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The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International ~ For Key Women Educators



Nancy Everett
2017-2019
State President

International Guest Dr. Joan Wolfe Joins Michigan in Pontiac

Wolfe, a 25 year member of DKG, served in many capacities at Chapter, State, and International levels, especially enjoying the Beta State Ontario Presidency. She visited chapters, personally meeting members, learning about projects, as well as serving at International, and learning more about the workings and impact of the Society. Passionate about DKG, she is honored by and grateful for the opportunity, as Area Representative, Canada, to share her passion. Since attending the Dallas, Texas, International Convention in preparation for Toronto 2000, the first International Convention outside of the USA which was hosted by Ontario, she is an ardent advocate of attending events beyond the chapter level. She values the unique opportunities membership in this honor society provides, the incredible women we meet, the inspiring speakers and learning opportunities provided, and is proud to be part of an organization that makes such a difference for others locally, provincially, and globally, a difference she recognizes we can't make as individuals.



A life-long resident of London, Ontario, Canada, Joan is a retired Elementary Special Education Teacher, specializing at the primary level when teaching full time, and enjoying her experiences at all levels during years as an occasional (supply) teacher. As well as her active DKG life, Joan enjoys extensive church and community volunteering in different capacities, appreciating the freedom to expand these involvements since retiring in 2015 after over 40 years teaching.

Mother of two sons, grandmother of two grandsons, she treasures time with family and friends. She enjoys travel, hiking beaches, forests and woods, photography, several hobbies and interests, especially visual arts, and is now realizing a life long dream as a watercolor artist. A member of two painting clubs, she especially enjoys en plein air (on site) painting, with travels to Italy, Ireland, and frequent trips to France. A thrill for her is reproducing her watercolor with pen & ink paintings from these trips into greeting cards to share with others. An instructor for a weekly retirement home class, and for annual workshops at a military resource center, Joan participates in two annual juried shows, and special exhibits.

Joan looks forward to attending the Michigan Spring Convention, meeting new DKG sisters, and sharing our vision and future direction. She anticipates an adventurous journey ahead, positively touching the lives of others by working together, continuing the legacy of DKG and the dream of Annie Webb Blanton, as relevant now as it was when DKG began. Joan's mantra is inspired by International President Carolyn Pittman's words, "You make a difference; we make a difference!"

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Michigan's 2017-2018 Teacher of the Year



Speaker and presenter Luke Wilcox teaches Math at East Kentwood High School in Kentwood, Michigan. He also serves as a Department Chair and Academic Support Coach in Kent County in the Grand Rapids area and is our 2017-2018 Michigan Teacher of the Year. He will be our keynote speaker on Saturday and lead a breakout session. Read his complete story on page 4.



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President's Message



Alpha Iota State

**2017-2019 Biennium Theme
DKG BRIDGING GENERATIONS
Commit, Challenge, Change, Connect**

Accept the CHALLENGE to Bridge the Generations

We started the biennium with COMMITTING to Bridging the Generations. In the winter, I continued the biennium with *Accept the CHALLENGE to Bridge the Generations!* I would like to continue our discussion on some of the more CHALLENGING problems that we face, not only in our state, in America, and also in the world as a whole today.

When our founders started our organization in 1929, they were faced with fighting for women's rights, and to be treated as equals in the teaching profession. Since the inception of Delta Kappa Gamma, there have been many political issues that teachers have had to confront such as those regarding unions versus non-unions, teachers versus administration, and teachers versus state and federal government funding and legislation. In the last decade, we have seen the loss of respect for teachers in the eyes of the general public, so for all practical purposes, this has led to teachers versus parents, or the public.

With the use of email, texting and Facebook, our society has become used to instant gratification. We have become a society where we often speak first and regret later. Because of "instant communication" devices, it is often hard to take back what we say. In the home where I grew up, I was often cautioned to never discuss politics or religion unless I was extremely comfortable with the person and to certainly never disagree upon the matter, but always just agree to hold differing opinions and to always remain friends.

While our purposes include: "to initiate, endorse and support desirable legislation or other suitable endeavors in the interests of education and of women educators" and "to inform the members of current economic, social, political and educational issues so that they may participate effectively in a world society," we should do so in a non-partisan manner. Let us be aware that The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International has a published Statement of Neutrality, issued in February of 2017 by the 2016-2018 International Communications and Publicity Committee. I have asked that this statement be placed on our website at [www.dkgmichigan.org/choose Society at the top of the new page choose International](http://www.dkgmichigan.org/choose_Society_at_the_top_of_the_new_page_choose_International). Please take the time to read this document, as it shows DKG's position as a nonprofit organization on the issues and CHALLENGES each and every teacher and retiree faces in our world climate today.

Why am I speaking of all of these "taboo" subjects and bringing the sleeping dog to the forefront? Remember, we are all strong, gracious women teachers with our own personal values and with many different viewpoints, but within the boundaries of DKG, for the sake of our mission, promoting the professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education, we must remain neutral. We, as teachers, are much bigger and better than this! We have always had to put the bigger picture and goal ahead of our own personal one, and that is the welfare of the children, our own future, and for a better world!

Continue to meet your daily CHALLENGES as the crocus, daffodils and tulips start their yearly fight against the frozen ground to bring springtime once again to the state of Michigan!

Nancy W. Everett, Alpha Iota State President, (2017-2019)

Alpha Iota State Convention –Pontiac

DO NOT MISS THE PRE-CONVENTION SEMINARS

Friday May 4, 2018
6:45 to 7:45 P.M.

Healthy Cooking with Chef Carol,

Chef Carol Lechnar



Please join Chef Carol, who will make a baked vegetarian taco with toppings and black bean brownies for you to sample. She has worked with organizations in Michigan demonstrating healthy cooking such as Cooking Matters (sponsored by Gleaners Food Bank) and the Neighborhood House food pantry. She is a member of the American Culinary Federation and a current student of Macomb Community College's Culinary Institute. Carol is also the owner of Chef Carol D'.
1 SCECH

Legislation and How it Affects Us All

Alpha Iota State Legislative Committee with Lynn Mason, Sigma and Judy Foster, Upsilon

Be in the know! Find out what is happening in state politics today. This session will include the latest on legislation dealing with children, education, women and retirees, and how those bills will impact education in our state. The Alpha Iota State Legislative Committee will bring you up-to-date on the political happenings in Michigan. Find out what you can do to become involved and make your voice heard. This will be a thought-provoking and educational presentation with practical information on the legislative process and democracy in action. The processes and details learned will be of interest to us all and can be used in social studies classroom presentations and discussions. This pertains to content standards for Civics, teaching students about governmental authority, how citizens can impact governmental decisions and how government will protect political and economic freedoms of citizens.
1 SCECH

Join The Rosebud Chorus



Chorus Director Sharon Throm reports that big changes are at hand. In an effort to get your music to you well before the one-hour rehearsal timeframe, Sharon has made the music available to you electronically. You can go to dkgmichigan.org and look under "Resources." Under the section entitled "Rosebud Chorus," you will find the music which will be sung during the Saturday night Presidents' Banquet at our Alpha Iota State Convention, May 4-6, 2018, in Pontiac. Many sisters have signed up for the Chorus already. If you wish to sign up to participate in the chorus, please contact Sharon at sthrom@buckeye-express.com. Music can be sent to you via snail mail when you contact Sharon. The Music Committee looks forward to your participation in the ROSEBUD CHORUS.

