of Education? 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 note-worthy 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 which will be sent to you, thus confirming the award at the State level.

For the **Report Form**, please see the information under **Friend of Education** on the state DKG website www.deltakappagamma.org/MI Look under the Resources button, then select the state form.

If you have questions, contact:

bernicehaglund@gmail.com or see page 2 for the address.

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

The Distinguished Service Award

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 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 previously nominated 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

Visit the Updated and Certified Alpha Iota State Website :

- ▶ Leadership Seminar Forms See Events
- ▶ Resources/Forms Scholarship and Grant-in-aid Applications
- ▶ People for Officers, PAC, and Chapter Presidents
- ▶ President's Mailings and Updates each month

State Committees

From the Historian's Boxes: A Look Back 40 Years

Technologies were beginning to change 40 years ago and it is reflected in the DKG archives.



A carbon copy, yes, made with a piece of carbon paper* placed between two sheets of paper, of the 1974 Audit Report was found among the artifacts of the 1973-75 biennium. Included in the report was a section detailing the \$1.00 fee sent to International for each Honorary Member. Those listed were Mrs. Frances Allen (Epsilon), Miss Gwen Frostic (Alpha), Mrs. Ruth Hanes (Lambda), Miss Lucia Harrison (Epsilon), Mrs. Karla Parker (Eta), Mrs. Cornelia Robinson (Epsilon), Mrs. Lenore Romney (Alpha Omicron), Miss Lydia Siadschlag (State), and Dr. Ethel Williams (State).

There were 64 local chapters listed on the 1974 list of Chapter Presidents, beginning with Alpha and ending with Beta Pi. There were 6 living founders of Alpha Iota State: Mrs. Ruth Barber Davidson, Miss Effie Downer, Dr. Alma Ackley Fowler, Mrs. Pearl Ludy Guy, Miss Cora Haas and Miss Bess L. Stinson. The State Officers included Emilie Stern, President, and Wilma Adams, Treasurer.

Ginny Downs, chairman of the Professional Affairs Committee, submitted a comprehensive report on Special Programs for Continuing Education for Women. Sixteen of thirty-three colleges and universities responded. Responses ranged from "nothing at this time" to "providing a Women's Resource Center for Continuing Education directed at elementary level counseling information, referral and encouragement." This committee also surveyed 460 members in 31 chapters about developing a leadership training program. Responses (Elementary 112, Secondary 34, Central Office 16, Higher Education 17) indicated a majority were interested in an Elementary level program. Desired skills to be included in the program: problem-solving, techniques in decision making, group dynamics training, how to bring about curriculum changes and revisions, contract negotiations, legal aspects, use of computer, working with the "male dominated administration." Based on the results of both surveys, four recommendations were put forward.

- 1) DKG contact MSU to see if they would establish a series of Saturday workshops starting in the fall of 1974 which would provide administrative and leadership training for women for college credit,
- 2) Alpha Iota State underwrite the enrollment fee for any DKG member attending the first series of workshops,
- 3) DKG continue to encourage women to seek leadership positions and continue to promote and encourage those women who are now in leadership and administrative positions,
- 4) local chapters develop an action program which would encourage their members to train for administrative positions, apply for vacancies and give members strong support when they achieve such positions.

This report was filed on purple ditto*, but, note, one of the desired skills was computer usage.

The archives also contained a photocopied* list of Alpha Iota State Committee Chairs and officers and an article about State Treasurer Wilma Adams who began as treasurer in 1956. Four different technologies were referenced that year, one-half of which we no longer use. The review of 1974 concludes with a quote from Alpha Iota President Emilie Stern "We must acknowledge the reality of today; we must accept responsibility as educators for what has been and is being taught; we must assume a leadership role, realistically studying today's problems and becoming a vital part of the solutions."

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

*For those of you who may need more information about carbon paper, etc., "Google It."

Wilma Adams Fund

The Wilma Adams Fund was established in memory of a long-time member. The purposes of this fund are to help chapters fund community service projects, or money-making activities and to provide emergency assistance for members. The maximum amount a chapter can receive is \$300. Chapters may request money for projects at anytime during the year. Requests should be submitted to the current chairman. An application can be found on the state website.

Diane Dray, Omicron, Wilma Adams Fund Chair
388 Richard St., Spring Arbor, MI 49283

Articles Wanted

For *The Wolverine* about:

Chapter News

Events/Celebrations

Program Ideas and Resources

Good Works

Pictures with captions and names

Spring Issue Deadline

February 1, 2015

e-mail-jpechta.dkg@comcast.net

State Committees

State Website Renovated!



The Alpha Iota State Website has been renovated in order to better serve our members, create a more professional presence on the web, and comply with International Guidelines.

What can you do on the Delta Kappa Gamma Website? You can find a chapter or a chapter president, locate a form, check a deadline, read your presidents' mailing, register for an event, and much more.

For our protection, some sections of our website are password protected. If you know the first two words in our song, you will get right in.

How can you find us on the web? Check us out at deltakappagamma.org/MI You can also visit International on the web at www.dkg.org.

Remember that this is OUR website. If you need something posted or are looking for something you can't find, contact the webmaster, Tamara Webster at twebster@lawtoncs.org. Happy Surfing!

Reminders!

Alpha Iota State and Chapter Woman of Distinction Awards



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 and the Society 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, 2015.

The **Chapter Woman of Distinction Award** provides an opportunity for a chapter to honor a member who 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 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

Energize Your Meetings with Icebreakers

Ice breakers are particularly well suited for beginning a speech or starting a meeting. As the name implies, they "break the ice," help participants relax, and generally set the tone for the presentation. They help to relax participants which makes them more receptive to listening and contributing. An ice breaker can also create a "team atmosphere" motivating participants to work with others in a cooperative manner. Ice breakers can take various forms, but those that seem the most popular and effective are those that promote interaction, sharing, and team building.

Lucky Penny: Each person takes a penny or other coin out of his/her pocket and looks at the date. When it's his/her turn, s/he states the year that's on their coin and recalls something spectacular that happened that year.

Communication: Give each member of the group a sheet of paper. Make certain everyone has the same size sheet. Explain that they are to follow instructions precisely, and that they are not allowed to ask questions. **AND**, they are to follow the instructions with their eyes closed. State the instructions:

1. Fold the paper in half.
2. Rip off a corner.
3. Fold in half again.
4. Rip off a corner.
5. Fold again.
6. Rip off a corner.

Have them open their eyes and compare their "design" with others. You can adapt this to a mixing activity by having everyone mingle looking for designs that are very close to their own.

Point: One-way communication is never as effective as two-way; it gives different results.

Jackie Smart, Personal Growth & Service Chair, Gamma Alpha

WEAR YOUR PIN WITH PRIDE



Remember we need to carry on with past traditions, but continue to look forward to meet new challenges. Each of us who joins DKG has the same opportunities for Service, Sharing, Sisterhood, and Scholarship. We **ALL** hold the key.

