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Pi State Welcomes Our New Officers *Elected at the 2019 New York State Convention*

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Pre-Conference Seminars

**Seminar 1 – Mashantucket Pequot
Museum**

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Registration fee - \$50

**Seminar 2 – Restorative Practice
Framework and Violence Prevention**

9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Foxwoods Convention Center

Registration fee - \$50

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DKG Vision Statement:
Leading Women Educators
Impacting Education Worldwide



"Opportunities to Connect"

Mary-Martha Harvey

Pi State President 2017 - 2019

"Coming together is a beginning;

keeping together is progress;

working together is success."

~Henry Ford

Many, many DKG members and guests gathered together **April 26-28** for our **2019 New York State Organization 72nd Convention, "Connecting with the Finger Lakes,"** at the **Ramada Geneva Lakefront** to see our dear DKG friends; to meet new ones who share our common purposes and experiences; to learn more about Society updates and our State news and accomplishments; to participate in the business of our NYS Organization; and to celebrate ----- and oh, did we ever have a LOT to celebrate.

Our Convention celebrated this biennium and all the honored members who have contributed to its success and have continued the rich history of our outstanding State Organization as well as conducting State business and electing the Officers that will lead us in our next biennium. We are all so grateful to the East Central Area Chapters (*Alpha Theta, Alpha Tau, Beta Delta* and *Omega*) who welcomed members to the April Convention and worked diligently to make the event a success. Though our weather was not our best, we hope that everyone enjoyed our scenic and historic Finger Lakes area.

To keep us all connected this biennium, our State Committees provided new resources.

Each Convention attendee received a RED BOOK that contained the Biennial 2017-2019 Reports of State Officers and Committees as well as Convention Rules, 2017 Convention Meeting Minutes and 2019-2020 Budget. I hope Convention attendees will share their RED BOOKS with their Chapter members. I want to give ***special thanks to our State Officers, Elected Personnel, Chairs and Committee members for their dedicated work on behalf of our State Organization this biennium.***

Our Chapters ... Our Success ... Connecting

Technology gives us many avenues from phone calls to emails to texts to websites to meetings to online and print but it is the one-to-one connection with our members that truly means the most. I am grateful for our Chapter Presidents for sharing my *President's News & Notes* to keep each of you informed about our State Organization, to officially visit many of our Chapters and Area Councils, and to dialogue with members about our State Organization, answer questions and provide resources and support.

In our Chapters, *truly the heart of our Society*, we have many opportunities to involve, encourage, support, connect and collaborate with members, our key women educators. I want to *thank* our Chapters who have shared DKG with Inductees during this biennium and all our members for their involvement in Chapter activities, projects and meetings and sharing your ideas and accomplishments.

I wish you all continued success as we each strengthen our Chapters, grow professionally, expand our horizons, share our talents and skills, and I hope personally, celebrate YOU just being the best YOU that you can be.

Abundant thanks for sharing with me so many, many "Opportunities to Connect."

Best Wishes,
M.M.

Welcome to our new biennium ~ "DKG: Opportunities for Dialogue, Knowledge and Growth."

Many *congratulations* to our **2019-2021 Executive Committee** leaders --- elected Incoming Officers: President **Sue Kenoyer**, First Vice President **Jennifer Lee-Alden**, Second Vice President **Dr. Renée Funke**, Secretary **Lisa Huyck** --- Immediate Past President **Mary-Martha Harvey** --- Elected Personnel: Executive Secretary **Karen Crumley**, Treasurer **Suzanne Patrick**, Editor **Kim Goldhirsch** --- and appointed Parliamentarian **Erin Merrill**.

*Sue Kenoyer***DKG: Opportunities for Dialogue, Knowledge, and Growth*****President-Elect Sue Kenoyer***

2019-2021 Biennium

I hope you have had a great convention conversing, learning things at our workshops, and growing as a person and teacher. I wish I could have split into several people so that I could have attended more of the workshops! But life is full of choices, and I want to thank you for the choice you made today to elect me as your president for the next biennium. I promise I will do my best to carry out the duties of the job within the constraints of my family and work life.

How many of you have stopped to read the comment cards on the trifold by the registration table? You were asked to write down what you hoped to get from your membership when you decided to join DKG. I think the original idea for this collection of comments came from the Executive Committee, and then the Membership Committee took over the job of creating and advertising it. When I first heard the idea I was struck by how well it fit into my idea for a theme for a New York State Biennium: DKG: Opportunities for Dialogue, Knowledge, and Growth.

If you haven't read the card I posted it says: I hoped for opportunities, in a friendly atmosphere, to discuss educational issues, share best practices, and generally increase my knowledge of mathematics and great lesson plans in order to grow as a teacher and as a person. (Yes, I had trouble fitting it on the card.)

I have to say that I love teaching. I love the interaction with students, the chance to share ideas with them, and to watch them grow to become good thinkers. After all, you may have noticed the quote from Albert Einstein in the program for the Birthday Luncheon: "The value of education is not ... the learning of many facts but the training of the mind to think something that cannot be learned from textbooks." When I joined DKG in 1995 it was at the invitation of another math teacher from my school. She explained about the Society and its seven purposes, and that they went to lunch. I was immediately interested. If they supported those seven purposes then there must be opportunities for me to talk with other teachers about the things I was interested in. There would be chances to learn about great lesson plans for teaching factoring or solving equations or the Mean Value Theorem, and I could share my own successes. I joined and met many other teachers of all levels from other schools in the area. I found those opportunities that I was looking for in DKG. A few years after I joined, Jane Tanner's convention was in Lake Placid and I found a whole other level to DKG. That meeting was the start of my attending Area Council meetings, state level meetings, Northeast regional meetings, and International meetings. Every time I found women who were as interested in conversation about educational issues as I was. I found great workshops and speakers to inspire me, women to admire, and strong and effective role models, all of which have helped me to learn and grow. I saw personal Opportunities for Dialogue, Knowledge, and Growth through life-long learning.

I think we should all aspire to be life-long learners. For many years, to me that meant I wanted to learn more about the mathematics I was teaching, ways to get that information to students, but maybe most importantly how to convince my students that it really wasn't the final correct answer I was the most interested in. Instead, as Einstein suggested, I wanted them to convince me, beyond the shadow of a doubt, that their answer was the correct one and that they had thought through the concepts and how to apply them to reach that answer. Even now after 42 years teaching math at all levels I still love to learn things that will help me be a better teacher, or – as I like to think of myself – a classroom leader. Now that I am semi-retired (if you can say I am semi-retired with 160 students this semester), I am also looking for knowledge in other areas. My husband and I took up square dancing, I take classes in making jewelry, I take classes in gardening, and we travel. I am a life-long learner and DKG has been a big part of that experience. I think that DKG has offered me opportunities for life-long learning and educational discussions which have contributed greatly to my growth as a wife, a mother, a grandmother, a friend, a colleague, a teacher, and as a DKG member. As a State we recently celebrated our DKG membership, and I certainly celebrate my membership in DKG. A large part of this celebration includes my involvement in the activities of this Society, along with my support of its programs and positions on issues. During this last Biennium we have looked at the connections we have, others we may need to improve, and some we need to make. Now I propose that we go one step further and make sure we use our membership at every level of DKG to provide opportunities for DIALOGUE, KNOWLEDGE and GROWTH.

Thank you so much for your attention tonight and I invite you, whether you are retired or not, to put DKG: Opportunities for Dialogue, Knowledge and Growth, to work for you.

Meet Dr. Renee Funke, Second Vice President

Dr. Renee L. Funke, a member of *Kappa Chapter* since 2010, is currently serving as Chapter President. She is a member of the State Leadership Development Committee and Area Council Ad Hoc Committee. She was Secretary of the NW/SW Area Council Planning Committee 2017-2018.

Renee is an Associate Professor at Jamestown Community College (2009-present) where she has designed and implemented course materials for the Teacher Education Program. Other responsibilities include Director of Teacher Education and Coordinator of Field Placements. She is also the College Connections Liaison for both the Education and Leadership Committees.



Meet Lisa Huyck, Secretary-Elect

Inducted into *Rho Chapter* on October 22, 2003, Lisa has served as the Treasurer since 2008. She served on State Communications Committee and as State Secretary for 2017-2019 and was just re-elected for 2019-2021 biennium.

A graduate in 1985 from Clarkson University with an Industrial Engineering degree, she received her Masters from SUNY Oneonta in 1992. She holds permanent certificates in Business Education, Reading Teacher K-12 and Distributive Education.

Lisa began teaching in 1984 as a Reading Teacher and a long-term substitute. After completing college, she substituted and was then hired as a Migrant Tutor, working for the NYS Research Foundation. In September of 1986 she began her job at Franklin Central School where she is still teaching. She has served as Advisor to almost every extra-curricular activity and both the Treasurer and Secretary of the Teacher's Association. She became an Adjunct Instructor for SUNY Delhi eight years ago, teaching Financial Accounting. She is also an Adjunct Instructor for Tompkins County Community College

in Dryden, teaching College Marketing and College Business Math through the dual enrollment program for high school students.