Submitted by Sharon Throm, Beta Rho, State Chorus Director

NEED A ROOMMATE?

Are you going to the State or International Convention? Do you need a roommate? If you plan to attend any DKG function and need an overnight roommate, contact Jackie Smart. She will try to pair you up with someone else in the same situation.

Phone (248) 476-8659

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**Alpha Iota State Convention
Chapter/Committee Sales Application
Saturday, May 5, 2018 at Marriott Auburn Hills
Pontiac, Michigan**

Chapter/Committee: _____
Topic: (Sales table or type of exhibit) *Note: bring all supplies needed to set up your 6-8 foot sales table
Person(s) in charge _____
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Phone _____
Email _____

**Cost per table \$15. Make checks payable to Delta Kappa Gamma—Return by April 20, 2018 to:
Nancy Higgins, 11305 Island Lake Road
Dexter, MI 48130, nhigs@aol.com**

Alpha Iota State Convention –Pontiac

Michigan Teacher Of The Year 2017-18



In addition to teaching Math at East Kentwood High School in Kentwood, Michigan, Mr. Wilcox also serves as a Department Chair and Academic Support Coach. In another teacher leader role, he mentors through the Rising Teacher Leaders Organization.

Luke has taught a variety of high school math courses for about 18 years. He currently teaches a class of Advanced Placement Statistics and his motto for them is "Strive for Five," which is the highest score that a student can be awarded on an AP Test. With that score, students may be awarded credit for the same undergraduate course at most universities.

On his website, you get the feeling that Luke Wilcox "inspires us to be better teachers," as Jenin Shamali, a teaching colleague, wrote. Kentwood Superintendent, Michael Soerhoff, writes, "He builds positive relationships with his students. They love him and he loves them, and they succeed all together because of that relationship."

Mr. Wilcox's topic for the morning keynote speech will be *Growing Teacher Leaders*, which assesses the importance of involving teachers in planning, decision-making, and creating initiatives to promote change in their professional settings. He will also be presenting a morning workshop on the topic of *Inspiring Authentic Student Motivation*, in which he describes how to become a Jedi teacher by mastering student motivation.

His wife, Jamie, is an elementary school teacher. Their two children, Reese and Trey, keep them both energized. They enjoy traveling to new places, seeking out new experiences, and learning about cultures different than our own.

In addition to receiving the MTOY award, Luke was the recipient of the Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (PAEMST) in 2013, administered by the National Science Foundation on behalf of the White House Office of Science and Technology Policy.

*The capacity to learn is a gift,
The Ability to learn is a skill,
The willingness to learn is a choice.*

Brian Herbert



The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Alpha Iota State Convention Schedule The Marriott Auburn Hills Pontiac "Accept the Challenge to Bridge Generations" May 4-6, 2018

Friday, May 4, 2018

- 3:00 PM - 8:00 PM Convention Registration (**Closed** during Executive Board/General Membership meeting)
- 5:30 PM Dinner for State Presidents Emeritae
- 5:30 PM - 7:30 PM **Buffet Dinner**
- 6:45 PM - 7:45 PM Pre-convention Sessions (**1 SCECH available**)
- 7:45 PM - 8:10 PM First-Timers' Orientation
- 8:15 PM - 10:00 PM Combined Executive Board/General Membership Meeting

All members are expected to attend and guests are invited.

Processional Rehearsal for Chapter Presidents
Social Time, Coordinating Councils Meet

Saturday, May 5, 2018

- 7:30 AM - 4:30 PM Convention Registration
- 7:30 AM - 8:50 AM **Breakfast Time**
- 8:00 AM - 3:10 PM Funding Our Purposes Auction, Chapter Sales and Informational Display (**Closed** during the General Membership Meeting)
- 8:50 AM - 10:35 AM General Membership Meeting
- All members and guests are invited to attend.*
- Special Guest, Michigan Teacher of the Year, Luke Wilcox
- 9:30 AM-10:30 AM Keynote Speech, "Teachers as Servant Leaders: The Power of Service" **1 SCECH**
- 10:45 AM -11:45 AM First Workshop Sessions
- 11:55 AM -12:55 PM Second Workshop Sessions
- 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM **Buffet Lunch**
- 2:00 PM - 3:00 PM Third Workshop Sessions
- 3:10 PM - 4:10 PM Fourth Workshop Sessions
- 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM Corsage Pick-up at Registration
- 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM Cash Bar
- 6:10 PM Presidents' Procession and Head Table Line-up
- 6:30 PM - 10:00 PM **Presidents' Banquet**

All members and guests are invited to attend.

Procession of Chapter Presidents
Alpha Iota State Rosebud Chorus
Keynote Speaker
Distinguished Service Award
Alpha Iota State Woman of Distinction Presentation

Sunday, May 6, 2018

- 7:30 AM - 9:00 AM Convention Registration
- 8:00 AM - 9:00 AM Celebration of Life and Remembrance
- All members and guests are invited to attend.*
- 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM **Awards Brunch**
- Executive Board Reconvened
- Evaluations
- Funding Our Purposes Auction Report
- Announcements
- Delta Kappa Gamma Song
- Awards Pick-up
- 12:10 PM Educational Excellence/Program of Work Committee Meeting

State Committees

The Reason for a Quorum



Almost everyone has grown up with the idea that the “majority rules;” or that a decision supported by more than half of the people in a group has effect upon the entire group. In an organized society, such as a club or a chapter, a vote on a decision is effective only if taken when the necessary minimum number of members, known as a quorum, is present. According to Robert’s Rules of Order, a quorum is the minimum number of voting members who must be present at a properly called meeting to conduct business in the name of the group. The requirement of a quorum keeps a small number of people from making a binding decision that does not represent the group.

A group may decide the size of a their quorum. Some groups set a quorum as a percentage of membership, and others use a fixed number. Alpha Iota State sets their quorum for a general membership meeting as a majority of those registered for the convention, and, for an Executive Board Meeting, as the presence of a majority of the voting members of the Executive Board.

Roberts says that a quorum should be “as large a number as can reasonably be depended on to be present at any meeting, except in very bad weather or other exceptionally unfavorable conditions.” (p.346). Whatever number a group sets for their quorum, it must be stated in their bylaws or, for a DKG chapter, in the standing rules. Where bylaws or standing rules do not specify a quorum, the quorum is a majority of all members.

Information for this article is from *Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised, 11th edition*, pages 5, 21, 346, and *Alpha Iota State-Michigan Bylaws and Standing Rules*.

Submitted by Gloria Richards, Nu, Alpha Iota State Parliamentarian

Articles Wanted

For *The Wolverine* about:

Chapter News
Events/Celebrations
Program Ideas and Resources

Good Works
Pictures with captions
Summer Issue Deadline

June 30, 2018
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Leadership Training Opportunity for Incoming Chapter Officers



On July 1, your new chapter officers will officially assume their leadership roles to guide your chapter through the next two years (2018-2020). The state Leadership Development Committee is planning a two-session conference during our state convention in May to give support and guidance to help you have a successful biennium. Chapter presidents and first vice presidents need to attend these sessions. Other chapter officers are also invited. The workshop is designed to get you acquainted with your responsibilities. You may have questions such as: Who does what? How do I plan a meeting? What reports are expected?