State Committees

Alpha Zeta Chapter Visit

In late October, Alpha Iota State President, Liz VanWestenburg, and Visitation Chairperson, Sandy Downs were extremely honored to be invited to an Open House at Garfield School in Port Huron. Alpha Zeta invited all elementary teachers in the Port Huron School District to an Open House to introduce Delta Kappa Gamma to these teachers. They were hoping to get some new members and they were also offering them their services to help the teachers in their classrooms. There was information, snacks, door prizes and sign up sheets for getting help. There were nice presentations and information about Delta Kappa Gamma and Alpha Zeta. After the Open House, they had their monthly meeting where they discussed present and future plans.

Liz was excited about this visit for several reasons: 1) to meet and communicate with Alpha Zeta members, 2) to support their innovative approach to getting new members and offering their help in classrooms, 3) Liz went to this elementary school from kindergarten through eighth grade (nice memories of family and school).



Pictured (L to R) State President Liz VanWestenburg, Linda Hall and current Alpha Zeta President Pam Naplin

Alpha Omega Visit

In early November, Alpha Iota State President, Liz VanWestenburg and Visitation Chair, Sandy Downs had a fun evening with Alpha Omega at the JoAnn Fabrics in Flint. Chapter President Claire Rettenmund chaired the November meeting and led the craft session of ribbon art. Different sized cans were decorated with many bright colored ribbons. A light fare of food and great conversation and fun was had by all.



Travels With President Liz



Kappa and Lambda Celebrate 70th Birthday

In November, Alpha Iota State President Liz VanWestenburg, and State Visitation Chair, Sandy Downs, made an icy trip from Canton to Fox Run in Novi to join Kappa and Lambda Chapters for their 70th Birthday Celebration. Although they arrived late, but safe, none of the Lambda Chapter members could make it due to the weather. Kappa Chapter President Diane Frangie held the November meeting and the Celebration Ceremony. A new member, Kimberly Lark, was initiated. All members joined in the Recommitment Ceremony and then sang the Delta Kappa Song. A nice time of friendship and conversation was had by all.



(L to R) State President Liz VanWestenburg, new Kappa initiate Kimberly Lark, Kappa President Diane Frangie, with Membership Committee members Nancy Crawford, Liz Frazier and Pam Sayre



(L to R) Alpha Iota State President Liz VanWestenburg, Alpha Omega Chapter President Claire Rettenmund, guest Kathleen O'Neil and Alpha Iota member Laurie Bone

State Committees

Alpha and Zeta Celebrate

In early December Alpha Iota President, Liz VanWestenburg, and Gamma Gamma Chapter Co-president, Sandy Baxter, joined Alpha and Zeta Chapters for a Holiday Brunch at the Detroit Marriott - Livonia. The two chapters have been sharing this brunch for years. Alpha Chapter selected the recipient of the funds collected on the "Giving Tree" this year. The Giving Tree was decorated with envelopes containing cash or checks from those attending the brunch. Alpha's project this year in the Ronald McDonald House. The two chapters alternate turns distributing the funds from the Giving Tree.

At the brunch, Zeta held an auction of new items donated by its chapter. The funds from the auction went to Zeta's project the "Healing Arts Program" at Detroit Mercy Center Children's Hospital. There was also a spirited, mock horse race celebrating the Delta Kappa Gamma Founders. A wonderful time was had by all.



Travels With President Liz



Invite Any State Officer for a Chapter Visit

As your chapter continues to plan for the 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 or 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 online. After completing the forms, send them to:

Sandy Downs
4775 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 at sandradowns412@gmail.com

I'll be waiting for your requests.

Submitted by Sandy Downs, Gamma Gamma, State Visitation Chair



Seated (L to R): Mary Polo, Sherrill LeForge, Liz VanWestenburg State President, and Claudia Heinrich Standing: Karen Fanning, Kathleen Rodak. Zeta Chapter President

Latest Update For Recording Chapter 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 "Respectfully Submitted" or similar closing is 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 at www.parliamentarians.org.

Submitted by Gloria Richards, Nu, Alpha Iota State Recording Secretary

State Committees

Keynoter Warns That “It’s Time to Evolve!”

Sarah Sladek, CEO of XYZ University and author of *The End of Membership as We Know It* and two other books, delivered both the Monday evening, keynote address and a breakout session the next day, entitled “What’s Love Got To Do With It?” In both, she addressed the problems of attracting new members, especially from the X, Y, and Z generations. (For those who are unfamiliar with these terms, the X generation is the one that follows Baby Boomers, spanning the early 1960’s to the 1980’s. The Y Generation, also called the Millennials, begins in the 1980’s ending in the early 2000’s. The Z generation is now in school.) Our target audience for membership is the X and Y generations. During the Monday night keynote address, she called for a show of hands which indicated that fewer than 25% of the attendees represented these generations. Of course, convention attendees don’t necessarily reflect actual membership, but it could. According to Sarah Sladek, organizations with 25% or less of Gen X and Y are in serious trouble. Ideally, we should be aiming for 50%, half the membership under age 50 and half over. This isn’t just a DKG problem. Other organizations are seeing similar numbers. For a random spot check, I asked a young professor in media studies if he belonged to any professional organizations, and if he noticed the ages of the membership. He confirmed that there were many fewer young members.

So what’s the difference between the generations? How do we convince more Gen X, Y, and, Z candidates to join? Clearly our warmth and friendliness isn’t enough to attract them. What are the cultural differences of our generations? How do we evolve from a “nice to be a member” organization to a “must be a member” organization? She suggested an E-I-O review of what we are.

E- Exclusivity—What do we offer or provide that no other group does? What is our niche? This is easiest: Exceptional Women Educators. But this part might be tougher: Can any of us reduce to one sentence the reason why we exist and why anyone should care? Maybe going back to revisit our 7 purposes at our meetings would be good for our focus.

I-Included—What comes with membership? What is its value to new members when membership demands both a monetary and time commitment? We need to be sure involvement in DKG provides happiness, reward and an opportunity for service.

O-Online—Gen X, Gen Y and Gen Z are called digital natives. All through their lives, they’ve been surrounded by technology, whereas, we Baby Boomers and Silent Generation members are “digital immigrants”. What does this mean? It means we need to have more of an online presence, because our target audience demands that sort of connectivity. Have we moved to emailed newsletters? Have we created chapter webpages that include links to our projects? This is the way younger people get information today.

Many suggestions came from the participants in the breakout session. Of those suggestions two stood out: provide a child-care corner so our members who are mothers with young children can participate and feel more welcome, devote at least one meeting to plain old fun, without being expensive or overly intellectual.

