



# The Nevadagram

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**Due by March 1<sup>st</sup> ...**

**Chapter Rules revisions** to Judy Silker, [judy.silker@gmail.com](mailto:judy.silker@gmail.com)

**Gold Key application** to Cheryl Anderson, [cherylanderson25@yahoo.com](mailto:cherylanderson25@yahoo.com)

**Necrology reports** to Karen Laskowski, [lskml@epix.net](mailto:lskml@epix.net)

Info on the **Emergency Fund Contributions** to Marlene Killion, [mkillion.wmca@gmail.com](mailto:mkillion.wmca@gmail.com)

**State Convention via Zoom:**

**March 25 -26, 2022**

**Executive Board** (March 25th)  
4:00 PM Executive Board  
5:00 PM Round Table

**Convention** (March 26th)  
9:00 – 11:00 AM General Session  
11:00 - 12:00 PM Guest Speaker/Workshop  
12:00 - 12:30 PM Ceremony of Remembrance  
12:30 PM Awards Presentation

**From the state president, Cheryl Anderson**

I want to acknowledge the hard work of our chapters while facing challenges from the Covid pandemic. We had hoped it would be behind us. I appreciate your flexibility in creating unique ways to meet, reconnect, revitalize, and promote the important business of our Society. Thank you for continuing to reach out to members. Many chapters have been utilizing the hybrid format for meetings/programs, giving members options of in-person or Zoom. Participation seems to be holding strong!

Let's continue to think of ways we can implement programs, speakers, and events to stimulate the varied interests of our members and enjoy the benefits of being a member of DKG.

It is more important than ever to stay in touch. Reach out to other chapters to find out how they have been meeting the unusual challenges of the last two years. Chapter Presidents will send me successful chapter meeting ideas that will be shared during convention.

We welcome Barbara Clausen, the Northwest Regional Director, as our 2022 State Convention guest speaker. I have relayed to her our concerns about retaining and recruiting members. I am excited to hear what she has to share with us.

Thank you all outgoing officers for your work and strong leadership. Encourage others to step into leadership roles. Remind them of the teamwork they will have, and that as State President, I will meet with all new officers to provide guidance, assurances, and address questions and concerns. Past Chapter Presidents will also be there.

We are preparing the program and agendas for our virtual State Convention March 25-26th. The format will be similar to last year's. Invitations will be sent out soon. I am very proud of our Nevada organization and our outstanding women. Stay Strong! See you in March.

## What Can You Say about Gwen Anne Thacker?

Gwen Anne was dedicated to DKG Nevada and cared deeply for its members. Her influence and kindness can be felt in many of our programs.

Thanks for the memories Gwen Anne...

## Chapter Chatter!

### Delta



A Ceremony of Remembrance was held in honor of Gwen Anne Thacker during their November ZOOM meeting. The chapter voted to name their Chapter Scholarship in honor of Gwen Anne. Also during their meeting they reviewed and discussed their chapter projects; Austen's House, EDA purses for the Domestic Violence Shelter, and crayons for the Pediatric Unit at the Carson Tahoe Hospital. One thing the members learned was to appreciate being together and enjoying each other even if it is on ZOOM.

### Epsilon

At their January meeting, Epsilon Chapter members discussed plans for their annual fundraiser, in April, to support the UNLV Department of Education's Rebel Teach program. Also, members expressed appreciation to long-time member Myrtle Hyman for her generous contribution of \$1,000 to Epsilon Chapter. The meeting was held at Village Pub where everyone enjoyed a meal together.

Pictured in the photo: 1st row: Jennifer Neeman, Carolyn O'Mara, and Myrtle Hyman; 2nd row: Rima Barsel, Martha Trautwein, Barbara Bernstein, Penny Thompson, and Emily Ladner.



## Gamma

**G** The members of Gamma Chapter in Las Vegas donated \$250 worth of books and toys to the United States Marine Corps for their Toys for Tots Christmas drive. The donation consisted of 12 sets of plush animals with matching books, eighteen 3 book sets of children's first readers, eight 448 page coloring/activity books with crayons, markers, and colored pencils to match, and 2 special edition ABC Christmas books.