These questions will be answered and information shared about other essential duties and tasks. In addition to the roles of the officers (including treasurer and secretary), other topics that will be covered include the following: Society Structure, Programs, Parliamentary Law, Strategic Planning, Membership, and Communication. There will also be Q and A opportunities.

Submitted by Dorothy E. Sample, PhD, Mu, State Leadership Development Chair

We Want to Visit with YOU



One of the most valuable rewards for your chapter could be a visit from a state officer. Our President, Nancy Everett, or any other state officer, would be pleased to visit your chapter. You may select any officer and we will do our best to match your request times.

Forms for requesting a visitation are available online at www.dkgmichigan.org

You may also call Julie Usher (989-471-9182) or email her at dbujeu@gmail.com

Please let us hear from you this year.

Submitted by Julie Usher, Alpha Xi, State Visitation Co-chair

State Committees

Funding Our Purposes



Our “Funding Our Purposes” raffle at the Fall Conference in Lansing was a great success. Many thanks to the volunteers who helped set up, sell tickets and, of course, to all who brought baskets and items for auctions. Thanks to those who purchased tickets to help make it a great success! Congratulations to the 29 winners of the baskets received from 23 different chapters. Items included gift cards, apple baskets, quilts, wine and chocolate, Mary Kay cosmetics, wreaths and many more.

The auction earned \$1,582 for World Fellowship. Member to Member Sales earned \$239 and the Kathy Cashen raffle earned \$376.

We will hold another raffle at the State Convention in May at the Marriott Auburn Hills, Pontiac at Centerpoint. Large and small items will be needed from chapters and individuals. Remember to complete a form for the State of Michigan (available online at dkgmichigan.org) to turn in with your donation. Each item must be described and a value noted. Proceeds from the auction and sales go to these three funds: Scholarships, World Fellowship and Members Supporting Members.

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

Thank you for your continuing participation and generosity.

Submitted by Nancy Higgins, Zeta, Funding Our Purposes Chair

Friends of Education Awards

Chapters can give a Friend of Education Award to whomever they feel is worthy of being recognized for their work in education when they are not necessarily in the field of education. People who support educational programs or students who need extra help, or programs within districts or communities all deserve a thank you. There are many great programs and opportunities around, and a little thanks goes a long way in honoring individuals who spend a little extra time to make the world a better place. Chapters just need to submit their names for their honorees and a certificate from the state will be sent out to you. You may then honor the individual at a meeting and by releasing a press statement to the local paper with a summary of the person or groups’ accomplishments.

To date, the following chapters have recognized their Friend’s of Education.

Gamma Chapter	Reading Music Boosters	They help with instruments, running music trips and events.
Omicron Chapter	John Drake, The Lindgap Chapter	He founded a school for homeless children in the Philippines.
Phi Chapter	Inland Seas Education	The Association helps everyone experience the Great Lakes
Alpha Xi Chapter	Jeff Mindock	Thunder Bay Theater teams up with local high school theater students to produce two plays a year. It also offers performance opportunities for children as young as 10.
Gamma Alpha Chapter	Kathleen Washington	Director of Beverly House, a group home for girls who have been removed from their dysfunctional families.

Submitted by Anne Wade, Alpha Lambda, State 2nd Vice President

State Committees

A Walk Down History Lane With Effie Muriel Downer

December 27, 1887—October 1983



As the new chair of the Historical Document Committee, I inherited several charters from dissolved chapters. Along with them was Effie Downer's original Founders Certificate which was signed by Annie Blanton who started DKG. Of our 12 original Founders, Ms. Downer, a Lenawee County native, was honored to become the first Alpha Iota State President on March 28, 1938.

Effie Downer started her more than 40 year educational career in rural schools. After attending Michigan State Normal School, she received her Teacher's Certificate in 1913. She taught in Ypsilanti until 1917, when she moved to the Harris School in Detroit. She began her association with Wayne State University in 1920 when she transferred to the Marr Elementary School, a teacher training school affiliated with the Detroit Teachers College. At Marr Ms. Downer not only taught elementary school students but also supervised student teachers and demonstrated teaching techniques to teachers new to the Detroit System. She received her BA from the Detroit Teachers College and her MA from Columbia University, specializing in educational curriculum and supervision. She continued teaching in the College of Education of Wayne University, later WSU, and was named as a Professor of Elementary Education in 1944.

Effie M. Downer, Professor Emeritus of Elementary Education, retired August 1, 1957 as chairman of the Elementary Education Department of WSU.

The majority of what you have just read should be credited to the description written about the Effie M. Downer Collection which she herself placed in the WSU Archives from 1972-1973. These documents can be accessed at the Walter Reuther Library at WSU, Accession number 247, I.C. Number.

Since Alpha and Beta were the only chapters chartered when she was chosen Alpha Iota State President, it would be interesting to find out which chapter she belonged to in 1938 and I would appreciate any additional information any chapter may have.

Submitted by Lynne Elsesser, Gamma Alpha,

Do Not Miss Out On Opportunities for Scholarships and Grants



Delta Kappa Gamma has competitive scholarships at both the State and International levels. There are grants for educators working on a graduate degree, retaining or seeking an additional endorsement in education. The DKG Educational Foundation grants more than \$150,000 each year to support creative projects, seminars, and professional development.

Alpha Iota State offers non-competitive grants to attend the International Convention. This year the Jane Goudreault Memorial Grant will offer two grants for partial reimbursement of the registration fee to first timers who attend the International Convention in Austin in July. The International Convention Grant is also available, one time only, to partially cover the cost of the registration fee for the 2018 International Convention. One member from every chapter is eligible.

Two \$1,000 scholarships, two \$500 scholarships for retraining or additional endorsements, and one \$800 scholarship for graduate study may be awarded at the Spring Convention. Information and application forms for these scholarships are on the Alpha Iota Website dkgmichigan.org; see "State forms" under "Resources." Please contact the committee chair for help and questions. You may also check with your chapter president or the website for the guidelines in the State Bylaws and Standing Rules publication. Scholarship applications need to be submitted by April 30th. A plan of study and proof of acceptance at a college/university is required.

Guidelines and application forms for the International grants and scholarships can be found online at www.dkg.org. There are scholarships available from \$2,000 to \$10,000 for educational enrichment and help in funding additional degrees.

At the close of convention we have drawings. This past fall Julie Usher of Alpha Xi and Mary Bischoff-Greer, of Omega won the Kathy Cashen Grant 50/25/25 raffle. Joan Dillon, Beta Alpha; Ellen Eisele, Alpha Epsilon; and Michele Emmerich, Alpha Mu, had their registration for State Fall Conference paid from the Member Supporting Member drawing.