Sarah Sladek suggested setting a plan, complete with actual dates. This can be done at the chapter level, as well as, at the state level. First setting a 5-year vision will give you direction. Go ahead and set huge, ambitious goals! Then, set a 1-year goal that is specific and will lead us toward that 5-year goal. Finally, set a 90-day goal. What can be done in three months, by a specified date, that will keep us on track? Reduce that goal to a single specific sentence (i.e., “We will have 5 potential member guests at our meetings by December 1st, 2015”, “As a chapter, we’ll have 30 individual conversations with potential members in 30 days.”) In the meantime, we should be honest with ourselves about the challenges and focus on remedies and solutions, not the negatives.

I thought Sarah Sladek’s message was something I really needed to hear. We may be totally comfortable in our chapters, but it’s essential that we shake ourselves up. If we don’t, we may just be watching DKG fade away. We have to consider the differences in the culture of our generations, not just be content with our history. If we want to stay vital to younger members, we need to listen to them and find out what they need. It’s time to evolve!

Submitted by Diane Frangie, Kappa Chapter

P. S. There is a follow-up article by International President Dr. Lyn Schmid in the latest edition of the DKG News.



Alpha Iota State has three members who have been appointed to International Committees for 2014-2016. (L to R) Dr. Helen Popovich is Chair of the Non-Dues Revenue Committee, Olive Horning is a member of the World Fellowship Committee, and Dr. Ranae Beyerlein is a member of the Educational Excellence Committee.

Nominations Committee Presents Slate (2015-2017)

President, Nancy Berkompas, Alpha Tau, Area D



Nancy joined Alpha Tau Chapter in 1994 and has served as chair and member of the Membership Committee. She has served three different terms as Chapter President, Chairman of the Standing Rules, and Chair of the Music Committee. She also has been active in the U. P. Council. In 2004 she was recognized as Alpha Tau's Chapter Woman of Distinction. She also has attended Northeast Regional Conferences and International Conventions.

On the State level, in addition to being a scribe and presenter, she has served as a Chapter President-at-large on PAC, Chair of the Rules/Bylaws and Professional Affairs Committees. She also served as 1st Vice-president and finished out the last three months as State President during the 2005-2007 biennium.

Nancy has spent her career in the field of education. She has taught all grades from first through college. Currently she is the governance specialist for the Bay Mills Community College's Charter Schools Office. She retired as the Superintendent of the Rudyard Area Schools district.

In DKG she is often referred to as the "prison lady" having worked in correctional education for fourteen years.

First Vice-president, Nancy Everett, Alpha XI, Area D



Nancy was initiated into the Alpha XI Chapter in September, 1996. Here she served on many committees, often as chairman. She became Chapter President in 2002-2004. At the state level she was Music Co-chairman for 4 years, Membership Chairman and is currently 1st Vice-president. Nancy has taken part in such activities as preparing newcomer bags, leadership development conferences, presenter at conventions and workshops and, of course, her involvement with our Rose Bud Choir. Nancy was president of the Northern Lights Coordinating Council from 2005-2009. In 2003 Nancy was honored by being asked to participate in the International Choir and was a soloist. During the months of June and July of 2010 Nancy participated in the Golden Gift Leadership Management Seminar. Nancy attended Marygrove College, Saginaw Valley and Livingston University, majoring in music. She currently is teaching K - 6 music in 3 elementary schools in Alpena and is active in Thunder Bay Arts Council which promotes art events for the Alpena community.

Second Vice-president, Dr. Ranae Beyerlein, Alpha Mu, Area A



Ranae has been nominated to serve as 2nd Vice-president. She served her chapter as Secretary 2005 - 2007 and as President (2007 - 2011.) She has served at the State level as Co-chair of Women in the Arts 2009 - 2013 and is currently Corresponding Secretary. In 2011 Ranae was recognized with the DKG State Woman of Distinction Award. On the International level Ranae is a member of the World Fellowship Committee.

From 1991 to 2013 Ranae taught HS Chemistry and Biology in the Grosse Pointe South High School. She was an adjunct Professor for the Michigan State Department of Educational Leadership in 2009-2010. She has also been involved in the Grosse Pointe Education Association as Vice-president in 1994-2005 and as President in 2008-2012.

Recording Secretary, Lynne Elsesser, Gamma Alpha, Area A



Lynne has been nominated to serve as Recording Secretary. She was honored to join Gamma Alpha Chapter in 1998. She has served her chapter as a member and chair of several committees and is currently serving her second biennium as Chapter President. For Alpha Iota State, Lynne was Membership Co-chair in 2011-2013 and is currently Necrology Chair for the 2013-2015 biennium. Lynne grew up on a Central Illinois farm. She received her BA in Spanish and her MA from Eastern Michigan University in Foreign Language and International Trade.

In addition to raising three children, her career path included banking, two years teaching in Illinois, and from 1972 until 2006 teaching Spanish, English and French in the Wayne Westland Community School District. Her last fourteen years were at Wayne Memorial High School. She is proud of establishing the National Hispanic Honor Society Quetzal Chapter, taking students on trips to Spain, Costa Rica, France and Canada, her nomination for the Wayne Westland School's Golden Apple Award and mentoring fifteen student teachers.

Nominations Committee Presents Slate Continued

Corresponding Secretary, Bernice Haglund, Beta Beta, Area B.



Bernice Haglund has been recommended as the nominee for Alpha Iota State Corresponding Secretary. Bernice is a member of the Beta Beta Chapter and resides in Jackson, MI. Bernice has served in many positions within her chapter, including president or co-president for six years. She has been a member and President of Cascade Council since 2008. At the state level Bernice served as 2nd Vice-president, Recording Secretary and as Chapter President-at-large on the President's Advisory Council.

Professionally Bernice is a member of Orton Dyslexia Society and an Orton Gillingham trainer. She was an adjunct professor at Northern Michigan from 1996 to 1998. Bernice taught in the Houghton Public School system in the early 1970's. She moved into teaching in the Michigan Center Schools at first grade, second grade and, then, Reading. She continued at Michigan Central Schools from 1974 until 2008. Currently Bernice is a travel agent and has been a member of Business Professional Women since 1974. She has been a member of University Women of Retired Teachers since 1975, representing area 23 for MARSP, and for the Jackson Chapter (JCARS) in charge of Storyfest at one site in 2012.

Nominating Committee Candidates

Member-at-large, State level experience, Gloria Fisher, Nu Chapter, Area B



Gloria Fisher lives in Albion and since 1995 has been a member of Nu Chapter. She has served as Chapter Scholarship Chair, two biennia as Chapter President and became NU's Chapter treasurer in July 2011. At the state level she has been Chairman of the Approve Minutes Committee, (2009-2011), Chairman of the Scholarship Committee, (2011-2015), and at-large member of the Nominations Committee, recently appointed chairman. She was a special education teacher for the Calhoun County Intermediate School District for 14 years and retired from the Albion Public School District after 15 years in 2008 as a special education administrator.

