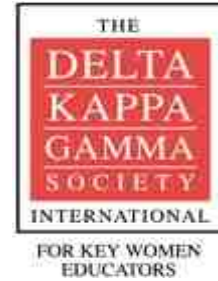


# West Virginia Alpha Phi State



## Consolidated Chapter History Report 2009-2011 Biennium

The Chapter History form was designed to document the history of work for each Alpha Phi State Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma. The form was completed each year by the chapter research committee and a copy of the report was filed in the chapter minutes. Each annual report was combined into a biennium report and submitted to the Alpha Phi State Executive Secretary and state Research Chairman during April 2011.

<b>Chapter Identification</b>	
Alpha Phi State Chapter and Research Chairman or Officer submitting the report	Chapters submitting a biennium chapter history report include: Beta – Emily Warden Epsilon - Tammy Tomazoli Eta – Beverly Huffmaster Kappa – Avis Caynor Lambda – Ann Nunn Mu – Rebecca Gilhrist Nu - Patricia “Patty” Cook Omicron - Barbara Tabaretti Phi- Mary Clark Alpha Epsilon – Joyce Wassick Alpha Zeta - Nasia Butcher Alpha Theta – Camellia Irene Crouse Alpha Iota – Gene Gourley Alpha Nu - Donna Thibault
<b>Biennial Scope of Work</b> (Describe the goals and objectives that guided the work of the chapter during the biennium)	
Chapter goals	All reporting chapters had a minimum of two goals that guided the chapter work. Several chapters reported five or more goals and one chapter reported goals and objectives in each program of work area. Every chapter designated at least one goal to increasing or maintaining membership and half of the reporting chapters included increasing the participation of current members in chapter meetings and projects as part of the goal statements.  Chapter goals included a wide range of areas such as: promote the seven purposes of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International; support and