*For help or questions contact:
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judifisher@yahoo.com*

State Committees



Communicate to Promote DKG

If you still have members in your chapter who feel uncomfortable using technology, perhaps you could hold a chapter meeting in the high school's technology lab. Have your tech person give tips and show members how to access the chapter and or International website, how to sign in, and how to maneuver from one location to another. We hope to have many more chapters submitting their chapter newsletter for evaluation for the 2018-2019

Sharron LaHaie, Alpha Xi, State Communications Chair

ICEBREAKER

Getting to Know You

All members start this activity in a seated position. If some members have physical limitations, choose another signal, such as "Hold up your right thumb." Then the leader gives the following, or similar, instructions for participants to follow:

- If you traveled this summer, stand up.
 - If you have a brother, stand up.
 - If you are the youngest of the children in your family, stand up.
 - If you own a pet, stand up.
 - If you have a sister, stand up.
 - If your family owns a drone, stand up.
 - If you live in an apartment, stand up.
 - If this is your first year in the Society, stand up.
 - If you are actively teaching (retired), stand up.
 - If you were kissed by someone this morning, stand up.
- At this point in the activity, give a (chocolate) kiss to all those who are standing and say, "We all need a kiss a day!"
Share after each question as time permits.

Submitted by Dr. Charmane Echols, Epsilon, State Professional Affairs Chair

World Fellowship Scholarships Impact Education Worldwide

(Summarized from the article by Myrna Santos from Volume 84-2 of The Delta Kappa Gamma **Collegial Exchange**)

History Women from war-torn and third world countries were hungry for knowledge but had few resources, especially money. In 1946, the World Fellowship program began at the DKG National Convention and four German women educators received funds to study in Sweden. Thus the program began. By 1952, World Fellowship had teamed up with UNESCO and provided special help for Korean women. Between 1958 and 1960, the current program began to "take shape." Originally, applicants could only study in the US, but this policy has since expanded to study in Canada. Current applicants must be pursuing a master's or doctoral degree in her field of study. Donations from state, local and individual members, as well as bequests, fund these awards. Money is not taken from member's dues. In 1972, the World Fellowship Committee became a part of the Personal Growth and Services Committee. By 1974, "State organizations and chapter committees became a part of the *Constitution*, thus shaping the World Fellowship Committee as it exists today."

Impact Since the beginning of this program in 1946, DKG has awarded an amazing 963 scholarships to women from 122 countries. The total contributions as of June 2017 have equaled \$3,521,100. Women, who might not otherwise have been able to achieve their goals of further education, have been able to reach their potential because of selfless DKG women like you. Having this opportunity not only aids the scholarship recipient, but also others in their homeland that these women then educate.

"Through the World Fellowship program, DKG members live up to the vision of *Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide*." This powerful committee and the contributions you make demonstrate your willingness to share knowledge, contribute to others' ability to achieve a better life and, ultimately, enrich our lives as well.

Submitted by Joyce Daglow, Gamma, State World Fellowship Chair

Anniversary Pins available for sale. Cost \$9.00 each, shipping extra. To order pins contact J-Jay Pechta, information page 2.



Bright Gold



Antique Copper



Antique Gold



Bright Copper



Bright Silver



Bright Gold



Bright Gold
Emerald



Bright Gold



Bright Gold



Bright Gold

NEW Diamond Shape



Black background with Gold Inlay. A diamond gem for that special member can be awarded by the

Chapter or State as a special award. The pin reads International Society for Key Women Educators.

Membership



A Special Welcome to Alpha Iota State Initiates

Mu

Dr. Dana D Dyson
Judith A Buffenbarger *

Nu

Barbara Landry-Davis *

Omega

Lori M Brophy *

Alpha Alpha

Pamela Pfeiffer *

Alpha Xi

Lisa A Rhea

Alpha Rho

Mary C Browning
Robalee Chapin

Alpha Rho

Barbara L Doolittle
Georgia A Hauk
Donna R Ramsey

Alpha Phi

Jill D Fleischmann

Beta Alpha

Chanelle Bercaw
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Gail Norcross

Beta Gamma

Kathryn DenHouter

Beta Kappa

Evelyn R Malcomnson
Cheryl L Richmond
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Gamma Alpha

Linda L Clark *

Gamma Gamma

Diana Jenkins
Colleen M Mohacsi
Dr. Patricia Joan Reese *

* Reinstated



Chapter Presidents 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 them in **The Wolverine** until Form 6 is sent by the chapter to:

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Howell, MI 48843-6820
olech@pickneypirates.org



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Chair 2017-2019

Visit the Alpha Iota State Website for:

- ▶ Women in the Arts Retreat
- ▶ Scholarship and Grant-in-aid Applications
- ▶ Current and Back Issues of *The Wolverine*
- ▶ Chapter Resource Section

Nancy Cross Lyon, Beta Omicron

Nancy Cross was born in Westfield, Massachusetts, to Robert C. and Gladys L. (Phillips) Cross. She earned a B.A. in Education from Grinnell College, Iowa, and taught at McClure Junior High School in Western Springs, Illinois, until her retirement in 1992 after a 27 year career teaching in grades one through eight.

After her retirement, Nancy and her husband moved to Manistee, Michigan.

Nancy was initiated as a member of Beta Omicron Chapter on November 14, 2012, and was a valued member of her chapter until her passing. She also established the Nancy C. Lyon Scholarship for Women Interested in Teaching and Nursing through West Shore Community College.

Nancy loved the Manistee and Onekama area and was active with the artistic, cultural, and educational institutions in Manistee County. She received the first Manistee ATHENA Award (2005) honoring business professionals who encourage women in the community and workplace.

October 20, 1933 – February 4, 2017

Cleta A. Kidwell, Alpha Alpha

Cleta A. Kidwell was born in Flint, Michigan, to Franklin and Agnes (Kagery) Kidwell. She graduated from Michigan State College in 1945 and taught two years in Muskegon and one year in Kalamazoo before heading to Flint. There she was an instrumental music teacher and a second grade teacher for 30 years. By performing with both the Kalamazoo and Flint Symphony Orchestras, she was able to share her love of music, and her talent, with others.

Cleta who became an active member of Alpha Alpha Chapter in 1954, and she served as president of the chapter for two years, from 1976-1978.

In 1979, she moved to Venice, where she shared a home with friends and fellow DKG sisters, Reva Robertson of Mount Vernon, and Norma Demorest (deceased) from Flint.

December 8, 1922 – March 24, 2017



Virginia L. McClelland, Alpha Zeta

Virginia L. McClelland was born in Lexington Township, Michigan, to Arthur and Eleanor (Carey) McClelland. Virginia graduated from Croswell-Lexington High School in 1953. She attended Port Huron Junior College, then continued on to receive her Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from Eastern Michigan University. Her first teaching position was with Cash County School. She then taught at Kemp Country School before moving to Port Huron Public Schools, where she taught 1st and 3rd grades at Lakeport Elementary School and Garfield Elementary School for over 30 years.

She was a member of Alpha Zeta Chapter for over 50 years, joining in 1974. She was an active member, working on many committees throughout her time in DKG.

Virginia was a member and president of her local chapter of American Association of University Women. She loved to read, participated in several book clubs, and she also bowled on a league.

