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State President



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Service Sharing Sisterhood
Scholarship
We Hold the Key



President's Message

Wow, what a year I have had! It has been an amazing ride starting with my installation ceremony in Grand Rapids, state president training at the Northeast Regional Conference in Vermont, Fall Conference in Livonia, and ending with the State Convention in Traverse City. I will be attending the International Convention in Spokane, Washington in July. In between these events I have had the opportunity to visit Mu Chapter's ReMunion, Cascades Coordinating Council, Epsilon Chapter, Northern Lights Coordinating Council, Capital Coordinating Council, Gamma Theta Chapter's 10th Anniversary, Metro Coordinating Council, Alpha Pi Chapter, Alpha Xi Chapter, and Alpha Phi Chapter's 50th Anniversary. Between hotel site visitations and meetings with conference/convention chairs, my theme song should be "On the Road Again!" Visiting the chapters and meeting with dedicated Delta Kappa Gamma women around the state has been the part of my role as State President that has been truly enjoyable. I have seen firsthand that Michigan's DKG members hold the key to service, sharing, sisterhood and scholarship.

I want to thank the outgoing Chapter presidents for their hard work and dedication to DKG during past year. I would like to extend greetings to the incoming Chapter presidents who have accepted the torch of leadership. I hope the next two years will be filled with excitement, enthusiasm, and collaboration for you. Enlist the help of your members in planning to keep your chapter active and vital. Become creative in terms of membership. Reach out to non-traditional educators, write letters asking principals to recommend educators for membership, publicize meetings in local media, offer SBCEU credit for meetings, encourage guests to attend, and mentor new teachers; thus grooming them for membership. I look forward to getting to know you and working with you during your biennium. If you have questions or concerns, I am only a call or e-mail away. A big thanks to the Executive Board for making our first combined executive board and general membership meeting run efficiently. I offer a huge shout out to each of you who helped to make the state convention at the Grand Traverse Resort and Spa a success. We had a weekend filled with wonderful sessions, excellent food, and inspiring speakers.

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President's Message

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International Convention

DKG's International Convention will be held from July 20 - 24, 2010 in Spokane, Washington. There are a variety of excursions and workshop offerings in Spokane. We will be voting on the proposed constitution and bylaws changes at convention. If you are planning on attending, remember we need to sit together in the designated Michigan section during the business meeting.

Bay City Fall Conference

Twenty-first century Bay City is a living testament to the vision, creativity and hard work of the pioneering people who lived, worked and played here. Please consider joining us in Bay City at The Doubletree Hotel - Riverfront for our Fall Conference on October 15 - 16, 2010. The hotel is located just two miles east of I-75 on the east bank of the Saginaw River. Olive Horning and the Program of Work Chairs have planned interesting and valuable sessions that will be of interest to everyone. Come early and enjoy Bay City's charm. The DoubleTree Hotel is steps from the Riverwalk, unique specialty shops, antique stores, eateries and pubs. The friendly, helpful hotel staff looks forward to welcoming DKG with their special, signature warm chocolate-chip cookie at check-in. I hope to see you there.

Relax and rest during the summer. Come back this fall revitalized and ready to make a difference in your classroom, your community, and your chapter. I look forward to seeing you and your chapter members in Bay City.



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.

Membership

Thirty First Timers Attend Spring Convention

The membership committee prepares small gift bags for members who are attending a State Convention for the first time. This year there were thirty members who were first timers. in Traverse City.

Judy Albrecht	Beta Tau	Sanilac County
Lisa Austin	Gamma Alpha	Livonia/Westland
Laurie Bone	Alpha Omega	Flint Area
Judith Buffenbarger	Gamma Beta	Flint Area
Nancy DeCaire	Delta	Marquette Area
Pat Eppley	Alpha Zeta	St.Clair/Port Huron
Dorene Finer	Beta Eta	Farmington, Farmington Hills
Rita Gorang	Mu	Flint Area
Pamela Husson	Gamma Alpha	Livonia/Westland
Linda Ichesco	Beta	Ypsilanti/Ann Arbor
Nancy Jewett	Zeta	Detroit Area
Vickie Keegstra	Phi	Traverse City Area
Sarah Kemppainen	Delta	Marquette Area
Patricia Lahaie	Gamma Eta	Cheboygan Area
Karen McClatchey	Phi	Traverse City Area
Pamela Mincher	Beta Eta	Farmington, Farmington Hills
Mary Oram	Gamma	Hillsdale/Branch Co.
Deanne Orlando	Beta Eta	Farmington, Farmington Hills
Carol Osterling	Beta	Ypsilanti/Ann Arbor
Carol Palk	Gamma Alpha	Livonia/Westland
Susan Reasner	Beta Phi	Tawas City Area
Karen Seitz	Beta Eta	Farmington, Farmington Hills
Linda Simpson	Upsilon	Charlotte/Grand Ledge
Debby Smith	Beta Eta	Farmington, Farmington Hills
Janet Smoak	Alpha Xi	Alpena Area
Kay Tebo	Gamma Eta	Cheboygan Area
Roberta VanderBreggen	Beta Omicron	Holland/Jenison Area
Lois Weed	Alpha Epsilon	Sturgis Area
Ann Wheeler-Carlson	Alpha Omicron	Bloomfield Hills/Birmingham
Patricia Wittler	Delta	Marquette Area

A Special Welcome to Alpha Iota State Initiates

Mu

Mrs. Chloe DePew*

Omicron

Mrs. Linda Dean



Alpha Xi

Mrs. Teresa I. Bellows
Mrs. Kimberly J. Cardwell
Kathleen Hubbard
Mrs. Robyn M. Miller

Alpha Rho

Ms. Linda C. Babich
Mrs. Sara P. Dansky

Beta Kappa

Kristy Brand Motz
Mrs. Delphine Adrianna Defever

Gamma Beta

Susan E. Fischer
Sara F. Smith

Gamma Eta

Mrs. Jill L. Kwiatkowski
Ms. Pam K. McCabe
Mrs. Joey M. Miller

Gamma Theta

Mrs. Dana L. Garzella
Miss Michelle D. McGuigan
Mrs. Ellen L. Winter



* Reinstated H Honorary

Chapter President's and Membership Chairs

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 then in **The Wolverine** until Form 6 is sent by the chapter to :

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Membership

White Roses in Memoriam

Margaret Masteller - Beta Alpha

Margaret "Meg" Masteller, a Tracy, Minnesota native, graduated from Tracy High School, St. Cloud State University and Northwestern University. After teaching Second Grade for three years in Minnesota, she married and moved to Michigan where she spent 22 years teaching music in the Lakeview School District of Battle Creek, retiring in 1985. An active member of Beta Alpha for almost 33 years, Meg served on several chapter committees, as well as the State Music Committee. Besides her focus on her family and education, she was a member of her church council and many **committees**, as well as singing in the choir. November 30, 1924-January 10, 2010

Kaye A. Clarke - Alpha Tau

Born in Sault Ste. Marie, Kaye graduated from Tahquamenon Area Schools, attended Michigan State University and received her BA from Northern Michigan University. After her marriage she taught school in Skandia, Strongs, Trout Lake and Brimley where, when she retired, she was the Special Programs Coordinator. Through her efforts, the Brimley Area Schools became a leader in using technology to improve education. As her sisters in Alpha Tau have said, this 27 year member was always on the go and ready to tackle anything. Besides chairing several committees, she enjoyed coming to meetings, being with friends and sharing herself and her experiences. This avid reader, people person and animal lover served as Chippewa Township Clerk. She was active in DKG and in her church. Kaye was a War Memorial Hospital volunteer and served in 4-H, United Way, Chippewa Lions Club, Eastern Star, Alpha Beta Kappa Sorority, and MARSP. And was an EMT for the Hulbert Chippewa Township Ambulance Corps. November 22, 1942 - February 14, 2010

Alice H. Gernant-Epsilon

A lifelong resident of Kalamazoo, Alice graduated from Central High School, earned her bachelor's degree at Western Michigan University (then Western State Teachers College) followed by her master's degree at the University of Michigan in 1945. Starting in the Fennville Public Schools in 1941, she taught music to elementary students for 38 years until retiring from the Kalamazoo Public Schools. She also taught music methods in WMU's Music of Retired School Personnel, participated in the Music Educators National Conference, Michigan and National Education Associations, Community Concert Association, the Thursday Morning Musicales, and the Committee to Save the East Campus. She loved to read, attend the theater and travel with her sister.

