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Delta Kappa Gamma Service Sharing Sisterhood Scholarship We Hold the Key



President's Message:

"Winter is the time for comfort, for good food and warmth, for the touch of a friendly hand and for a talk beside the fire: it is the time for home," states poet Dame Edith Sitwell. I hope that all of you and your families had a wonderful holiday season and that you are ready for the next few winter months that we in Michigan know so well.

On March 19, 2011; I encourage you to attend the State Leadership Seminar in Grand Blanc. The Leadership Committee, chaired by Gwen Graham, has planned an informative one-day seminar with international keynote speaker Cathy Daugherty whose topic is "Leading Together: The 21st Century Approach." Mrs. Daugherty is past Southeast Regional Director from Virginia and teaches classical studies at Randolph-Macon College in Ashland, Virginia. The seminar will also have sessions on Time Management, Your Professional Image, The Many Hats of Leadership, Communication, Delegating, and The Key to Successful Leadership. Registration forms are included in the *Wolverine*, the President's Mailings, and on the state website.

I can hardly believe that my term as Alpha Iota State president is nearly over and it has truly been a labor of love. Seneca, Roman Stoic philosopher, statesman, and dramatist says it much better than I can. "*The things hardest to bear are sweetest to remember*." My travels to different chapters around the state are the fondest memories from my biennium. I am impressed with the relevant programs, service to the community, and philanthropy of the chapters in our state. Please continue to invite representatives from the state to visit your chapter. We love to witness the strength of DKG's volunteerism that shines so brightly in the Society. DKG members truly hold the key for service, sharing, sisterhood and scholarship!

I would like to encourage presidents to adhere to the deadlines for completing Chapter President Annual Reports, Necrology Reports, Chapter Strategic Plans, Chapter and State Women of Distinction, Distinguished Service Award, and newsletters for evaluation. Urge your members to apply for scholarships and Educational Foundation stipends. Search for qualified candidates for membership. Keep the "Buzz" alive by publicizing your chapter news in the *Wolverine* or in local papers. Visit our Alpha Iota State Web site often (www.deltakappagamma.org/MI) for forms, event registration, President Mailings, updates and information pertinent to Michigan. Through technology, all members can be aware of upcoming events and what is happening in The Society.

It is my hope that you will take the time to attend the State Convention that will be held on April 15 - 17, 2011 at the Crowne Plaza Detroit - Metro Airport in Romulus. There are many reasons to attend the state convention. We are an international organization. When you attend a DKG event other than a chapter meeting, you are embracing different facets of the Society. You will have the opportunity to meet a member of the International Administrative Board. Our international guest this year is Dr. Jensi Souders, the DKG International President for 2010-2012. She will bring greetings and news from International, explain the new membership initiative, and present an informative workshop session. Olive Horning and the Program of Work Committee have planned a multi-faceted program that is designed to appeal to our diverse membership. SB - CEU credits are also available for many of the sessions.

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President's Message

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Our next state president will be installed at the state convention and I know she will be welcomed by Alpha Iota members. My favorite reason for attending the state convention is to reconnect with friends from all over the state - to unite women educators in genuine spiritual fellowship, Purpose Number One.

Centrally located in the metro area, Romulus is not only known for "leaving on a jet plane," but it is nearby to many attractions. Come to convention early or add another day to your agenda and visit one of the many offerings.

The Henry Ford or Greenfield Village (Dearborn) Henry Ford Fairlane Estate (Dearborn) Detroit Science Center Detroit Historical Institute of Art Eleanor and Edsel Ford Home (Grosse Pointe) For shoppers: Briarwood Mall (Ann Arbor) Twelve Oaks Mall (Novi) Fairlane Mall (Dearborn) Laurel Park Mall (Livonia)

We are continuing to implement some ideas from last year's convention.

•There will be a buffet dinner opportunity on Friday evening from 6:00 - 7:45 p.m. The cost is \$20. This includes tax and gratuity. There will also be a buffet luncheon on Saturday. The cost is also \$20.

•We are combining the Executive Board meeting and the General Membership Meeting on Friday evening from 8:00 - 10:00 p.m. This leaves us time on Saturday morning for an informative General Session. Nancy Everett will share some insights from her Golden Gift experience.

We will still have the Chapter Presidents' rehearsal immediately following the combined Executive Board and General Membership meeting.

I would like to thank Convention Chairman Liz VanWestenburg, Gamma Gamma; Convention Registrar Judi Fisher, Gamma Alpha; Convention Treasurer Cindy Dietz, Gamma Alpha; and Metro Council Chapters (Zeta, Kappa, Lambda, Beta Delta, Gamma Gamma, and Gamma Alpha) for accepting the responsibilities of various convention committees. Many hands make light work! Thank you in advance for volunteering your time to make the convention a success. Webmaster Tamara Webster has made registration easy for us. Just go online to <u>www.deltakappagamma.org/MI</u> and click on events. Registration forms for the convention and hotel are on our website.

Like our Founders, we have the ability to be of **Service** to our community, to **Share** our time and talents with others, to unite women educators in a genuine spirit of fellowship - the **Sisterhood** we all hold dear, and to endow **Scholarships** and lead women to new levels of professionalism. We **ALL** hold the key.

Jackie Smart, Alpha Iota State President

Membership

Convention Brag Boards

Information Needed

Spring convention is the time for your chapter to



toot its own horn. As in the past few years we will have two display boards which will highlight members and chapters.

One board is exclusively for new initiates. Any new members who have joined DKG since last convention are eligible for recognition on this board. A photo 4x6 or smaller with member and chapter name is all that is required. A brief bio will also be attached if it is submitted.

The second display will highlight any member who has received an award, honor, or special point of recognition. Send a photo, also 4x6 or smaller with a paragraph or two to explain the recognition.

Likewise, if your chapter needs to be recognized for a particular service or experience, please send that information, too.

Send all photos by email or U.S. mail to:

Claire Rettenmund

1818 Carmanbrook Pkwy.

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Please make submissions by April 1.

A Special Welcome to Alpha lota State Initiates

Beta

Mrs. Barbara L. Harrison Elaine Marie Kremposky *

Ms. N. Annette Peel



Omega
Ms. Betty Greiner *

Alpha Theta

Ms. Gabriella G. DiNatale Mrs. April Lynn Anderson

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> **Beta Beta** Mrs. Jeanette Hall

> > * Reinstated

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Mrs. Rita McCarthy Judy K. Wiersema

Beta Chi

Marcia Aravas Nancy Frauenheim Elizabeth Martinez Linda McLean



KEY

WOMEN

EDUCATORS

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 :

Lynne Elsesser (Gamma Alpha) 20440 Lexington Blvd. Northville, MI 48167 248-348-0335 elsessl2@wowway.com



White Roses in Memoriam

Susan Berry, Beta Rho Chapter:

Born in 1948 in Toledo, Ohio, Susan Gail Berry grew up in Perrysburg, Ohio, the town she left only to attend college (Miami University and Bowling Green University) and where she became the only thing she ever wanted to be: a music teacher. In 2008, she retired from the Bedford Public Schools after 38 years teaching at Smith Elementary and all other levels in that district, as well as, one year with the Washington Local Schools. Her love of music began early, focused around her family's piano and the further encouragement by her dachshund that joined her on the piano bench to sing along while she played and sang. Throughout her life Susan put on countless musicals and other shows; tutored myriads of students; played French horn with the Perrysburg Symphony; participated in local musicals, chorales, piano recitals and her church's musical programs; served her union as vice president and as a negotiation specialist; was a past president and member of Sigma Alpha Iota music society, a member of MI Educators Nat'l Conference, a Past Matron of the Eastern Stars, a DKG sister in Beta Rho serving her chapter on the US Forum and Legislative Committee. Susan leaves behind her loving husband and their three "furry" children, as well as all those whose lives she touched. November 20, 1948 - October 10, 2010

Bette Joyce Hartmann, Alpha Beta

A 1946 graduate of St. Michaels Catholic School in Pontiac, Bette Hartmann taught first in California for seven years and later spent 28 years with the Waterford District where she taught kindergarten for most of her career. After retiring in 1995, Bette worked part time for Coats Funeral Home, as well as, serving her community on the Education and Public Services Subcommittee of Waterford Township. To keep in contact with her fellow educators and education in general after retirement, Bette joined Alpha Beta Chapter of DKG where she coordinated the yearly auction donations. An NEA member, she also belonged to the American Business Women's Association and was an active member of St. Benedict's, her church. Traveling and spending time with her granddaughter were among Bette's favorite activities.