November 19, 1934 – April 20, 2017

Catherine (Katy) C. Locke, Alpha Zeta

Catherine (Katy) was born March 24, 1933, in Highland Park, Michigan, to the late Frederick and Bessie Marsh. She graduated from Royal Oak High School, attended Michigan State University, and received her Bachelor's and Master's Degrees from Eastern Michigan University. She married Fred Locke on March 5, 1954, in East Lansing, Michigan.

From 1976 to 1995, Katy taught in the Trenton and Port Huron Area School Districts.

She was a member of Alpha Zeta Chapter, joining in 1993. Katy served on many committees during her time in DKG, but the one she loved was the fashion show fundraiser.

She was also involved in the American Association of University Women and was on many school committees. She and her husband of 63 years were active sailors and members of the Sarnia and Port Huron Yacht Clubs.

March 24, 1933 – May 27, 2017



Cornelia Thelda Baker, Alpha

Cornelia Thelda Lewis was born January 2, 1920, to Ivey Forman and Agnes (Webb) Lewis, in Newbern, Alabama. She graduated from a racially segregated African American high school, Frederick A. Douglass Mid-high School, and began working. At age 17, Cornelia (Connie) attended the Colored Agricultural and Normal University, later renamed Langston University, in Oklahoma City, where she spent her first two years of college. Her family later migrated to Detroit, Michigan, and she was accepted into Wayne State University where she obtained her B.S. Degree.

Prior to her outstanding work in education, she worked for 11 years as a social case worker, and medical social worker at the Wayne County Department of Social Welfare. She married and had her two children, and eventually returned to school, earning a Master of Arts in Education, and a Specialist Degree, and obtained her Michigan Teaching Certificate. She served as a teacher, reading specialist, trainer of teachers, principal and curriculum developer, and district administrator with the Detroit Public School System. She was also a guest lecturer at WSU and U of M, and supervised student teachers from Wayne State's education department.

Connie became a member of Alpha Chapter on April 1, 1974. She served faithfully as a member of Alpha Chapter until she moved to California a few years ago to be near family.

Believing in the importance of giving back to her community, Connie founded the Greater Wayne County chapter of The Links, Inc.. This is an international non-profit volunteer service corporation of outstanding professional women of color in the arts, education, and other fields. They work to make the world a better place for all people. She was active in Delta Sigma Theta, an African American public service sorority, served as the YMCA Membership Chair, Collingwood-LaSalle Block Club President, Human Relations Chairperson, and she was an award recipient for providing cultural activities for children from the Detroit area.

Elaine M. Freeman, State Member

Elaine was born and raised in Port Huron, Michigan, to parents Al and Annuciata Borowski. She earned a Bachelor's Degree from Marygrove College and a Master's Degree from Wayne State University. Elaine began her teaching career at Immaculata High School, and she went on to teach art at Allen Park High School for 20 years. She was the first girls' tennis coach at the school.

Elaine became a member of Beta Delta on March 1, 1982. She was a 33 year member when the chapter dissolved. Wishing to maintain her membership she joined the Michigan Alpha Iota State Chapter.

She married the late Charles A. "Sam" Freeman, and together they raised five children. Her optimism and her warm and generous heart will be missed by everyone who knew her.

July 13, 1927 – July 14, 2017

Virginia Margaret Waldinger, Kappa

Born January 1, 1925, Virginia Margaret Waldinger was the beloved daughter of the late John and Elise Waldinger. Virginia taught French at Edsel Ford High School in Dearborn Schools until her retirement. She loved languages and taught French, German, and Spanish, keeping up-to-date in the latest teaching methods and attended state language conferences. Virginia led several trips to France with students from all three Dearborn high schools. Her students' reflections spoke fondly of her as their memories were read at her memorial.

Initiated as a member of Kappa Chapter on November 1, 1961, Virginia was an active member, serving on the Membership Committee for 15 years. She served as President of Kappa from 1980-1982, was honored as the Woman of Distinction in 1998, and received the Lifetime Achievement Award in 2017. Virginia also served as secretary of Metro Council. Virginia was recognized by the Business Women's Professional Foundation as the Business Woman of the Year in 1982 at the National Business and Professional Woman's Week.

January 1, 1925 – July 26, 2017

**"SUCCESS WILL NOT LOWER ITS STANDARD TO US.
WE MUST RAISE OUR STANDARD TO BE SUCCESSFUL."**

Helen Theresa Suchara, Alpha



Helen Theresa Suchara was born into a large, happy family and grew up on Detroit's West Side. Upon graduation from Chadsey High School in Detroit, Helen received a scholarship to attend Wayne State University. It paid her full tuition of \$100 per year. She lived at home and commuted to school by street car.

She earned her Bachelor of Arts Degree in Education and secured her first teaching job in Howell, Michigan, at the Michigan State Sanatorium for tuberculosis patients. While there, Helen had the opportunity to teach children of all grade levels, from pre-school through grade 10. The high school students brought contracts from their home schools. Helen then had the opportunity to return to Detroit Public Schools, where she had done her student teaching. She was also accepted to Wayne State University, where she received her M.A. in Education in 1947. While there, Helen taught at a laboratory school that served as a model for educators visiting from across the country. One of those visitors offered her a doctoral fellowship at Columbia University's prestigious Teachers College in New York, where she earned her Doctorate in Teacher Education.

Upon graduation, she returned to WSU and joined the College of Education as an Associate Professor, working her way up to full professorship in the Department of Teacher Education, where she spent the next 25 years. While at WSU, Helen was on the College Faculty Council and the College Accreditation and Presidential Selection Committees. She advised undergraduate, graduate students, and doctoral candidates, and was frequently called a 'teacher of teachers'. She was always encouraging and supportive of her students.

Volunteering was a life-long priority for Helen, beginning when she was a girl, as she helped distribute ration books and food tokens in neighborhood schools and organized a drama club for returning veterans. She retired from WSU in 1981 but maintained her volunteer work. In 1989, at age 70, Helen noticed a Peace Corps advertisement seeking teachers to teach English to judges in Poland. So, she entered the U.S. Peace Corps and went to Poland from 1989 to 1992, to teach English.

Dr. Suchara joined Alpha Chapter on May 1, 1958. She served as president of Alpha Chapter from 1976 – 1978, and was a vital member of the chapter, staying active almost until her passing, serving on many committees, and holding other offices throughout her tenure.

Her many honors included receiving the National Ladies' Auxiliary Woman of the Year Award from Orchard Lake Schools, the WSU Distinguished Alumna Award, and the Wayne County Artistic Excellence Award. Her commitment to help students succeed led Dr. Suchara to establish the Helen Suchara endowed Scholarship at WSU, giving future generations of education students the same opportunities that she had.

January 2, 1919 – July 27, 2017

Nancy Jean Held, Nu



Nancy Jean Held was born in Winnipeg, Canada, and spent her childhood years between Des Moines, Iowa, and Bismarck, North Dakota. She graduated in 1950 from Theodore Roosevelt High School in Des Moines. Nancy graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Drake University where she earned her Master's Degree. She began her teaching career as a public school teacher in Northbrook, Illinois, in 1954. In 1957, she became Associate Professor of Education at Iowa Wesleyan College. In 1957, she became Professor and Director of Education at Albion College where she remained until her retirement in 1994, attaining the status of Emerita Professor of Education. While at Albion College, Nancy established a collaborative graduate program with the Bank Street College of Education in New York and was instrumental in the development of the Held Equestrian Center named in her honor.