	<p>carry out Alpha Phi State activities as directed; promote visibility of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International; recruit and orient new members; advance the professional interest and position of women in education; and support and strengthen the teaching profession.</p>
<p>Membership activities (members initiated, activities designed to strengthen attendance and collegiality among members)</p>	<p>Every chapter reported data on initiating new members. One chapter reported initiating 8 new members in 2010, one chapter reported initiating 3 new members in 2010-11, one chapter reported initiating 2 new members, 4 chapters reported initiating one new member during the biennium, and one chapter reported gaining two members through transfer. One chapter reported initiating 20 new members since 2005; another chapter reported initiating 12 new members during the same timeframe.</p> <p>Over half of the reporting chapters indicated that specific activities were conducted to orient new members. Activities reported included: Orientation Tea for prospective members; mentoring new members; and playing get-acquainted games to get members talking to each other. In addition, 75% of reporting chapters conducted specific activities to retain and increase participation of existing members. Retention and involvement activities included: connecting on Facebook; using E-vites, e-mail, and a phone committee to remind members of meetings; scheduling fellowship time with refreshments at each meeting; hold Saturday meetings and teas honoring long-time members; switch meetings from Saturday to evenings; hold a recommitment ceremony; create a chapter website to keep members better informed; offer programs on various topics to keep members interested; send a newsletter every month to inform members what is going on and when the next meeting will be; and offer rides to the meetings. One chapter gave a door prize at some meetings and another chapter created and sent greeting cards.</p>
<p><b>Meeting presentations and workshops</b> (Give date and description of presentation or workshop)</p>	
<p>Professional (research or presentations on educational issues)</p>	<p>Reporting chapters reported a wide array of programs on educational issues. A sampling of presentations included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• updated individual history information</li> <li>• needs of new teachers</li> <li>• study tour of Germany</li> <li>• first women school superintendent of McDowell County</li> <li>• national board certification</li> <li>• Enhanced literacy in grades K-5</li> <li>• help promote healthy minds</li> <li>• How to organize your classroom</li> <li>• PATH to wellness</li> <li>• financial planning</li> <li>• Reading First</li> <li>• Teachers are Outstanding</li> <li>• Vision 2020 Equality for Women</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Civil Air Patrol</li> <li>• Childhood Obesity</li> <li>• Lap books</li> <li>• World Fellowship reports</li> <li>• Education in WV</li> <li>• Forward with aiding others</li> <li>• Forward with promoting Charleston</li> <li>• Forward with promoting good health</li> <li>• Forward with initiating new members</li> <li>• County teacher of the year</li> <li>• County Educator of the year</li> </ul>
<p>Academic (presentations or workshops on tutoring or instructional programs or projects)</p>	<p>All reporting chapters described two or more academic workshops or presentations. A sampling of workshops included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SmartCycles literacy project</li> <li>• Literacy Program for the Middle School</li> <li>• National Kindergarten Conference</li> <li>• 21<sup>st</sup> Century Technology being used in the school system.</li> <li>• New Math Computation</li> <li>• The new K-4 report card; No grades are given, only achievement indicators</li> <li>• Book reading by author; discussion on why and how she wrote the book.</li> <li>• Health Dept – swine flu</li> <li>• Brain health and wellness</li> <li>• What do we really want for our children?</li> <li>• Exchange teacher spoke about schools in Germany</li> <li>• Culinary arts; Japanese storytelling</li> <li>• Heart health</li> <li>• Therapy dog</li> <li>• Instructional programs for students in College Summit</li> </ul> <p>In addition, chapters reported the following programs or projects:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Dictionaries were donated to the top twenty seniors</li> <li>• School supplies were donated for a shelter.</li> <li>• Volunteer program</li> <li>• Sponsor the County Spelling Bee</li> </ul>
<p>Community service (presentations on philanthropic or community oriented programs and services)</p>	<p>During the 2009-2011 biennium, reporting chapters conducted a variety of community service projects and programs such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Blizzard Boxes – presentation of boxes which will be distributed to local senior citizens during harsh winters (food and simple supplies for families when weather does not allow travel)</li> <li>• Helped with the dedication of new Children’s Room at the local library initiate a preschool reading program</li> <li>• Walk for Women</li> <li>• Caroling at Local Nursing Homes</li> <li>• Coats for Kids</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Children’s Book Collections</li> <li>• Collections for the Women’s Shelter</li> <li>• Collections for Florence Crittenton Home</li> <li>• Cookie Caper for Easter Seals Rehabilitation Center</li> <li>• Canned goods for food pantries</li> <li>• Monetary contributions to the Burlington Children's Home</li> <li>• Monetary contributions to nursing homes</li> <li>• Program on the Alzheimer’s Association</li> <li>• Discussion on the Charleston Area Alliance– new and expanding business</li> <li>• Meeting on Habitat for Humanity.</li> <li>• Community food bank, Five Loaves and Two Fishes</li> <li>• Update on the No Kill Animal Shelter</li> <li>• National Breast Cancer Association</li> <li>• Recognize and report child abuse and neglect.</li> <li>• Total Fitness Center</li> <li>• Workshop on stamping. Members made bags and distributed to shut-in members and 20 bags went to nursing home patients</li> <li>• Donated money to Hurricane Katrina fund</li> <li>• sold heart lapel pins</li> <li>• placed exercise bands in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade classrooms</li> <li>• care package to world fellowship recipient</li> <li>• donation to world fellowship fund</li> <li>• placed reading materials in local Laundromat</li> <li>• Arthritis foundation</li> <li>• Manna Meals</li> <li>• Read Aloud</li> <li>• Charleston Area Alliance</li> <li>• Organ donors</li> <li>• Living will</li> </ul>
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<p><b>Chapter projects</b> (Give date and description of chapter projects)</p>
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<p>Activities and work completed on state projects</p>	<p>Reporting chapters described their work in several state projects.</p> <p>Obesity Prevention – One chapter purchased SmartCycles for reading, math, and exercise for preschool and kindergarten classrooms for both counties represented in the chapter.</p> <p>One chapter continued to work on the Literacy Program with the R.O.P.E. (Reading Opens Possibilities Everyday) Program. Every classroom Pre-K through 6 at designated schools was given 4 books each year to present to the most improved readers in the classroom.</p> <p>One chapter completed work on the state projects of the last 3 Alpha Phi State Presidents, including the 15/4/You state project of Dr. Kay Clawson and continued by Carol Watson. The chapter held a kick-off event for</p>
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	<p>the project at one local elementary school in the county and garnered media attention for the event. Another chapter reported the donation of exercise bands, booklets and book marks to elementary schools in two counties. In addition, one chapter reported that a member used the state project “Healthy Minds, Healthy Bodies” in the after school classes at one elementary school and another chapter purchased and distributed adult and student exercise bands to at risk students. One chapter reported making a donation to the state Heart Project.</p>
<p>Activities and work completed on national projects</p>	<p>One chapter received the Shoe-In Challenge Award in 2009. The chapter successfully completed the DKG International Membership “Shoe In Challenge” by maintaining number of members, adding a member from a new educational environment and increasing number of members. For these achievements, the chapter was recognized at International Conference in Spokane, Washington on July 23, 2010.</p> <p>One chapter sold heart pins and another chapter reported sending a contribution to teachers in Afghanistan and donating to the American Cancer Society.</p>
<p>Special chapter projects and activities</p>	<p>Reporting chapters conducted the following special chapter activities and projects during the 2009-2011 biennium:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Silent Auction in spring months to support Augustine Wiant Recruitment Grants.</li> <li>• Continued focus on literacy development</li> <li>• Held a special meeting in December for members and their families. The chapter put on a puppet show. The adults and children had a breakfast meal together, then made a puppet craft together and enjoyed a holiday sing-a-long afterwards.</li> <li>• A “Tips for Teachers” booklet as well as an assortment of items was presented to each new teacher in the county.</li> <li>• Participated in “Ringing of the Bells” for Salvation Army Fund Drive</li> <li>• Donated to the County Schools clothing and shoe fund.</li> <li>• A dictionary was given to the top three graduating seniors at the three local high schools</li> <li>• A Dr. Seuss book was given to every elementary teacher in the county to read to their classes and to keep for their personal use</li> <li>• A goodie bag was given to each new first year teacher in the county. The bag held supplies the new teacher could use in their classrooms.</li> <li>• Donated each year to the high schools for their project graduation parties</li> <li>• Provided story books for local doctor waiting rooms.</li> <li>• Collected children’s reading books for schools in two counties</li> <li>• Gave a Winifred Newman grant in aid to a high school senior going to college</li> <li>• Gave a grants-in-aid for Shepherd scholarship</li> <li>• Donated children books</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conducted programs on childhood obesity; breast/cervical cancer; and stress</li> <li>• Supported battered women’s shelter</li> <li>• Donated books for babies</li> <li>• Donated large print Reader’s Digest books for nursing homes</li> <li>• Caring and Sharing – donations for speakers projects</li> <li>• Donated to the American Cancer Society</li> <li>• Gave individual donations to St.Judes</li> <li>• Bought jump ropes and donated them to physical education classes at an elementary school</li> </ul>
<p>Description of the chapter’s most successful or unique projects (What was done? What were the measurable results? How has the profession or community been impacted?)</p>	<p>Chapters reported the following projects as being the most successful or unique ones conducted during the 2009-2011 biennium:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Purchase and distribution of the SmartCycles for reading, math, and exercise for preschool and kindergarten classrooms; distributed SmartCycles and games for each school (having preschool and kindergarten) that is represented in our membership.</li> <li>• Recognize two outstanding interns and/or recent graduates from the local college. Recipients are awarded the Augustine Wiant Recruitment Grant which is a monetary award. Recipients are invited to our January meeting to meet the chapter members and share highlights of their internship experience. Two grants were presented in 2009 and two in 2010.</li> <li>• The 15/4/You project</li> <li>• The Teas that were held to honor long-time members and their service to the Society</li> <li>• Donated items that a new teacher would be able to use in the first terrifying days of teaching. We wrote tips and advice for new teachers which were typed in a booklet and included in a “goody bag”.</li> <li>• Five chapters decided to combine meetings in order for the members to participate in a variety of presentations.</li> <li>• “Ringing of the Bells” for Salvation Army</li> <li>• Participated in the V100 yard sale in order to raise money for the chapter’s donation to the clothing and shoe fund</li> <li>• Worked with local schools to promote 15-4-you program and good nutrition programs</li> <li>• Literacy project donating children’s books</li> <li>• Donated to the Shenandoah Women’s shelter and Bethany house</li> <li>• Read aloud – furnish books for high school students to read to younger students</li> <li>• High school scholarship</li> </ul>
<p><b>Participation in Society Conventions and Conferences</b> (List date, convention or conference location, and names of members attending)</p>	
<p>Delta Kappa Gamma International Convention</p>	<p>One or more chapters had a member who attended the following International Conventions and meetings:</p>