Gloria was on the AAUW State Board of Directors, serving as the treasurer from 1988-1992. Currently, she is on the Women's Conference Committee for the Diocese of Lansing.

Past State President, Judy Foster, Upsilon, Area C



Judy Foster has been an active Delta Kappa Gamma member since 1991. Through the years she has gained many wonderful friends from all over the world through activities in DKG.

She served as Upsilon Chapter President, held other offices, and worked on many committees. Currently she serves as Co-chair of the Membership Committee.

At the state level she has served as President, 1st Vice-president, 2nd Vice-president and Legislative Chair. Judy prides herself on attending state conventions and fall workshops. Frequently she and her committee present a legislative workshop.

Judy has served on several committees at the International level. She has presented workshops at International Conventions and Regional Conferences.

Past Chapter President, Judi Fisher, Gamma Alpha, Area A



Judi was initiated in DKG in 1997 and immediately became active in chapter activities. She served as chapter president from 2004-2006 and held other offices and committee chairmanships. At the state level, Judi has been State Convention Co-chair, registrar for Fall Conferences and State conventions, each twice. She chaired World Fellowship, Personal Growth and Services, and Funding Our Purposes committees. Judi was selected as State Woman of Distinction in 2013.

She loves to attend Women in the Arts, read, knit, play bridge, take walks and travel anywhere.

She volunteers at Seedlings Braille Books for Blind Children and enjoys her involvement in Delta Kappa Gamma.

Nominations Committee Presents Slate Continued

Current Chapter President, Cathy Stone, Gamma Eta Chapter, Area D



Cathy is a charter member of Gamma Eta installed in 1984. She is currently the president of the chapter. In the past, she has held the offices of 1st Vice-president and Parliamentarian.

On the state level she has served on the Professional Affairs Committee, and is presently serving out this term on the Nominations Committee.

Cathy has attended several Regional Conferences and International Conventions. In March of last year she had the opportunity to attend the US Forum Legislative Seminar in Washington, DC.

Cathy who is now retired, taught for Cheboygan Area School for 19 years, was an Elementary Principal for Inland Lakes for three years and Cheboygan Area Schools for 18 years

Member-at-large, Julie Kowalski, Alpha Xi Chapter, Area D



Julie is currently co-president of Alpha Xi. Since her initiation in 1998, she served as President, 1st Vice-president, Secretary, and World Fellowship Chair. On the state level, Julie has been on the Leadership and Scholarship Committees, served as Chapter President-at-large representative to PAC, and served two biennia as World Fellowship co-chair.

During her twenty-five years of teaching in Alpena Public and Parochial Schools, Julie taught Pre-K, 1st and 2nd grades and was a Title 1 Teacher (K-6) prior to retirement.

Julie has also been an active member of her community and church serving on many committees and boards. She worked for the Diocese of Gaylord, in Family Life, and taught Faith Formation for over 40 years. She and her husband Jack have five children and five grandchildren.

Submitted by the Nominations Committee:

Gloria Fisher, Chairman, Nu, Area B
Jackie Smart, Past State President, Gamma Alpha, Area A

Cathy Stone, Current Chapter President, Gamma Eta, Area D
Dr. Dorothy Sample, State Level Experience. Mu, Area C
Julie Usher, Member-at-large, Alpha Xi, Area D.

Legislative Report

National Women's History Museum Commission Is Now Law

One of the actions that the lame duck session of Congress took on was to pass legislation that establishes an eight member bipartisan commission to produce recommendations for the governance, organizational structure, fundraising, operations and location of a National Women's History Museum in Washington, D.C. President Obama signed the bill into law. The commission will have 18 months to produce its report which will be submitted to Congress. Presumably the commission will be appointed in January.

DKG members were extremely helpful in moving this legislation to its eventual passage in the Senate. The museum staff acknowledged DKG as a group which greatly aided in the effort to get the legislation passed. As key women educators united in purpose, we make a difference! Kudos!

Visit the Facebook U.S. Forum Page to discuss legislation at www.facebook.com/DKG.US.Forum.

DKG members wishing to subscribe to a FREE newsletter, U.S. Forum Connection, should send a request to Bedenbaugh.Angela@gmail.com.

Submitted by Kay Tebo, Gamma Eta

Professional Affairs Committee

Needs Presiders at Convention

I am looking forward to seeing lots of DKG members at the state convention at the Marriott Auburn Hills Pontiac at Centerpoint. 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, write a short summary of the session. If you would like to assist with any session, please let me know. The tentative sessions are listed in this issue of *The Wolverine*. Please contact me if there is a particular session you would like to attend as presider. I look forward to hearing from several of you.

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



State Convention Auburn Hills

Save the Date!

Dear Alpha Iota Sisters,

Have you saved the date for the Alpha Iota State convention, May 1-3, 2015? The event will be held at the Auburn Hills Marriott Pontiac at Centerpoint. The Marriott is a top hotel in Auburn Hills offering beautiful guest rooms, dining options, a fitness center and an indoor pool. The spacious meeting rooms are clustered close to the main lobby. Our convention registration will be just around the corner from the hotel registration desk; and the general meetings and breakout sessions are in the immediate area. Reasonable rates for guest rooms, plenty of available parking and a convenient location just off I-75 make the Marriott a good choice for our event. The discounted rates for the guest rooms will be available to DKG members if they wish to extend their stay for three days before or after the event. In this publication are the hotel overnight reservation and convention registration forms, and tentative details on workshop sessions and speakers.



Nearby you will find a variety of options for cultural exploration, shopping and sightseeing. Somerset Mall is only six miles away and Great Lakes Crossing is ten miles from the hotel. The Cranbrook Museums of Art and Science are a few miles away, the Detroit Zoo and DTE Energy Music Theater are close by. Meadow Brook Hall, the fourth largest historic house museum in the United States, is in nearby Rochester. The home was built in the 1920s and is known for its Tudor-revival architecture. Within about twenty-five miles, but easy to reach, you will find the Detroit Institute of Arts, the Museum of Contemporary Art, Henry Ford Museum and Greenfield Village, downtown casinos and numerous other attractions. There are several golf courses in the area and other outdoor opportunities. How about planning to spend a few extra days to explore some of the attractions that the Detroit metropolitan area has to offer?