Nancy joined Delta Kappa Gamma in November, 1958, when she was teaching at Iowa Wesleyan College, transferring to Nu Chapter, Alpha Iota State, Michigan, when she moved to Albion College.

Active in her community, Nancy served on numerous boards, including Johnson Child Care Center, Kids "N" Stuff Museum, Ismon House, Albion Interfaith Ministries, First United Methodist Church, First Presbyterian Church, and the United Theological Seminary of Ohio. In addition to Delta Kappa Gamma, she also maintained professional memberships in Phi Beta Kappa, Kappa Delta Phi, and Phi Kappa Phi.

Her varied and unique hobbies included woodworking, stained glass, metal refinishing, travel, flying, skydiving, and cooking

October 27, 1932 - February 4, 2017

Laurel Ann Grotzinger, Epsilon



Dr. Laurel Ann Grotzinger, Professor Emeritus of University Libraries at Western Michigan University, was born April 15, 1935, to Edward Ferdinand and Marian Gertrude (Greeley) Grotzinger in Truman, Minnesota. Laurel graduated Cum Laude with an A.B. in English and minors in French and History from Carleton College,

Northfield, MN. She received her M.S and Ph.D., in Library Science, from the University of Illinois.

In 1964, she was hired at Western Michigan University as Assistant Professor in the WMU School of Library Science, advancing to Director in 1966, and to Dean of the Graduate College in 1979. Dr. Grotzinger was the first woman in WMU history to be appointed dean. She also served as Chief Research Officer, Dean of the School of Library and Information Science, administrative head of the Graduate Science Education Unit, and the Center for the Study of Ethics in Society, retiring from WMU after 51 years.

Professor Grotzinger held a distinguished scholarly record as well as memberships in Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi, and Delta Kappa Gamma. She received the Distinguished Alumna Award from the University of Illinois Graduate School of Library Science. She was a prolific writer and researcher, wrote extensively, and was published in numerous scholarly and academic publications.

Dr. Grotzinger joined Alpha Psi Chapter, in 1980. She transferred to Epsilon Chapter in 1994 where she was an active and supportive member, most recently serving on the Membership Committee for 2016-2018.

April 15, 1935 – December 15, 2017

Marian Edith Moyser, Pi Chapter



David and Edith (Snuff) Walker welcomed a daughter, Marian Edith Walker, who was born on her parents' farm north of Niles, Michigan. She lived in the area all her life. Her mother's family (the Johnsons) were a Niles area pioneer family, coming to Niles by way of Ohio in 1824. Her father's family (Walkers) arrived in the area in 1828. She married Cecil Moyser on December 20, 1952.

Marian earned a B.S. and M.S. from Western Michigan University. She taught in various one room schools in Berrien County from 1931 to 1944. Among them, Miller, Geyer, Royal, Elm Valley, and Sawyer schools. She then taught in the Niles Community Schools from 1944 to 1976, including Westside and Central schools. She served as an elementary principal at Southside and Oak Manor Schools in Niles.

Marian was a member of Pi Chapter, for 67 years. She was an unofficial founding member of Pi Chapter, serving on various committees and seldom missing a meeting. From 1956-1958 she served as Chapter President. During 1992-1993, Marian was the Chapter Woman of Distinction, and in 2017 she received the Lifetime Service Award from Alpha Iota State.

On her 100th birthday, Marian was presented with the Key to the City of Niles.

Her students remembered her as being fair but firm, and wanting them all to learn. Found among her many souvenirs were notes to her from previous students, thanking her for all she had done for them. Her family considered her an inspiration, and a blessing, and will miss her.

April 1, 1912 – December 19, 2017

Norma Lola Lusby, Beta Epsilon

Norma Lola Lusby was born in Williamstown, Kentucky, to June Gayle and Ethel Catherine (Osborne) Lusby. She graduated from Eastern Kentucky University, Richmond, KY, and taught for three years in Dry Ridge, KY. She moved to Michigan where she graduated from Saginaw Valley University. She taught second grade at McKinley Elementary School in the Van Dyke Public Schools in Warren, Michigan for 37 years. She mentored new teachers, served as a student teacher supervisor, was the teacher representative for PTA, and served on several committees.

Norma was a member of Beta Epsilon Chapter for 53 years, joining April 1, 1964. She was an active member, holding every chapter office, including Chapter President, 1978-1980, and serving on many committees over the years.

A member of the Mt. Pleasant Church of Christ, Norma sang in the church choir, taught religious education, and was actively involved in making school kits for missions. She was also active in the Williamstown Women's Club, and Grant County Historical Society, where she served as treasurer.

September 25, 1936 – December 16, 2017

Membership

Delta Kappa Gamma, Coordinating Councils



The Coordinating Councils are very active this springtime, summertime, and fall! Many creative programs were organized during March and April. Councils are also planning for the summer and fall.

Detroit Metro Council

On April 21, 2018, 9:30 am to 2:00 pm, at Our Lady of Sorrows Parish and Catholic Church, 24020 Raphael Road, Farmington Hills MI, *Jane Austin* came to visit and shared her history in DKG. Also honored were the Women of Distinction in the Detroit Metro Council region. Thank you to Jackie Smart and the Detroit Metro Council Chapters for all your work at planning and organizing!

Flint Area Coordinating Council

On April 21, 2018, the FACC welcomed Outreach East at Blondie's Food and Spirits, 2520 Hill Rd., Flint MI 48507. The cost was \$12.00 and the contact person was Kathy Bennett, 8087 E. Carpenter Rd., Davison MI 48423.

Kenawa Coordinating Council

On April 21, 2018, 10:00 am to 1:00 pm, Kenawa enjoyed a visit to Windmill Island Gardens, Holland MI and box lunch from Jimmy-Johns, \$25.00. Contact Mary Tracey, 3316 Calvin Court, Grandville MI 40418.

Oakland County Coordinating Council

On April 14, 2018, 10:00 am to 2:00 pm, at Forest Lake Country Club in Bloomfield Hills, 1401 Club Drive, Bloomfield Hills MI, the Oakland County Coordinating Council celebrated Oakland County Council's Birthday with a lovely brunch and an interesting presentation by Georgeann Herbert from Detroit Public Television about Strategy and Community Engagement. Thank you to Debbie Newman and her DKG Sisters for all of their efforts to make this day so special and so memorable!

Riverlake Council

On April 21, 2018 at 12:00 pm, Riverlake enjoyed its Birthday Celebration at the Nix on the Roof, 511 Port St., Port Huron MI. Thank you to Dr. Barbara Souve for representing the Coordinating Councils and to the Riverlake Chapters for organizing this event.

Thank you!

We are very, very fortunate to belong to such a warm, inviting, stimulating group of professional, women educators. We look forward to seeing you again at our next Conference and Coordinating Council event!

Dr. Gedy Love, Omicron, and Kathy Muench, Alpha Omega
 State Coordinating Council Co-chairs.