She has served on the Advisory Board of her local Credit Union, on the Human Ecology Advisory Committee for Cornell Cooperative Extension, and presently sits on the Franklin-Treadwell Kellogg Trust Foundation Board. She is very active in the local Fire Department and the Emergency Squad, currently holding a NYS EMT-B Certificate. She is also an American Heart Association CPR Instructor and recently co-instructed the CPR Certification Workshops at the DKG NYS 2019 Convention on April 27th where members were able to achieve CPR Certification.



Newly Elected Finance Committee Members:

East Central Area - Carol Lord, *Beta Delta*
Northwestern Area - Barbara Filipiak, *Alpha Theta*
Southwestern Area - Diane Dietrich, *Beta Epsilon*
Southeastern Area - Emilie Stris, *Gamma Alpha*
West Central Area - Claudia Cerasani, *Beta Gamma*

Newly Elected Nominations Committee Members:

Northern Area - Carol Lamb, *Beta Mu*
Capital Area - Dr. Anna Marie Bonafide, *Alpha Nu*
South Central Area - Erin Merrill, *Beta Chi*
North Central Area - Mary Kay Hickey, *Beta Chapter*
Eastern Area - Barbara Keis, *Phi*

NEW YORK STATE ORGANIZATION CONVENTION AND EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING, APRIL 26-28, 2019

The New York State Convention, held in Geneva, New York during the last weekend of April 2019, was three days of listening, learning, connecting and celebrating. Listening, we heard International Executive Director, **Nita Scott**, give a Society Update: "Evolution, Momentum, and Transparency." This helped members to evaluate their perspective of and contribution to the future of Delta Kappa Gamma International. Each of her presentations during the three days of the Convention conveyed the importance of the Society in today's world of education and the vital contribution of each member at every level of the Society. Listening, we also heard Joyce Thompson-Hovey talk about NYS women who led not from behind, but from out in front. Putting themselves in physical peril in order to fight for their belief in the dignity, intelligence, and power of women.

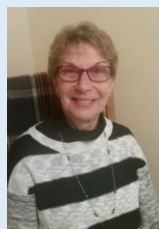
Learning opportunities were plentiful and easy to access. Workshops offered fundraising suggestions, information about Standing Rules and BYLAWS changes, teaching to the standards, leadership development, and even CPR training and certification. Attending the Executive Board Meeting taught the participants and observers the importance of preparation and procedure in conducting the business of the NYS organization.

The State Convention was the culmination of President Mary Martha Harvey's biennium whose theme was "Opportunities to Connect." The Convention gathering gave chapter members the chance to connect names with faces and personalities, to meet State Committee chairs and members, to connect with friends and friends to be. State Committee chairs and members all emphasized the fact that the experience of serving gives more than it takes and provides connections that last a lifetime. Connecting with past leaders and committee chairs provides confidence and leadership skills for the present members who in turn prepare the next generation of key women educators to take their place as leaders of the Society.

Dedication and hard work lead to achievement and participants took time to celebrate the many achievements of chapters, members and leaders. The Birthday Celebration Luncheon (a most memorable event) recognized years of service of both chapters and individuals, including the "Woman of Distinction" from each chapter. The President's Banquet was a celebration of leadership as the new State Officers were installed and began the work of the next biennium, led by President Sue Kenoyer. The somber and very moving Hour of Remembrance paid tearful tribute to recently deceased DKG members. Rewarding scholarship, award and grants-in-aid recipients at the Sunday Brunch brought the Convention to a fitting close.

On a more personal note, I found the meeting of the Pi State Educational Foundation of particular interest. The Board of Directors ran a tight meeting and members applying for open positions on the Board gave a short oral presentation explaining why they hoped to be elected and what they hoped to do while serving on the board. It was gratifying to find that there were more women applying than there were openings. Many other committees wish that they had that problem!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Travel and Study Committee for reviewing my application and for awarding me a generous stipend that helped make my attendance at the Convention possible. I listened to wonderful speakers, learned valuable lessons, connected with people, committees and issues, and celebrated the women who are the New York State Organization of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. It was a most rewarding experience.



By **Barbara M. Filipiak**, *Alpha Theta Chapter*,
from her report to the
Travel and Study Stipend Committee

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

2019 Native American Grant Awards*Danielle McKean***Danielle McKean**

Danielle McKean, a member of the Tuscarora Nation, will receive a grant award in the amount of \$5400. She is currently attending Niagara Community College majoring in Human Services/Chemical Dependency Counseling. Danielle just returned to the academic life after taking a semester off due to a life-threatening pregnancy and the birth of her son. She is enrolled in a full schedule this semester and plans to continue her education at Buffalo State to earn her baccalaureate degree in counseling. Danielle still finds time to do volunteer work at a women's shelter. She is a first-time recipient of the grant.

*Lori Lachowski***Lori Lachowski**

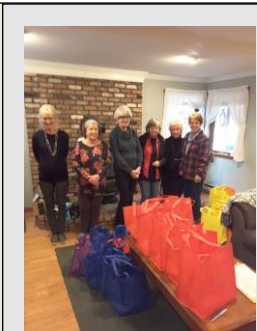
Lori will enter her senior year at Niagara University in the Fall 20L9. She is currently studying 5-12 Social Studies Education and also working on Special Education certification. She has already had opportunity to gain 40 hours of classroom experience in preparation for her student teaching experience which she will do during the 2019-2020 academic year. Maintaining an outstanding academic record throughout her 3 years at Niagara University, Lori was inducted into Pi Lambda Theta Education Honor Society which requires inductees to maintain a GPA of 3.5 or higher. Lori will receive the Native American grant award of \$400.

*Cierra Mt. Pleasant***Cierra Mt. Pleasant**

A member of the Cayuga Six Nations, Cierra is a sophomore in the SUNY Geneseo early childhood education program. During the fall 2018 semester she achieved dean's list. In addition, she is taking acting classes and has a minor in theater. She plays leadership roles in the student organization Young Children's Council. She will also receive the Native American Grant of \$400. She received Delta Kappa Gamma Native American grant money both as a freshman and sophomore.

*Kelsey Lachowski***Kelsey Lachowski**

Kelsey is completing her freshman year at Niagara Community College as an elementary education major. During her first semester she was on the dean's list and was subsequently inducted into the Phi Theta Kappa, an honorary society. Kelsey is active in the Teacher Education Club where she can interact with teachers and learn more about the field of education. She is on the NCCC women's basketball which just completed an undefeated season. Kelsey is enrolled as a member of the Tuscarora Nation and has experience teaching basketball at the Tuscarora Indian Elementary School as well as volunteering in several of the community projects for the Tuscarora Nation. She will receive a \$400 Native American Grant from DKG.



Bea Small Recognition Award

Alpha Pi Chapter

Welcome Bag Project

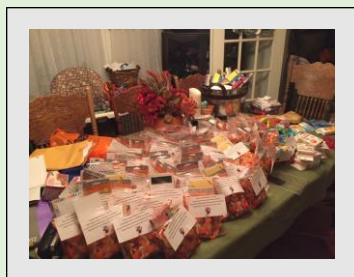
Joanne Carroll, President

Project Director: **Rosemary Van Wart**

“The Walter Hoving Home in Garrison, New York, is a residential program for women who have been addicted to drugs, alcohol or have experienced other life controlling problems. Since many women arrive at the Hoving Home with very few possessions, our chapter has been filling “Welcome Bags” with basic necessities for the past nine years. Our members fill the bags with a towel, washcloth and personal hygiene products including shampoo, combs, bath soap, toothpaste and toothbrushes. A short note of encouragement is added to each bag. Receiving a Bea Small Award again this year will enable us to reach more women as they begin their journey toward recovery.” ... *From Alpha Pi*

Ellie Robinson

Chair Bea Small Award Committee



Bea Small Recognition Award

Psi Chapter

Community Welcome Bags Project

Project Directors: **Melissa Bistor-Cross** and **Katie Inhelder**

“On behalf of the Plattsburgh *PSI Chapter* of DKG, we would like to thank you for recognizing our “Welcome Bags” as a worthy community service project. This project has been in existence since 2010. The Community and Personal Services Committee reaches out to area school districts every September and sends a “Welcome Bag” and letter of encouragement to new hires in those area districts. The last two years, we sent out almost 200 bags to new teachers in our North Country communities. Donations come from sisters in DKG and from monetary donations that are used to help purchase needed supplies. Bag items include post-it notes, *Kleenex*, *Chapstick*, candy, stamps, coffee mugs, tea and cocoa pouches, thank you cards, antibacterial hand soap and lotion, pens, highlighters, lunch bags, bookmarks, computer dust wipes, and letters of encouragement. Your generous donation will help us sustain this project and the high demand of new hires in area communities. Thank you for the opportunity to serve in this capacity.” ... *From Psi*

Ellie Robinson, Chair Bea Small Award Committee

International Conference: Arts & Humanities

Asheville, NC

June 27-29, 2019

GLADYS L. MERSEREAU GRANT-IN-AID Angela Grillone-Markel



Angela Grillone-Markel

Angela Grillone-Markel has been selected to receive the 2019 Gladys L. Mersereau Grant-in-Aid. She is currently expecting completion of her NYS certification requirements in May 2019. This grant will help her with certification and EdTPA fees. She completed her A.A. in Early Childhood Education in 2004 from Cayuga Community College and her B.S. in Elementary and Special Education in 2018 from Grand Canyon University. She is currently the Director of the Healthy Kids Program and a long-term Substitute for the Waterloo Central School District. She hopes to teach third grade upon completion of her certification requirements and to continue with her Masters.