July 7, 1928 - August 10, 2010

Doris May Amsbury, Omega Chapter

An Alma native and our 99 - year. old Omega sister, Doris May Amsbury graduated from Alma HS and attended Alma College for her BA, U of M for her MA, and both MSU And WSU for continuing education. During her 41 year educational career, she taught at Shepherd, Mecosta, Riverdale and Flushing High Schools before spending 30 years at Mt Clemens HS as the Director of Audio-visual Services and Media Center Chairperson retiring in 1974. Active in the Mt Clemens area for 55 years, she returned to the Alma area in 1999 where she continued her volunteer work, her membership in the DAR and DKG, as well as, chairing a fundraising committee for Alma College and supporting her church. Doris compiled her family's genealogy records, worked on various historic preservation projects for Grindstone City, MI. She spent her summers at Lake Huron and devoted time to one of her greatest passions: Great Lakes fishing. This farmer's daughter served as a role model not only for the many students whose lives she touched but also for others who admired her dedication to community, her love of learning, and commitment to friends and family. In Omega Chapter, Doris served as 2nd Vice President and Parliamentarian for many years as well as being on the and Legislation Committees. Research. Music May 24, 1911—December 2, 2010

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



In honor of or in remembrance of a beloved chapter and state Society members consider making a contribution to your Chapter's Sister to Sister Fund a State Scholarship Fund or the International Educational Foundation



Communications Committee Shares Ideas

Create a Buzz with a Chapter Poster

This idea comes from Margaret Dunn, State Communications Chair from South Carolina. Create a laminated poster (or brochure) to put in every school's workroom with the chapter name, the 7 purposes, descriptions of projects or activities, text of an elevator speech, and a photo of the group involved in an activity. Remember to include contact information.

Keeping Members Up-to-Date

Now that more and more chapters are using electronic tools for communications, extra effort must be made to include members who are not comfortable with email. Remember to assign an "email buddy" to those without email access. If your chapter uses a listserv or email list to contact members with chapter updates that occur between newsletter editions, have "connected" members phone the "unconnected" members with the latest news. Also, every chapter should have a telephone tree for those times when a message needs to be sent that must reach everyone and be confirmed that it was received.

Newsletter Submission Deadline February 1, 2011

Remember to send your newsletter submission to Margaret Meehan by February 1, 2011. Please submit any one (1) newsletter edition from the period between August 2010 through December 2010. The newsletter can be submitted via email if the format is Microsoft Word (.doc, .docx) or Portable Document Format (.pdf), sent as a link to a file posted on a chapter website, or mailed as a paper copy to 3475 Deepwood, Lambertville, MI 48144.

Keeping Track of E-mail Addresses with Yahoo Groups

If your chapter is not yet using Yahoo Groups to manage your email communication, now would be a good time to investigate this free service. (http://groups.yahoo.com/) One member of your chapter should act as the moderator for the group to setup the listserv preferences. To prevent spam, make the group private and set the moderator to approve all email messages sent to the group and set the moderator to approve requests for membership. The moderator should be someone who checks her email at least once or twice per day. After the group is registered, send invitations to chapter members to "subscribe" to the list. Alternately, the moderator can add email addresses to the list from the "Invite People" screen by clicking the "Add Members to the List" link. Remind your members to include the list address to their address books so their email program doesn't block it as spam. One of the advantages of using the list is that email attachments such as newsletters can be sent to the whole group and you only need to send one email to the listserv. Yahoo does the sending to everyone on the list.

Submitted by Margaret Meehan, Beta Rho, Communications Chair

Funding Our Purposes



We would like to thank you for the wonderful support at Fall Conference, both chapter and individual donations. We are always amazed at the generosity of the Delta Kappa Gamma members.

Spring Conference is in April this year, so it's not too early for chapters to think about what kind of donation **or** theme basket they would like to bring for the Funding Our Purposes Auction.

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. We welcome donations from individual members, as well as, chapters.

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

State Dissertation Award

If you ,as a Society member, have recently finished your doctoral dissertation, then this information is for you! Any Alpha Iota member who has completed a doctoral dissertation between March 15, 2010, and March 15, 2011, is invited to submit an entry form and a copy of your abstract. A copy of the entry form will be sent to all chapter presidents, will be available on the Alpha Iota WEB site, and will be available from the chairperson of the Alpha Iota Research Committee.

Kathy Taylor Research Committee Chairperson 951 W. Finerty Rd. West Branch, MI 48661

The entry form and the abstract can be sent by mail or by email <u>taylork@kirtland.edu</u>. The deadline for submission is April 1, 2011.

Hopefully. you will be able to attend the Alpha Iota State Convention on April 15-17, 2011, at Romulus to receive this wonderful award. Writing a dissertation and earning your doctorate is quite a feat; therefore, you deserve the accolades and the recognition for such an endeavor!



GUIDELINES FOR CHAPTER RECORDS MANAGEMENT Do Not Loose Chapter History

Chapter Should Keep: Chapter Minutes: These are most often kept by the chapter recording secretary. They are a month by month account of what your chapter is doing. They will be used by your Bylaws committee when any updating of the bylaws takes place. They will be used by the History committee when they are working on updating your chapter's history.

- Chapter Bylaws /Standing Rules (current edition). Past bylaws could be used by the History committee when updating your chapter's history.
- Chapter Yearbook-Keeping your chapter's yearbooks is essential for: recording the chapter's history (chapter officers through the years, a record of new members, Chapter Women of Distinction, Friend of Education, names of charter members, etc.);completing Form 6 upon the passing a chapter member; ideas for programs, etc.
- Copies of all previous Presidents' Reports and reports for the **previous** bienniums (this includes communication from International and state).
- Correspondence that is of a permanent nature (this can be decided by the chapter).
- Robert's Rules of Order (10th edition) and those items required by state documents and Chapter rules.
- Chapter newsletters that can be used for keeping your chapter's history up-to-date.

Discard:

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- All outdated manuals, forms, and brochures (unless of historical linterest).
- Correspondence that has been evaluated and found of no permanent value.
- Copies of reports from the previous biennium (with the exception of those reports from the Chapter President and Treasurer).
- Those materials prior to the preceding biennium that are found to have no historical value

Submitted by: Pat Charlton, History Committee

Professional Affairs Committee

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

> Nina Keener, Professional Affairs, Chairman scakee@aol.com - 248-362-1627

Women Educators' Leadership Workshop Opportunity

Have you been searching for ideas about honing your leadership skills or how to mentor potential leaders in your chapter, your school, your community? Then, the **2011 Women to Women Leadership Workshop** hosted by The Delta Kappa Gamma International Alpha Iota State Chapter is designed just for you. This workshop, focusing on Women Educators' Leadership in the 21st Century Workshop, will be held on Saturday, **March 19, 2011** from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the **Genesys Conference and Banquet Center in Grand Blanc,** Michigan.

Featured speaker **Cathy Daugherty**, former Director of the DKG Southeast Region, member of the DKG Educational Excellence Committee and DKG speaker on Women's Leadership will engage participants with her address of "Leading Together: The 21st Century Approach". Attendees will hone their leadership with sessions presented by the **Alpha Iota Leadership Team** on topics of professional image, leadership types and styles, time management, communication tips, delegating responsibilities.