September 10, 1921-March 13, 2010

Edith A. Ash - Gamma

Born in Osseo, Edith graduated from Osseo High School in 1932, Hillsdale College in 1936, and taught high school English, French, and history in several Hillsdale County schools including Allen, North Adams and Reading. Edith's passions in life were love for her family; learning and teaching anything in the humanities, including English language arts, music, French and history; genealogy; traveling and farming. In her retirement she focused on genealogy, writing many of the biographical pieces about people with roots in Hillsdale County found in Volumes I and II of "150 Years in the Hills and Dales" in 1976, as well as a family genealogy book, "The Reynolds Pioneering Chronicles: New York and Southern Michigan" (1995), collaborating with her cousin Gay Wojtowicz. Monographs Edith published include: "Michigan Literary Landmarks Monograph One: A Literary History of Mackinac Island" (1973); "Lingering Shadows of the Fleur De Lis" (1975); "Wafting Winds of the Revolution in Michigan Literature" (1976) and "Miss Big Fiddle: The Saga of Burky of Superior View Lodge at Deer Park, Michigan" (1980). Edith also played piano and organ for her church, was a life-long member of her college music sorority, Sigma Alpha Iota at Hillsdale College and actively participated in the Hillsdale County Historical Society. Initiated into Gamma Chapter of DKG in 1961, Edith served on various committees and remained an active member of the Society for nearly 50 years.

April 16, 1915-April 1, 2010

Mildred J. Godfrey-Alpha Xi

Born in Spratt, MI on her mother's family farm, Mildred eventually attended Hillman High School, graduated from Montmorency County Normal and received her BA degree from Central Michigan University. She then married and, with her husband, began raising their family. Mildred taught school for 38 years, first in many Montmorency County one-room schools and later in elementary schools in Hillman. Initiated as an honorary member into Alpha Xi chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, she was part of the society for almost 18 years. She and her husband Don had the Don Godfrey Orchestra, playing at many events throughout the area. A member of MARSP and of the VFW #2356 Women's Auxiliary, she was a musician for the State and Regional VFW Auxiliary, as well as being the organist at St. Augustine Catholic Church for over 40 years. February 22, 1923 - March 30, 2010

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

Membership

State Committees

White Roses Continued

Elizabeth M. Higbee - Omega

A Detroit native and Charter member of Omega Chapter, Elizabeth "Betty" M. Higbee obtained her Bachelor and Master's in Education from Wayne State University in Detroit. In 1952 she was a charter member of Omega Chapter, serving as its first president. She served at the state level as Recording Secretary and Membership Chair. An active chapter member, she later served as 1st Vice-president, Membership Chair, and on other committees during her 58 years with DKG. She will certainly be missed in the Mt. Clemens School District where, for 40 years, she taught all subjects K-8 and served as a school administrator at Alexander Macomb School, retiring in 1982. As a lifelong member of First United Methodist Church in Mount Clemens, she was active with the Altar Guild. An ardent volunteer, she served on the Macomb County Board of Family Services and at Mt. Clemens General Hospital. Her nephew was quoted as saying "She was dedicated to helping others, it was never about herself." A co-worker lauded Betty for teaching her all the good things about teaching and taking care of the whole child, one of many glowing tributes to this fine woman. A generous contributor to causes she believed in, Betty was a supporter of over forty different charities. March 7, 1919—April 15, 2010

Nancy Langs Ticknor - Alpha Zeta

Born in her grandmother's house on Elk Street, Nancy Langs Ticknor graduated in the January 1955 class of Port Huron High School. She then attended Port Huron Junior College and Eastern Michigan University graduating with a Bachelor's and Master's in Education and Library Science. Nancy was an elementary school teacher and middle school librarian in the Port Huron Area Schools for many years. She joined Alpha Zeta in 1989 and was an active and dedicated member, serving on World Fellowship and Legislative committees. Nancy and her husband of over 50 years battled her scleroderma for forty years with the support of their daughters, and other family, co-workers and friends, as well as members of their church. Among her many tributes, one woman, now the Head of Reference Services at the University of Arkansas, credited Nancy and two other women as the reasons for her choosing to become a librarian.

April 1937 - May 15, 2010



Women in the Arts Retreat



Please join us for WOMEN IN THE ARTS The magic is realizing that those who say that they aren't artistic return home from WITA weekend with beautiful art work. The magic is that you believe in yourself, explore projects with your peers, and that you are a student of your peers. The magic of friendship just happens. All I know is that that feeling of purpose and love are overwhelming. The laughter is contagious. The form for this year's retreat is below.

WOMEN IN THE ARTS

Friday, October 22 – Sunday, October 24, 2010

Arrival 4:00 PM or later thru 10:30 AM Sunday

Ralph McMullan Conference Center, Higgins Lake

Roscommon, Michigan

(517) 821 – 6200

REGISTRATION FORM

Deadline September 1, 2010 (or until full)

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Chapter _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Roommate Preference _____

\$130.00 – Lodging and 4 meals (due to increase by the Center)

\$17.00 - Friday Night Dinner – 5:30 PM - 6:15 PM (optional)

Friday dinner choice _____ Chicken _____ Shrimp

In September you will receive a communication listing activities and other pertinent information about the weekend.

Make check payable to: DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

Send to: Ranae Beyerlein

19930 Frazho

St. Clair Shores, MI 48081

(586) 718 – 5076 rbeyerlein@ameritech.net

Cancellation Date: October 1, 2010 to guarantee a full refund

Would you be willing to present an activity? _____

If so what one? _____

State Committees

Travels with Jackie

Fran Saenz Visitation Chair



On a lovely June 7th evening, State President Jackie Smart and I joined Alpha Phi Chapter at the Edsel & Eleanor Ford House in Grosse Pointe Shores to celebrate their chapter's 50th birthday. The setting was park like, the food delicious and the company gracious and welcoming. Chapter President and guide, Barb Samra, introduced us to charter members Norma Accivatti and Mildred Kelly who have great DKG stories and Barbara Souve, from Omega, their chapter's sponsor. Past state president, Dr. Betty Brogan, spoke to the group of memories of the 60's, engaging chapter projects through the decades, such as cookbooks and pillow case dresses, and leadership opportunities in the society. She and past state president, Dr. Betsey Cooper, shared their personal scrapbooks of their respective bienniums. We also celebrated the installation of a new slate of incoming Alpha Phi officers who are looking forward to their own biennium.

Jackie brought greetings from the state and encouraged chapter growth, visible community projects, and stressed the importance of attracting and learning from younger chapter members.

Happy 50th Birthday Alpha Phi!

Alpha Xi Chapter Visit

On May 18th, State President Jackie Smart and I attended the May dinner meeting of Alpha Xi at the River's Edge Golf Course in Alpena. We couldn't have asked for better weather or company. Four new members were initiated and a new slate of chapter officers was installed. Jackie brought greetings from the state and spoke of recent changes in the society and challenges for the future. She encouraged participation in state and international events. We were treated to a computer slide show of Alpha Xi members at the recent state conference in Traverse City, met young teachers at the start of their journey and a 95 year old who never misses this annual event. Our Hostess Sharron LaHaie and President Joy Shoemaker and their chapter made us feel welcome. The chapter shares a rich legacy of community service and sisterhood.



Initiation and Installation were the highlights of Alpha Xi's Chapter Meeting.



Alpha Phi Chapter representing East Detroit, Public and Roseville Schools celebrated their 50th Birthday with many reflective memories.

State Visitations

If your chapter would like a visit from our State President or any state officer or chairman, please complete an official state visit request form (found on the state web site) and mail it to me. Fran Saenz, 17269 Vacri Lane, Livonia MI 48152.

REMEMBER: Any chapter may have ONE visit during the current state president's biennium July, 2009 - July, 2011.

Professional Affairs Committee

I hope that all of you who attended the state convention found some interesting sessions to attend. There was certainly a good variety to choose from. You may also have found some ideas for your chapter programs for the coming year.

The state program committee is busy now planning sessions for the fall workshop in Bay City. It looks like another exciting choice of sessions for all to choose from. I will need several presidors and scribes. I so hope to find DKG members willing to volunteer for an hour as they attend the workshop, and the sessions of interest to them. I look forward to seeing lots of members in Bay City and hope that we have plenty of volunteers.

Submitted by Nina Keener, Professional Affairs Chairman
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State Committees

The Friend of Education Awards, Spring 2010

The Friend of Education Award may be given to an individual or community group that the chapter deems worthy of such recognition. Chapters have autonomy in determining who is to receive the award and how the award will be presented. Alpha Iota State thanks the following people and organizations for their dedication to education and the chapters that recognized them.