Angela was nominated by *Beta Delta* member **Ellen Hughes**, Angela's former teacher and Board of Education member. She stated, "Where some might be defeated, Angela strives to make her dream [of teaching] come true."

Mary-Martha Harvey
NYS President & Chair

DKG International Executive Director Nita Scott with Frederica Hollister Professional Educators Award Recipient Dr. Alice Young, Alpha Alpha at the Convention Awards Brunch



Photo Credit: Carol Lord

Frederica Hollister Professional Educators Award

The 2019 *Frederica Hollister Professional Educators Award* is presented to **Dr. Alice Young**, *Alpha Alpha*, a 53-year member of DKG.

Alice's love of teaching began at a young age when she taught migrant workers to read and write in North Carolina. In 1952, she became employed by the Rochester City Schools where she became first a teacher, then Principal, and then Central Office Administrator. In 1961, Dr. Young was named as a Founding Trustee of Monroe Community College (MCC) and she served as President of the Board from 1978-1998. Numerous MCC awards and scholarships have been named in her honor, including the Alice Holloway Young Scholarship. It is that fund which Alice has chosen to receive the Frederica Hollister Award monetary donation.

Jennifer Lee-Alden, Chair

2019 Georgia I. Hartmann Scholarship

Brita Donovan, *Beta Omega* Chapter, is the 2019 recipient of the Georgia I. Hartmann Scholarship. After her induction in 2016, she quickly immersed herself in committee work in the Chapter and then as Chapter Secretary. She is currently serving as the Chapter's Second Vice President. She also attended the North Central Area Conference in 2017.

Brita is the Superintendent of Schools in the Galway Central School District. She has had an extensive career in education, and in the last 15 years has held many leadership positions from Assistant Principal to Athletic Director to Director of Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment. She also continues to serve as a trainer in the Dignity for All Students Act. In addition, she has served her community of Stillwater as a past School Board President and is active in the town's Historical Society.

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Brita Donovan

Verna Mulholland Friend of Education Award

Lynn Vergano

Lynn Vergano is a world-renowned expert in the style of oriental watercolor. Lynn has lectured, judged and critiqued artwork. Her lectures and paintings have been presented at the United Nations, universities and museums.

Lynn has been invited to lecture and present exhibitions in Hong Kong, Thailand, Taiwan, Turkey, Italy, Brazil, Mexico, New Zealand, as well as the Metropolitan Museum of Art, the World Trade Center and the National Arts Club. She has presented programs to Delta Kappa Gamma. Lynn has received many honors for her paintings and service to the Arts. The American Association of University Women of New York City honored her with the Woman of Achievement Award.

As a long-term member and current Vice President of the National Society of Arts and Letters, Lynn has judged student art to qualify for national scholarships. Lynn attended Pratt Institute and earned a Masters degree from New York University. Lynn's biography is included in *Marguis Who's Who in the World*, *Who's Who in America* and the *British World's Who's Who of Women*.

Emilie Stris, Chair



Leslie Chambers

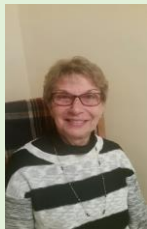
Travel and Study Stipend Recipients 2019

Leslie Chambers is a recipient of this year's travel and Study Stipend. She will be attending the International Conference in Reykjavik, Iceland this summer. Leslie began her teaching career in 1966 as an Elementary School Teacher as well as an Adjunct Professor for the School of Education at St. Bonaventure University. She is currently a member and President of the *Beta Epsilon* Chapter. Leslie has also been the Recording Secretary and Co-President of the *Alpha Sigma* Chapter. At the State Level, Leslie was *Beta Epsilon* representative on the NW/SW Conference Planning Committee 2016-18.

Leslie's goals and purpose for attending the conference in Iceland are very

inspiring. Her enthusiasm to continue to learn is very apparent. Her purpose is to investigate how we use and adapt communication to meet the changing needs of society, including the specific needs of various populations and the multiplicity of methods. She will attempt to identify whether some methods of communication are more likely to encourage or facilitate collaboration among participants. Leslie's goal is to develop suggestions or methods for selecting communication strategies that fit and extend the interests and skills of the communicators - audience as well as provider. Her hope that the impact for DKG will be ideas and practices to improve interest in and access to all levels of information by all members regardless of location.

Pat Turner, Chair



Barbara Filipiak

Barbara Filipiak is a recipient of this year's Travel and Study Stipend. She will be attending the NYS Convention in Geneva, New York in April 2019. Barbara is a retired 4th grade teacher at the Medina Central School District. She has been a very active member of the *Alpha Theta* Chapter since 2005. Barbara held the position of Treasurer for 6 years and President for one term. She has served on the Finance Committee, served as the Chair of the Rules Committee and was recently the Co-Chair of the NW/SW Area Council Conference. At the State Level, Barbara is the NW Area Council Nominee for the Finance Committee.

Barbara believes that attending the Convention will help her to understand the committee's work and allow her to be better prepared to function as a member of the NYS Finance Committee. As Past President of *Alpha Theta* Chapter, she has previously attended State Executive Board meetings and has always been impressed with the dedication and professionalism of the women who comprise the membership of DKG. By attending the Convention, Barb hopes to renew friendships and increase her knowledge of the workings of this Society at the State level. She will be able to share this knowledge with Chapter members and encourage more women to be willing to accept Chapter and State positions.

The Hour of Remembrance at the 2019 Convention

The lives of the following members now deceased were celebrated at the Spring New York State Organization Convention in April at Geneva. We honor their memory, commend their accomplishments and celebrate their lives.

Alpha

Maxine Chapin 5/16/2018
Sandra Mennerich 1/25/2018

Kappa

Frances D'Angelo 7/18/2018

Nu

Natalie Babbitt 10/31/2016

Pi

Barbara Lomanto 3/15/2018

Rho

Lettie DeSilva 2/21/2018
Mary Ann Maurer 1/1/2018
Florence Mugglin 10/27/2018
Angeline M. Nielsen 3/29/2019

Tau

Margaret Di Silvestro 12/10/2018

Chi

Wilfreda Stone 6/12/2018
Irene Wilson 3/29/2018

Psi

Emily Castine 11/13/2017
Mary Jane Chilton 7/9/2017

Omega

Mary Luckern 2/10/2019

Alpha Alpha

Wyoma Best 8/25/2017
Gretchen Hughes 9/19/2018
Mary Ingersoll 11/27/2018
Mary McCadden Welch 5/6/2017
Mary Anne Pietrzykowski 8/28/2018
Congresswoman Louise Slaughter 3/16/2018

Alpha Beta

Patricia Campbell 5/8/2017

Lilian Popp 8/3/2017

Alpha Delta

Patricia Herfurth 3/19/2017

Alpha Zeta

Joan Morrison 7/7/2018

Alpha Eta

Laverne French 5/8/2018

Alpha Theta

Florence Burnett 8/1/2017
Alice K. Martin 11/1/2017

Alpha Iota

Beverly J. Castiglione 3/4/2019
Dorothy Hiler 7/21/2017
Louise Kellogg 1/4/2018
Esther M. Rogers 3/5/2018
Jane Wright

Alpha Kappa

Corinne R. Carlson 5/27/2018

Carolyn Snapp 11/2/2017

Alpha Lambda

Catherine Benjamin 4/16/2018

Alpha Nu

Stanya Jiminez 11/6/2108

Patricia Karic 9/24/2018

Dorothy Kraft 8/2/2017

Alpha Rho

Susan Coolican 8/14/2017

Margaret Locke 8/27/2017

Alpha Tau

Doris Eldredge 3/14/2017

Carol Martin 10/10/2018

Alpha Phi

Sister Regis Milhaven 3/17/2018

Dr. Eleanora Spratt 1/27/2018

Priscilla Zarub 6/29/2016

Alpha Psi

Janis Bassett 10/17/2018

Beta Gamma

Mary Dunkle 7/4/2017

Marjorie Shaw 12/18/2018

Diane Wooster 1/10/2018

Beta Delta

Kathleen Oldfield 12/6/2017

Kathleen Russo 11/27/2017

Beta Eta

Alleen Fraser 7/31/2017

Kay Michael 4/29/2017

Ann Marie Valone 2/1/2018

Beta Theta

Jean Eygnor 7/10/2018

Beta Tau

Mary Ellen Rauber 1/19/2018

Beta Chi

Shirley Corey 1/21/2019

Sheila Mahady 4/18/2018

Brenda West 10/26/2017

Beta Psi

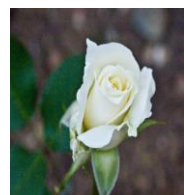
Ellen Barcel 7/16/2017

Helen Brion 5/13/2017

Gamma Delta

Beverly Anker 11/22/2017

Nancy Heiman 7/25/2017





*Convention Co-Chairs Carol Lord and Jane Morehouse
with Welcome Banner*

Photo by Carol Lord

**Past NYS Presidents at 2019 Convention
President's Banquet
April 27**



*(back row) Karen Crumley, Jeanne Schenk,
Deborah Bedard
(front row) Catherine Olinger, Maggie McCurry, Joan
Slagle, Anne-Marie Carlson*

Photo by Carol Lord



*Steering Committee Hour of Remembrance Chair
Mary Ann Gilman, Alpha Tau, and Guest*

Photo Credit: Stacy Liberati



Executive Board Meeting on 27 April ...