The **registration form**, **due February 28**, is included in this issue of <u>The Wolverine</u>. The \$30 registration fee includes meals. Hotel accommodations are available at the Holiday Inn Express (see the registration form for more information). For those who would like to arrive the night before, we will be gathering the evening of March 18 for friendship, conversation and conviviality. Hope to see you there!

Plan Ahead to Receive Scholarships

Who should apply for a state scholarship?

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



- Have you been a member for at least two years?
- Are you enrolled in an accredited college or university which confers graduate degrees?
- Are you an active member of your local chapter?
- If so, you may be eligible for an Alpha Iota State Scholarship.

What types of scholarships are available from Alpha Iota State?

Each year Alpha Iota State may award:

- Two \$1,000 scholarships which honor Effie M. Downer and Ola B. Hiller
- Two \$500 scholarships for retraining and/or additional endorsements in education
- One \$800 Past-President's Scholarship for graduate study Forms On Line www.deltakappagamma.org/MI.

WORLD FELLOWSHIPS RECIPIENT

2010-2011



Magdaleen "Corne" Lotter grew up in a very small town in the middle of South Africa. She is of German descent. Her dad owned a small bakery in town so the whole town was like her family. Everybody knew each other and cared about each other. She feels lucky to have grown up so happily.

She was the first in her family to go to

University. She wanted to be a journalist and studied communication. Corne's dad was diagnosed with cancer while she was working on her Masters Degree. She quit her program to take care of him.

After her father passed away, her old principal from her high school, contacted her to fill in for a teacher who had an accident. That's when she fell in love with teaching. She then decided to go back to school to get her teaching credentials.

She has seen some terrible conditions in the schools in South Africa. Sometimes ten kids would have to sit at a table designed for two. The literacy level, for girls, is very low in South African schools. Boys are allowed to go to school but girls have to stay at home to cook.

Corne's passion for literacy and reading acquisition began while working with the students in the schools.

Corne has also taught in Taiwan for several years and is grateful for everything she learned there.

She has received a Fulbright Scholarship and the support of Delta Kappa Gamma World Fellowship to make it possible for her to come to Michigan State University to complete her Masters in TESOL (Teaching English as a Second Language). Her thesis and research will be on reading acquisition amongst learners in English schools whose first language is not English. In addition to her studies at MSU, Corne is volunteering with the Read to Succeed Program at Pinecrest Elementary School in East Lansing.

Corne hopes to go back to South Africa and make a difference in the school system. It currently doesn't cater to black learners who speak Xhosa, Sotho, or Zulu at home. They have to attend an English School and learn to read in English before they learn to read in their mother tongue.

Corne would like to express, to all of you, her thanks for the support of the DKG Society for providing the funds that have made it possible for her to be here to complete her program. She is looking forward to meeting you and sharing some of her experiences at Spring Convention in Romulus.

You can send cards of encouragement to Corne at:

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E. Lansing, MI 48823

cornelot@gmail.com

Submitted by Julie Kowalski, Alpha Xi, World Fellowship Co - chair

Helpful Information for Recording Secretaries



Recording secretaries have a most interesting and rewarding job. The interesting part is all the information they collect as note takers. The rewarding part comes in knowing what to do with that information.

In the taking of notes, attendance is one of the most important items. It is essential that you know who is in attendance. It is a helpful idea to have an attendance sheet, so you can quickly check off those present at a meeting. Then you can refer to it when you do your final minutes and have the correct name spelling each time.

As you start your minute taking, be sure to include the date, time and location of your meeting. If your President has an agenda, it can be a help to you (and her). Also, be sure to note the time of adjournment.

In recording the business of your meetings, state motions, name of person making the motion, and the result of the vote. You may or may not add the name of the person who seconded the motion. Remember to state the business only, not the discussion remarks or opinions. In the event that there is no Old Business, New Business or specific committee reporting, these items do not need to be mentioned.

As you type your final minutes, check the spelling, and especially the names of your members and other names mentioned. Your work is often the history of your Chapter.

You will also be asked to keep certain items. The following list should help you to do just that.

Financial Book (master book) Keep forever!

Chapter Minutes

Relating to History

Only the person who made the motion otherwise no names needed related to motions Keep track of what happened Attendance part of minutes

Membership – Mention those invited to meetings, those who join, those who say no. Be sure to state all names. You do not need to keep sponsorship letters or forms. Executive Board notes should be kept.

The minutes of your chapter meetings do hold the history. Many of the chapters are reaching significant birthdays. The minutes kept will aid in sharing how the chapter has changed over the years. Take pride in your work as secretary. Your contributions will be around a long time. Submitted by Kathy Muench, State Recording Secretary

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Parliamentary Moment:

Getting Things Done

Question:

When is it proper to **table** a motion?

Answer:

Move to **table** a motion <u>only</u> when you want to postpone acting on it for a short time: for example, to permit a guest speaker to make her presentation without having to wait while the members debate the question.

Question:

What do I do if I think we need more time to think about an issue and want to wait until the next meeting for the group to vote on it?

Answer:

Move to **postpone the question until the next meeting**. At the next meeting debate on the motion and any pending amendments will continue.

Question:

What do I do if I think we don't have enough information to vote on an issue and want a group to study it first?

Answer:

Move to refer the question to a committee.

Question:

And what do I do if I want to kill a motion without having a vote on it?

Answer:

Move to **postpone the question indefinitely.** Submitted by Helen Popovich, State Parliamentarian

Friend of Education Award

The Friend of Education Award is presented to individuals and/or groups in the community. Alpha Iota provides the certificates for the Friend of Education Award, but chapters have the autonomy in determining who is to receive the award and how the award will be presented. However Alpha Iota would like to know who has received the award. A form accompanies the certificate and should be filled out and returned to the state second vice-president. If your chapter has given out Friend of Education certificates, please make sure that the form has been returned. The form is on the reverse of the instructions for giving the certificate, or can be found on the website. Many certificates have been requested but few forms have been returned. The forms are used to list recipients in the *Wolverine* and to evaluate the effectiveness of the program.

If you wish more information please contact: Gloria Richards, Alpha Iota Second Vice-president 3771 Anderson Dr, Albion, MI 49224 517-629-6272, grichard@tir.com

Chapter Visitations

Chapters should arrange for a state visitation each biennium.



Twenty chapters and several councils have received official state visits from state officers in this biennium. There is still time to arrange for a visit to your chapter or council before June, 2011. You may request any state officer. Jackie Smart, Olive Horning, Gloria Richards, Nancy Everett, Loretta Miles, Judy Foster, J-Jay Pechta, Sally Garrison, and Joanne Gardner have all made official visits.

If you would like a visit, please make arrangements through the chapter visitations chairman, Fran Saenz, 17269 Vacri Lane, Livonia, MI 48152,

Application forms are available on the Alpha Iota State web site.

Chapter Woman of Distinction Reminder

Chapter Presidents and Personal Growth and Service Chairs are encouraged to begin the process of naming their Chapter Woman of Distinction. The forms for nomination for both Chapter Woman of Distinction and The Alpha Iota State Woman of Distinction are on the state website. Deadline is March 15, 2011.

> Submitted by Dorothy Sample, PhD. Mu Chapter State Personal Growth and Services Chair

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.

www.dkg.org TO KEEP UP WITH THE LATEST FORMS AND INFORMATION Visit the new DKG website,

> CHOOSE **STATE WEBSITES** FROM THE GRAY BAR

Nominations Committee Presents Slate (2011-2013)



Olive Horning, President, Gamma Beta, Area C

Olive Lane Horning is the nominee for President of Alpha Iota State. She has been very active in all levels of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society. In Gamma Beta chapter, she served as president, historian, hostess for meetings, presenter, newsletter editor, and assisted with all the chapter's special projects. She was selected as the chapter's Woman of Distinction in 2003.