Gloria Richards, Second Vice President

- Louise Dawson, Mu
- Celeste Connamacher and Harry Bonner, Nu
- Jane Imber, Alpha Gamma
- Cathy Mott, Alpha Kappa, Muskegon Area
- Bruce Chadwick, Alpha Upsilon
- Friends of the Library in Alpena, Alpha Xi.
- Al Oshinsky, Beta Theta
- Nanette Wikol, Gamma Alpha

Alpha Iota State Distinguished Service Award



The Distinguished Service Award for 2010 was presented to Debra Bonde at the banquet on May 1, 2010 at the Grand Traverse Resort and Spa in Traverse City. Debra is the director of **Seedlings Braille Books for Children**. Alpha Iota State gives the Distinguished Service Award for providing exemplary service to education and/or educators in Michigan.

Debra Bonde, a resident of Livonia, Michigan, founded **Seedlings Braille Books for Children** to increase the availability of quality Braille books for blind children and make them affordable for families. Since its inception in 1984, Seedlings Braille Books for Children has produced over 300,000 Braille books for children and is currently on track toward the 2010 goal to distribute 25,000 more. With the help of generous individuals, foundations and philanthropic groups, Seedlings' founder, Debra Bonde has been bringing the joy of reading to countless blind children worldwide for over 25 years, helping them to read and succeed. To learn more about Seedlings Braille Books for Children, visit www.seedlings.org or contact them at (734) 427-8552.

Gloria Richard, Second Vice President

Funding Our Purposes

Fall Conference is just around the corner, so it's not too early for chapters to think about what kind of donation **or** theme basket they would like to bring for the Funding Our Purposes Auction.



This is a great way for chapters to show creativity while giving the Alpha Iota members a chance to SHOP!

Theme baskets are great, but you may also donate both small and large items.

Proceeds from the auction go to three funds:

- Scholarships
- World Fellowships
- Members Supporting Members

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

Submitted by Judi Fisher, Gamma Alpha Funding Our Purposes Chairman

RAFFLE WINNERS

Member Supporting Member Fundraiser

TRIP TO HAWAII OR FLORIDA

CAROL STARR, BETA CHI

WIXOM, MICHIGAN

In house winners for registration:

Mary Sass, Beta Phi

Nancy Tetzlaff, Beta Epsilon

Sally Garrison, Gamma Delta

The Rosebud Chorus



The Rosebud Chorus might have been small in number this year but were certainly stately in presence as they processed into the ballroom to a beautiful three part round of Delta Kappa Gamma sung to the music of Dona Nobis Pacem. This had been preceded by a lovely handbell piece played by Nancy Tetzlaff, Anne Wade, Shaila Jehle and Diana Shull. We immediately jumped in and brought the excitement level right up with the Delta Kappa Gamma Rap. Getting to perform our International Music Director's piece of music, "Dare to Dream" was nice as it had been done at Northeast Regional. I will also get to actually perform it with her and solo on it this summer at Spokane. A beautiful song. We finished our performance with the lovely solo voices of Maria Gonzalez and Pamela Chappell on Barry Manilow's "One Voice". For the small amount of time in rehearsal, the Rosebud Chorus always does an excellent job in performance. I always encourage others to come and join us. We always have a good time! Many thanks to Kathleen Rodak, Zeta; Darley Kemppainen, Delta; Sarah Kemppainen, Delta; Linda Shiffler, Gamma; Pamela Chappell, Gamma Theta; Ann Laurimore, Phi; Maria Gonzalez, Gamma Beta; Sharleen Gonzalez, Gamma Beta; May Sisson, Rho; Anne Wade, Alpha Lambda; Marilyn Wallenmaier, Kappa; and Pat Little, Beta Kappa.

Nancy Everett, Alpha Xi, Nancy Tetzlaff, Beta Epsilon, Co-Music Chairs

State Committees

Nominations Committee



Have you as an individual and/or has your Chapter taken advantage of the opportunity to suggest outstanding women who might serve in these positions? Alpha Iota State depends on the participation of the chapters, and the individuals who make up the chapters for the future strength of the State Organization.

Nomination Forms for the Alpha Iota State positions of President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, and for five positions on the Nominations Committee, have been distributed to each chapter along with Guidelines for Nominations. Thank you for all you do as Key Women

Educators. Nomination forms are available online and are due **October 15, 2010**, and may be sent or e-mailed to: Theresa Lorio, 19229 Rockport, Roseville, MI 48066-4516 tal22@earthlink.net

2009 - 2010 Yearbook Awards

The Yearbook Committee is pleased to announce that we had four on-line entries, 15 CD entries, and 17 printed entries. We thank you for "Going Green." Yearbooks were evaluated on Cover/Title Page, Chapter Information, Program Information, and Optional Items that included Birthday Page, Orientation Information, Strategic Plan, Photographs, Songs, and Bylaws. In the future, we expect to see more yearbooks on CDs. Each yearbook award was unique with the chapter's special brand on it!

Innovation	Praiseworthy	Admirable
Gamma	Epsilon	Alpha
Zeta	Nu	Alpha Epsilon
Lambda	Sigma	Alpha Mu
Mu	Upsilon	Beta Delta
Rho	Omega	Gamma Eta
Phi	Alpha Alpha	
Alpha Kappa	Alpha Upsilon	
Alpha Omega	Beta Eta	
Beta Alpha	Beta Epsilon	
Beta Kappa	Beta Pi	
Beta Rho	Beta Tau	
Beta Sigma	Beta Lambda	
Gamma Alpha		
Gamma Beta		
Gamma Gamma		
Gamma Zeta		

Alpha Iota State Yearbook Committee:

Olive Horning, Chair, Gamma Beta Chapter
Gladys Coats, Beta Delts Chapter
Arlene Obetts, Psi Chapter
Shirley Paley, Alpha Omicron Chapter
Marilyn Pfister, Beta Sigma Chapter
Dr. Kathleen Quinn, Beta Chapter
Susan Seidl, Beta Sigma Chapter
Liz VanWestenburg, Gamma Gamma Chapter

Guidelines for Nominations to State Offices and the State Nominations Committee

The following are suggested guidelines for considering a member for nomination.

1. Individual members or chapters may recommend a candidate.
2. The first and second vice-presidents do not automatically advance to the presidency.
3. All regions of the state will be considered.
4. The state president nominee is given the opportunity to select a corresponding secretary.
5. As a rule, we do not re-elect to the same office.
6. Nominees for state office should have served as chapter officers and/or committee chairpersons.
7. A nominee for state president should
 - a. have served as a chapter president
 - b. have had state committee or officer experience
 - c. be familiar with the work of the State Executive Board
 - d. have attended state and regional meetings
 - e. have organizational skills, good speaking skills, and have time to devote to the Society
8. The state Nominations Committee is composed of one member from each area of the state and includes the following:
 - a. a past state president
 - b. a past chapter president
 - c. a current chapter president
 - d. two members-at-large, one of whom has state level experience
9. Recommendations for a nomination should have chapter approval.
10. Only one form per nominee should be submitted. Support letters will not be considered.

State Committees

Communications Committee Presents Chapter Newsletter Awards

Margaret Meehan, Beta Rho, Communications Chair

The purpose of evaluation is to help chapters become more effective communicators. Four readers read every newsletter and scored them on a 28 point scale. They were looking for fine writing, member contributions, society news for all levels (local, state, regional, international, councils), as well as a clean, uncluttered easy-to-read layout with readable fonts, and headings. Each reader provided the editor with a detailed evaluation, as well as a certificate.

Chapter Name Communicator Award Chapter Name Communicator Award

Alpha	Chapter	Alpha Phi	Very Fine
Beta	Very Fine	Omega	Very Fine
Gamma	Outstanding	Beta Alpha	Outstanding
Zeta	Exemplary	Beta Beta	Very Fine
Kappa	Chapter	Beta Epsilon	Chapter
Lambda	Very Fine	Beta Eta	Outstanding
Mu	Exemplary	Beta Theta	Very Fine
Rho	Very Fine	Beta Lambda	Very Fine
Sigma	Chapter	Beta Pi	Outstanding
Upsilon	Very Fine	Beta Sigma	Exemplary
Phi	Outstanding	Beta Tau	Chapter
Alpha Alpha	Chapter	Beta Phi	Very Fine
Alpha Zeta	Outstanding	Gamma Alpha	Exemplary
Alpha Kappa	Very Fine	Gamma Beta	Very Fine
Alpha Mu	Outstanding	Gamma Gamma	Chapter
Alpha Xi	Very Fine	Gamma Zeta	Very Fine
Alpha Tau	Outstanding	Gamma Theta	Very Fine
Alpha Upsilon	Very Fine		

Scholarships Awarded

Receiving the Past Presidents International Convention Fund Grants for attendance at Spokane, WA convention Marilyn Pfister, Beta Sigma; Tamara Webster, Gamma Theta; and Barbara Hawkins, Beta Tau.