Check-in at the convention registration desk beginning on Friday at 3 PM. If this is your first Alpha Iota convention, please drop in at the Friday evening get-together for First Timers. Friday evening's combined Executive Board and General Membership meeting will begin at 8 PM. All should attend this meeting. Saturday will bring a General Membership meeting and keynote address by Ms. Melody Arabo, the 2014-2015 Michigan State Teacher of the Year. The Funding Our Purposes raffle and auction, chapter sales and informational display will begin in the morning and remain open until mid-afternoon. Lots of opportunity to shop, win baskets and prizes! There will be a wide selection of breakout sessions, with topics to tempt everyone. Chef Larry Janes will offer his session twice, but seats at his sessions will be limited. Be sure to sign up for that session at the registration table. There is a minimal charge per person to cover the cost of his presentation. The banquet will begin at 6:30 PM. At the banquet we will present our chapter presidents, enjoy music by the Rosebud Chorus, and honor our Distinguished Service Award recipient, Michigan Teacher of the Year, and Alpha Iota State Woman of Distinction. Our International Guest, Dr. Hanna Fowler, will install the newly elected 2015-2017 state organization officers. It will be a truly wonderful evening. Sunday morning we will have the beautiful Ceremony of Remembrance, honoring those Alpha Iota sisters we have lost, followed by the Awards Brunch. Plan to attend the brunch and represent your chapter as the awards are announced.

It will be an exciting convention, a chance to enjoy time with friends, meet new people, learn new things, and explore the area. I hope you are making plans to join us for this wonderful event. The date is May 1-3, 2015. Bring friends, chapter sisters and family. Make this a truly memorable convention. I will see you there!

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

NEED A ROOMATE?

Are you going to the State 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



State Convention Auburn Hills



DO NOT MISS PRE-CONVENTION SEMINAR

Friday, May 1, 2015
6:30 p.m. - 7:30 P.M.

Out of Your Comfort Level-Way Out

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SCECH UNIT

Alpha Iota State Convention
Chapter/Committee Sales Application
Saturday, May 2, at the Marriott,
Auburn Hills Marriott Pontiac at Centerpoint

Chapter/
Committee: _____

Topic: (Sales table or type of exhibit)

*Note: bring all supplies needed to set up your 6-8 foot sales table _____

Person(s) in charge _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Cost per table : \$10.00 Deadline: April 2, 2015
Make checks payable to: Delta Kappa Gamma.
Send to: Judi Fisher, 20180 Rippling Lane
Northville, MI 48167, judifisher@yahoo.com

PRESIDENTS' PROCESSION

RSVP BY APRIL 1, 2015

The President's Banquet at the Auburn Hills Marriott Pontiac at Centerpoint will be an event especially for you! As the late Dr. Paula Dent said, "Wear your prettiest dress." This is the time when chapter presidents will be presented to our membership. 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 on **Friday May 1, 2015**, following the Combined Executive Board and General Membership Meeting. All 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 Auburn Hills Marriott Pontiac at Centerpoint May 1 - 3, 2015

Chapter: _____

Location of Chapter:(Geographically)

President or Co-presidents Names:

*Indicate if you are a substitute _____

*If needed, include name pronunciation help.

Please RSVP by April 1, 2015 to Olive Lane Horning

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

Convention Registration Form



The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Alpha Iota State Convention Registration Form

Let's Focus on the Future: Education is the Key!

May 1-3, 2015

Marriott Auburn Hills Pontiac at Centerpoint

Please Print: Use one form for each person.

Name _____ Chapter _____

Mailing Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____ E-mail _____

Present Office: Chapter _____ State _____ International _____

All participants must register to attend.

Registration Fee	Members	\$55	
Postmarked by April 2, 2015	Non-Member	\$75	\$ _____
Postmarked after April 2, 2015	LATE FEE	\$20	\$ _____
Meals: Optional Friday Dinner Buffet (6:00 - 7:30 PM); Includes tax, tip and beverage		\$25	\$ _____
Saturday Breakfast	ON YOUR OWN		
Optional Saturday Lunch; Includes tax, tip and beverage		\$24	\$ _____
President's Banquet: Saturday 6:30 PM All members and guests are invited to attend. Includes tax, tip and beverage.		\$45	\$ _____
Awards Brunch: Sunday 9 AM All members and guests are invited to attend. Includes tax, tip and beverage.		\$25	\$ _____
Corsage Order (Complete the form on the next page, enter corsage cost here.)	→ → → →		\$ _____
SCECH units: Certified Educational Clock Hours Fee (information on reverse side)	Member	\$10	
	Non-Members	\$20	
Total amount enclosed: Check payable to <i>Delta Kappa Gamma</i>			\$ _____

Is this your first Convention? Yes ___ No ___

If "Yes", please attend the First Timers' Orientation Friday evening.

I plan to attend the Friday evening pre-convention session. Yes ___ No ___

Please continue on the next page.

Convention Registration Form Continued

Page 2 of Registration form

Corsage Orders: (Pinned style: \$12 each; Wrist style: \$16 each)

Person ordering _____	Chapter _____
Ordered for whom (#1) _____	Chapter _____
Ordered for whom (#2) _____	Chapter _____
Ordered for whom (#3) _____	Chapter _____
Cost: _____ Pinned style	_____ Wrist style
# x \$12 = \$ _____	# x \$16 = _____
Total Due: \$ _____ (Please record total cost on previous page)	

Dietary Needs:

Dietary needs must be listed on this registration form in order to inform the hotel staff of your special needs. If you sign up for a special meal, please do not switch your selection at the banquet since the meal count is predetermined by registration. Special tickets will be provided in the registration packets of those who indicate the following needs. CHECK DIETARY NEED, IF NECESSARY:

Vegetarian _____ Diabetic: _____

Handicap Assistance:

There is elevator service to guest rooms. If you require special guest room accommodations, please notify the hotel staff directly when you make your overnight reservations.

In order to earn the State Continuing Education Clock Hours (SCECHs) you must do the following:

1. Register for the Credit on your registration form. (Fee is \$10 for member, \$20 for non-member.)
2. Sign in for SCECHs at the convention registration table when you check in. (State Required Form)
A sheet will be in your packet.
3. For credit, attend **a minimum of three sessions.**
4. Assure that you are stamped in and stamped out of each session. You must attend the entire session.
5. Before you leave the convention, turn in your Official Attendance Sheet and your evaluation sheet.
There will be a special box for this purpose at the convention registration table.

- **The Executive Board and General Membership Meeting will be *combined* and will begin at 8:00 PM Friday evening.**
- **ALL MEMBERS should attend that Executive Board/General Membership Meeting.**
- **Practice for the Presidents' Procession will be Friday night following Executive Board.**

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

Judi Fisher, Registrar
20180 Rippling Lane
Northville, MI 48167-1905
Phone: 248-349-7105 / Cell: 248-808-0477
judifisher@yahoo.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 16, 2015**. (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 16, 2015, you should attempt to get someone from your chapter to attend in your place. No refunds can be made after the cancellation date.