At the state level, Olive has served as First Vice-president, Second Vice-president, Recording Secretary, World Fellowship Chair, and chaired numerous committees. She has attended most state conferences, made many visitations to chapters, and presented a variety of programs.

At the international level, Olive attended international, national, district and regional meetings. She presented programs, scribed for several sessions, and supported the sales and foundation grants. Olive was one of the 2008 Golden Gift Leadership Management Seminar Recipients. Her work for the society has been valued highly.

In other professional areas, Olive presented programs for school assemblies, was active in Fenton High School improvement programs, mentored new teachers, and was special education chair. For AAUW, she

has presented programs, has been a program facilitator and, has been a representative for the Fenton Branch at a National Convention, Olive has been active in the Council for Exceptional Children, the American Bridge Teachers Association, genealogy groups, Audubon society, volunteers at the St. Cloud Women's Club Heritage Museum, and is active in the Sylvia Lake Association.



First Vice-president, Liz Van Westenberg, Gamma Gamma, Area A.

Elizabeth (Liz) Van Westenberg has been recommended as the nominee for Alpha Iota State First Vicepresident. Liz is a member of Gamma Gamma Chapter, and resides in Canton, MI.

Since initiation in 1992, she has served three terms as chapter president, one term as chapter secretary, and six years as chapter treasurer. She has also served actively on numerous committees as chairperson. Liz has been Yearbook editor for twelve years and has been outstanding in her service to the chapter.

On the State level, Liz has served as Nominations Committee Chairperson (2005-2007), Research Committee Chairperson (2007-2009), and Personnel Committee Chairperson (2009-2011). She has attended nearly all Alpha Iota Fall workshops and State Conventions, plus one Regional Conference, in the last eighteen years.

Educationally, Liz holds a Bachelor's and Masters Degree from U of M, and an Ed. Specialist Certificate from Wayne State University. Teaching H.S. mathematics provided her with a wide range of remedial math to advance placement courses. She has presented workshops, was a member of the North Central Accreditation visitation teams, and served on the selection committee for the National Honor Society. Liz

received two "Extra Miler" Honor Awards presented by the Canton Board of Education. Liz is also active in gardening and other community activities.



Dr. Dorothy Sample, Second Vice-president, Mu Chapter, Area C

Dot Sample has been a member of Mu Chapter since 1977. She has chaired and served on numerous Committees including Mu's 50th Anniversary Program. Dot has been Second Vice-President, First Vice-President, and President of Mu Chapter. She has compiled Mu's Member Spotlight Series for the Mu Newsletter, and is currently working with the history committee to save Mu's history on e-files.

At the state level Dot Sample has attended many state conventions and fall conferences through the years and has made presentations at both. Dr. Sample served on the Alpha Iota State By-Laws Committee, 2006-2010, and currently serves as the Alpha Iota State Personal Growth and Service Chair, 2009-2011. Internationally Dot has attended several DKG International Conventions and Northeast Regional Conferences.

In her profession, with five college, university and seminary degrees, (including AB, MA, and PhD from The University of Michigan), Dr, Dorothy Sample has had a varied career in gifted education, psychological counseling, and leadership. (After earning her PhD, Sample worked as a child and family counselor for five years 1976-1981.)

Dr. Sample piloted and then taught in Flint's secondary gifted program until her retirement in 1995. Dr. Sample was awarded the Golden Apple - Teacher of the Year Award three times. Dot served as liaison to the City-wide Gifted Steering Committee. She also led conferences at the State Gifted Conference.

Dr. Dorothy Sample has been president of three national/international church women's organizations: The National/International Woman's Missionary Union; The North American Baptist Women's Union of the Baptist World Alliance. (1987-1992) and Global Women.

Nominations Comittee Presents Slate Continued



Dr. Dorothea Baker French, Recording Secretary, Beta Chapter, Area B

Dorothea Baker French is being presented as the nominee for the Alpha Iota State office of Recording Secretary. 2011-13. Dorothea is a member of Beta chapter, and she resides in Ypsilanti, MI. On the Chapter level, she has been Secretary (2002-2004), President (2004-2008), and Chairman of the Research Committee (2008 to present.)

On the State level, Dorothea has served as a member of the President's Advisory Committee as President-atlarge (2007-2009). She contributed a number of presentations at Alpha Iota State conventions, namely: HEARING (with L. Polter) in 2006, FIXING EDUCATION (2008), and FIXING EDUCATION 2 (2009.) Professionally, Dorothea has served on the Michigan Council for Exceptional Children. She held the position of Vice-president of the Nova Scotia Federation in 1981, membership in the Alexander Graham Bell Association for the Deaf and Hearing Impaired, and became President of the Michigan chapter (1991-

1993). She was a member of the Michigan Supervisors of Public School Programs for the Hearing Impaired, and acted as President (2000-2002.) She has served as Vice-president of the Michigan Speech/ Language/Hearing Assoc. (2002-2009).



Kathy Taylor, Corresponding Secretary, Beta Iota, Area D

Kathy Taylor has been nominated to serve as Corresponding Secretary. She is currently the president of Beta Iota chapter and has been the chapter secretary. At the state level she is the chairman of the research committee and has also served as a committee member since 2007. She is president of the Northern Lights Coordinating Council.

Kathy was the AFT Faculty Secretary at Kirkland Community College for 12 years. She created a new way of teaching called FLEX (Flexible Learning Experience). She received Excellence in Teaching Awards at the state and national levels. She is secretary and treasurer of the Surline School PTO and is an AYSO soccer coach and Girl Scout Leader.

Slate for Nominations Committee 2011-2013 Biennium



Pam Chappell, State Level Experience, Gamma Theta Chapter, Area B

Pamela Chappell is an active member of Gamma Theta chapter. She has been program chair, and is currently serving as 1st vice-president and music committee chair for her chapter.

She served at the state level as Corresponding Secretary from 2005-2007. She regularly attends both state and international meetings.

Pamela has been an educator for forty years, and brings enthusiasm and a positive attitude to her work. She is a member of Unity Church, AAUW, MEA-R, and is on the Board of Directors at Van Buren Youth Camp. She loves music, and lives in South Haven.

Ann Wade, Current Chapter President, Alpha Lambda, Area C



Anne Wade is the President of Alpha Lambda and lives in East Lansing, Michigan. She serves on the President's Advisory Committee as a chapter president. She has participated in many state conventions and workshops.

Anne attended Michigan State University and Wayne State University. She has earned a B.A. in History and a Masters in the Art of Teaching. Currently she teaches A.P World History, A.P. U.S. History, World History and International Studies. She serves as the sponsor of the Model United Nations Club and co-sponsors the National Honor Society.

This active woman is Den Mother for her son's Wolf Den, plays hand bells at the University United Methodist Church. She and her husband, David, teach Sunday School.

Keeping busy is not a problem. Ann is Mom to Jesse (11), Aaron (8) and Lucas (6).

Nominations Comittees Presents Slate Continued



Slate for Nominations Committee 2011-2013 Biennium

Joanne Gardner, Past Chapter President, Upsilon Chapter, Area C

Joanne Gardner, Upsilon Chapter, is a nominee for Alpha Iota State Nominations Committee. She was initiated in Oct. 1987. She has served her chapter as member and chairman of the Contact and Sunshine, Initiation and Membership Committees. She has been co-chairman of the Membership and Nominations Committees, as well as, having been elected to serve on the Budget and Finance Committee. She served as chapter president during the 2004-2006 biennium and is the current president and historian.