*Front (l to r) ... Timers Faith Prather, Alpha
Alpha; Sharon Tallman, Chi; Gail Rumsey, Omega.*

*On dias (l to r) ... IPP Deborah Bedard, Second
Vice President Jennifer Lee-Alden, First Vice
President Sue Kenoyer, Secretary Lisa Huyck,
President Mary-Martha Harvey, Parliamentarian
Ellie Robinson, Executive Secretary Karen Crumley
and Nominations Chair Diane Battaglia*

Photo Credit: Joan Slagle



*Lisa Huyck and Suzanne Patrick, Rho,
Instructors of CPR Certification Workshop*

Photo Credit: Stacy Liberati



President's Banquet, April 27

Photo Credit: Dawn Scales

Photos Courtesy Convention Steering Committee Publicity Chair Stacy Liberati, Alpha Tau



Alpha Tau Woman of Distinction Mary Peck



*Immediate Past President Deborah Bedard with
Past President Jeanne Schenk*



Convention General Session



Opening Music at General Session



*The Birthday Celebration Luncheon on April 27
with special thanks to Convention Steering
Committee Chair Lynda John, Omega*



*Chapter Presidents Denny Clark, Omega, and
Bridget Bishop, Alpha Alpha*

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2019 Women of Distinction

Northwestern

Patricia Turner, *Alpha Theta*
Julie McNamara, *Alpha Lambda*
Tressa Smith, *Gamma Gamma*
Heidi Himes, *Gamma Delta*

Southwestern

Deb Szwejbka, *Kappa*
Connie Pilato, *Kappa*
Joey Mattie, *Beta Epsilon*
Patricia Mineo, *Beta Nu*

East Central

Lynda John, *Omega*
Mary Peck, *Alpha Tau*
Joan Carlucci, *Beta Delta*
Marcia Waterman, *Beta Theta*

West Central

Maribeth Crowell, *Mu*
Linda Kotwas, *Alpha Alpha*
Elizabeth Logan, *Beta Gamma*
Myrna DiBiase, *Beta Eta*
Barbara Stewart, *Beta Tau*

South Central

Jo Sala, *Rho*
Maureen Niccolo, *Alpha Rho*
Patricia Thompson, *Beta Omicron*
Deborah Pichette, *Beta Rho*
BettyLou Pearsall, *Beta Phi*
Bernie Baldini, *Beta Chi*
Diane Masters, *Gamma Zeta*

North Central

Sara Earl, *Beta*
Mary Lou Carpenter, *Nu*
Nancy Carroll, *Sigma*
Marianne Malatino, *Chi*
Joanne Horrell, *Alpha Iota*
Mary Sundberg, *Alpha Chi*

Northern

Stephanie Allen, *Lambda*
Dr. Beverly Burnell, *Psi*
Carol Lamb, *Beta Mu*
Brenda Trivilino, *Gamma Epsilon*

Capital

Linda Casler, *Pi*
Darlene Urbonowicz, *Alpha Epsilon*
Sharon Patrick, *Alpha Kappa*
Judith Matthews, *Alpha Nu*
Kate Elder, *Alpha Psi*
Karen Jones, *Beta Omega*

Eastern

Stacey Rhubib, *Zeta*
Patricia Newman, *Tau*
Joy Bergins, *Phi*
Emily Swartz, *Alpha Gamma*
Diane Zduniak, *Alpha Zeta*
Carol Boyatsis, *Alpha Eta*
Janet Antonucci, *Alpha Pi*

South Eastern

Gloria Petitto, *Epsilon*
April Angarola, *Alpha Beta*
Geraldine G. Brown, *Alpha Phi*
Phyllis A. Voegeli, *Beta Psi*
Kristen Grunberg, *Gamma Alpha*



*Member Bell Choir
 at Awards Brunch April 28*



*Chapter Presidents Jacinda Lisanto, Beta Theta,
 and Amy Zimmerman, Alpha Tau*

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2019 Pi State Awards & Grant(s)-in-Aid Area Council Contribution Recipients

Area Council	Contribution Theme	Congratulations to...
Capital	With Love from the Capital Region A tote-full of regional goodies	Marilyn Trainor <i>Chi</i>
South Central	Garden Opportunities A collection of garden themed goodies	Michele Corona <i>Zeta</i>
Northwestern	A SWEET Connection Watson's Chocolate Sampler Basket	Sue Kenoyer <i>Psi</i>
Southwestern	Connecting with Nature A collection of nature themed goodies from the Botanical Gardens of Erie	Judy Lucyk <i>Tau</i>
West Central	Connecting with your Inner Shopper	Amy Zimmerman <i>Alpha Tau</i>
Northern	Amaz-zing Opportunities \$100 Amazon Gift Card	Barb Filipiak <i>Alpha Theta</i>
Eastern	Connecting to Baubles and Books Tiffany Gift Card and a local Hudson Valley Book	Jeanine Flinton <i>Beta Omega</i>
Southeastern	Pamper-tunities!	Gilberta Corneby <i>Alpha Rho</i>
East Central	Opportunities to Connect with the Finger Lakes A collection of gifts found only in the Finger Lakes region to satisfy your thirst, hunger and knowledge	Sherry Jackson <i>Alpha Eta</i>
North Central	Amaz-zing Opportunities \$100 Amazon Gift Card	Carol Frost <i>Beta Rho</i>

New York State Organization DKG is Pleased to Announce the 25- and 50-Year Members of the Organization

50-Year Members

Jean Rice, *Zeta*
Grace Murphy, *Alpha Beta*
Doris Bedell, *Alpha Kappa*
Marian Rutty, *Alpha Rho*
Lavonne Bain, *Alpha Psi*
Joanne Herman, *Beta Gamma*
Beverly Camp, *Beta Theta*

Eileen Edwards, *Nu*
Marilyn Kowalczyk, *Alpha Gamma*
Carole Spencer, *Alpha Rho*
Joan Bergmann, *Alpha Phi*
Sally Conrad, *Beta Gamma*
Nancy Hurlburt, *Beta Gamma*
Ann Walker, *Beta Psi*

25-Year Members

Christine Baron, *Beta*
Kristina Kowalchuk, *Lambda*
Michele Rose, *Lambda*
Jean Martin, *Sigma*
Susan Sharon, *Sigma*
Elaine Rice, *Psi*
Joan Callahan, *Alpha Beta*
Mary Foley, *Beta Delta*
Andrea Giuffre, *Beta Eta*
Victoria Rose, *Beta Tau*
Winanne Kotula, *Gamma Gamma*
Mary Bacalles, *Gamma Zeta*

Karen Walsh, *Kappa*
Kathryn Londrville, *Lambda*
Linda Evans, *Sigma*
Barbara Jean Ray, *Sigma*
Veronica Hollingsworth, *Psi*
Faith Prather, *Alpha Alpha*
Maureen Parker, *Alpha Psi*
Theresa Clark, *Beta Delta*
Patricia Barber, *Beta Rho*
Noreen Le Cann, *Beta Psi*
Judy Hagan, *Gamma Delta*
Mary Franklin, *Gamma Zeta*

Congratulations on reaching these milestones!

DKG NYS Educational Excellence Committee

One of the tasks of the *Educational Excellence Committee* is to select and schedule workshops for the spring and fall Executive Board Meetings/Seminars/Conventions. We *thank* the 2017-19 Committee for their work. And a special *thanks* goes out to Capital Area Council for providing Facilitators for many sessions.

In supporting our President-Elect Sue Kenoyer's theme of "**DKG ... Opportunities for Dialogue, Knowledge and Growth,**" we would like to continue providing to our membership meaningful opportunities for discussion and personal and professional development. In addition, we would like to help Chapters and individuals understand the need and the process for helping members earn CTLE credits.

We are committed to developing a wide variety of workshops for our members planning to attend the Seminars. On the International Educational Excellence Committee link on www.dkg.org, there is a "*Collection of Program Project and Activity Ideas for EEC*".

To start, we are asking our membership throughout New York State to share the **EEC Workshop Proposal Form** with members who would consider doing a workshop for the Spring 2020 Executive Board Meeting/Seminar, which will be held April 24-25, 2020 at the Sheraton Syracuse University Hotel & Conference Center in Syracuse. The proposal may be found on the New York State Website, menu MORE ... New York State Meeting Resources ... EEC Workshop Proposal link ...

http://www.dkgstate.org/uploads/5/8/7/8/58789757/dkg_workshop_proposal_form_2019-21.pdf.

Please feel free to share the proposal with your members. We would like to see state-wide representation. Completed proposal forms are due by **November 1, 2019**.

**Proposals should be sent to:
Sue Norris, EEC Chair 2019-2021**

PO Box 33
Raquette Lake, NY 13436
sknorris@frontiernet.net
315-354-4093

Congratulations and Thank You, NY State!