The Seminar in Purposeful Living Grant of \$500 was awarded to Bernice Haglund of Beta Beta.

The Past Presidents Scholarship of \$800 for continued studies was awarded to Laurie Bone, Alpha Omega.

The 50/50 raffle for International Convention scholarships was won by May Sisson, Rho.

Olga Albert, Sigma Scholarship /Grants Chair

Personal Growth and Services Committee Presents Chapter Women of Distinction Awards Dr. Dorothy Sample, Chair, Mu

Alpha
Rose Marie Schmidt

Nu
Gloria Richard

Beta
Pat DeRossett
Jeanne Thayer*

Omicron
Diane Dray

Gamma
Pat Charlton

Pi
Virginia Light

Epsilon
Rena Brooks

Rho
Gladys Grieger

Zeta
Michele Valant

Sigma
Marilyn Knopf

Iota
Kathy Braun
Dorothy Weiss
Olivia A. Williams

Upsilon
Cathy Falk

Lambda
Ann McDonald

Phi
Karen McClatchey

Mu
Laura Perkins

Chi
Sally Ann Narhi

Omega
Barbara Craig

Alpha Alpha
Carla Summers

Alpha Beta
Sandy Lewis

Alpha Gamma
Gretchen Breese

Alpha Zeta
Gay Huston

Alpha Kappa
Paula Coffin

Alpha Lambda
Mary Kayser

Alpha Xi
Kellie Poli

Alpha Omicron
Audrey Hart

Alpha Tau
Debra Noss

Alpha Upsilon
Margaret Fell

Alpha Omega
Laurie Bone

Beta Alpha
Nancy Hood
Colleen Parnell
Julie Pease

Beta Delta
Juliana Ciocan

Beta Epsilon
Josephine Busuttill
Rosemary Sutter

Beta Theta
Joan Mousseau
Kathy Worden

Beta Xi
Florence Lightfoot

Beta Iota
Ruth Funsch

Beta Omicron
Ruth Vander Weide

Beta Rho
Susan Helser

Beta Sigma
Ann Christopherson

Beta Tau
Judy Albrecht

Beta Chi
Carol Starr

Gamma Alpha
Colleen Retherford

Beta Phi
Sue Bovan

Gamma Beta
Gwen Graham
Dorothy Gregory

Gamma Zeta
Lydia Gould

Gamma Eta
Brenda Ingersoll

Gamma Theta
Susan Kruizenga
Patricia Poggi



Scholarships

Do you need professional development money?

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

You Need To Go On Vacation!!



Thanks to the Delta Kappa Gamma raffle, I won a week's stay in a beautiful condo in Waikiki, Hawaii. The condo was very nice- a master suite, kitchenette, laundry, a lovely dining area and living room. It was almost better than home. The weather was stupendous, back in Michigan the snow kept piling up and I kept soaking up the sunshine! My husband and I toured Oahu, we went on an ocean dinner cruise attended a luau, and made a very stoic visit to Pearl Harbor. Standing on the deck of the USS Missouri where the peace for WWII was signed was humbling.

We learned a lot about the cultures of the island and surrounding areas. The shops in Waikiki are not meant for the poor common folk, but there were always crowds of people in them shopping. ABC Stores are convenience stores and they say that ABC stands for 'all blocks covered' and there seemed to be one on each block.

I now miss the sounds of the ocean surf and the singing bus drivers. They all feel they have beautiful voices. Apparently, tourists 'hang loose' and locals 'shaka'.

So, my relaxing soak up the sun vacation, which I recommend to everyone, ended with a new experience. How many of us have been part of a Tsunami evacuation? It was calm but unnerving at times. Do we check out now or wait for a final stab at getting to the airport closer to our flight time? No stores were open, the cabs and shuttle buses had to be out of Waikiki by 10 am. We found a cabbie who took us to the airport and as soon as he deposited us, he was going home to high ground. They said, the airport was an evacuation site but I knew there was a reef runway that was right on the coastline. How could it be? We wondered if the sirens going off and the loud speakers announcing the evacuation in many languages were ignored as much as our tornado warnings are? They weren't, as time got closer to 10:00 am the streets became more and more abandoned. We felt a little lost waiting for the shuttle that never came.

Boarding the airplane was a welcome relief. We had a great time in Hawaii. It was relaxing for the most part, fortunately the big scare was over and we could finally relax. Well, we could relax if we made our connecting flight in Los Angeles, we were told that our late start may get us there too late and if it did our next opportunity out of LA would be 19 hours later. They wouldn't guarantee that the next plane could wait for us, but they did and we arrived back into a white covered Detroit airport safe, sound and way tired.

I did come home hoping I could find a way to wind down and just relax. I started to need a vacation from my vacation. Nothing is better than sunshine and flowers on a Hawaiian beach.

Nancy Higgins, Zeta Chapter



Alpha Iota State

Fall Conference Schedule

October 15 – 16, 2010

DoubleTree Hotel, Bay City, Michigan

Sharing Our Scholarship – We Hold the Key

Friday October 15, 2010

- 2:30 PM - 8:00 PM Registration
(Closed during Executive Board)
- 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM **Deli Sandwich Buffet**
- 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM Executive Board
- 8:00 PM - 10:00 PM Alternative Session *SB-CEU
- 10:00 PM - 11:00 PM Conversation, Camaraderie,
Coordinating Council Meetings, Cash Bar

Saturday October 16, 2010

- 8:00 AM - 11:30 AM Registration
- 7:00 AM - 8:30 AM **Pay-by-item Breakfast Buffet**
- 8:30 AM - 8:45 AM General Session and
Announcements
- 9:00 AM - 10:00 AM First Workshop Sessions
- 10:10 AM - 11:10 AM Second Workshop Sessions
- 11:20 AM - 12:20 PM Third Workshop Sessions
- 12:30 PM - 1:30 PM **Luncheon Buffet**
- 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM General Membership Meeting
Reflection
Keynote Speaker - Gabe Ford, Author
*2 SB-CEU Units
- 3:35 PM Announcements
Raffle Drawings
The Delta Kappa Song

State Fall Conference Bay City

Top Ten Reasons to

Attend the State Fall Conference

Come from north, south, east, and west to meet at the DoubleTree Riverfront, Bay City Michigan. We're looking for a record attendance for the conference on October 15-16 at the DoubleTree Hotel.

Why should YOU come?

1. The DoubleTree Hotel has wonderful chocolate chip cookies in the lobby
2. You can watch the ships pass by the hotel
3. Join us for fellowship, sisterhood, and laughter
4. Scholarship – We are the Key
5. You will enjoy a variety of workshops and opportunities to earn SB- CEUs
6. You may be lucky and take home a beautiful basket of goodies
7. Come early on Friday and you can spend hours at the Bay City Antique Center near the hotel
8. For a taste of nostalgia, visit the State Theatre, a sister to Detroit's Fox Theatre
9. You can say that you have visited Madonna's birthplace
10. Get inspired and revitalized for your teaching, your chapter, and your life!

Join your sisters for a weekend of inspiration and fun!

Submitted by Olive Horning, Program Chair

NEED A ROOMMATE?

Are you going to the State Conference in Bay City?

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

DIRECTIONS TO DOUBLETREE HOTEL

BAY CITY ● RIVERFRONT

FROM THE DETROIT AREA: Follow I-75 North to Exit 162A [M-25 East] toward downtown Bay City. Continue on M-25 East/Thomas Street. Cross over Veterans Memorial Bridge. Turn left on Saginaw Street. Turn left on Sixth Street.

FROM THE LANSING/JACKSON AREA: [Jackson: 127 North to 27]. Follow 27 North to M-20 East. M-20 to US-10 [Business] East. Follow US-10 East toward Bay City. US-10 becomes M-25 East/Thomas Street. Cross Veterans Memorial Bridge. Turn left on Saginaw. Turn left on Sixth Street.

FROM GRAND RAPIDS/MUSKEGON AREA: Follow 131 North to M-46, then to M-66 North and then to M-20 East. M-20 to US-10 [Business] East. Follow US-10 East toward Bay City. US-10 becomes M-25 East/Thomas Street. Cross Veterans Memorial Bridge. Turn left on Saginaw. Turn left on Sixth Street.