For Alpha Iota State, she has served on the History, Budget and Finance, U.S. Forum, Membership, Yearbook Evaluation, Wilma Adams Scholarship, Leadership Development, Northeast Regional Steering Committee, and chairman and member of the Coordinating Council Committee. She has presented and served as scribe at numerous State events. She has attended a number of Northeast Regional Conferences, as well as, International Conventions. She was privileged to be a floor page during the general sessions in Minneapolis.

Throughout her professional career, she was a member of the Michigan Speech, Language Association, The American Speech and Hearing Association, MEA, and NEA. For the local Education Association,

she served as Secretary, Treasurer, member of the Board of Directors, Building Leadership, and Student Crisis Intervention Team. She retired from service in 1993.

Joanne is a member of the Order of Eastern Star and has held numerous offices including that of Worthy Matron of the local chapter. She has served her chapter as treasurer for 20 plus years. She has just finished her year as president of the Eaton County Association. OES. In the coming year she will serve the Grand Chapter of MI as the Obituary Chairman.



Past State President, Eileen Rodak, Zeta, Area A

Eileen Rodak is a nominee for the Alpha Iota State Nominations Committee. She has been a member of Delta Kappa Gamma since1980. She has served Zeta Chapter as president, First Vice-president, Second Vice-president, Recording Secretary, professional affairs chairman, personal growth and services chairman and is currently the yearbook editor and legislative chair. Eileen was the Detroit Metro Council treasurer.

On the state level she has served as president, Second Vice-president, membership chair and committee member for 4 biennia; leadership development chair; professional affairs chair and committee member for 2 biennia. She has attended 3 Women in the Arts Retreats; attended all state conventions and fall workshops since 1982 and is a frequent workshop presenter.

At the international level she has attended 20 International Conventions and Northeast Regional Conferences and attended 8 Seminars in Purposeful Living. She was a Golden Gift Leadership Seminar Recipient and Participant in 1988, Assistant Director of the Golden Gift Leadership Management Seminar in 1995, Director of the Golden Gift Leadership Management Seminar in 1997 and is a frequent workshop presenter on the Golden Gift , plus, personal and professional issues.

Eileen has been a homeroom teacher, reading coordinator, junior administrative assistant, elementary assistant principal, and elementary school principal for the Detroit Public Schools.

She has served as president and Recording Secretary for the Beta Sigma Phi Fellowship at Wayne State University. She was a staff usher and usher trainer for the Detroit Opera House. She received the 1999 Rose Award for service excellence for her work with the Detroit Metro Convention Visitors Bureau and is a docent and volunteer for the Detroit Historical Museum.

Deborah Noss, Member-At-Large, Alpha Tau, Area D

Deborah J. Noss is an active member of Alpha Tau Chapter. She taught fourth grade all twenty-nine years of her career at Brimley Area Schools. Deborah retired from teaching in 2004 and lives in Brimley, Michigan.

She is currently serving her chapter as co-president (2010-2012). Formerly, she was president from 1986-88, and is active on chapter committees and planning sessions. She has attended several state conventions.

Coordinating Council Activities

Submitted by Eileen Rodak, Coordinating Council Co - Chair

Great Southwest Annual Event

Who says the Great Southwest Coordinating Council knows how to throw a party? Everyone does! On Thursday, October 28, 2010, their annual event was held at the Van Buren ISD Technology Center in Lawrence. Activity began with hors d'oeurvres, a silent auction, and shopping. It was followed by a gourmet meal and great fellowship.

For entertainment, the Talent Award winner during the 1984 Miss America competition, Barbara Jean Daniel, amazed the audience when she brought puppets Granny, Joey, and Juan to life. Joanne Gardner, State Coordinating Council committee member, stated that she and the other participants had a ball! Congratulations to chairman, Sue Kruizenga and her committee who did a great job.

Cascades Coordinating Council Update



Nancy Everett, Alpha Xi, Alpena; helps members Manipulate Math and Music with color coded blocks at the Cascades Council meeting in Jackson.

Beta Kappa Awarding Educational Excellence with Mini Grants

Beta Kappa Chapter, Big Rapids, is one of the first chapters in the Society to adopt the new Educational Excellence Committee model. The chapter also aligned its activities with the international priorities, agreeing to support Schools for Africa and to support early-career educators with mini-grants of \$150-300 to purchase classroom supplies for special projects. Members are proud to be part of the Society-wide thrust to become "Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide." It is always fun to visit the Cascades Manor House in Jackson for a Delta Kappa Gamma event. The Cascades Council invited members of their seven chapters to network together to share ideas socially and professionally. On Saturday, November 6, 2010, coffee and donuts awaited early arrivals, as well as a silent auction and basket raffle.

J-Jay Pechta, Mistress of Ceremonies, did an outstanding job keeping everything moving well. The Mixers were handled by Beta Beta and Omicron.

Members who wished were able to earn CEU credit due to the great presentation by Nancy Everett, Alpha Xi, Alpena, on Manipulating Math and Music. DKG members learned to read music using blocks and were able to recognize simple children's songs simply by reading our blocks.

The soup, sandwich and salad buffet was delightful, followed by the initiation of a new member who had been retired from teaching for a number of years. A rededication ceremony and wrap up completed the enjoyment of spending a few hours with our fellow DKG sisters.

Alpha Theta Chapter Raises Funds for Youth

Our Chapter is dedicated to improving and helping the youth of our county. We have committed ourselves to help support The Connection Youth Services (TCYS) which provides for families in crisis. The Livingston Family Center, located in Howell, Livingston County, is a non profit agency. The Connection Youth Services provides assistance to families featuring

*24 hour crisis intervention and referral services

*Safe emergency housing for teens and young adults 12-21 years of age

- *Host home and apartment program for homeless 16-21 years old
- *Help with education & employment
- *Individual and family counseling

*Support groups for teens and parents

During our Holiday Brunch in December, our chapter raised \$140.00 for our local Youth Connection. Congratulations, Alpha Theta, on your dedication to the youth in our county. I am so very proud to be a part of your achievement.

Submitted by Theresa Sedmak. President, Alpha Theta

You're invited to the 2011 Women to Women Leadership Workshop *"Women Educators' Leadership*

in the 21st Century"

A workshop designed to educate, enhance, and connect accomplished women as leaders in educational positions featuring

Cathy Daugherty

Leading Together: The 21st Century Approach

Cathy Daugherty is an adjunct instructor in education at Randolph-Macon College in Ashland, VA in DKG is Past Southeast Regional Director and currently on the Educational Excellence Committee

With focus sessions presented by the Alpha Iota Leadership Team on

•Your Professional Image •The Many Hats of Leadership •Time Management •

•Communication - a Key to Successful Leadership •Delegating•

*SB-CEU credits available

When and Where?

Saturday, March 19, 2011

8:30 a.m. Registration & Continental Breakfast • 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Sessions • Lunch included

Genesys Conference and Banquet Center

805 Health Park Blvd., Grand Blanc, Michigan 48439

Why?

No one does her best work alone. Be energized and entertained while improving your leadership skills.

How to Register

Send completed registration form and check for \$30 payable to "Delta Kappa Gamma" by February 28, 2011 to:

Gwen Graham

Leadership Workshop Registrar, 819 W. Shiawassee Avenue

Fenton, MI 48430

Questions? Call: 810-629-8418 or E-mail: godonnell@aol.com

Need Hotel Accommodations?