The NY State Awards Committee extends a huge THANK YOU to all members for taking the "*Opportunity to Connect!*" Your generosity, support of, and commitment to DKG NY State and the Awards and Grant(s)-in-Aid awarded each year is appreciated beyond words. With your help, NY State raised **\$5,362** in benefit tickets! Along with this amazing support, we had 10 fabulously connected Area Council gift baskets to share with 10 excited members.

83% of our Chapters participated in the benefit drawing (up by 10% from last year!). Fantastic support came from each Area Council (*% of Chapters within each AC participating*): Eastern 100%, Northern 50%, Capital 100%, Southeastern 60%, West Central 80%, East Central 100%, South Central 71%, Northwestern 100%, North Central 86% and Southwestern 100%.

(Please note: All information on the benefit tickets and patron lists are destroyed in an incinerator to keep your information private.)

Sincere thanks to you all for connecting instantly!

Erin Merrill, Awards Committee Chair

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To continue to enhance her leadership abilities and capacities, Brita is enrolled in the Sage Colleges doctoral program in Educational Leadership and will use the Hartmann scholarship in pursuing that goal. Even though she has just begun these studies, she reports that she already feels a transformation in her work as the educational leader of her school community. She has focused her review of scholarly articles thus far on women in leadership and through this, she is inspired to serve DKG to support all women educators, especially those pursuing leadership roles.

Rosemary Van Wart, Chair

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North Central Area Council Presents, "What's That You Say?", A Day About Deafness

October 5, 2019

New York Organization members are invited to join North Central Area members for a day at the New York State School for the Deaf (NYSSD) in Rome, NY. The program will begin with a light breakfast and introductions. Participants will be able to attend three sessions: Increasing your understanding of American Sign Language (ASL), Learn about the amazing advances in assistive technology, a tour of the school and the Alphonso Johnson Museum on the history of the school and deaf education.

If interested, register early at www.dkgnystate.org.

What Did I Hope to Get Out of My Membership When I Joined DKG? NYS Organization responds....

The following are the responses received from our state members to the question asked in the Spring Issue of Pi Lights. The Membership and Expansion Committee hopes you enjoy reading them!

My Mother, Betty Bilobrowlsa, was an active member of *Pi* Chapter, regional (back then) and state level. She made wonderful friendships and contributions to Pi State and *Pi* Chapter. I wanted what she had AND to share it with her. Jean Sekel, *Pi*

I joined DKG because a fellow educator asked. I went to an informational meeting at the area teacher center. I saw many women colleagues. That was 15 years ago. Most of the ones that joined with me have dropped out. Joining DKG was one of the best decisions I have made in my life. *Chi*

Affirmation of my role as a dedicated educator and an opportunity to network with like-minded women – both to make me hone my leadership skills. Joan S. *Beta Omega*

I hoped for support and ideas from veteran teachers. *Rho*

I'm in awe of the women who are in the organization. They are friendly, helpful, and hardworking. I have met a lot of new people who have educated me on DKG. I am honored to be a member of a wonderful organization. *Beta Delta*

Expectations: -Proud to be asked as it was by secret ballot before you knew you were being asked. – Camaraderie to spend time with women who had similar likes. *Tau*

I hoped for ideas and support for my teaching and the fellowship of colleagues. In addition, I hoped to do some philanthropic activities. *Alpha Tau*

I was hoping for networking and to enhance my profession through that and it has. Anna Marie Bonafide, *Alpha Nu*

I hoped to gain leadership skills, networking opportunities, and develop long-lasting friendships with fellow educators across New York State. Through my membership I have gained these opportunities and SO MANY MORE. Deborah Bedard, *Alpha Epsilon*

Being President of *Beta Delta Chapter*, I participated in the Hour of Remembrance for two Chapter members who passed away. They were both women I knew a long time before becoming a member of DKG. Kathy Oldfield was one of the first people I met over 40 years ago when I moved to the Finger Lakes from out of state. Kathy Russo and I met when our sons played on the same little league team. She also was one of the English teachers of both of my sons when they were in high school at Romulus Central School. Cornelia Johnson, *Beta Delta*

Hoped I would meet other women interested in networking about education and the role women play in education today. *Alpha Alpha*

I was invited to join DKG in 1977. I have seen the Society grow into a vibrant modern Society. Have learned much from attending Regionals and International Convention as well as State Conventions. Have assumed leadership roles in my chapter. Many opportunities are available to members- you need only make yourself available. Jane Crosby, *Alpha Tau*

At the time I joined DKG, I hoped to honor my grandmother at the time of her passing. My grandmother was an important influence in my life and DKG was an important part of her life. As a teen, I would attend events sponsored by DKG occasionally and was touched by the bonds of these wonderful women. *Chi*

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I was asked by a teacher at my church. She said you like helping college students so you would love what we do at DKG. I have been a member for 7 years and an officer for 6 years. It's all that she thought it would be. I've met tons of great women at the local and state levels.

I was honored to be invited by my sponsor with a red rose and hand-engraved invitation and with a Chapter Tea in my honor. There was no doubt about my acceptance. I loved the traditions, networking and learning opportunities. Mary-Martha Harvey, *Omega*

I was honored to be invited to be a member of Delta Kapa Gamma in 1989, 30 years ago. Over the years I have been encouraged, supported and connected with so many key women educators. Each one has added so much to my life and career. Thanks! Mary Peck, *Alpha Tau*

I was hoping to build collegial relationships within the educational community. I was also hoping to find opportunities to present workshops on various educational topics. *Beta Omega*

More professional development workshops.

I joined DKG because it was an honor to be invited to membership. Someone thought that I was a "key woman educator". That invitation made me feel that my work and career were respected by other members of the profession. I felt validated as an educator and so accepted the invitation to membership. *Alpha Theta*

I have experienced International fellowship through DKG and life-long friendships. Ann Walker, 50-year member

Important way to make new friends and to learn new ideas.

I joined our local chapter because of the respect I had for the members. I considered it a great honor to be asked, walking in the footsteps of amazing teachers, most especially my Mom, Janet Sand. I love the camaraderie, traveling to conferences, and learning so much from these excellent women. Thank you! Kate Elder, *Alpha Psi*

When I first was asked to join *Rho* Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma, I was looking for professional and personal camaraderie. *Rho*

As a high school senior, I received the first grant-in-aid given by *Alpha Tau* in 1971. I was invited to a meeting as an award winner and learned about the Gladys L. Mersereau Grant. I applied and received \$500 to help me finish my studies at Geneseo. After graduation, I was hired to teach at Bradford Central School where I taught for 36 years as an elementary teacher and reading specialist before retiring in 2010. (I took a leave of absence for a year as a curriculum mentor for BOCES.) After teaching 5 plus years, I was approached by members of *Alpha Tau*. It was (and still is) an honor to be invited to join a group of key women educators, especially since many of the teachers were ones I had and highly respected. I actively participated serving on committees, as well as being president of the chapter for two biennia (20 years apart). These experiences were rewarding and allowed me to meet so many wonderful people. It's those relationships that have kept me involved for 34 years. I still consider it an honor. I can't imagine missing a chapter meeting and I try to attend Area, State, Northeast Regional Meetings, Conventions and conferences that are fairly close. I enjoy the camaraderie and the opportunity to continue to be a life-long learner. DKG has played a role in my being a leader in other organizations – Our Town Rocks, Retired Teachers, Rotary, Deacons, Presbyterian Women, Dundee Scottish Association (I'm not Scottish). I am blessed to be a part of Delta Kappa Gamma NY. Robyn Ballard, *Alpha Tau*

I hoped for opportunities to dialogue with other teachers, to gain knowledge to help me grow personally and professionally. Sue Kenoyer. *Psi*

Maybe your Chapter Membership Committee can use these ideas to help in recruiting new members. Key ideas like networking, support, camaraderie, mentoring and professional growth are timeless. Your Chapter could even come up with your own list!

“Our Planet – Our Crisis – What’s Next?”

The 20th CTAUN Conference was held at the United Nations on Friday, April 5, 2019



Attendees learned about the initiatives from the UN, the private sector, NGOs and young people, and got ideas about what each of us can do to protect our planet. Experts from the UN Environment Program; Civil Society advocates; “*Climate Ambassadors*” from Peace Boat; young NYC students who participated in the recent *UN Climate Change Conference*; and Fabien Cousteau, Founder and President of Ocean Learning Center, presented.

Cora Weiss, Director of the International Peace Bureau that is devoted to the ideal of a culture of peace and of peace education and DKG International Honorary Member, presented the **2020 CTAUN theme “War No More.”** The conference will focus on issues of preventing war and promoting peace.