FROM BATTLE CREEK/KALAMAZOO AREA: Follow 94 to 69 North/East to US-27, then North to M-20 East. M-20 to US-10 [Business] East. Follow US-10 East toward Bay City. US-10 becomes M-25 East/Thomas Street. Cross Veterans Memorial Bridge. Turn left on Saginaw. Turn left on Sixth Street.

FROM THE GAYLORD AREA: Follow 27 South to US-10 East toward Bay City. US-10 becomes M-25 East/Thomas Street. Cross Veterans Memorial Bridge. Turn left on Saginaw. Turn left on Sixth Street.

FROM THE ALPENA AREA: Follow US-23 South to I-75 South to Exit 162A [US-10 East] toward downtown Bay City. US-10 becomes M-25 East/Thomas Street. Cross Veterans Memorial Bridge. Turn left on Saginaw. Turn left on Sixth Street.

FROM THE TRAVERSE CITY AREA: Follow M-37 South to M-115 South/East to US-10 South/East, to Midland. Follow US-10 East to Bay City. US-10 becomes M-25 East/Thomas Street. Cross Veterans Memorial Bridge. Turn left on Saginaw. Turn left on Sixth Street.

FROM THE UPPER PENNINSULA: Follow I-75 South to Exit 162A [US-10 East]. US-10 becomes M-25 East/Thomas Street. Cross Veterans Memorial Bridge. Turn left on Saginaw. Turn left on Sixth Street.

Visit the Alpha Iota State Website for:

- Bay City Fall Conference Forms and Time Schedule
- President's Mailings and Updates each month
- Online Registration for Fall Conference, Bay City

- Scholarship and Grant-in-aid Applications
- See the Chapter Resource Section
- Website for information

State Fall Conference Hotel Reservation

Hotel Reservation Request Form

The Delta Kappa Gamma International– Alpha Iota State Fall Conference

Bay City Michigan– October 15, 2010

Group Room Rate: \$99.00 plus 8% tax per room, per night

Cut Off Date: September 25, 2010

Check-In Time is 3:00 pm

Check-Out Time is 12:00 pm



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.

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 Double Beds

_____ Standard Room – King Bed

_____ Number of People in Your Guestroom

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:

Doubletree Hotel Bay City Riverfront

Attn: Reservations Department

One Wenonah Park Place, Bay City, Michigan, 48708

Phone: 989-891-6000 Fax: 989-891-9680

State Fall Conference Registration Form

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Alpha Iota State Fall Conference Registration Form

October 15 - 16, 2010

*Sharing Our Scholarship –
We Hold the Key*

DoubleTree Hotel Bay City - Riverfront
Bay City, MI 48708



Please Print: Use one form for each person

Name _____
Last First Title

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

E-mail Address: _____ Phone: _____

Chapter: _____ City: _____

Present Office: Chapter: _____ State: _____
International: _____

Is this your first ΔΚΓ Fall Conference? (please check) _____ Yes _____ No

Executive Board will begin at 8:00 PM Friday night.

**Coordinating Councils will meet following the Executive Board meeting.*

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST REGISTER TO ATTEND

Registration Fee: Amount

Postmarked by September 25, 2010	\$45	
Non-member	\$55	
*Lunch is included in the registration fee		
Late Fee	\$15	
Postmarked after September 25, 2010		
Friday Night Dinner Buffet Opportunity 6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	\$15	
Saturday Pay-by-item Breakfast Buffet 7:00 AM - 8:30 AM Yes No Please circle		
Certified Educational Units Fee	\$10	
Total Amount Enclosed	Total	

Make checks payable to *Delta Kappa Gamma*

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State Fall Conference Registration Continued.

"I grant permission to Alpha Iota State of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International to use my photograph in the Wolverine and/or on the Society website." Please initial the box.

Photo Release ☐ Yes ☐ No

***The hotel is handicapped accessible. If needed, please make your request known when you make your room reservation.**

In order to earn the State Certified Educational Units (CEU) you must do the following:

Register for the Credit on your registration form. \$10 for member \$20 non-member

Sign a sheet at the registration desk when you check in. (State Required Form)

A sheet will be in your packet

Attend a minimum of three sessions for credit

Be stamped in and stamped out of each session.

Turn in your Official Attendance Sheet and your evaluation sheet.

There will be a special basket at the registration desk.

Please mail this form and checks payable to *Delta Kappa Gamma* to:

Mary Sass, Registrar

983 Townline Road

Tawas City, MI 48763

989-362-4325

mtsass@charter.net

Cancellation: A person having to cancel will receive a refund provided her written request is received **fifteen** days prior to the event - September 30, 2010. (Standing rule 7:01 of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.) Requests for cancellations must be sent in writing to the registrar. If it is necessary to cancel after September 30, 2010, you should attempt to get someone from your chapter to attend in your place. No refunds can be made after the cancellation date.

**NOTE: HOTEL REGISTRATIONS ARE DUE BY SEPTEMBER 25, 2010
FOR GUARANTEE OF LOWEST AVAILABLE PRICE**

State Fall Conference Bay City

Sharing Our Scholarship We Hold the Key Tentative Sessions

October 15, 2010
Friday Night Alternate Session
Bay County Historical
Society and Museum
8:00 PM – 10:00 PM



Teachers and history buffs interested in the history of Bay City and its maritime industry should come to this session! Archivists from the Bay County Historical Society and Museum will give us information that can be used in the classroom for units on Michigan history, transportation systems, and the value of the shipbuilding industry. Do you need classroom lesson plans and resource materials? This is the session to attend and will be held either on site or at the museum. Learn how your class can visit the museum. **2 SB-CEUs**

October 16, 2010
Saturday Conference Sessions

The Revised International Constitution, Chapter Operations, and Then Some



Strategic Planning Committee members will report on actions that took place at the International Convention in Spokane. This workshop will focus on the effects of the revised International Constitution and Standing Rules on individual chapters. Presenters will also focus on state and International awards, obligations and events. The session is recommended for all chapter leaders and interested others.

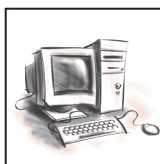
The Value of the Arts in Education



Barbara Beckers, Gamma Eta Chapter, will help us to understand the value of arts in the curriculum. According to the Michigan Curriculum Framework, Content Standard 1, children will apply skills and knowledge to

perform in the arts. Children who are involved in music, theatre, and visual arts perform better in many subject areas. Learning to play a piano aids math skills. Improvisation helps with shyness. Years of research show that arts education is closely linked to almost everything that we as a nation say we want for our children and demand from our schools: academic achievement, social and emotional development, civic engagement, and equitable opportunity. Involvement in the arts is associated with gains in math, reading, cognitive ability, critical thinking, and verbal skill. Arts learning can also improve motivation, concentration, confidence, and teamwork. Listen to Barbara as she helps you to see how the arts can be incorporated into every curriculum. **SB-CEU**

Creating PowerPoints and More



Tamara Webster, Gamma Theta, and Margaret Meehan, Beta Rho Chapter, will show how to create a PowerPoint presentation in this two hour session. **Please bring your laptops so that you receive full benefit from this experience.** PowerPoint is a software program to enhance your oral presentation and to keep the audience focused on your subject. It operates like an old-fashioned slide show, but uses modern technology in the form of computers and digital projectors rather than a slide projector. Pictures and graphics are a big part of any PowerPoint presentation. Using PowerPoint to teach to multiple intelligences and different learning styles is an easy way to expand the lesson activity into different methods, visual, auditory, artistic, kinesthetic. It is a great all around tool. **2 SB-CEUS**

Camp Alpha Omega Science for Girls

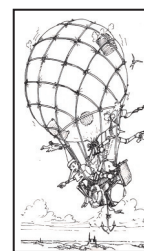


Join President Laurie Bone and members of Alpha Omega Chapter as they highlight their partnership with Longway Planetarium in Flint to provide a summer science camp for girls in Genesee County. Alpha Omega Chapter applied for monies from the Wilma

Adams Fund to establish this camp for girls going into grades three – six. Try out a few activities from this year's Make it Move! Camp as we give an overview of our past two camps and our plans for future programs. Classroom teachers will see how activities can be incorporated as to meet Content Standard IV.3, students will describe and explain how and why things move as they do. **SB-CEU**

Japanese Folk Tales

Attention, teachers of literature! Ann Laurimore, Phi Chapter, will be comparing Japanese folk tales to western folk tales. She will tell us a little history of Japanese and western story collections. Folk tales might be read to children in lower elementary with social



studies of children around the world. Upper elementary could be reading and studying folk tales of other countries. Learn how you can enhance your teaching about folk tales. It is a goal of the Michigan Department of Education that all students will read and analyze a variety of diverse literature. They are also expected to learn about the cultural similarities and differences of people of other nations. **SB-CEU**