## Lambda

**L**ambda's Planning Schedule for the year has many activities scheduled from November to May. Check out their schedule on the Alpha Chi State Website. Although due to circumstances in today's world, they had to postpone their Nevada Wine Fest until later in the spring.

## Nu

**N** The Craft Fair was a great success to the tune of \$500. Future fund raising includes a possible basket raffle. In October, Senator Marilyn Dondero Loop presented highlights of the 2021 Nevada Legislative session. A complete article appears later in the Nevadagram. A scheduled March Northern Nevada joint meeting with UNR President, Brian Sandoval, had to be cancelled.

## Theta

**Θ** Alpha and Theta Chapters initially formed an Ad Hoc Committee to consider opportunities for both chapters to enjoy joint meetings and events when appropriate while maintaining each chapter's individual identity. Members of both chapters were enthused about where these prospects could lead us.

In November, Theta Chapter invited Alpha Chapter to join them for the Silver State Chautauqua Performances at the South Valleys Library, Reno on November 18, 2021. Each chapter met privately for 20 minutes before the show to conduct chapter business. The following historical figures appeared to entertain



us: Scherry Harrah, Julia Bulette, Penny Chenery, Harriet T. Averill Haas, and Marie Louise Hungerford Mackay. The show was outstanding, and each performer made herself available to answer questions afterwards.

In December, Alpha invited Theta members to be their guests for a wonderful holiday event at the Lake Mansion in Reno. The purpose of this gala celebration, held December 11<sup>th</sup>, was to help chapter members become better acquainted with each other and to enjoy new activities together. Alpha members did an outstanding job of planning and providing delicious food and homemade pastries, which were beautifully displayed in the elegant mansion dining room.

All present had an opportunity to introduce themselves to the group and learn a bit about each other. This was followed by singing Christmas Carols, accompanied on the antique piano by Kay Kurvers. Another activity was to break into small groups for informal discussions. Following the brunch, the group gathered in the parlor to exchange gift-wrapped Christmas ornaments. Since the game allowed for exchanging these ornaments, there was much merriment as favorites found new homes.

Theta chapter is very grateful for this wonderful and memorable holiday party and are most appreciative of the amount of time and effort that was invested by Alpha in one of our first joint meetings.

## Xi



Our September 2021 meeting was held in Marilyn Howard's beautiful backyard which we enjoyed while enjoying brunch. Present were Linda Beeghly, Nicole Howard, Jan Pederson, Rosemary Pressler, Caroline Asikainen, Marilyn Howard, Seal Neroda, and Leta Rabenstine. To kick off our new year, Seal and Linda presented a condensed version of The Seven C's of Sisterhood that was presented by Maxine Emm at State Convention.

Our treasurer, Rosemary, pointed out that last year, regardless of Covid, we gave \$300 to Libby Booth, \$500 to Mamie Towles, \$100 to Earl Wooster, our annual \$50 to the Nevada Women's History Project and \$50 in remembrance of Doris Nachtsheim. Well done!

In October 2021 Xi members donated 120 pairs of socks to Volunteers for America, NV Cares Conference! They provided a wish list which includes money, underwear, sweats, shoes, toothbrushes and toothpaste, non-perishable food, body wash, lotion, chapstick, brushes and combs, earplugs and buds, headphones, and sitting walkers.

Members brought used books & magazines which were sold for \$1.00 to raise money for our general fund.



Fifty backpacks were filled in November to donate to various Title 1 Elementary schools in early January. Our members donated the backpacks along with scissors, glue, folders, notebooks, rulers, crayons, pencils, erasers, book marks and hand sanitizer.