	<p>2006- San Diego, CA  2008- Chicago, IL  2010- Spokane, WA</p>
Delta Kappa Gamma Regional Conference	<p>One or more chapters had a member who attended the following Regional Conferences:  2005- NE Regional Conference- Cleveland, OH-  2007- NE Regional Conference in Traverse City, Michigan  2008- DKG Renaissance Program in Austin, TX  2009- NE Regional Conference in Burlington, VT</p>
<p><b>Chapter sponsored recognitions</b>  (Give description and date of recognition or award)</p>	
Chapter scholarships awards to members	<p>Chapter scholarships included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A scholarship fund for members who are working toward advanced degrees</li> <li>• Scholarships for travel to the State Convention for Chapter Officers</li> <li>• ROSE award for star educators; special awards</li> </ul>
Recognition given to individual chapter members	<p>Reporting chapters described the following types of recognition given to individual chapter members during the biennium:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rose awards were presented to members for the work they have done for the chapter</li> <li>• Members were honored for serving as an Alpha Phi State officer or regional director</li> <li>• Cards were mailed to a member who was celebrating her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday</li> <li>• One member was recognized for the National Blue Ribbon School award</li> <li>• Priscilla Haden was recognized for being named president of the WV Board of Education</li> <li>• Members were recognized for receiving national board certification</li> </ul>
External scholarships awarded by chapter	<p>Chapters reported that the following external scholarships were awarded during the biennium:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Four Augustine Wiant Recruitment Grants were presented - 2 grants were presented in 2009 and 2 grants were presented in 2010. The chapter is exploring the option of presenting grants during both academic semesters</li> <li>• Annual scholarship to a graduating student who plans to major in education.</li> <li>• Annual grant-in-aid given to a high school student going into the field of education</li> </ul>
Tributes and recognitions given by chapter	<p>The following tributes and recognitions were reported by chapters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• During National Education Week, the chapter gave small gifts to every teacher.</li> <li>• Gave certificates to honor past chapter presidents and members with 25+ years in DKG</li> <li>• Gave a Red rose award to members who conduct chapter work</li> </ul>