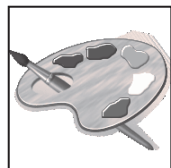
Birds, Butterflies and Blooms in Your Garden

Pat Esther Schmidt, Gamma Eta Chapter, is the owner of Pat's Posey Patch in Cheboygan. Considering having a classroom garden? How can you achieve all of the B's in your garden? Come to this workshop and find out the easy ways. Wild birds, and particularly songbirds, will flock to the insect-rich blooms and the dying seed heads of spent flowers. You can create an abundant food supply and simultaneously build a habitat for your wildlife. Children of all ages should be taught the value of animal and plant life. The emphasis on saving ecosystems can be taught with a simple garden. Q and A to Follow. **SB-CEU**



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The Magic of Women in the Arts



Ranae Beyerlein, Alpha Mu Chapter, and Theresa Sedmak, Alpha Theta Chapter President, co-chairs of Women in the Arts Retreat will share what can happen at this wonderful retreat. They will bring a few projects for you to try. The magic is realizing that those who say that they aren't artistic return home from WITA weekend with beautiful art work. The magic is that you believe in yourself, explore projects with your peers, and that you are a student of your peers. The magic of friendship just happens. All I know is that the feeling of purpose and love are overwhelming. The laughter is contagious. Please join us for WOMEN IN THE ARTS October 22 – 24, 2010. The Empowered Woman has the confidence to try, explore and become wealthy in the experiences that she travels.

Meaningful Partnerships between Cultural Organizations and Schools

Janet Smoak, President of Alpha Xi Chapter and Executive Director of the Besser Museum will tell us about how successful alliances can be formed. In an age of challenging finances for school travel and an increasing emphasis on prescribed content learning the relationship between Cultural Organizations (museums, art centers, wildlife sanctuaries,) and the school systems (public and private) are in a period of re-negotiation. How do Cultural Organizations remain relevant to teacher needs and pressures? The Besser Museum for Northeast Michigan, the Thunder Bay National Marine Sanctuary and the Alpena Public Schools have been exploring new and meaningful partnerships for the past two years. This workshop will present how the museum and sanctuary have modified their school group tours to meet curriculum benchmarks based on organizational resources. Tours are developed and tested in partnership with grade level teachers. Both organizations have benefited from the partnership with a local retired teacher in developing Social Studies Alive! (TCP) kits used at the institutions or in the classroom. Two kits, 4th and 7th grade level targeted, are engaging students with developmentally appropriate



practices. Participants will leave with an understanding of how they can approach their local Cultural Organizations to develop mutually beneficial resources and an understanding of the types of learning opportunities available. **SB-CEU**

Creating a Chapter Newsletter

Communications Chair Margaret Meehan, Beta Rho Chapter, will teach the fundamentals of creating a newsletter.



Discover techniques for laying out and formatting a newsletter to make it more readable. Copyright and reprinting information will be given, as well as suggestions for getting articles from members. Learn how to include pictures and graphics and capture interest with good headlines. Examples of exemplary newsletters will be shown. Many ideas will be offered for creating classroom newsletters. Many elementary teachers have classroom newsletters that their students have composed. It is in Content Standard 6 where students are expected to develop and use their writing skills. Come with your questions. **SB-CEU**

"Little Red Hen"

Nancy Everett, Alpha Xi Chapter, and Mary Sass, Beta Phi Chapter, will explore the "Little Red Hen" attitude as it relates to chapters being involved with planning state meetings. The Northern Lights Coordinating Council has stepped up to help with two state meetings recently. Cooperation makes light work for everyone.



Workshop for New Presidents



Judy Foster, past State President and member of Upsilon Chapter, will facilitate this session. Chapter Presidents carry great responsibility but don't have to do all the work. Learn what you can do to lead your chapter smoothly through the biennium and share the "wealth." Time will be allotted for idea exchange and solving problems.

The World's in Your Closet

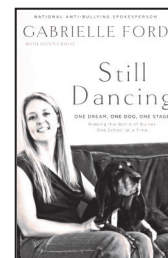
Sharleen Gonzalez, past State President and member of Gamma Beta Chapter, brings us her international knowledge of clothing! Come and have fun playing dress-up. I'm going to take you on a "Slow Boat to



China," taking a look "South of the Border," you may end up "Walk(ing) like an Egyptian" and looking like a Siamese. You will leave with materials to present the program to your chapter or use many ways in the classroom. This lesson could be a kick-off to a Social Studies unit on trade and economic inter-dependence. Honest. You will find out you are a World Class Dresser. **SB-CEU**

Keynote Speaker

Gabe Ford, anti-bullying speaker and author of *Still Dancing*, will share her experiences of being a victim of bullying and offer suggestions to teachers and parents about how to deal with bullying. Can you identify a bully? Bullying peaks in middle school but starts as early as preschool with children using relational



aggression. Research states the devastating effects of bullying are long term and far reaching, not just for the child who has been a target of bullying but for the bystanders and person who bullies as well. No longer can we say to our children, ignore it. Ford, 29, of Fenton is a nationally recognized public speaker who visits schools around the country speaking about the long-term effects of bullying. Ford knows this from personal experience -- she was diagnosed with Friedreich's ataxia, a neuromuscular disease, at the age of 12, causing her speech to slur and limiting her mobility. **2 SB-CEUs**

Card Making



Have you ever looked at a handmade card and thought to yourself, "So beautiful! I wish I know how to make my own greeting cards." Join Grace Morgan, Gamma Alpha, and she will share her love of card making. You will leave this session with four cards you have made for various occasions. The joy your handmade greeting cards can give are feelings that cannot be purchased. This session is open to the first 25 participants who sign-up at the Registration Desk. Grace provides paper, embellishments, and other card making supplies for the small fee of \$5.00 payable at the workshop.

State Convention Highlights

Michigan Teacher of the Year Honored



Michigan Teacher of the Year, Robert Stephenson, shared his love of teaching to the song "I am a Believer".

Stephenson's self-defined mission as an educator is, "to treat each child with respect and dignity, to accept each child with understanding, and to have faith in his/her abilities, to help students learn to value themselves, value others, and develop a

love and enthusiasm for learning, to attain their full potential, while striving for their personal goals."

As Michigan Teacher of the Year, he has worked to broaden the number of school/business partnerships working toward relevant contextual investigations for students, as well as conducting trainings on the hands-on integration of the Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) content areas.

"Great teachers make an incalculable impact on the lives of our children," said Governor Jennifer M. Granholm. "We honor Rob not only because he's a great teacher but also to recognize the tremendous contribution that dedicated teachers are making in classrooms across our state."

Mr. Robert Stephenson, is a third grade teacher at Wardcliff Elementary School in Okemos Public Schools. Parents and colleagues hold Stephenson in high regard as do we members of Alpha Iota State.



State honors Chapter Women of Distinction. Top L to R: Deb Noss, Alpha Tau; Colleen Parnell, Beta Alpha; Susan Kruienza, Gamma Theta; Pat Poggi, Gamma Theta; Laura Perkins, Mu; Judy Albrecht, Beta Tau. Middle L to R: Diane Dray, Omicron; Julie Pease, Beta Alpha; Pat Charlton, Gamma; Laurie Bone, Alpha Omega; Gloria Richards, Nu; Karen McClatchey, Phi; Susan Helser, Beta Rho. Front Unknown, on R Sandy Lewis, Alpha Beta.

Alpha Iota State Woman of Distinction 2010

Dr. Theresa Lorio was presented *The Alpha Iota State Woman of Distinction Award*. The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, is an organization for key women educators. This

highest honor of the state society was given during its annual state convention, meeting in Traverse City. Wayne State University graduate, Dr. Lorio is a well-respected educator. During her career, she served as an elementary teacher



Dr Theresa Lorio receives the Alpha Iota State Woman of Distinction Award from Dr. Dorothy Sample, Personal Growth and Services Chair, Mu; and Jackie Smart, State President, Gamma Alpha.

and principal for Detroit Public Schools, the Assistant Director of the Detroit Center for Professional Growth and Development, taught at Wayne State University and served as director of the Teacher Center there. Early in her career, she accepted the job of elementary teacher for the Neighborhood Education Project, in which the staff and administrators were charged with creating a program for inner-city children that would work. Dr. Lorio's doctoral dissertation, "A Model of Instruction for Urban Children", promoted the need for community involvement, as well as home/school cooperation in the education of children.

Women who attend the Women in the Arts Weekend know that Theresa will be a presenter there and introduce them to something new and interesting. At one of the Weekends, Theresa taught the participants how to make an afghan in a weekend.