Gabriella was chosen as our American doll for 2021. Our Recording Secretary, Leta Rabenstine sewed some darling one-of-a-kind outfits for her. She will be raffled off at our chapter's Christmas Luncheon on December 11<sup>th</sup>. Our American Girl Doll raffle raises money we award to teachers to help them facilitate student learning. Nicole is writing an article to put in the Washoe County Weekly Communication to advertise our Golden Apple Award.

## Joint Chapter and UNLV Task Force

Submitted by: Judy Merz, Epsilon



Based on plans generated in 2021, Epsilon and Gamma Chapters are now working together in a task force with UNLV to support teacher candidates and to extend awareness of and membership in DKG.

The effort evolved from Epsilon's involvement with UNLV's dual enrollment program (UNLV Teach) for Las Vegas high school students interested in a career in education. Specifically, in 2017, the

chapter decided that instead of directing scholarship money toward local graduates who indicated an interest in teaching, it would provide assistance to the structured program at UNLV, where a \$500 grant would support 10 students. As the chapters shared at joint meetings, Gamma became interested in this approach and turned its efforts in a similar direction in 2020. The joint task force was formed in July 2021.

Now called Rebel Teach, the program at the heart of efforts is established in four Las Vegas high schools, where students earn credits toward a degree at UNLV as part of their high school credits. Courses include Intro to Elementary or Secondary Education; Tech for Teachers; Valuing Cultural Diversity; and Intro to Special Education. Students take these courses in their junior and senior years of high school, and the course credits transfer to UNLV if they enroll there.

Rebel Teach is now one of three programs focused on what UNLV calls its Student Success Initiative. The second, the Cross the Finish Line grant program, is for students who are

three semesters from graduation and for whom completion of student teaching poses a financial burden because of work and/or family obligations; it provides \$10,000 in support for recipients. The third is the Paraprofessional Pathways Project, which helps paraprofessionals transition to a teaching career. Participants must have at least 60 credits accrued to join the program, which allows them to complete their bachelor's degree in 1 year. Their time on the job counts toward practicum and student-teaching hours.

The threefold goals of the joint task force are for the partners to develop a stronger understanding of UNLV/DKG programming, respectively; to expand efforts to support the Student Success Initiative projects; and to identify and draw from potential membership pools for DKG at UNLV. With the change in DKG Constitution that allows student members, UNLV students at both the graduate and undergraduate level are key potential DKG members, as are the Rebel Teach educators in the high schools and the UNLV faculty.

Although efforts have been slowed by responses to COVID-19 at UNLV, task force members have toured the campus, learned about UNLV education programs, and planned ways to reach out to students. Efforts to raise funds for grants continue in both chapters, and chapter members participated in UNLV's Summit on Nevada Education in December that brought together leaders from the state to discuss its educational issues.

The task force group will continue to pursue its goals in 2022, working with Erin Pennington, Director of Development for the UNLV Foundation, and with Dr. Sebern Coleman, Director of Educator Preparation in the UNLV College of Education. As the university reopens to more on-campus programs and activities in the wake of COVID-19, the chapters hope to accomplish their goals and impact education in Nevada.

### **Delta Kappa Gamma: A MODEL FOR OUR FUTURE**

By Ardynne Sprinkle – Past President, Theta Chapter

Some Delta Kappa Gamma chapters are in trouble! Times have changed, and like most organizations, DKG has a problem with decreasing membership as an aging population dies and potential new members are reluctant to take on any additional activities. This has been a topic of concern for many months... actually, years now. A variety of solutions have been suggested and tried but with limited success. Recruiting new membership has been a difficult task.

In informal conversations, members of Alpha and Theta Chapters in Northern Nevada explored the possibilities of a new closer collaboration between the chapters. After mulling this over for months, it was decided that a committee from each chapter should explore how this might be accomplished and how this new design might function.