Holiday Inn Express • 3405 Regency Park Dr. • Grand Blanc, MI 48439 • 810-695-3000 • 1-800-HOLIDAY

Indicate "Delta Kappa Gamma" by February 28 for group rate of \$79.99 plus tax



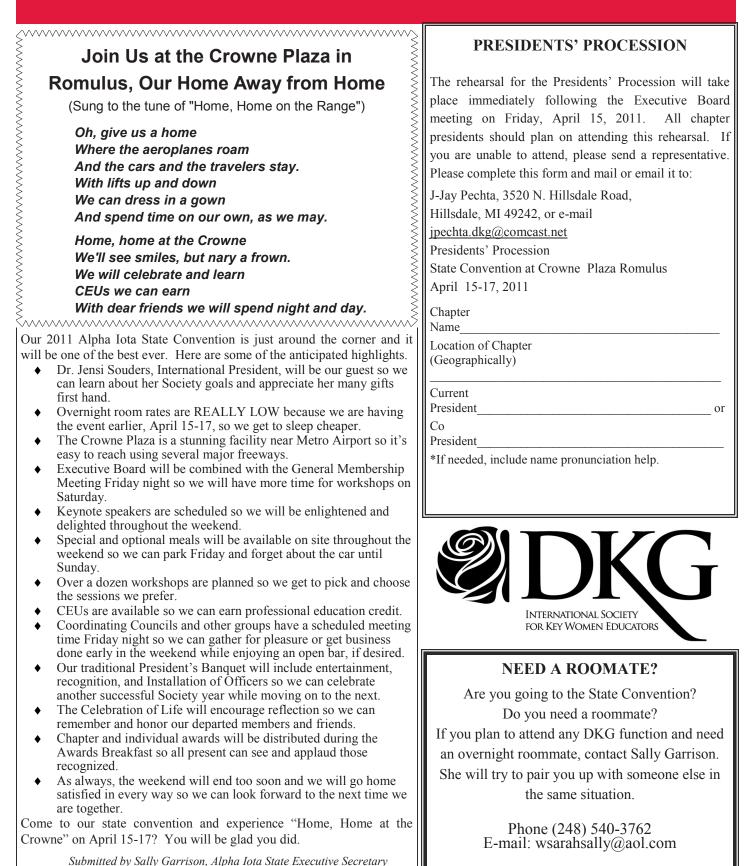
2011 Women to Women Leadership Workshop Registration Form

We look forward to seeing you March 19!



| Your Name | i | Position | | |
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| Chapter / Organization | | | | |
| Address | City | St | tate | Zip Code |
| Phone # | _ E-mail | | | |
| Mail completed form and \$30 check payable to Delta Kappa Gamma by February 28, 2011 to Gwen Graham - 819 W. Shiawassee Ave Fenton, MI 48430 | | | | |
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State Convention Romulus



State Convention Hotel Reservation Form



8000 Merriman Road Romulus, MI. 48174 Phone: 734-729-2600 / FAX 734-729-9414

DELTA KAPPA GAMMA-ALPHA IOTA STATE MICHIGAN CONVENTION April 15-17, 2011

Group Room Rate: \$95.00 plus 14% tax per room, per night Check–In Time is 3:00 pm Check Cut Off Date: April 1, 2011

Check–Out Time is 12:00 pm

Please Note: Reservations request must be received in our office by midnight on the above cut off date in order to guarantee the group rate. Request received after the above date will be subject to availability, and the group rate is not guaranteed. All reservations 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 listed methods

GUEST ROOM PREFERENCES (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 provided email address below.

| Number of Rooms | _ 2 double beds | OR | 1 king bed (Check One) |
|---------------------------|-----------------|--------------|------------------------|
| Names of People in Your G | uest Room: | | |
| Individual Making Reserva | | | |
| NAME: | | | |
| ADDRESS: | | | |
| CITY: | | STATE: | ZIP: |
| PHONE: | FAX: | E-ma | il: |
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State Convention Romulus Registration Form



April 15 - 17, 2011

Sharing Our Service - We Hold the Key



Crowne Plaza Detroit - Metro Airport 8000 Merriman Road, Romulus, Michigan 48174

Registration available online at www.deltakappagamma.org/MI

Please Print: Use one form for each person

| Name: | | Chapter: | |
|--------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|----|
| Mailing Address: | | | |
| City: | State: | Zip: | |
| Phone: | | | |
| Present Office: Chapter: | State: | International: | |
| Years of Membership: | Is this your first DKG | Convention? Yes | No |

Are you participating in the President's Procession? Yes <u>No</u>

I will be substituting for my chapter president for the Executive Board and President's Procession. Yes _____No _____

Executive Board and General Membership Meeting will be *combined* beginning at 8 PM Friday night. ALL MEMBERS should attend the meeting at 8 PM Friday night.

- ♦ ♦ Practice for the President's Procession will be Friday evening following the Executive Board meeting.
- ◆◆ Coordinating Councils will meet following the Practice for the President's Procession.
- ♦ ♦ To help us "go green," please bring your neck wallet name badge holders. Plastic holders will be available.

I plan on arriving Friday evening. Yes____ No ____ I plan to attend 5-7 p.m. Space Session Yes____ No ____ (2 SB-CEU's Available at Pre Convention Seminar)

ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST REGISTER TO ATTEND Make checks payable to Delta Kappa Gamma

| Registration Fee Postmarked by March 30, 2011 | Members\$55Non-Members\$75 | \$ |
|---|----------------------------|--------|
| Postmarked after March 30, 2011 | Late Fee \$15 | \$ |
| Meals Friday Buffet Dinner 6:00 -8:00 PM menu FYI next page) | \$20 | \$ |
| Saturday Breakfast | Will you join us?(Circle) | YES NO |
| Pay-by-Item Meals Saturday Lunch | \$20 | \$ |
| President's Banquet (Saturday evening - All members are invited to attend) | \$45 | \$ |
| Awards Brunch (Sunday morning) | \$25 | \$ |
| Corsage Order (see choices on next) | \$ | |
| SBCEU's | \$ | |
| State Board Certified Educational Units | | |
| Total amount enclosed | \$ | |

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FYI: The Conference Committee has arranged for a Friday night /vegetarian lasaga, green beans, salad, garlic bread, brownies and beverage buffet for \$20 (including 6% tax and 21% gratuity) We have also arranged for one pay-by-item meals, Saturday breakfast. Or, members can choose to eat meals at any of the fine restaurants in the area.

Corsage Orders:(\$10 each)

| Person Ordering/Chapter | | |
|-------------------------|----------|---|
| Ordered for Whom | | |
| Number Ordered | Pin Only | # ordered @ \$10 each Record amount due on other side. |

Dietary Needs:

Dietary needs must be listed on this registration form in order to inform the hotel staff of your special requirements. If you sign up for a special meal, please remember not to 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 dietary needs: (Check if necessary)

Diabetic

Vegetarian _____

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 reservations.

Photo Release: "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." Yes _____ No ____ Please initial here. _____

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

- 1. Register for the Credit on your registration form. (\$10 for member, \$20 non-member)
- 2. Sign a sheet at the registration desk when you check in. (State Required Form) A sheet will be in your packet.
- 3. Attend a minimum of five sessions for credit.
- 4. Be stamped in and stamped out of each session.
- 5. Turn in your Official Attendance Sheet and your evaluation sheet. There will be a special bucket at

Please mail this completed form (both sides) and your check payable to Delta Kappa Gamma to:

Judi Fisher, Registrar 20180 Rippling Lane Northville, MI 48167-1905 Phone 248-349-7105 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.-March 30, 2011. (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 March 30, 2011, you should attempt to get someone from your chapter to attend in your place. No refunds can be made after the cancellation date.