2020 will be the 75th anniversary of the United Nations which was expressly founded “*to save succeeding generations from the scourge of war.*” Ms. Weiss spoke of three major causes of war: climate change, nuclear weapons and species extinction. She noted that today there are violent conflicts in eighty countries. Peace has to be made possible – “*War No More – forevermore!*”

“The world is a global village. We are interdependent and we have to come together to protect our planet.” - H.E. Michal Kurtyka



...(standing) *NYS Past President & FDF Administrator Joan Slagle*, *NYS Executive Secretary Karen Crumley*, *NYS Immediate Past President Deborah Bedard* ... (Seated) *NYS President Mary-Martha Harvey*

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Presenters at 2019 CTAUN ... (second from left) Founder/President Fabien Cousteau Ocean Learning Center Fabien Cousteau and (far right) Chair CTAUN and NYS Past President Anne-Marie Carlson, Phi



Alpha Iota's Dr. Marilyn Smiley Presented a Special Program on International Holocaust Remembrance Day

Photo by Alpha Iota
Article by Karen Marzynski and The Palladium-Times

In honor of International Holocaust Remembrance Day in January 2019, Musicologist, **Marilyn Smiley, Ph.D.**, presented a special program on the “Music and Musicians of the Fort Ontario Emergency Refugee Shelter.”

Dr. Smiley is Emeritus Professor of the State University of New York at Oswego. She conducted extensive research on the music and musicians of the Fort Ontario Emergency Refugee Shelter at Fort Ontario State Historic Site, the Safe Haven Museum and Education Center, the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum, the National Archives, and other repositories of refugee shelter records and artifacts.

During World War II, Fort Ontario served as the only refugee camp or shelter for mostly Jewish victims of the Holocaust in the United States.

DKG US Forum Presents “Engage Your World”

Guest Speaker Megan Clark Torrey, CEO of the World Affairs Council of CT
August 1, 2019 10am to 12pm Premier AC Room

World Affairs Council of CT is part of the World Affairs Councils of America, the largest international affairs non-profit in the United States. Their goal is to promote greater knowledge and understanding of international affairs among Connecticut residents.

Megan Clark Torrey is currently the CEO of the World Affairs Council of CT. She oversees the development and delivery of world class programming that educates the community on global affairs. Recently, Megan implemented a nation-wide World Affairs Council series focused on global women’s health, helped pilot a leadership mission to Brazil, and produced a mini-documentary on Henry Kissinger that featured several former Secretaries of State. Megan has facilitated the visits of several world leaders to the Council in Hartford. Ms. Torrey has two degrees in international relations and diplomacy. Her research interests include inclusive security and the role of women in post-conflict situations and citizen participation in foreign policy. Before joining the World Affairs Council in 2003, she worked with UNESCO’s International Year for the Culture of Peace at the headquarters in Paris and at the United Nations International Training Research Institute for the Advancement of Women. A member of several professional organizations, Megan has traveled extensively all over the world. Megan was recently honored as one of the 2019 Hartford Business Journal's Remarkable Women in Business.

Stay Informed of Federal Legislation and Action

Members need to remember that Congressmen work for you. With information being forwarded to us in multiple forms, it’s important to be aware of the actions of our legislators. There are several sources that

Congress.gov

Congress.gov was created by Congressional Legislation to make legislative information available to the public. It is an objective government resource to keep you apprised of Bills and resolutions; Activities in Congress; Congressional records; Schedules and calendars; and Committee information.

GovTrack.us

GovTrack.us is run by Civic Impulse, LLC which is not affiliated with any political party, government agency, or other outside group or agency. It gives you updates on legislation along with the stands of those for and against the legislation. You have the ability to track legislation and can follow it on Facebook, Twitter and their blog. You can find out where legislation stands, what new legislation has been introduced and sign up for email updates on legislative progress. This is an excellent tool for getting information to address with your legislator.

Fact-check news sources and partisan claims

There is a volume of media available giving us information on Congress and legislation. It often arrives from sources that are highly partisan. It is important to fact check the claims you hear from news sources, politicians and media.

There are a number of good fact-checking websites available. Try FactCheck.org, PolitiFact.com, ProCon.org, and Snopes.com.

Involvement in Legislation

Contacting legislators at their in-district offices is a highly effective ways to make direct impact. Hand written Post cards asking for responses get your message out. Phone calls from constituents are more effective than emails since emails often are ignored by the volume your legislator receives. Constituent opinions are important to Legislators because they are ones who vote them in or out of office. Don’t underestimate the power of your voice!

“Strong Women get things done! Be passionate, be courageous, be your best.”

- Gabrielle Giffords, former U.S. Representative, D-AZ

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Megan Clark Torrey





Get Connected!

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

May/June 2019

Words That Resonate

Develop an action plan which includes ideas, words and phrases that resonate with each generation :

Traditionalists: In general, they value the legacy of a company (DKG) including stability and reputation, so use words like honor, respect, value, and responsibility.

Baby Boomers: In general, they are idealistic and ambitious, appreciate legacy-oriented language, such as "Leave a lasting impression..." and "Want to make a difference..."

GenXers: In general, they want hard data, along with benefits, rewards, and respect of their time, so use phrases like "It's your time..." or "You will benefit by..."

Millennials: In general, they are known as socially aware and appreciate inclusive language, so use words such as global, diversity, and community

Putting Words into Actions

When a DKG member logs in to her MyProfile account on the International website, she has the option to choose her communication preferences (second tab)—emails or texts or both. Encourage your members to update their preferences and to share their profile in the directory.

Multigenerational Approach

Multigenerational communication and marketing is a hot topic in growing and to grow organizations around the world. Considering a multigenerational approach can help us find ways to improve how we communicate and market within and outside of our organization to retain members and recruit new ones.

Traditionalists (born in the early 1940s and before) prefer face-to-face and phone interactions, although over the past few years they have increased their use of email.

Baby Boomers (born in the mid 1940s to early 1960s) are known to prefer personal interactions and having strong relationship skills, so they like face-to-face and phone contact, but have been quick to adapt to email and texting.

GenXers (born in the mid 1960s to late 1970s) are the first generation to be entirely comfortable with technology, which explains their love of communication through all things electronic, including email, texting, and social media.

Millennials (Generation Y) make up the largest generation so we need them to grow. Born in the early 1980s to late 1990s, Millennials are the first generation to have completely grown up in the technological world and known to value instant access when it comes to communication.

While these descriptions are generalizations, they are starting points for knowing your members. You might survey your members to see what their preferences are for communication with them. Send the same information via different media formats for communication and marketing ideas.



Marketing to Each Generation

Try these different marketing approaches for each generation:

- Traditionalists – personal phone calls, letters (mailings), print items (chapter brochures, professional newsletters)
- Baby Boomers – brochures, professional newsletters (print & electronic), Facebook
- GenXers - brochures, electronic professional newsletters, Facebook, chapter and state websites that can be googled.
- Millennials – Social Media (Chapters with Facebook, twitter, and LinkedIn reach younger educators), chapter and state websites that can be googled.



THE PI STATE EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

The Pi State Educational Foundation is a tax-exempt organization that promotes literacy and learning by supporting literacy projects developed by Pi State members and chapters. These projects are supported solely by your donations and membership fees. Please remember the Foundation when looking for a gift idea, or memoriam, for a friend or family member.

The Annual Foundation Meeting was well-attended in Geneva. *Thank you* to New York State DKG President **Mary-Martha Harvey** for allowing us extra time for the meeting. The BYLAW changes were passed ... *Thank you* to our Parliamentarian **Karen Crumley** for all her work on these. **Grace Murphy** submitted her resignation as Foundation Director as of July 1st; **Sue Summerfield** was elected to fill the remaining one year of Grace's term. **Jane Tanner's** term as Director ends as of July 1st and **Amy Zimmerman** was elected to a 4-year term as Director, 2019 -2023. *Congratulations* to both Sue and Amy. We also heard reports on the three literacy projects that the Foundation had funded this past year.

Five grant applications were received by the May 1st deadline and four were approved for funding.

--The first was from **Lynne Keefer** of *Alpha Alpha* entitled, "The Rochester Area Literacy Council (RALC) Student Publishing Project." They work with about two hundred K-12 children from a number of counties to publish original children's writing into a final book. The grant was for \$1000.00

--The second was from **Maureen Nicolo** of *Alpha Rho* for \$800.00 to place age-appropriate books in backpacks filled with food twice a year. The backpacks go home each Friday and the target audience will be PreK-Grade 2 students in nine schools in 3 districts.

--The next grant goes to **Kate Elder** for "Radez Summer Reading Program: Bookmobile" from *Alpha Psi* to address the "summer slide" teachers see as students regress in reading skills over the summer. Fifty targeted students in Grades 3-5 will receive book materials and meet with the teachers through the summer to chart progress. In addition, a "Little Free Library" was set up last fall for anyone's use.

--The last grant goes to **Ruth Ann Fultz** from *Beta Gamma* for "Word Problem Wednesday." Student comprehension of word problems has declined over the years, in classwork performance and on state assessments, so money from this grant will be used to collect materials to compile a word-problem bank from many sources for 7th- and 8th-graders. The grant is for \$879.16.

The deadline for the next funding round is November 1st. Applications may be found on the Pi State Educational Foundation section of the NY State website. Remember that we now encourage you to submit your application electronically. Please continue to support the Foundation so that we can continue our good work! Both membership and donation forms are on the NY State website, www.dkgnystate.org.

Be aware that there are 3 director seats up for election in 2020. We need excellent candidates to run for these positions next year. If you love literacy and learning (*who doesn't?*), consider serving as a Foundation Director. We might especially encourage those of you who have been grant recipients to think about serving on the Board of Directors! If you need more information about what the job entails, please ask.