In August 2021, four members from Alpha and three from Theta met to consider the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee. It was determined that neither Chapter wished to give up its autonomy but it seemed reasonable to share responsibilities in the following areas:

- A. Program planning and implementation with the benefit of increased attendance at programmed events.
- B. Fundraising activities
- C. Publicizing DKG events and achievements at all levels- International, State and Chapter
- D. Chapter Officers and Committee Chairmanships, but not the offices of Chapter President, First Vice President, or Secretary
- E. Membership outreach through newsletters or other means

This information was reported to the members of the Chapters and the committee was established to decide how best to proceed. Information about the meeting was shared and approval was sought from chapter officers and the Alpha Chi State President.

- A. A formal meeting of the Joint Ad Hoc Committee was held in September. The following proposals were discussed and drafted for review and approval by the members of each chapter at their next scheduled meeting:
- B. Collaborating on four joint meetings each year, with planning of two events or meetings alternating between the chapters. Members of both chapters would be invited to attend all meetings.

Member suggestions would be requested for ideas for sharing officers, committee assignments, increased publicity, and fundraising

Discussion of the proposals for actively collaborating, submitted by the Ad Hoc Committee, was approved by each chapter, as required.

In November the first joint Alpha/Theta program took place at the South Washoe County Library featuring presentations of Nevada historical characters portrayed by Silver State Chautauqua community actors. It was an outstanding success. In December, a ‘Welcome Brunch’ for Theta was hosted by the members of Alpha Chapter at the Lake Mansion. It provided us the opportunity to get to know each other better and to bind us even closer through our membership in Delta Kappa Gamma. Alpha planned a variety of get acquainted

activities which were enjoyed by all. We will continue to pursue ways to increase both our joint activities and plans for the rest of this school year, although Covid restrictions may be in place.

Other chapters facing the same challenges as Alpha and Theta, can be encouraged to try this collaboration model, and leadership of both chapters would be supportive resources.

## **Senator Marilyn Dondero Loop**

Submitted by Ann Standley, DKG Nu Chapter



Senator Marilyn Dondero Loop, Nevada State Senate, District 8 presented to the Nu Chapter highlighting the 2021 Nevada Legislative session signaling a momentous shift for education in the Silver State that will improve student achievement. Nearly \$500 million was allocated for education.

### **Short List of Highlights:**

**SB 66** - Enacts provisions relating to access to the Internet and Telecommunications Technology for pupils. Creates the Nevada K0-16 connectivity and innovation Advisory Commission. Approved by the Governor 05/28/2021

**SB 160** - An ACT relating to education; authorizing a university school for profoundly gifted pupils to enter into a cooperative agreement to provide, dual credit courses; authorizing a school district, charter school or university school for profoundly gifted pupils to enter into a cooperative agreement to provide dual credit courses with an institution of higher education located in another state under certain circumstances; and providing other matters properly relating thereof. Approved by the Governor 05/31/2021

**SB 173** Sponsored by Senator MDL. An ACT relating to education; authorizing the board of trustees of a school district and State Public Charter School authority to submit plans to address loss of learning that occurred as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic, requiring the submission to certain entities of certain reports relating to such to address loss of learning; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. Approved by the Governor 06/07/2021

**SB 249** Sponsored solely by Senator MDL. An ACT relating to education; requiring the board of trustees of a school district, the governing body of a charter school. a university, state college or community college to include certain information on an identification card issued to a pupil; requiring a pupil to be excused from attendance at a public school for behavioral health professional in certain circumstances; providing that a qualified mental health professional or behavioral health professional can provide certificate to excuse a pupil from attendance at



school and providing other matters properly relating thereto. Approved by the Governor 06/07/2021

**SB 458** An ACT relating to education; ensuring sufficient funding for K-12 public education for the 2021 - 2023 biennium; apportioning the State Education Fund for the 2021 - 2023 biennium; authorizing certain expenditures; making appropriations relating to base per-pupil funding, weighted, funding and other educational purposes; revising provisions relating to the Pupil-centered Funding Plan; and providing other matters properly relating thereto. Approved by the Governor 06/04/2021

- Total public support at an average of \$10,204 per pupil in the upcoming fiscal year and \$10,290 in the following fiscal year. That amounts to a \$115 per-pupil reduction from the levels the 2019 Legislature approved for the current fiscal year to the upcoming one.