State Convention Tentative Sessions



Tentative Sessions Romulus State Conference

April 15 - 17, 2011 Sharing Our Service - We Hold the Key **Tentative Sessions**



Friday, April 15, 2011 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM **Pre-Conference Seminar: Sharing Space Experiences**



Cindy Mitchell, Beta Lambda Chapter and our very own teacher in space, will share her experiences. She has instructed

elementary children in space related topics. She attended SPACE camp and raised money to send children to camp. Cindy will tell us about weightlessness and other experiences. She even applied to be an astronaut! You will learn about her published books on the constellations. Cindy will give you handouts and lesson plans that you may use with your classes. Come and meet this interesting Alpha Iota State member. 2 SB - CEUs

Saturday. April 16, 2011

8:30 AM - 9:30 AM

Communicating through Generations

Keynote by Nancy Everett,

Alpha Xi Chapter

Enhancing intergenerational communication can bring about satisfaction, challenges, and rewards. However, this journey will take a comprehensive plan. Nancy will discuss the needs of Traditionalists, Baby Boomers, Generation Xers, and Millennials. Each of these generations holds a different view of the world influenced by world events that have shaped each generation's place in history. The following questions may be helpful for all generations to ask each other: 1) What experiences do they bring to the learning setting? 2) What are their values, learning styles, and communication patterns? 3) What are their expectations in the learning environment? How can we improve intergenerational communication? Listen as Nancy gives us information that we can share with our students. Give them tools that they can use in school, the workplace, and in personal relationships. Use these new understandings to communicate in chapter meetings. SB - CEU

10:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Your Presidency Continues...



MDE states that professional development builds the culture for motivating educators, expands the learning community, and forms the foundation for the

future. Sally Garrison, Gamma Delta, will provide professional development for chapter presidents. Sally will facilitate participants in this session through deep knowledge, higher order thinking, substantive conversation, and connections to the world beyond the classroom. She will assist chapter presidents in meeting the requirements of the next year and inspiring members. Come visit with Sally and other chapter presidents to learn answers to your questions. Her expertise has come from being chapter president, state president, and state executive secretary. She is the "answer woman."

SB - CEU

Novel Make and Take Projects: **Connecting Visual Images with the** Written Word



Are you looking for engaging activities that will excite students about the books they are reading? Join Carolyn Wheeler, Lambda Chapter and

Media Specialist at Conant Elementary School, Bloomfield Hills, MI, as she shares creative arts and craft projects to connect children's literature to the curriculum. Drop in and join the fun! Seating is limited and registration required. Please sign up at Registration Desk. SB - CEU

Alpha Iota's Wealth of Programs and **Projects**



Olive Horning, Gamma Beta Chapter and State Program Chairman, will give you several ideas that will educate, inspire, and challenge your members. Where do

most chapters find their programs? How do chapters keep their members interested and What sparks set your meetings vital? aflame? Looking for a service project that will pull members together? Share with us why your chapter meetings attract members!

African Drumming and Dance

African Drumming and dance have been



used for thousands of years. Drumming strengthens communities, awakens the energy, passion, and enthusiasm of individuals and groups. Drumming and dance can be a

wonderful opportunity for interactive team building while creating a fun and dynamic learning environment where all participants will feel successful. Come to drum and dance with Nancy Tetzlaff, Beta Epsilon and Anne Wade, Alpha Lambda. Learn how you can use this in your classroom. for. Arts in Context. Content Standard 4 intends for students to identify how elements of music are used in examples from various cultures of the world and to compare, in several cultures of the world, functions music serves, roles of musicians, and conditions under which music is typically performed. SB -CEU

11:10 AM - 12:10 PM

Leading with Character by Seeing the **Possibilities Around You**



Nancy Berkompas, Alpha Tau Chapter President, will lead this session that will begin with a video photographed by Dewitt Jones. Dewitt is a nationally acclaimed photographer for

National Geographic magazine. He has now developed some phenomenal leadership materials. We will discuss the possibilities that we are exposed to in our daily lives but do not always take the time or have the mindset to see. Participants will leave this Continued on next page

11:10 AM - 12:10 PM

Leading with Character by Seeing the **Possibilities Around You continued**

session with renewed energy to recognize abundance, tolerate and appreciate change, help you see your own edge, and help you be the best for the world. In Social Studies Content Standard II, students are expected to explain how individuals in history demonstrated good character and personal virtue. Career and Employability Skills Content Standards 13, 14, 15 intend for students to understand and identify the qualities of leadership and demonstrate leadership in a school or work setting. This presentation will help you to enhance the learning of your students. SB - CEU

These Membership Chairs are Cookin'



Membership Co-chairs Lynne Elsesser of Gamma Alpha Chapter and Claire Rettenmund of Alpha Omega Chapter will lead this highly interactive

session. Did you know that there are 103,368 Michigan teachers? Although not all are eligible to be invited, we have a large pool of prospective members. What can each chapter do to make itself known to these teachers? Come and exchange ideas for keeping members involved and interested. Learn creative fund raising and Educational Excellence Committee: programming. Come away with specific plans for finding new members who believe that membership is a lifetime commitment

Parliamentary Procedure



Parliamentary procedure refers to the rules of democracy. Many teachers and students are involved in

activities and need to know the basics of parliamentary procedure, particularly concepts relating to the basic right of the majority, minority, individual member, absentees and the organization as a whole. Discover how easy it is to use parliamentary procedure in your classroom or at chapter meetings and how it can help to keep meetings and classrooms running smoothly and efficiently. Get the latest information on updated rules used in the taking of minutes and the running of a meeting. The methods for the last 300 years are the same but the

language has been modernized. Pechta, Gamma Chapter, Ann Elmer, Alpha Mu Chapter, and Gloria Richards, Nu Chapter will lead this informative session. According to Civic Perspective, Content Standard I, students will learn the purpose of rules and how they protect the rights of individuals. Many teachers have class meetings and students need to know simple rules of parliamentary procedure. SB - CEU

Jazzercise: Start Dancing Yourself Fit

New to Jazzercise? This workshop will incorporate chair activities with the workout that blends dance aerobics with muscle toning and stretching movements all at to today's hottest music. Every class includes a gentle warm-up, 30-minute cardio section,

strength segment with weights and a stretch finale. Come and learn with Tracy Knudson. Classroom teachers can use Jazzercise as a mode to have students master Physical Education Content Standards such as exhibiting indicators of enjoyment for the aesthetic and creative aspects of skilled performance in dynamic settings and recognizing physical activity as a positive opportunity for social interaction in dynamic settings. SB - CEU

1:30 PM - 2:30 PM

Embracing Our Vision

Designing our Future



Join International President Dr. Jensi Souders and International Educational Excellence Chair Dr. Helen EDUCATORS Popovich to learn how the International Educational

Excellence Committee relates to state organization and chapter level committees. See how it can help you design your chapter's future and increase your members' impact on education through two focused Society-wide initiatives. Hear about projects that will encourage prospective teachers and new teachers to stay in the field. SB - CEU



J-Jay Let's Play Bunco!



Back by popular demand, Gloria Fisher of Nu Chapter will lead the group in this active dice game. This session will teach you the basics and

have you rolling the dice in ten minutes. This game can be played at family gatherings or a Fun Night at school. Everyone will have fun interacting and socializing while having a great time. Limited to 24 people, so please sign up at the Registration Desk.

Making Changes Without Heavy Lifting



Dr. Theresa Lorio and Eileen Rodak, Zeta Chapter, will inspire and challenge you in this session. Are you happy

with the person you've become? Or, have the daily demands of life, aging, and stress caused you to regret the someone you've turned into? If so, don't let yourself remain mired in a life style you can't seem to change. Join with us so you can begin a process to change your daily existence, one small step at a time. How does this relate to the classroom? We teachers are often called upon to help students identify internal and external factors that determine how they behave toward one another. We call this, "Making Changes Without Heavy Lifting." SB - CEU

Dance Your Socks Off



Terrance Horning and Sunja Joel from Washington DC will demonstrate and teach line dances that you can use recreationally with your

students. They have been dancing for more than twenty years and can attest to the benefits of exercise and social grace. According to Arts in Context, Content Standard 4, students should be able to competently perform folk or other classical dances from other cultures; describe similarities and differences in steps and movement styles. Students will exhibit indicators of enjoyment for the aesthetic and creative aspects of skilled performance in dynamic settings. You will have fun in this session and have new skills to take into the classroom. SB - CEU

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State Convention

Romulus Sessions Continued

2:40 PM – 3:40 PM



Going Through Hell and Coming Out Whole

Pamela Chappell, Alpha Theta Chapter, will discuss in story and song the challenges she and her husband, Pete, faced with his heart

failure and eventual heart transplant - the life lessons learned and personal growth experienced while they both looked death in the face. This workshop is relevant for anyone facing difficult challenges, which is everyone, at one time or another. Pamela will also share glimpses of her new book, *For Pete's Sake*.