**PLEASE NOTE:
FOR GUARANTEE OF LOWEST AVAILABLE PRICE,
HOTEL REGISTRATIONS ARE DUE BY APRIL 2, 2015**

**Thank you for registering for the convention.
We are pleased you plan to attend!**

State Convention Hotel Reservation Form



Reservation Request Form

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Alpha Iota State Convention

May 1st - 3rd 2015 Auburn Hills Marriott at Pontiac at Centerpoint

Group Room Rate: \$115.00 plus 13% tax per room, per night

Room rate is guaranteed three days before and three days after event dates

Cut off Date: *April 2, 2015* is Last Day to Reserve Room at Special Room Rate

Check-In Time is 3:00PM Check-Out Time is Noon

Please Note: Reservation request must be received in our office by **midnight on the above cut off date** in order to guarantee the group rate. Requests received after the above date will be subject to availability, and the group rate is not guaranteed. All reservation requests must be accompanied by a first night room deposit or guaranteed by a major credit card. Rooms will not be reserved unless secured by one of the above methods.

** If you need to cancel your reservation, please do so 24 hours prior to arrival.

GUESTROOM PREFERENCE (Subject to Availability)

If more than one room is requested, please enclose a list of names and addresses, indicating which guests share rooms.

If you would like a confirmation sent to you via email, please provide your email address below.

of Rooms

_____ Standard Room – 2 Beds _____ Standard Room – King Bed

_____ Number of People in Your Guestroom

Roommates Names: _____

Special Requests (Please check) _____ Handicap Accessible _____ Hearing Impaired

GUEST INFORMATION

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

PHONE: _____ FAX: _____

*****EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

ARRIVAL DAY/DATE: _____ DEPARTURE DAY/DATE: _____

CREDIT CARD NUMBER: _____ EXP DATE: _____

NAME OF CARD HOLDER: _____

OR CHECK OR MONEY ORDER ENCLOSED IN THE AMOUNT OF: _____

Signature: _____

Mailing/Fax Information:

Marriott at Centerpoint

Attn: Melanie Miller

3600 Centerpoint Parkway,

Pontiac, Michigan, 48341

Phone: 248-253-9800 Fax: 248-648-6026

Directions to the Marriott Hotel:

From Detroit Metropolitan Airport

Take 94 East to I-75 North.

Travel to Square Lake Road Exit, (exit #75).

Note: this exits to the left of the highway.

Take the 1st exit, Opdyke Road.

You will come to a light at the end of the exit.

The Marriott At Centerpoint is located 200 yards

From the light on the left side of the street.

From Flint / Saginaw/ Grand Blanc / Clarkston:

Take I-75 South

Travel to Square Lake Road Exit, (exit #75).

Take the 1st exit, Opdyke Road.

You will come to a light at the end of the exit.

The Marriott At Centerpoint is located 200 yards

From the light on the left side of the street,

Which is Centerpoint Parkway.

From East Lansing / Lansing

Take I-69 East towards Flint.

Take the I-75/US-23 exit number 33 towards Detroit.

Merge onto I-75 South

Travel to Square Lake Road Exit, (exit #75).

Take the 1st exit, Opdyke Road.

You will come to a light at the end of the exit.

The Marriott At Centerpoint is located 200 yards

From the light on the left

Convention Workshop Sessions



State Convention May 1 - 3, 2015



Marriott Auburn Hills at Pontiac at Centerpoint

Tentative Sessions

Friday, May 1, 2015

Pre-Convention Seminar:

6:30 P.M. - 7:30 P.M.

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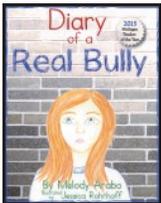


Saturday May 2, 2015

Keynote Address

Think like a Teacherpreneur

Think beyond the four walls of your classroom and make the most of the educator business world. Learn how to market your materials, (because teachers create the best resources), become a published author (because teachers are great writers), and get social media savvy (because teachers are experts at making connections.) Join Mrs. Melody Arabo, Michigan 2014-2015 Teacher of the Year as she instructs us on how to do all of these things. A published author of two books, *Chaldean for Kids* Book Series and *Diary of a Real Bully*. Melody works with teachers as a presenter, no bullying advocate, instructional coach and facilitator of professional development workshops. *SCECH

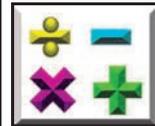


The Complete Reading Instruction Package

Ms. Melody Arabo will speak on Common Core reading instruction and strategies that revolve around METACOGNITION. Components will include a true Reader's Workshop format, a manageable book club system, and methods of differentiation to meet the needs of all levels and learning styles. Gain access to mini-lessons, anchor charts, management forms, parent letters and assessment guides that can be used with any text and modified for all grade levels. This system is guaranteed to make you more efficient and effective in your preparation and reading instruction. *SCECH



Mastering Math Facts



Learn to teach students how to develop math fact fluency through a differentiated approach. Ms. Melody Arabo, Michigan Teacher of the Year, will explain the process. Students will have a narrowed focus as they master facts of each operation, set by set, and they can move at their own pace through their own learning styles. Teacher's prep time for this system is minimal and it only takes about twenty minutes of class time each week. This method is designed through action research and has proven to be effective in hundreds of classrooms. *SCECH

Life in the Clouds

Ever have those moments where you really wish to share with others a video, document, presentation, picture or calendar but you just don't have an easy way to keep it all with you at your fingertips? Join Maria Gonzales, classroom teacher and member of Mu Chapter, and participate in local and global learning communities as you are guided through "the clouds" to some of the most useful, multi-device, user-friendly platforms that will help you have access to that oh-so-special item in a snap. At this session,



explore creative applications of technology to improve student learning and teaching. We will look at Google Drive, Edmodo, Evernote, One Note, Live Binder, Dropbox, and more. Bring your own device to try these out! *SCECH

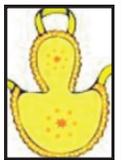
The History of the Mustang

For fifty years, the Mustang has remained Ford's most distinctive and emotional presence on the streets of America. Since the Mustang marked the birth of the pony-car genre, there has been a battle for the muscle-car throne. Many American performance cars have come and gone, but only one has consistently dominated the marketplace and reinvented the genre with each new generation: the Ford Mustang. Author of *Mustang Dynasty* and *Ford Mustang 2015: The New Generation*, Mr. John M. Clor, communications manager for Ford's Special Vehicle Team, offers a completely unrestricted view of the design and production process, including access to Ford's own imagery not available anywhere else. Join John for a fun and informative session about Detroit's favorite pony. It will also touch on the role this major industry has played in the State of Michigan as well as in the U.S. both in historical and contemporary times. *SCECH



Aprons Tell a Story

Nancy Geiger, the "Apron Lady", tells us "If we listen to the stories that aprons tell, we can learn about women's historical roles, fashion trends, and 20th Century American culture." The apron came about because of practical necessity. Long ago most women didn't have the luxury of owning a large wardrobe. Washing and drying clothes was not done on a daily basis, so aprons served a practical purpose of protecting one's clothing. Nancy, a newly initiated member of Gamma Alpha Chapter, has made many aprons and will share stories that the aprons tell.



State Convention Workshop Sessions

Legislation and How

It Affects Us All!