Key Woman Educator Pin

Pin shows gold laurel leaves with a diamond setting. An open red rose with green leaves outlined in gold on a black background is in the center. The DKG letters are in red. Gold letters read...
 "KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS"



WEAR YOUR PIN WITH PRIDE

Wear your Keypin with pride. The pin is a mark of distinction and reflects the rich traditions of
 The Delta Kappa Gamma Society

Pins Available for honoring Michigan and International Women of Distinction

Red letters are on a gold background. The dark areas are raised gold. Available at State meetings or via mail with small shipping charge. Contact J-Jay Pechta See page 2.



In Honor

of

or in Remembrance

of our beloved chapter and state Society members, chapters and individual members can give memorials and gifts to the following Michigan Alpha Iota State Funds:

- ◆ Kathy Cashen NE Regional Fund
- ◆ Katherine Keeling Memorial Grant
- ◆ International Convention Grant
- ◆ Member Supporting Member Fund
- ◆ Betsey Cooper Leadership Development Fund
- ◆ Jane Goudreault Memorial Grant
- ◆ International Educational Foundation

*Contributions should be sent to State Treasurer, Loretta Miles. (See page 2)

Grants Available: Just Apply

Alpha Iota State offers non-competitive grants to attend the International Convention in Austin, Texas. This year the Jane Goudreault Memorial Grant will offer two grants for partial reimbursement to first-timers to attend the International Convention in Austin, Texas in July. The International Convention Grant is also available, one time only, to partially cover the cost of the registration fee for the 2018 Convention. One member from every chapter is eligible.

Information and application forms for any of the Alpha Iota grants can be found online at www.dkgmichigan.org.

Submitted by Judi Fisher, Gamma Alpha
 State Scholarship Chair judifisher@yahoo.com

Membership

White Roses in Memoriam

Bequest of Delta Kappa Gamma Pins

In the event of my death, I respectfully request that my family donate my Delta Kappa Gamma Pins to: _____ Chapter or to the Michigan (Alpha Iota) State Organization

Signed: _____

Contact Person: _____

Date: _____

Please cut this out or make a copy and place with your pins, so that your heirs will know what to do with them.

Honor a future member with your legacy.

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



Honoring Our Deceased Sisters: 2018 Ceremony of Remembrance



The 2018 Ceremony of Remembrance, honoring deceased Delta Kappa Gamma women, will be held on Sunday, May 6 during the Alpha Iota State Convention at the Marriott Auburn Hills Pontiac in the main meeting room. Members, including honorary members, for whom Form 6 has been received by February 28, 2018, will be honored in the 2018 ceremony. The ceremony honors and celebrates the lives our departed sisters through music, readings, candle lighting, placing of roses, and by reading the names of these women. If the passing of a sister has touched your chapter, we ask that a representative of your chapter participate in the ceremony by placing a rose and lighting a candle.

Many chapters hold their own ceremony at a chapter meeting and place a white rose for the member similar to what is done at the convention. Some use a poem or reading of their choice and most include a remembrance or tribute to the deceased member in their chapter newsletter.

Chapters may ask the family if they would like to have a White Rose Ceremony at the funeral or memorial service. Chapter members often attend the funeral services individually or as a group and may be invited to talk or to share something about their sister.

A chapter may choose to have a dinner to honor their sister or just reminisce at a chapter function. Whatever way your chapter chooses to honor departed members, it is the remembering of our deceased members that is important. As members of Delta Kappa Gamma, we bond through our shared interests, experiences, and friendships. Honoring our sisters at their passing is a significant and poignant expression of the depth of our compassion for one another.

If your chapter has other ways to honor deceased members, please share those with the Alpha Iota State Ceremony of Remembrance Committee.

Submitted by Alpha Iota State Ceremony of Remembrance Committee Co-chairs

*Gwen Graham (Mu)
godonnell@aol.com*

*Patricia Wittler (Delta)
Wit64ler@aol.com*



Women in the Arts Information & Registration

Women In The Arts

Have you attended Women in the Arts? Has it been a while? The weekend event, this year October 19-21, 2018 at Keutenen Center near Cadillac, is, as usual, open to all members and guests. You do not need to be an artist to attend or to be a presenter. Sessions usually run about 45 minutes but have been anywhere from 5 minutes and up. Longer projects can be completed at home. No one is required to teach a class, and you can choose the items or crafts you wish to duplicate or just relax. Many sessions are taught by an attendee who found an idea on Pinterest or in a magazine and just wanted to try it themselves. We have talented artists but many more who simply like experimenting with new materials or media or just in a new way. It is a great time to make new friends and catch up with women you already know. Bring a roommate or let us find you one.

If you would like to share an idea or project, contact co-chairs Claire Rettenmund, cerbirder@yahoo.com or Kathy O'Neill, koneill0444@charter.net. If you wish to be a presenter but need a project, we will also help you with that. We look forward to seeing you this fall.

WOMEN IN THE ARTS RETREAT



Friday, October 19 – Sunday, October 21, 2018
Arrival 4:00 PM or later – 10:30 AM Sunday
Kettunen Center, 14901 4H Drive, Tustin, MI 49688
(231) 829-3421

REGISTRATION FORM
Deadline September 3, 2018

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Chapter _____
Phone _____

Email _____

Roommate Preference _____

Lodge Preference (Aspen or Birch) _____

\$185.00 - Lodging at Aspen or Birch Lodge and 4 meals
\$16.00 – Optional Friday Night Dinner, 5:30 – 6:15 p.m.
Total including Friday Dinner \$201.00

Single room, add \$48.50 = \$249.50 with dinner (\$233.50 without)

Total Remitted: _____

Make check payable to: DELTA KAPPA GAMMA
Send to: Kathy O'Neill
8402 Bellechasse Drive
Davison, MI 48423
(810) 653-0444 koneill0444@charter.net

Cancellation Date: September 14, 2018 to guarantee a full refund

Would you be willing to present an activity? _____

If so what one? _____

Come join your Delta Kappa Gamma sisters at Kettunen Center for our Women in the Arts retreat. Learn a new craft, bring one of your own or just relax.

You do not need to be a member to come. Guests are welcome.

We are staying in 2 lodges connected on opposite sides to a lounge/meeting room area. Each lodge has 13 double occupancy rooms and a large community bathroom.

The price includes 2 nights lodging and meals on 2 days.
10/19. Check In
Optional Dinner for \$16
10/20. Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner
10/21. Breakfast only

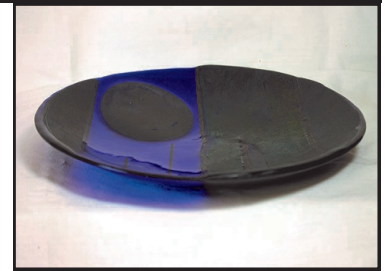
In late September, you will receive a communication listing activities and other information about the weekend. Please add us to your Address Book so that you receive these emails.

Thanks
Claire Rettenmund
cerbirder@yahoo.com
Kathy O'Neill
koneill0444@charter.net

Michigan Artists-International Gallery of Arts

Art Work From Six Michigan Members Accepted

Before you miss your opportunity, check out the gallery soon. There are 6 Michigan members represented in this Fall Gallery. A member can submit an entry application only twice a year to be in the Gallery. Jan.5st and Aug. 1st are the opening dates for submissions, and they stay open for one month. Selected works will then be displayed online from the first of May until November when the fall gallery will be posted. You can also see past Gallery selections. **You can see this *Wolverine* page in color at dkgmichigan.org choose the 2018 Spring Edition.