She has been a staunch member of Zeta Chapter, serving as first vice-president, president, in many committee posts, and as a valued voice in chapter planning and programs.

Dr. Lorio was honored for her outstanding contribution to the Delta Kappa Gamma Society at the local, state, and international levels. She was specifically praised for her editorship for seventeen years (1991-2009) of *The Wolverine*, the state organization's official publication. Dr. Lorio is known and appreciated for her workshops at all levels of the society. A former president of the group, stated that whenever Theresa presents, her workshops are "standing room only" and she gets high evaluations for the presentations.

Her energy and talents, freely shared, have enriched her chapter and Alpha Iota State. It is with respect and appreciation that we honor Dr. Theresa Lorio as the 2010 Alpha Iota State Woman of Distinction.



State Convention Highlights

2009-2010 Alpha Iota State Longevity Award

Membership in Delta Kappa Gamma is an honor for all of us. There are seven members in attendance at this year's convention who have been members of DKG for 40 or more years. I would like to present these ladies with a Longevity Award.

Frances Robbins	Alpha Tau	40 Years
Kathleen Quinn	Beta	40 Years
Sally Garrison	Gamma Delta	40 Years
Alice Andre	Alpha	41 Years
Carolyn Schalk	Alpha Xi	43 Years
Loretta Miles	Psi	46 Years
Dr. Geraldine Green	Beta Delta	46 Years
Mary Galer	Alpha Tau	50 Years

Jackie Smart, Alpha Iota State President



Receiving Longevity Awards: From the left Mary Galer, Sally Garrison, Carolyn Schalk, Loretta Miles, and Kathleen Quinn.



2009-2010 Alpha Iota State Award of the Rose

This Award of the Rose was initiated during Sally Garrison's biennium 1995-1997. The Award of the Rose recognizes chapter achievement and excellence.

It encourages chapters to participate in state and international activities, as well as meeting state and international deadlines and goals. Chapter Presidents were invited to apply for recognition by April 1.

The twenty-seven chapters receiving the Award of the Rose are:

Beta	Phi	Beta Beta
Gamma	Alpha Alpha	Beta Rho
Kappa	Alpha Zeta	Beta Sigma
Lambda	Alpha Kappa	Beta Tau
Mu	Alpha Upsilon	Beta Phi
Omicron	Alpha Xi	Gamma Alpha
Pi	Alpha Phi	Gamma Gamma
Rho	Alpha Omega	Gamma Eta
Upsilon	Beta Alpha	Gamma Theta

Jackie Smart, Alpha Iota State President

2009-2010 Alpha Iota State President Awards

The President's Award is given to those chapters that achieve specific goals of the State President for the year. Chapter presidents were asked to complete the President Award application and send it to me by April 1. This year the President's Award is being given to thirteen chapters that increased their membership by recruiting, retaining and reclaiming members.

The chapters receiving the President Award are:

Kappa	Beta Alpha
Mu	Beta Beta
Alpha Alpha	Beta Sigma
Alpha Gamma	Gamma Gamma
Alpha Kappa	Gamma Beta
Alpha Phi	Gamma Theta
Alpha Omega	

Jackie Smart, Alpha Iota State President

State Convention Highlights

State Convention – A First-timer's Perspective

Laurie Bone, Incoming President, Alpha Omega

What a great weekend! New friends, useful and informative workshops, engaging speakers, and shopping in Traverse City were some of the highlights of my first state convention, held at the Grand Traverse Resort and Spa, April 30th – May 2nd.

First-timers, like myself, were welcomed at the General Session Saturday morning with a gift bag from the Membership /Expansion Committee and all in attendance were treated to a wonderful presentation by Anne Wade, Alpha Lambda, who discussed the Model United Nations program she teaches for her school. I attended "Little House in the Elementary School" presented by Barbara Hawkins of Beta Tau. On the way home, I stopped at Horizon Books in Traverse City, purchased *Little House on the Prairie*, and began using some of the workshop ideas in my programs at work the following week. I "Tamed Tigers" with Dr. Dorothy Sample, of Mu Chapter. No, you don't need a whip and a chair! "Taming Your Tigers" was a session on dealing with stress. Finally, Susan Reasner, Beta Phi Chapter, shared health and nutrition benefits of therapeutic grade essential oils. It was difficult to choose which workshops to attend, there were several to choose from.

As an incoming chapter president, I participated in the Procession of Presidents at the President's Banquet Saturday night. Cathy Daugherty delivered a wonderful keynote address entitled "Standing Up and Out: Leadership in the 21st Century." Following the banquet, a few of us who are, shall we say, a long way from retirement got together in the Aerie Lounge. It was great to connect with DKG sisters who are still actively teaching. At the Awards Brunch on Sunday morning, I was thrilled and very grateful to receive the Past Presidents scholarship in the amount of \$800 to help pay for my graduate studies.

This was my first state convention and I'm looking forward to attending many more. I hope you'll take advantage of the many opportunities Alpha Iota State provides for networking, connecting and learning from our state members. Fall Workshop and Women in the Arts are coming up in October and are both great ways to take an active role in Delta Kappa Gamma. I hope to see you there!

Sand + Heat = Glass: Linking Art, Science and History



Lynn Dinning shared her film Sand +Heat=Glass, an educational demonstration of glassblowing, which can be used on its own, to prepare a class for Lynn's visit, or a field trip to her studio.

A glassblower must understand pressure, friction, gravity, expansion, and contraction in order to successfully create a piece. Lynn shared the rich history of

glassblowing, the importance of a glass recipe, and the status glassblowers enjoyed. She explained the workings of her studio and brought samples of her work.

Submitted by Amy Wainwright, Gamma Alpha, President



Bernice Haglund, Beta Beta, accepts the Seminar in Purposeful Living Grant from Olga Albert, Scholarship/Grants Chair.



Linda Shiffler, Artist, Gamma Chapter with Southeast Regional Director and International Guest Cathy Daugherty, show off the hand sculptured rose gift.



Judy LaCross and Nita Send, local cherry growers and processors shared "All You Want to Know About Cherries" with a year and a life on a cherry farm. Michigan produces 75% of our nations cherries.



Anne Wade, Alpha Lambda, shares her work with the Model United Nations Program.



Jodi Ring, Gamma Gamma, shares her class activity Service to our Military Through Mail.

May Sisson, Rho Chapter, receives the 50/50 raffle for the International Conference Fund from Olga Albert, Scholarship/Grants Chair.



Convention Highlights

Leadership Training



Sharing the Scoops on Being an Entrepreneur is Barbara Plummer who left teaching and used her skills to open a very successful Moomers Ice Cream Business adjacent to her farm. Here she is sharing samples .

Barbara Hawkins, Beta Tau, used slides to navigate to all the Laura Ingalls home sites, mentioned in the books. Hands on activities that can be used in an elementary curriculum were also shared. Barbara will be presenting in Spokane.



Pam Chappell, Gamma Theta, helped participants realize that they control the way their thoughts impact their lives in both negative and positive ways. Suggestions were offered on ways to change negative thoughts and feelings to positive. Thus, creating positive outcomes, better relationships and better self esteem
Gretchen Ploeger, Alpha Zeta, Presider



Tamara Webster and Margaret Meehan demonstrated GoToMeeting, document sharing, and effective use of search engines. GoToMeeting allows users to participate in a virtual meeting where they can view each other's computer screens. Participants teleconference using a headset with microphone or by calling in to the meeting. GoToMeeting can save you time and gas money.

Sharing computer files is another form of collaboration. Any document on your computer can be shared if it is not too large and is in a format the receiver can open.

To use search engines more effectively use their advanced search feature. Tamara and Margaret reminded us the Michigan Electronic Library (MEL) is a real gem, and it is free to all public library card holders.

Amy Wainwright, Gamma Alpha, Presider

Leadership Training for Chapter Officers

Over eighty chapter leaders met in Jackson and Clare for new officer training for the 2010-2012 biennium. Sharleen Gonzalez, Past State President and Leadership Chairman planned a day filled with information for incoming chapter leaders. Gwen Graham and Jackie Smart presented information regarding the responsibilities for incoming presidents. Gwen shared some organizational tips for presidents. Olive Horning shared ideas for program chairs. Claire Rettenmund and Lynne Elsesser shared ideas for membership chairs. Sharleen gave attendees a message for chapter treasurers from the State Treasurer, Loretta Miles. She also had a handout for recording secretaries. All handouts and PowerPoint presentations from the training session are on the state website at www.deltakappagamma.org/MI.