- Statewide base per-pupil funding of \$6,980 for the first fiscal year of the upcoming biennium and \$7,074 in the second fiscal year. Additional weighted funds will be calculated using the statewide base per-pupil funding amount, with the multipliers set at 0.24 for English learners, 0.03 for at-risk students and 0.12 for gifted and talented students. The Clark County School District, for instance, would receive \$61.9 million of weighted funds for English learners, \$45.4 million for at-risk students and \$3.8 million for gifted students in the upcoming fiscal year.

- The adjusted base per-pupil funding amounts — which consider variation in local costs — in the 2021-2022 fiscal year range from \$7,222 for the Washoe County School District to \$33,746 for the Eureka County School District. The Clark County School District's adjusted base per-pupil funding is \$7,264.

- In total, the bill allocates more than \$2.6 billion from the general fund to the Pupil-Centered Funding Plan: \$1,396,939,483 in the first fiscal year and \$1,223,780,931.

- Apart from the general fund, there will be nearly \$6.3 billion from outside the general fund going toward the Pupil-Centered Funding Plan. That includes \$3,013,387,160 in the first fiscal year and \$3,239,583,349 in the second.

- The bill also includes a variety of expenditures outside that formula, such as funds to support scholarship program for prospective teachers, nearly \$8 million for the Jobs for America's

Graduates Program and \$50 million for an Education Stabilization Account for reserves.

- The state projects 484,892 students will enroll in K-12 schools in the coming school year.

Jhone Ebert, Nevada Superintendent of Public Instruction and Senator MDL are traveling to each district

enhancing the needs with the formula that allocates resources in a more equitable, student-centered way. This is the first change in Nevada's education funding formula in more than 54 years, and recognizes the direct impact.



**U.S. Forum Facts of the SW**  
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**Happy Thanksgiving to all OUR SW Members!!!**

**Around the Southwest**  
 Arizona Gives Award to State Legislator



On October 30, 2021, at the Arizona State Fall Conference, a Friend of Education Award was presented to state representative Aaron Lieberman. He spoke to members stating that one of his goals was to raise the salary of teachers from near the bottom to the middle of the nation's salaries. He is hoping to increase education funding and to establish universal preschool for all children. Mr. Lieberman served on the education committee.

**US Forum presentation:**  
 Understanding Climate Change



Climate change is a global issue. It impacts health, food production, community, and work forces. Climate change increases social and economic inequalities as our underserved groups become more and more vulnerable.

On November 3, 2021, the US Forum presented a workshop titled Understanding Climate Change. Our speaker was Dr. Ralph Propper who is the President of the Environmental Coalition of Sacramento (ECOS). Ralph recently retired from the California Air Resources Board Research Division. You can watch this informative presentation by going to our website at [dkgusforum.com](http://dkgusforum.com) and clicking on the presentation. Legislation was discussed during the presentation.

**Upcoming Events:**  
 March 6-8 National Legislative Seminar  
 Arlington, VA, and Washington DC

**Coming Soon:**  
 The National Legislative Seminar

The US Forum is proud to present the National Legislative Seminar on March 6-8, 2022. The seminar will once again be held at the Holiday Inn in Arlington, Virginia. Speakers are in the process of being arranged and we are looking forward to seeing many Southwest members there. Registration will open soon.

**Legislative Issue: WEP/GPO**  
 By Carol LaPolice, NE Representative  
**You may wonder why I am writing about this as WEP/GPO does not impact all states.** It does impact many states and if you move it could impact you as well

Two new bills were filed recently, H.R. 5723 Social Security 2100: A Sacred Trust was refiled by Representative Carson, of Connecticut, chair of the Social Security Committee with a provision to eliminate the WEP/GPO. What makes this legislation different from others is the funding proposal to make it work. There is no trust for social security payments, it is a pay as you go system. Social Security payroll taxes are currently capped at income of \$142,800. This proposed change would raise the cap to \$400,000. More information on social security proposed changes can be found in the legislation titled Social Security 2100: A Sacred Trust on [congress.gov](http://congress.gov). There are 194 cosponsors.