Solving the Math Puzzle

The number one complaint of middle school and high school math teachers is the lack of number sense in their

students. Sandy Wuwert, Beta Rho Chapter, will present some simple and easy strategies to help all students develop their number sense from Kindergarten through sixth grade. According to Mathematics Strand IV Number Sense, students must develop an understanding of numeration systems and of the structure of such systems. They must learn to estimate mathematical quantities and to represent and communicate mathematical ideas in the language of mathematics. SB - CEU

Hope for Africa: Education is the Pearl

Ranae Beyerlein, Alpha Mu Chapter, will inform us about

the current condition in Uganda. Winston
Churchill once called Uganda the "Pearl of Africa," because of its excellent educational system. What are schools in this East African Country like after the reign of Idi Amin and the siege of

AIDS? Come share the sights and sounds of the country and its schools with a world traveler. According to Social Studies Content Standard 2: All students will understand narratives about major eras of American and world history by identifying the people involved, describing the setting, and sequencing the events. Teachers attending this session will bring information to their students that will enable them to "Benchmark 3: Select conditions in the world and describe how events have they have been shaped by events from the past." SB - CEU



Chapter/Committee Sales Application

Alpha Iota State Convention Saturday, April 16, 2011, Crowne Plaza Detroit - Metro Airport Romulus, MIchigan

Chapter/ Committee:

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your chapter.

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 _____ E-mail Cost per table: \$10. Make checks payable to Delta Kappa Gamma Return by March 15, 2011 to: Jackie Smart, 20158 Southampton Drive Livonia, MI 48152, jackie@mysmartfamily.com **Sunday Celebration of Come join the Rosebud Chorus** Life Ceremony The Celebration of Life Please come and join the ת'נ'ות will occur at the State chorus during our one and Convention in only rehearsal time. Our Romulus, April 17. music is quite simple and Chapter Presidents are easily put together in about requested to attend the ninety minutes time. All convention to present roses in you need is a love of singing and honor of those members who have

sisterhood.

The ceremony is a

wonderful way to honor our sisters

Submitted by Nancy Higgins, Zeta

Chapter, Celebration of Life

Ceremony Chair

who have served as distinguished educators and valued friends. If you cannot attend, please designate someone to represent

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State Convention Raffle

| he Members Supporting Members Fund is holding another raffle this year. Are you holding a raffle ticket for yourself yet? If not, why not? The funds that are raised from this raffle assist Alpha Iota in several ways. Most important, we are helping members within our state. Some sisters have already felt the rewards of this fund by having their registration fees returned to them at conference time. An even larger goal | <u>Win a One Week Vacation</u> Your Choice of Florida the Carolina's or Honolulu, Hawaii Winter 2011/12 or Spring 2012 |
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| is that funds will assist to bring speakers and presenters to meetings with the help of this fund. Let's assure that all 200 tickets are sold this year for a successful fund raiser. Order your tickets by mail by sending your \$15.00 Check made out to Delta Kappa Gamma Member to Member Raffle. Mail to: Kathy Muench 11715 Schram St. Grand Blanc, MI 48439-1319 Drawing: 12:00 N, Sunday, April 17, 2011 Crowne Plaza Metro Airport Romulus MI Mailing must be received by April 12, 2011 for entry into the drawing You need not be present to win. | Myflorida Image: Strain Stra |
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| Choice of Resorts: You will have your choice of an area to visit in Florida or the Carolinas. In Hawaii the resort will be Waikiki Beach Walk, Honolulu. The accommodations will be provided at Royal Crown Resorts owned by Wyndham Vacation Resorts. | Name: |
| The cities you may choose are: Destin or Panama City Beach in the Panhandle of Florida. Lake Buena Vista near Disney World in the Orlando | Address |
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| Sapphire North Carolina, near Ashville | L |

Women in the Arts



Forty-five women attended the Women in the Arts Retreat which was held on October 22-24, at the Ralph MacMullen Conference Center on Higgins Late. The theme this year was magic and the women came to create baskets, ornaments, jewelry, watercolor pictures, snowman door hangers, cloth wreaths, glass etching, and many other projects in the potpourri class. On Saturday evening skits made everyone laugh. Sunday morning was show and tell time and a safe trip home. Please make a spot on your calendar, October 7-9, 2011, in order to enjoy a relaxing weekend with creative women in the arts.



Sharon Snyder and Sue Henriksen of Lambda Chapter, share their special wands.



Gloria Richards, Nu Chapter, and Shaila Jehle, Alpha Theta Chapter, and others work on weaving Moravian stars.



Theresa Sedmak, Alpha Theta Chapter, uses her magic rose wand to perform her bag tricks.





Nancy Higgins, Zeta Chapter, teaches a class on making glass jar sewing kits with a pin cushion top.



Grace Morgan, Gamma Alpha C h a p t e r , shows her c o m p l e t e d cloth covered quilt square straw wreath.

Charline Beccia and Shirley Hodgson, Alpha Alpha Chapter, and Eileen Rodak and Evelyn Nash of Zeta Chapter work on weaving a basket.

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International News

Educational Excellence Committee Defines its Focus

On October 14, 2010, in Austin Texas, the new international Educational Excellence Committee met for the first time. Focusing on the Society's mission and vision statements, the Committee adopted a self-definition, equally appropriate for state organization and chapter committees: "The Educational Excellence Committee promotes International projects, supports early-career educators, and encourages programs activities that further educational and excellence worldwide."

To embrace our vision, "Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide," the Educational Excellence Committee urges every chapter and state organization throughout the Society to focus on two major initiatives:

- Support for the Society's official Schools for Africa $\dot{\mathbf{v}}$ project
- Support for early-career educators. *

Information on these initiatives is readily available on the DKG website and in its publications.

- ♦ UNICEF will maintain records of DKG's support for the Schools for Africa project
- Chapters, on the other hand, should maintain a record of ** the money and the number of hours members spend in support for early-career educators. Recognition for support of both initiatives will be showcased at the 2012 convention.

To assist chapters in promoting the personal and professional growth of women educators and addressing the diverse interests of members, the Educational Excellence Committee 🖍 will use the DKG Web site library, the DKG Network and Society publications to offer ideas for a wide array of chapter 🖉 programs and activities. They will be designed to focus on educational excellence, promote the DKG/UN relationship, increase members' global awareness, impact educational law and policy, and increase members' personal and professional pride.

Alpha Iota State is a leader in aligning its priorities with the international focus, as it has included both support for the Schools for Africa project and support for early career educators in its state Strategic Action Plan. Michigan has 🕻 joined the excitement, as Delta Kappa Gamma members become a global force for educational excellence.





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REISTRATION DEADLINE

FOR LEADERSHIP FEBRUARY 28TH CONVENTION AND

HOTEL

MARCH 30, 2011

Dates to Remember

March 5, 2011 PAC Meeting Lansing , Lexington Hotel

> March 19, 2011 Leadership Seminar Grand Blanc, MI

April 15 - 17, 2011 Alpha Iota State Convention Crown Plaza Detroit Metro Airport Romulus, Michigan

July 20-23, 2011 NERC "Take 5" Hershey , PA

October 7 - 9, 2011 Women in the Arts Retreat Higgins Lake, Michigan

October 21-22, 2011 Alpha Iota State Fall Conference & Executive Board