Governor Grandholm's Surprise Visit in Jackson!!

Midway through the day in Jackson, we noticed a bustle of activity in the other meeting room and halls. There were many official looking men wearing black suits scanning the building. They kept asking who we were and why we were meeting. Gwen Graham, a good ambassador for Alpha Iota State, handed them brochures telling about the Society. A few minutes later, we heard that we were going to have a visitor, no other than Governor Jennifer Grandholm! She was there to speak to Rotarians and when she heard about us, she came in to give us greetings. She talked to us for a few minutes and led us to believe that she might be willing to speak to our Society in the future.



Michigan Governor Jennifer Grandholm and Jackie Smart, Alpha Iota State President at Cascades Manor Leadership meeting in Jackson.



Michigan Governor Jennifer Grandholm, speaks at Leadership Training meeting in Jackson, as Sharleen Gonzalez, Leadership Development Chair, looks on.

Chapter News

Alpha Rho's Project Dressing One Child at a Time



Mary Watkins works on a dress for an African Girl.

The best way to find yourself, is to lose yourself in the service of others. ~ Ghandi

The Alpha Rho chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma is a group of women whose members embrace the mission of DKG. They are tireless volunteers in supporting many community and worldwide efforts through their work.

One of their members saw an article about the Little Dresses for

Africa project (www.littledressesforafrica.org) and thought, "I can do this. I can sew a little dress." The consequences of that thought have been far greater than just dresses. She sewed some dresses and then she asked members of DKG and her friends to join her in sewing.

This project evolved into a once a month event with some members sewing, some donating material and trims and some packing the finished dresses to be sent to Africa. Alpha Rho invited Rachel O'Neill, founder of Little Dresses For Africa, to join them at their spring 2009 meeting where she presented information about the project and her efforts on behalf of little girls in Africa. Since that initial donation of 60 dresses, we have donated 1200 dresses from DKG and 900 from "friends". This does not include the 200 plus pairs of britches for boys that have been donated. We have also had generous donations of money, fabric and materials.

In addition to the clothes we have donated, we have had fun at our sewing parties. Many of us are retired teachers and our latest meeting in June reminded all of us what it was like to be in a classroom at the end of the year. We have participated in fundraising events, helped package dresses and sponsored a sewing club at Slauson Middle School in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Each time we participate in an event, we find the enthusiasm overwhelming. To quote one friend, "You are not sewing a dress, you are clothing a little girl."

We are often reminded of that commercial, "she told two people and they told two people and so on." It seems that each one of our members have told someone else and in this way the momentum of the project grows! That is the spirit of Delta Kappa Gamma at the Alpha Rho Chapter in Ann Arbor, Michigan. Thank you sisters.

Submitted by Suetie King, Alpha Rho Chapter



Theresa Ross sewing a dress for Alpha Rho Chapter Project.

Gladys Grieger Appointed to U.S. Department of Education Steering Committee



Gladys Greiger
Rho Chapter

Gladys Grieger of St. Joseph, a member of Rho Chapter, Alpha Iota State, was recommended by colleagues at Northwestern University and appointed in 2009 to the United States Department of Education Steering Committee. This committee consists of fifteen members from all over the United States and meets in Washington, D.C., with United States Secretary of Education Arne Duncan presiding. The purpose of the committee is to give an overview to Duncan, who has never taught in the classroom, on the country's educational

future. Gladys's input on how children learn has been especially important. She is very concerned that current kindergarten curricula overdo academics for this age child. She has spoken out against charter schools, because they lack government supervision. Many areas of education have been discussed by the committee, including the importance of science education and university-level teacher training.

Gladys holds a Bachelor of Science degree in education from Northern Illinois University, where she was president of Delta Sigma Epsilon, a local social sorority, and a member of Orchesis, the campus interpretive dance group. She earned a master's degree plus thirty additional hours of graduate work in child development from Northwestern University. Other graduate work includes a summer term at the University of Minnesota. She was sent by her school board to the University of London in the summer of 1972 to study the open classroom concept.

Her teaching career includes four years in River Forest, Illinois; five years in St. Joseph, Michigan; and thirty-two years in Glencoe, Illinois, the district from which she retired. She taught kindergarten for seven years, fourth grade for one year, and first and second grades the rest of the time. In addition, she taught classes on human growth and development at Northwestern University for many years, and a summer course in human growth and development at Malcassar College in Austria in 1996.

Gladys first joined Delta Kappa Gamma in 1967 in Illinois. She has chaired numerous chapter committees and served as chapter president for four years. She has attended state conventions and five Delta Kappa Gamma international conventions.

Gladys is also a member of Friends of the (St. Joseph) Library and of the Berrien County Democratic Women, who selected her as Woman of the Year for 2009.

She has traveled in northern Africa, South Africa, Europe, and South America, plus participating in a Northern Illinois University study tour around the world, which visited thirty-two countries and studying child development as related to nutrition.

Submitted by May Sisson, President Rho Chapter

Chapter News

Beta Theta Honors Mr. Al Oshinsky



Mr. Al Oshinsky receives the Friend of Education award from Barbara Coscarelly, Beta Theta Chapter President.

Mr. Al Oshinsky recently was presented with the Friend of Education Award by members of the Beta Theta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. Barbara Coscarelly, president of the local chapter, recently reported to the state and international organization on the work of the chapter.

The organization is a professional honor society for women educators with more than 115,000 members. "We promote the professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education," Coscarelly said. "We are one of 65 chapters in the State, and, with this award, we honor someone not currently employed as an educator who provides support to the education of young people in our community. This award is a way for us to recognize and honor someone like Al who is a worthy recipient."

The award was presented at a chapter dinner meeting in April. Al Oshinsky, known to thousands of students as Mr. "O," is a cancer survivor and retired teacher and coach. He was in the Wyandotte school system for 36 years teaching elementary physical education, counseling, teaching Social Studies, and coaching baseball and football in the Junior High and High School. Diagnosed with cancer of the throat, the removal of his larynx meant learning how to talk using a device he holds at his neck. Never a smoker, for the last 15 years he has been going to schools to talk to students about the hazards of tobacco and second hand smoke. His message reaches 4,000-5,000 students in fifth through twelfth grades each year at the dozens of schools that he visits.

His dedication to this work brings him no financial reimbursement. Saving the life of just one student, he says, is all the reimbursement he hopes to receive. He also has talked to hospital patients who deal with the aftermath of similar surgeries.

Members of Delta Kappa Gamma thanked Mr. Oshinsky for his ongoing presence in the community in supporting the educational needs of children and truly being a "Friend of Education."

Submitted by Barbara Coscarelly, Beta Theta President

Alpha Phi Member Elected to Anchor Bay School Board

Janine Hendershot, Alpha Phi Chapter member, was recently elected to a four year term on the Anchor Bay Board of Education. Janine and her husband, Kevin, are the proud parents of a three year old daughter and six month old son. Holder of a Bachelor of Science Degree from the University of Detroit Mercy and a Master of Education in Guidance and Counseling from Wayne State University, she has served both the Roseville and East Detroit School Districts.



Janine Hendershot, Alpha Phi, elected to Anchor Bay School Board.

Janine is no stranger to the election process as she was elected a Delegate for precinct 005 (Chesterfield area) in Macomb County numerous times. When asked why she was seeking a seat on the Board at this time, Janine replied. "I'm an advocate of the public school system and my goal is to make sure our children have the best education we can provide."

The State's ongoing debate about educational funding is on everyone's mind these days. Janine believes, "It will take a collaborative effort and creative thinking to address funding issues. Our community has successful business owners and knowledgeable professionals who can offer insight into what makes them or their business successful in these challenging times."

When asked about other issues, she answered. "We need to create a strong academic foundation for our children. This starts with early childhood education programs and continues with a strong elementary, middle and high school research based curriculum. Programs aimed at improving reading and math scores are an integral part of student success. It is important to expand enrichment and at-risk programs. I will also advocate for reducing class size, ensuring that student support services are available, having a rich extra-curricular environment, and offering innovative teacher training opportunities."

We, in Alpha Phi are very proud of Janine who during the last two bienniums has served us as a vice-president and produced our chapter Yearbook. We know that she will be where the action is!

Submitted by Dr. Betty Brogan, Alpha Phi

International News

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More details are available in the December *Tip of the Month* under the Communications Committee. Also the International Ad Hoc Online Leadership Committee has a Tech Talk site for members who want to learn more about technology. Check it out!!

Please visit the new International website. Check the International committees section for the chapter committee on which you are a member. Also look for information on the International Convention in Spokane, WA this July, and updates from International.

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