Submitted by Ginny Dudko

Remember that lifetime membership in the Pi State Educational Foundation is \$25.00 and entitles you to apply for a literacy grant.

Call for Submission of Chapter Initiates and Photos

Please continue to send photos of your Chapter Initiates to State Editor Kim Goldhirsch (kgpightseditor@gmail.com) and President Sue Kenoyer (suekenoyerdkg@gmail.com). Be sure to include Initiate names, area/grade/subject that they teach and where. Photos should be sent in jpg format.

NYS Organization DKG is Pleased to Announce the State Committee Chairs for the 2019-2021 Biennium

Society Business Committees:

Audit: Brianne Tugaw (#18 *Sigma*, North Central)

BYLAWS and Standing Rules: Beryl Szwed (#60 *Beta Mu*, Northern)

Communications and Marketing: Dr. Anna Marie Bonafide (#37 *Alpha Nu*, Capital)

Finance: Mona Lee Bogan (#19 *Tau*, Eastern)

Leadership Development: Lisa Meade (#72 *Beta Omega*, Capital)

Membership and Expansion: Deborah Bedard (#29 *Alpha Epsilon*, Capital)

Nominations: Mary Kay Hickey (#2 *Beta North Central*)

Personnel: Celia Bradford (#16 *Pi*, Capital)

Society Mission and Purpose Committees:

Awards: Amy Zimmerman (#43 *Alpha Tau*, East Central)

Educational Excellence: Sue Norris (#60 *Beta Mu*, Northern)

Native American Grant(s)-in-Aid: Harlene Gilbert (#52 *Beta Delta*, East Central)

Pi State Achievement Award: Ellie Robinson (#43 *Alpha Tau*, East Central)

Scholarship: Susan Gruber (#70 *Beta Chi*, South Central)

Travel and Study Stipend: Rosemary Van Wart (#40 *Alpha Pi*, Eastern)

World Fellowship: Dr. Kathleen Bishop (#13 *Nu*, North Central)

Committees Subject to Endowments:

Bea Small Award Board of Trustees: Karen Crumley (#19 *Tau*, Eastern)

Bea Small Leadership Speakers Fund: Lochie Musso (#31, *Alpha Eta*, Eastern)

Gladys L. Mersereau Grant(s)-in-Aid: Sue Kenoyer (#23 *Psi*, Northern)

Frederica Hollister Professional Educators Award: Dr. Renee Funke (#10 *Kappa*,
Southwestern)

Scholarship: Susan Gruber (#70 *Beta Chi*, South Central)

Verna Mulholland Friend of Education Award: Emilie Stris (#45 *Alpha Phi*, South Eastern)

Special Committees:

Ad Hoc Committee to Organize NYS Organization DKG Headquarters in Saratoga Springs, NY (Established 2011): Joan Slagle (#72 *Beta Omega*, Capital)

Ad Hoc Committee on State Financial Resources (Established 2017):

Mary-Martha Harvey (#24 *Omega*, East Central)

Ad Hoc Committee on Area Councils (Established 2019):

Jennifer Lee-Alden (#72 *Beta Omega*, Capital)

Pi State Educational Foundation Board of Directors:

Virginia Dudko, President (#19 *Tau*, Eastern)

Year	Date	Chapter(s) / Area	State Representative
Spring 2017	March 15	<i>Alpha Phi</i>	Karen Crumley
	May 4	<i>Alpha Nu</i>	Deborah Bedard
	May 10	<i>Alpha Theta</i>	Deborah Bedard
	May 18	<i>Chi</i>	Deborah Bedard
	June 6	<i>Omega</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
Fall 2017	September 13	<i>Beta Theta</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
	September 18	<i>Beta Chi</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
	September 23	<i>North Central Area Conference: "Safe Passage to Oswego"</i>	Deborah Bedard
	September 28	<i>Beta Nu and Beta Gamma</i>	Ellie Robinson
	October 5	<i>Alpha Alpha</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
	October 19	<i>East Central Area Conference "Women's Night Out"</i>	Joan Slagle
	October 25	<i>Tau and Zeta Chapters</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
	October 21	<i>Gamma Alpha</i>	Deborah Bedard
	October 26	<i>Alpha Psi</i>	Jennifer Lee-Alden
Spring 2018	March 24	<i>Eastern Area Conference</i>	Deborah Bedard
	April 11	<i>Beta Psi</i>	Deborah Bedard
	April 18	<i>Beta Omicron</i>	Lisa Huyck
	May 2	<i>Alpha Chi</i>	Karen Crumley
	May 7	<i>Beta Epsilon</i>	Ellie Robinson Mary-Martha Harvey
	May 11	<i>Rho</i>	Jennifer Lee-Alden
	May 16	<i>Beta Delta</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
	May 17	<i>Gamma Gamma</i>	Ellie Robinson Mary-Martha Harvey
	May 21	<i>Beta</i>	Ellie Robinson Mary-Martha Harvey
	June 7	<i>Alpha Lambda</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
Summer 2018	July 17	<i>Northern Area Conference</i>	Lisa Huyck Suzanne Patrick
	August 21	<i>Beta Omega</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
Fall 2018	September 22	<i>Eastern Area Conference</i>	Suzanne Patrick
	September 24	<i>Beta Tau</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
	September 29	<i>Northwest/Southwest Area Conference</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
Spring 2019	April 8	<i>Alpha Eta</i>	Deborah Bedard
	May 6	<i>Nu</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey Jeanne Schenk
	May 15	<i>Alpha Nu 60th Anniversary</i>	Sue Kenoyer
	May 20	<i>Chi</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
	May 21	<i>Beta Delta</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
	June 6	<i>Alpha Tau</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey
Fall 2019	September 28	<i>West Central Area Conference</i>	Mary-Martha Harvey Jennifer Lee-Alden Sue Kenoyer
	October 17	<i>East Central Area Conference</i>	Sue Kenoyer

Refer to State Website, www.dkgnystate.org, and future issues of Pi Lights for further information.

DKG NYS Recognition of National Board Certified Teachers

A new initiative of President **Mary-Martha Harvey** is the recognition of NYS DKG members who have achieved National Board Certification as well as those providing support for candidates and those achieving renewal. Special thanks to Past State President **Catherine Olinger**, *Beta Psi*, and **Sue Norris**, *Beta Mu*, for the inspiration for this initiative.

Members who achieved NBCT certification this biennium were recognized at the Birthday Celebration Luncheon at the DKG NYS 2019 Convention in Geneva on April 27. Certificates were presented to *Alpha Psi* Chapter members: **Tracy Smith** and **Mary Jane Lynd** (*achieved in Dec 2017*); **Kate Elder** and **Katie Sill** (*achieved in Dec 2018*); and to National Board Support Cohort Leader **Regina Anderson**.

A “NBCT Information Session” workshop was presented at the 2019 Convention on how to become a National Board Certified Teacher (NBCT). The panel members were **Laura Havill**, Regional Coordinator Southern Tier; **Jennifer Heaphy**, Professional Learning Facilitator for the Greater Rochester Region of the National Board Council of NY; **Christine Bennett**, *Omega*; and **Sue Norris**, *Beta Mu*. All the presenters are NBCT certified.

Becoming a National Board Certified Teacher (NBCT) is a way to delve into your teaching strategies, philosophies and implementations. It’s a challenging journey as you examine the lessons you are teaching: Am I reaching my students? Am I staying focused to achieve my goals for my students? How can I better manage and monitor my students’ learning?

The DKG NY State Organization encourages and supports NBCT certification. Our Pi State Scholarships may be used to offset some of the expenses incurred in the pursuit of NBCT certification or recertification. Scholarship applications are accepted by February 15, 2020 and may be found on the State Website, www.dkgstate.org.

If you are interested in learning more about the process go to: <https://www.nbpts.org/national-board-certification/>. Join us in what has been called, “*the most rewarding and valuable professional development I’ve ever completed.*”

Sue Norris



Photo Credit: Deb Bedard, Alpha Epsilon

Members of the panel presenting at the NBCT Workshop: from left, Catherine Olinger, Beta Psi, Consultant Laura Havill, Christine Bennett, Omega, Susan Norris, Beta Mu, and Consultant Jennifer Heaphy.



Kate Elder (left) and Tracy Smith, Alpha Psi, receive certificates acknowledging their NBCTs

Chi History

There were 12 Past Presidents present at the Chi Chapter Banquet at the Ramada Inn in Watertown, NY on May 20. These key women educators have contributed to the success of Chi Chapter since its founding in 1955.

Photo Credit: Sue Pennock



*Row 1: Sue Pennock (2006-2008 & current), Sharon Coleman (1994-1996), June Walker (1968-1970), Carol Frost (2012-2014)
Row 2: Karen Thomas (2000-2002), Liz Kuhl (2016-2018), Lynette Robinson (2002-2004), Dorrie Boliver (1998-2000)
Row 3: Marianne Malatino (1982-1984), Stella Garitz (1996-1998), Sharon Tallman (2004-2006), Donna Yancey (2010-2012)*

Alpha Zeta Chapter



Pictured left to right are new members Jennifer Melitski, Suzanne Ellis, and Julie Meier. The May 13th induction was held at the historic Tavern at the Beekman Arms in Rhinebeck, NY. Alpha Zeta welcomes these wonderful educators and looks forward to their contributions to DKG!