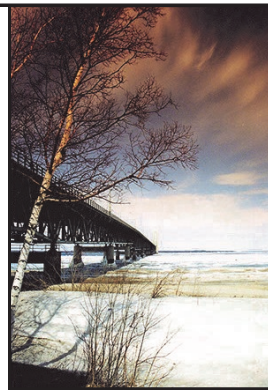
Visual Arts: Poly Wog Flats is a copper etching; My Son Jake and His Kittens is a Drawing using Ink and Watercolor. In the Crafts category is a Slump Glass Plate all designed by Karen Blaskowski, Alpha Tau Chapter, Eastern UP



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Carol A. Trembath
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Photography: Prairie Warbler, Zoom, and Flying by Margaret Meehan, Beta Rho, Lambertville, MI.



Photography:
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Lake Superior
The Mighty Mac
Bridge, Mackinac
City, MI
My Favorite Lady
Slippers, Eastern
Upper Peninsula, MI
Karen Carlstedt,
Alpha Tau Chapter

Kathleen Rodak, Zeta, Farmington Hills, MI entered Carrie's Teddy Bear using Acrylic Paints. The Charming Couple is a watercolor painting as is the picture Bottled Dreams.

To locate the Gallery of Arts go the www.dkg.org website and choose **Home** in the top right corner after you sign in. Scroll down the home page until you find the picture frame that reads **Fine Arts Gallery**.

The month of May 2018 is the time-frame for the next round of entries to be posted in **The DKG Gallery of Fine Arts**. You may submit Literary Efforts, Ceramics, Sculpture, Performance Art, Photography, and Crafts. For information and help in entering, contact Kathleen Rodak, at k.rodak@sbcglobal.net or 248-474-8407

Let's Go to Austin!



Mark the dates on your calendar! The DKG International Convention will be in Austin, Texas, with the opening ceremonies the evening of Monday, July 16th and closing with the banquet on Friday, July 21st. It will be an amazing convention, with the event taking place at the beautiful JW Marriott in downtown Austin. BYOCB (“Bring Your Own Convention Bag”) and join other DKG women from around the world.



The days will be packed with the presentation of the flags, great breakout sessions and ten-minute takeaways, general membership meetings, forums, the Celebration of Life, luncheons and the banquet. There will be opportunities for professional and personal growth, and we will be discussing and voting on a myriad of proposals and amendments to our DKG Constitution and Standing Rules. There will be the election of our 2018-2020 International officers and other personnel. (There is information on the proposals and the nominees in the *DKG News* and on the DKG website.) There is a fundraiser for the Educational Foundation, the Marketplace for shopping, and musical presentations. In addition, Austin is the birthplace of DKG. You will be able to tour the Society headquarters, a beautiful building filled with history.

The speakers include Mr. Benjamin Zander, a famous conductor and musical director who will speak on leadership, the arts and optimism. He co-authored a book entitled “The Art of Possibility”, and he believes that “attitude is transformative in our personal and professional lives.” Also speaking is Ms. Nadia Lopez. A school principal, she has written “The Bridge to Brilliance: How One Principal in a Tough Community is Inspiring the World.” She works to save students in a poor and dangerous Brooklyn neighborhood, seeking to insure they have a future and success in life.

Even with all that, you will have time to explore the city of Austin, well known for its music, with over 250 live venues to experience, featuring country, blues and rock bands. There are numerous restaurants, including, of course, barbeque and brisket! The town is charming, lively and exciting, with something to interest everyone. It is easy to get around and offers much in the way of entertainment. The hotel is near vibrant and busy Sixth Street, many art galleries, the Texas State Capitol, and the University of Texas campus. You could visit the LBJ Library and Museum, the Austin Zoo, and the parks and nearby lakes. Check out Zilker Park and Lady Bird Lake for walking, biking, swimming and boating. The Austin-Bergstrom airport is a scant seven miles from the hotel convention site, and transportation in town is easy and convenient.

Hotel and convention registration is now open. Information and links are on the home page of the Society’s website and details were shared in the *January/February 2018 DKG News*. Make plans to visit Austin and be a part of the International DKG 2018 Convention. Bring friends, get together with DKG friends from the U.S. and other countries, and make friends! There is so much to do, see and learn while you are there!

Submitted by Liz VanWestenburg, Gamma Gamma, Alpha Iota Membership Committee Chair

Deals for You and DKG



At each level of the Society, revenue is necessary to carry out daily operations, to fund projects, and to conduct conferences and conventions. Dues alone do not cover these expenses. This is why alternative funding through negotiated benefits and deals is so important. Such perks are mutually beneficial to members and the Society. Members benefit by taking advantage of selected products or services, and DKG is provided a source of non-dues revenue.

Shopping: Do you love to shop? Your purchases can serve as one of the easiest and most beneficial ways to support the Society through non-dues revenue. Amazon, the world’s largest online retailer, will donate 0.5% of your purchase price on every purchase made when you designate DKG as your favorite charitable organization. Just sign up at smile.amazon.com, and every time you shop through Amazon, DKG benefits. An additional shopping deal is available through Goodshop. Once you register, you will get their automatic coupon finder, **Gumdrop by Goodshop**, which saves time and money when you shop online. Goodshop will also donate a portion of purchases to DKG.

Health: Recognizing people’s need for hearing aids, DKG has partnered with **TruHearing**. Prices for hearing aids through TruHearing offer savings for members and their families and a source of non-dues revenue to the Society.

Travel: **GoAhead Tours** has joined with DKG to provide travel opportunities to members as well as their families and friends. Each tour booked provides a source of non-dues revenue to DKG. Travelers enjoy carefully selected hotels, excellent meals, professional tour guides, and comfortable coaches. Look on the DKG website for information on planned tours.

Submitted by Liz VanWestenburg, International Non-Dues Revenue Committee Member

International News



DKG International Educational Foundation Is "Giving to Educate the World"

Celebrate by Giving using the Online

Contribution Form

- **Give to the Educational Foundation** to honor your friends, your mentors, your chapter, yourself.
- **Give to the Educational Foundation** to memorialize your loved ones.
- **Give to the Educational Foundation** to celebrate an achievement, to recognize your champions.
- **Give a dollar for each year** - Give a dollar or the equivalent of your age on your birthday as a way to pass on the good works to future members.

More information is available on the website. www.dkgef.org
Donations are 100% tax deductible for U.S. citizens

LEAVE A LEGACY!

Your tax deductible (U.S.) contributions that are given to the DKG Educational Foundation "go global" through awards for educational projects and professional development to members and non-members. The money collected will enhance the numbers and kinds of projects funded by the Educational Foundation. More information is available on the website. www.dkgef.org



Need Money For Professional Development?



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

We have a deal for you!

Cornetet Professional Development Awards

Available to members and non-members

Up to \$2000

Three award cycles:

September 1, February 1, May 1

Go to: www.dkgef.org

1. Click on Apply
2. Click on Cornetet Professional Development
3. Click on Individual Awards Application



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

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

What Your Money Can Do:

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

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