	<p>with enthusiasm and dedication</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Conduct a memorial service upon the death of a member</li> <li>• Mail birthday cards to members</li> <li>• Place snacks in teachers lounge at one elementary along with information on DKG</li> <li>• Recognize volunteer hours</li> </ul>
<p><b>Professional activities of members</b> (Give description and date of activities and awards)</p>	
<p>Chapter member honors achievement awards</p>	<p>Chapter members received the following honors and achievement awards during the current biennium:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Our immediate past president was awarded the Mike McLaughlin Award for College Administrators in March 2011.</li> <li>• 2011 Ohio County School’s Teacher of the Year</li> <li>• Appointed Director of Graduate Education for West Liberty University</li> <li>• Past Presidents’ Scholarship</li> <li>• Recognition for completing advanced degree</li> <li>• Recertification as a National Board Certified Teacher</li> <li>• 2009 award of the Fulbright-Hays Study Tour to New Zealand and Mongolia. She also was the recipient of the 2010 Goethe Institute Study tour to Germany.</li> <li>• Region V region math field day director</li> <li>• Arch Coal Teacher</li> <li>• Elementary Mathematics Teacher of the Year</li> <li>• National board certification</li> <li>• State Achievement Award</li> </ul>
<p>Chapter member publications</p>	<p>Each chapter reported that a newsletter is sent to members every month. Additionally, one chapter reported that the president gives a biennium yearbook to the members.</p> <p>Individual member publications were also reported. One member published a book <i>The History of the Clarksburg League for Service</i> and another member had an article “Working Moms” published in West Virginia Provider Quarterly in 2009.</p>
<p>Chapter member regional, state, or national presentations</p>	<p>Chapter member presentations at regional, state, or national meetings included the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Southern Early Childhood Association Annual Conference in Myrtle Beach, SC in January 2009 – presented workshop, <i>Developing Capstone Assessment Portfolios for Early Education Interns</i></li> <li>• National Professional Development Schools Conference in Orlando, FL in March 2010 – presented workshop, <i>Road to Success: Effective Collaboration for After School Tutoring Project</i></li> <li>• 2010 Alpha Phi State Convention and Officers Training on Membership as well as Director of Memorial Service in Morgantown.</li> <li>• 2009 Alpha Phi State Convention, Flatwoods</li> </ul>

<b>Chapter archives</b> (Describe the archives maintained by the chapter)	
Chapter written history	The majority of reporting chapters indicated that the chapter's written history is recorded through meeting minutes, newsletters and scrapbooks. Three chapters reported that a written history is kept and stored in the chapter's files.
Chapter scrapbook	Each reporting chapter indicated that a chapter scrapbook is prepared. One chapter reported that an on-going scrapbook is updated yearly and maintained by the chapter president and scrapbook committee. Two chapters indicated that scrapbooks are stored in the local library and two chapters reported that the scrapbook is stored in a local university or college library.
Photo archives	Reporting chapters indicated that photo archives are maintained as part of the chapter scrapbook.
Chapter website	Two chapters reported having a designated chapter website and two chapters indicated that a chapter website is maintained as a link from the Alpha Phi State website.
Podcasts, videos or other digital archives	None of the reporting chapters indicated that podcasts, videos or other digital archives are maintained.