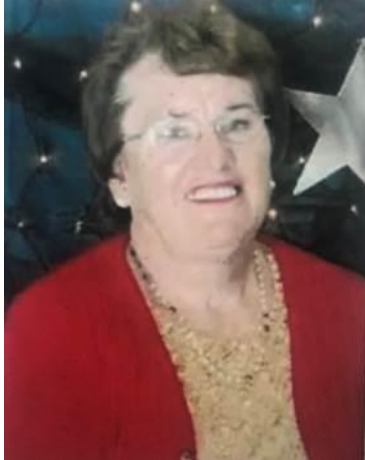
HR 5834 Equal Treatment of Public Service Act of 2021 was introduced on 11/3/2021 by Representative Brady of Texas. This bill provides a new formula for eliminating the WEP only. It has been referred to the House Ways and Means Committee. There are 33 cosponsors.

Since social security legislation cannot go through the reconciliation process it will require a supermajority (60 votes) in the Senate to pass.

**Other Legislation:**  
 H.R.5376 Build Back Better Act passed the house. It provides among other items:

- Up to six semesters of free community college
- Free childcare for children under the age of six
- Free universal preschool services
- Health benefits for eligible individuals who reside in states that have not expanded Medicaid
- Provides up to 12 weeks of paid family and medical leave

## Gone but not forgotten...



### Gwen Ann Thacker

What wonderful memories Gwen Anne has left us all. She was a fighter full of compassion and caring and always seemed to have a smile on her face. She was devoted to her family, dedicated to furthering the goals of education and continuously supportive of the ladies of DKG and the Society. We all benefitted from her shared experiences and wisdom. Not fully able to slow down after retiring, Gwen Anne continued to reach for the highest goals in education by serving as a Student Teacher Supervisor for UNR.

The DKG ladies of Nevada could always count on her to be the calm and thoughtful one when discussing how to approach a task. She wanted DKG purposes and activities to be out there for all to see and making us shine in the articles of the DKG Nevadagram. I know we could go on forever listing the number of accolades and awards for her commitment to education, but Gwen Anne was not a bragger but a doer. A couple of awards should be listed though. She received the National Distinguished Principal's Award and the Nevada State Principal's Award and was inducted as Elko County's first-ever educator in the Nevada Education Hall of Fame in Carson City. Thank you Gwen Anne for your pursuit of excellence in education, for your compassion and caring for DKG and our Nevada ladies, but mostly for being our FRIEND.

### Kitty Hayes

Kitty Hays was usually quiet but quite the determined soul. Kitty was dedicated to and inspired her students in the arts and English for thirty years. She also made DKG an integral part of her life. She was a member for 59 Years! She held every chapter office, most for multiple terms and she worked hard at the state level by serving on state committees.

DKG was not Kitty's only focus. After retiring, she joined the Retired Public Employees of Nevada (RPEN). For over 30 years she tirelessly advocated for and protection of retiree benefits. For her dedication, Kitty Hays was the recipient of the Pat Fladager Lifetime Achievement Award, the RPEN's highest recognition. Thank you Kitty for your devotion to DKG and retirees everywhere. Thanks for being you.



## Our State Convention will occur on March 25 -26, 2022 via Zoom.

*The Zoom link will be sent out to all Chapter Presidents as soon as it is available. If, for some reason, you did not receive one from them, you can contact the state directly.*

### Friday evening (March 25th)

- 4:00 PM Executive Board meeting 4:00-5:00 PM
- 5:00 PM Round Table
  - Q&A Barbara Clausen, NW Regional Director