Nu Chapter



*Inductee **Lynne Lemery** (right) is a Kindergarten Teacher from Waterville Central Schools. She is pictured with her Nu Chapter sponsor **Kelly Hildreth**.*

Photo credit: Janet Jury

*Inductee **Allison Kovacs** (left) with her Nu Chapter Sponsor **Lindsay Giruzzi**. Allison is a High School Science Teacher, OHM BOCES (P-TECH Program)*



Chi Chapter



*Row 1: **Katrina Carbone**-Math teacher, **Amy Edick**-retired elementary teacher, **Michele Ellis**-5th grade teacher, **Cindy Hall-Swan**-retired FACS teacher, **Pam Hirschey**-Math teacher, **Lynn Morgan**-retired Library Media Specialist*

*Row 2 Sponsors: **Liz Kuhl**, **Sue Peters-Bush**, **Loretta Keys**, **Joanne McAvoy**, **Stella Garitz***



*Row 1: **Elaine Place**-retired HS English teacher, **Lisa Zehr**-5th grade teacher, **Sue Rubenzahl**-3rd grade teacher, **Mary Roesch**-MS & HS Special Ed teacher, **Nettie Prusinowski**-BOCES speech therapist, **Sue Pennock**-Chi Chapter President, **Mary Lee O'Brien**-retired elementary teacher*

*Row 2 Sponsors: **Kim Pierce**, **Karen Stowell**, **Donna Zehr***

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Alpha Eta Chapter



The picture shows Barbara Cross, *Alpha Eta* Scholarship Chair, presenting a grant-in-aid check for \$1,000 to Hana Namkung, a senior from Tappan Zee High School, South Orangetown School District. While Ms. Namkung's essay began with "I never considered being a teacher," she convinced the committee readers that educating young people was her true career choice.

Photo Credit: Lochie Musso, Alpha Eta

Beta Omega Chapter Celebrates 40 Years!



Above right: **Barbara Cervenka and Aileen Donna, Charter Members, cut the beautiful cake.**

Left: President of Beta Omega, Karen Jones

Photo credits: Joan Slagle

Much to Cheer About at Alpha Iota Chapter



Penny Brizzi-Stark (standing on right) was initiated into the *Alpha Iota Chapter* at its April 2019 meeting. Penny is a kindergarten teacher from the Mexico Central School District. Also pictured is her *Alpha Iota* sponsor, **Elizabeth Fleury**.

Article and Photo Courtesy of Karen Marzynski



Pictured left to right: **Pat Mehlek (Co-President), Lauren Lalley (Award Committee), Joanne Horrell (Woman of Distinction Award Recipient), and Gail Wentworth (Co-President)**

At the recent May Founders' Day dinner, *Alpha Iota* awarded the Woman of Distinction recognition to member **Joanne Horrell** for her many years and many contributions to *Alpha Iota* and Delta Kappa Gamma.

Article and Photo Courtesy of Karen Marzynski



Pictured from left to right: **Mr. & Mrs. Bascom, Livia Bascom, and Diane Davies, of Alpha Iota**

The sisters of *Alpha Iota Chapter* recently presented the Lucy Wing Award to **Livia Bascom**. In order to qualify for this scholarship, one must be a junior at Oswego State University, an education major and must maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0. Livia majored in TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages). She has a minor in Spanish and Linguistics. Next year she will be student teaching in the Syracuse area.

Article by Diane Davies, Photo by Karen Marzynski

Alpha Alpha Chapter

Pittsford CSD names PD award for Wanda Ward

Past NYS President **Wanda Ward** was recognized for her leadership in creating and leading the Pittsford Teacher Center on the 40th anniversary of its inception held during a Pittsford School Board meeting on April 23. Not only did Wanda create the Pittsford Teacher Center but she also mentored several other districts as they formed their own teacher centers. To honor Wanda in perpetuity, a grant given to a Pittsford teacher each year for special professional development by the Pittsford District Teacher Association will be named the Wanda Ward Award.



Lesli Myers named Women of Excellence

Brockport Central School District Superintendent **Lesli Myers-Small** has been selected as a Women of Excellence honoree. The Women of Excellence awards recognize high-achieving women for their professional experience, community involvement, leadership and sustained commitment to mentoring. She is one of forty winners selected from 143 nominations. The Women of Excellence awards were presented Thursday, May 9, at an awards celebration from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Rochester Riverside Convention Center, 123 East Main Street in Rochester.



Photos and articles Courtesy of Janet Winter

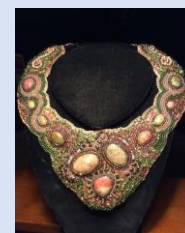
Congratulations to **Alison Brown, Psi**, on her Selection to DKG International Gallery of Fine Arts on www.dkg.org

Title: Scarabaeus Initium

Media: *Bead embroidery - glass seed beads, semi-precious stone cabochons (unakite and rhodochrosite), czech fire-polished crystals and pearls. Several of the semi-precious stones are carved into scarab shapes. The title alludes to the idea that perhaps they originated from the polished cabochons at the center of the piece.*



Alison Brown retired from teaching high school science in June of 2018 after 35 years in the classroom of which 29 years were at Beekmantown High School. She has pursued off-loom bead weaving as a hobby for 25 years, and happily anticipates the creation of many more original art pieces, both wearable and sculptural. As a former biology teacher and student of the natural world, nature informs many of her decisions in the colors and materials used as well as the themes incorporated into her work.



Please make note of some new email addresses for your State Officers.
Contact information is on the last page.

Beta Chapter Promotes Leadership of Women in Collaboration with the Women's Coalition of Cortland

Beta Chapter recognizes the challenges that our sister organizations have and the need to be collaborative on efforts that will strengthen our organizations and better serve the community.

On April 10, 2019, the Chapter hosted a group meeting in collaboration with the Women and Gender Studies program at the State University College at Cortland, Zonta Club of Cortland, League of Women Voters of Cortland, American Association of University Women of Cortland, and the YWCA of Cortland. The event focused on a panel discussion regarding how we can promote *Leadership in Women and Girls*. Attendees included members of all six organizations.

Beta Chapter's First Vice President **Sara Earl** was instrumental in organizing the activity at the YWCA. The panel was monitored by *Beta* President **Barbara Bostwick-Quinn** and included YWCA Cortland Director Kelly Tobin, Zonta Club of Cortland President **Michelle Westfall**, Cortland League of Women Voters President **Alison King**, and AAUW Cortland President **Sheila Cohen**.

Discussion centered on how we can collaborate to promote leadership for women and girls along with issues our community is facing that are roadblocks for women. Organizations displayed their information throughout the room. It was agreed that the organizations would work to develop a collaborative program in the 2020 year to commemorate the 100th Anniversary of the passage of the 19th Amendment.

"The story of women's struggle for equality belongs to no one organization but to the collective efforts of all."
~ Gloria Steinem

Submitted by **Barbara Bostwick-Quinn**, *Beta* President 2018-20



Phi Chapter Inductees

Chapter President Barbara Keis (middle) surrounded by **Linda Collins** (left) and **Silvana Bajana** (right).

Photo Credit: Anne-Marie Carlson

Alpha Theta's newest member, **Pamela Stroud**. She is a Special Education teacher in Lyndonville CSD.



Pamela Stroud

*Photo
Credit:
Pam Hays*

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US Forum website: www.usforum.dkg.org

NY State Due Dates 2019

July 1 – Chapter dues for 2019-2020 due to International

July 1 – NYS Directory Supplement Information Form due to Executive Secretary

July 15 – Chapter Treasurer Form 15 due to State Treasurer

July 30- August 1 – International Conference: Global Awareness at Foxwoods Resort & Casino, Mashantucket, Connecticut...Refer to International & State websites

August 16-17 – NY State Leadership Development Seminar for New State Chairs at the Hilton Garden Inn, East Syracuse... Refer to mailing to new State Chairs and State website

August 17 – Leadership Development Seminar for New & Returning State Finance Committee members at the Hilton Garden Inn, East Syracuse ... Refer to mailing

September 1 - Submissions for Fall 2019 Issue of *Pi Lights* due

November 1 – Pi State Educational Foundation Project Grant applications due

November 1 – Workshop Proposals for Spring 2020 Executive Board Meeting/Seminar due to EEC Chair

November 15 – Applications for State Webmaster 2020-2024, State Executive Secretary 2020-2024 and FDF Administrator (2020-2024) due to NY State Chair Personnel Committee

December 1 – Submissions for Winter 2020 issue of *Pi Lights* due

REMINDER - Death of a Member Form 6 to State Membership & Expansion Committee Chair asap

Information for the Fall Issue of *Pi Lights* (online)

Due September 1, 2019

E-mail articles, photographs, Chapter Initiates, member accomplishments, Chapter service projects, Area Conference information and *Pride of Pi* highlights to:

Kim Goldhirsch kgpilightseditor@gmail.com ...

subject line – **DKG Pi Lights**

Reminder: Submissions are subject to editorial changes by the State Editor and Proofs due to space limitations and for clarity.

Pi Lights Deadlines for 2019-2020

September 1, 2019...December 1, 2019...March 1, 2020...June 1, 2020