Be In the know! Find out what is happening in state politics today. This 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 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 thought provoking 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

Fill Your Bucket with Cash



and Discounts

Want to raise money for chapter projects without increasing chapter dues or fees? Want to get support from sources other than members? Want to find good buys and discounts available only to DKG members? Come join Dr. Helen Popovich, Beta Kappa Chapter, and our new International Non-Dues Revenue Committee Chair, to fill your bucket with practical information, innovative ideas, and proven strategies.

Membership: The Ripple Effect



Join Dr. Hanna Fowler, our DKG International Guest, and examine how the attitude of one member can have an effect on many members. Discuss and discover how maximizing relationships can create momentum in the life of your chapter, just like the pebble hitting the water. This session offers suggestions and ideas for helping chapters become more viable and sustainable.

Motor City Munchies



Join Chef Larry Janes, Certified Culinary Professional, and Owner/Operator of the Gourmet Gallery of Plymouth, as he leads us through a highly educational and entertaining cooking class. He will share with us recipes for healthy living. Chef Larry is also the Culinary Educator in Livonia Public Schools Skills Center, Food Writer, Product Spokesperson for Le Creuset Cookware and No Nonsense Chef. Chef Larry will demonstrate how to pull off a gourmet appetizer bonanza with just basic food staples found in most fridges and pantries. Chef Larry is a graduate of Schoolcraft and the Culinary Institute in Hyde Park, New York. Chef Larry will present two workshops, and each is limited to the first 40 people to sign up at the convention registration table. There will be a minimal charge per person for this session, payable at the registration desk. *SCECH

Roots of the Music: Origins of the Motown Sound

Detroit is known the world over for the music that came out of a small studio on West Grand Boulevard during the 1960s and 1970s. But the Motown Sound wasn't born from thin air. It had its roots in other music that was being made in Detroit and around the country in the years before the company's founding in 1959. This presentation delves into the city's history of music making, and the elements that contributed to the unique stylings of Motown and Tamla Records. Joel Stone, senior curator for the Detroit Historical Society, will present a musical history of Motown records. *SCECH



First City of the Old Northwest: 150 years in Early Detroit



As Europeans began exploring the Great Lakes, Detroit became the center of trading activity, and a strategic military installation coveted by the French, British and American governments. Once its political fate was settled, the town became a magnet for immigrants and a burgeoning industrial metropolis. Its advantageous location and resourceful

population made it one of America's great cities – a leader in manufacturing, education, architecture and the arts. Joel Stone, senior curator for the Detroit Historical Society, will present Detroit's lively history.

Let's Fly with the Yankee Air Museum

During World War II more than 8,600 B-24 Liberator bombers were built at the Ford factory at Willow Run Airport in Ypsilanti, Michigan. A portion of the mile long plant, about 175,000 square feet, was recently purchased by the Yankee Air Museum. The museum has acquired and returned to flying status five World War II aircraft and has other aeronautical memorabilia on display. In addition, there is a library, restoration projects and a movie theater. The museum and its educational programs are available for the public to experience and enjoy. It is an opportunity for people to re-live and learn about an important part of American and Michigan history. The Yankee Air Museum continues in its mission of "*Honoring aviation history and its participants through a living, flying museum.*" Mr. Bob Hynes will discuss this gem of Michigan's history of aviation, Rosie the Riveter, the Arsenal of Democracy and the future of this historic museum. *SCECH



"The Art Experience"

This Pontiac area community art center has a mission that involves reaching special needs individuals, stroke recovery patients, inclusive programs, college internships, exhibits and special events. TAE is a community studio where affordable arts programs spark, explore, and nurture creativity. Join Diane Frangie of Kappa Chapter, as she shares how TAE has reached out to the community of Pontiac over the years and transformed many lives through the use of art therapy and the creative process. *SCECH



Note: The full schedule and the at-a-glance time table for the convention at the Marriott will be in the upcoming Spring edition of *The Wolverine*.

Chapter News



Rho Chapter Learns About “Current Trends in Education”

In October, Rho chapter members attended a stimulating, thought-provoking presentation by Kerri Campbell, director of general education, at the Berrien RESA in Berrien Springs, MI. She spoke with much knowledge and excitement about Generation Z, the children in school today. Her topic was “Current Trends in Education” and she explained how very integrated technology has become in the lives of the children of today. For education to keep students interested and on task, it will be essential for teachers to understand how to use technology in the classroom so that every student can become engaged in the material – whether it be math, social studies, science, language arts, or, even, the fine arts. This is a generation for whom technology is taken for granted and educators need to keep pace.

**Generation Z
Born 1995-2009**

As our president, Sinie Bass, has stated, “might as well get rid of all that stuff in my basement because these kids won’t be using it! These children are growing up highly sophisticated in computers and with the social media.” Sinie went on to quote our speaker: **“In a life time they will have 17 jobs and 15 homes. They can text, read, watch TV, talk and eat all at the same time.”** What a challenge for today’s underpaid, harassed teachers.

Ms. Campbell also commented about the legislation that is being considered in our next election. These two house bills concern attaching teacher evaluations and salaries to student progress. There was much discussion among the members and many questions for Ms. Campbell about how teachers are deeply concerned about this type of legislation. It is difficult at best to reach some students some of the time, without having the specter of your job permanence becoming part of the equation.

Overall, the members were very intrigued by Ms. Campbell and the challenges she presented when discussing Generation Z. She gave a very unique handout that presented the colorful world of Generation Z, our adults of tomorrow.

Submitted by Eleanor Rauner, Co-president Rho Chapter



(L to R) Esther Loskowski, Gamma Alpha; Sandy Edwards, Beta Lambda; Pat Hatch, Mu, received a check from the Past President International Fund Grant covering their registration for the International Convention in Indianapolis. Chapter members can apply for and receive the Kathy Cashen Grant to attend the Northeast Regional Conference in Baltimore, Maryland in July 2015. You just need to apply by April 1st. The form is on the Michigan website. *See Resources, fill out State form, apply for Event Grant.



(L to R) Kathleen Rodak, Zeta Chapter president, presents Thelma McCrary her 50 year Zeta membership certificate and pin.

Beta Omicron Chapter Hosts Kenowa Council

The Grand Rapids Women’s City Club (WCC) was the site for a Victorian Luncheon. Members were encouraged to wear hats and gloves. The meeting began in the auditorium of the WCC with a coffee and tea social time, followed by an excellent program presented by Carol Dodge, historian for the WCC. Her presentation on Desdemona Sweet, wife of one of the most prominent men in Grand Rapids, gave us the history of Grand Rapids from a woman’s perspective. Desdemona is responsible for founding the WCC and some say her presence is still felt at the Club. After the program, a delicious lunch was enjoyed in the Desdemona Dining Room, followed by a tour of the building.