### Saturday (March 26th)

- 9:00 AM General Session 9:00-11:00 AM
- 11:00 AM Guest Speaker/Workshop:
  - Let's Gear Up to Retain & Recruit! Barbara Clausen, NW Regional Director 11:00 - 12:00
- 12:00 PM Ceremony of Remembrance
  - Beta: Virginia "Kitty" Hays
  - Delta: Gwen Anne Thacker
- 12:30 PM Awards Presentation
  - Martha Schultz Doctoral Scholarship
  - Annie Webb Blanton Scholarship
  - Gold Key
  - Communications
  - Rose of Recognition
  - Exemplary Service

The General Session Speaker will be Barbara Clausen. Learn a little about her and her presentation below:

Nevada DKG members will be welcoming International Guest, Barbara Clausen, at our virtual Nevada State Convention. Ms. Clausen will be doing an international update from President Becky Sadowski. She will also be sharing her ideas and passion about the New Orleans International Conference July 12-17, 2022 with us.

Barbara has been a member of Washington State Organization and Chi Cowlitz County chapter for forty-four years. She has served as a chapter president, in many state offices including state president and leadership development chair, and seven years as state parliamentarian. Barbara received the Washington State Achievement Award in 2006. She has led the DKG state strategic planning process for three cycles. At the international level, Barbara has served on the Int. World Fellowship Committee and as chair of that committee a second time. She has also served on the Int. Revision Team, twice on the Int. Constitution Committee, and currently, as Northwest Regional Director on the Administrative Board. Her journey includes her passion for all things DKG, her commitment to its forward movement, and the wonderful fellowship with others as she meets members around the world.

Ms. Clausen taught high school English for thirteen years and served as a building principal, curriculum director, and assistant superintendent in three Washington districts for eighteen years. She then coordinated a second-level teacher certification program at Washington State University Vancouver for ten additional years. After forty-one years in education, Barbara has found a full life besides DKG in her love of quilting, growing flowers, traveling, and writing grants to feed hungry children in Kelso-Longview. She looks forward to meeting you!

## State Leadership

**President:** Cheryl Anderson, Delta

**First Vice-President:** Karen Laskowski,  
Gamma

**Second Vice-President:** Pat Goeppinger,  
Gamma

**Treasurer:** Heidi Hull, Omicron

**Secretary:** Maxine Emm, Delta

**Parliamentarian:** Judy Silker, Nu

**Webmaster:** Cindy Frazer, Gamma

**Historian:** Candy Rooney, Delta

**Nevadagram:** Pat Goeppinger, Gamma  
Cindy Frazer, Gamma, Donna Harper,  
Gamma

## State Committees and Chairperson

**By-Laws:** Marlene Killian, Omicron and  
Judy Silker, Nu

**Educational Excellence and Nevada Apple**

**Award:** Pat Goeppinger, Gamma

**Rose of Recognition:** Pat Goeppinger,  
Gamma

**Exemplary Award:** Pat Goeppinger, Chair,  
Gamma

Cheryl Anderson, State President, Delta

Carol Cardillo, Theta

Cecelia Neroda, Xi

Heidi Hull, Omicron

Karen Laskowski, Alternate, Gamma

**Gold Key:** Cheryl Anderson, Delta

**Martha Schultz Doctoral Scholarship:**

Cheryl Anderson, State President, Delta

Heidi Hull, Treasurer, Omicron

Susan Capistrant, Past State President,

Theta

**Annie Webb Blanton State Scholarship:**

Leta Rabenstine, Xi

**Communication:** Maxine Emm, Delta

**Finance:** Linda Getschman, Nu

**Leadership:** Marlene Killian, Omicron  
Pat Goeppinger, Gamma

**World Fellowship:** Pat Goeppinger

**Membership/Necrology:** Karen Laskowski,  
Gamma

**Nominations:** Emily Ladner (South), Epsilon  
Juanita Karr, Outlying), Kappa

Pat Hutson (North), Nu

**Emergency Fund:** Marlene Killian, Omicron

**Educational Foundation:** Karen Laskowski,  
Gamma

**Arts and Humanities Jury:** Ardynne  
Sprinkle, Theta

**US Forum (Southwest Regional):** Pat  
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