Chapter News

Alpha Xi Chapter Participates in Many Community Projects



Delta Kappa Gamma, Alpha Iota State, Alpha Xi Chapter participated in Harvest Days at the Jesse Besser Museum. Members staffed the newly painted Green School, handing out polished apples and presenting lessons to the attendees. Visitors were able to enjoy going back in time to participate in a lesson as it would have been presented in a one-room school. In the picture is Bev Attwell presenting the lesson.



During Alpha Xi's October meeting, two new members were initiated by the Membership Committee. Jan Mooradian of Hubbard Lake and Chris Witulski of Alpena were initiated into the chapter and Ruth Follbaum of Hubbard Lake was welcomed as a transfer member. Pictured (L to R) are Jan Mooradian, Ruth Follbaum and Chris Witulski



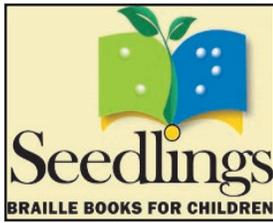
Alpha Xi Chapter has a Christmas project which they have had for years. At their Christmas party, members bring gifts for the local shelter. Every year, it just keeps getting bigger and better with many items of clothing, toys and cash donations. In the picture, left to right: Kathy Conklin, Executive Director of the Shelter, and Jan Melville, Chairperson of the Alpha Xi Shelter Gift Tree Project.

Submitted by Sharron LaHaie, Alpha Xi President



Several Alpha Xi members met at the Jesse Besser Museum recently to decorate a tree to be displayed as part of the museum's "Season of Lights." Displaying the trees is a fundraiser for the museum. Alpha Xi members enjoy decorating and participating in this annual activity.

Chapter News



Gamma Alpha Chapter Sponsors Seedlings Braille Books for Children's Rose Encyclopedia Project

Funded by DKG Educational Foundation

Seedlings Braille Books for Children is very pleased to announce that their "Rose Project" received a \$5,070 grant from The Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Foundation. The grant will allow the Livonia based non-profit to continue to provide free World Book Encyclopedia articles in braille to blind children grades 1-12.

Students from across the United States contact Seedlings via the web, by telephone or email and provide the subject(s) or topic(s) of interest for which they would like information. A staff member produces the articles in braille and sends them to the student's home or school, via UPS, free-of-charge within five business days.

Every year they receive requests from new students and/or students that have recently been diagnosed as visually impaired. The Rose Project allows Seedlings to continue to fill a need in the lives of these students so they can continue to grow and learn and become independent and successful individuals. The DKG Educational Foundation supports and encourages intercultural understanding and educational excellence. Gamma Alpha Chapter is involved in many projects that aid the community, including awarding grants to women pursuing degrees in education.

Submitted by Judi Fisher, Gamma Alpha Chapter

Art Work Accepted by DKG International for Spring Gallery of Fine Arts

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Arts & Humanities Jury is pleased to announce the publication of two watercolor paintings, *Fresh Bouquet* and *A Place to Rest* by Kathleen Rodak. The DKG Gallery of Fine Arts is an online gallery of works of art and letters at www.dkg.org. Rodak is a resident of Farmington Hills, Michigan, and a member of Zeta Chapter. Her artwork will be on display in the Gallery for a period of 6 months.

Kathleen retired from teaching, picked up her brushes, started taking watercolor classes and has not stopped since. This is the second time that Kathleen has had her art work selected for display.



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Corsage Order Form

Red rose corsages will be available either pinned or wrist style. The cost of a pinned corsage is \$12.00, wrist corsage is \$16, including tax. Corsages may be picked up after 3:30 PM at the Registration Desk on Saturday, May 2nd.

Corsage is for _____

Chapter _____ Pinned _____ (\$12) / Wrist _____ (\$16)

Individual Ordering (if not above) _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Please include check for \$12.00 for each pinned or \$16 for each wrist corsage, payable to Delta Kappa Gamma. Mail form/s and check to:

Sally Garrison, 1227 Lenox Road, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304-2025
Phone 248-540-3762 or email WSARAHSALLY@aol.com
When ordering more than one corsage, please duplicate form.
For multiple corsage orders, a single check can be written for the entire amount.

Corsage Order Deadline: April 2, 2015

Corsages may be ordered using this OR the Convention Registration Form.

International News



DKG Educational Foundation

Giving to educate the world

**Celebrate by Giving using the
Online 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

Need Money



For Professional Development ?

Travel, hotel, meals, substitutes, conference/seminar expenses?

Have we got a deal for you!

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Available to members and non-members

Up to \$2000

Three award cycles:

February 1, **May 1**, September 1

Go to: www.dkgef.org

Click on Professional Development

Click on Individual Awards Application

Check out previous recipients and see the variety of awarded grants.



Schools for Africa is a joint campaign founded by UNICEF, the Nelson Mandela Foundation, and the Hamburg Society which promotes education for children in Africa. The campaign will

increase access to quality basic education for children with special focus on girls, orphans and vulnerable children. UNICEF is working with governments, local authorities, communities and other partners.

What your money can do

- ♦ Build and rehabilitate 1,000 schools
- ♦ Create schools that offer a safe and protective environment where children can learn and play
- ♦ Provide access to clean water and separate sanitation facilities in schools
- ♦ Supply exercise books, pens, proper furniture and other school and sports materials
- ♦ Train 100,000 teachers to provide children with quality education and basic life skills
- ♦ Educate children, parents and the community at-large about proper hygiene and HIV prevention

Visit www.schoolsforafrica.com or under UNICEF and see a video and slide show



Gallery of Fine Arts

The **Arts and Humanities Jury** is entrusted with the organization and implementation of **The DKG Gallery of Fine Arts**, an *online* publication and display of DKG members' creative works. The online Gallery includes: Literary Efforts, Two-and-Three Dimensional Art, Performance Art, Photography, Crafts.

Alpha Iota State has a lot of creative and talented members.

Look at all submissions online at dkg.org. Encourage chapter members to apply.

Check International website dkg.org for submission dates and downloadable form.

Make Plans Now to Attend the NORTHEAST REGIONAL CONFERENCE



**Hyatt Regency
Baltimore, Maryland**

July 8-11, 2015

**Check Events on the
website dkg.org**



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Did you know that the first letters in
Delta **K**appa **G**amma are the first
letters in the Greek words for
Teacher, Key, and Women?

Dates to Remember

May 1-3, 2015

Alpha Iota State Convention
Executive Board and General Membership Meeting
Auburn Hills Marriott, Pontiac at Centerpoint

June 13, 2015

President's Advisory Council Meeting
For all Outgoing (2013-2015) and Incoming (2015-2017)
State Officers and Committee Chairmen

July 8-11, 2015

Northeast Regional Conference
Hyatt Regency
Baltimore, Maryland

August 22, 2015

President's Advisory Council Meeting
State Officers and Committee Chairmen

***September 25-26, 2015 (corrected date)**

Executive Board and Fall Workshop
The H Hotel
Midland, Michigan