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## NYSO DKG Welcomes Our New Officers

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### North Central Area Conference

October 23, 2021  
Equal Rights Heritage Park,  
Seward House Museum  
Auburn, NY....  
more info to follow.



Sue Kenoyer  
NYSO President 2019 – 2021

*“Opportunities for Dialogue, Knowledge, and Growth”*

It has been an honor to serve as your president for the past biennium. I was told by several past presidents that the two years would go by very quickly and they were RIGHT! None of us would have believed in April of 2019 that we would not meet in person during the 2019-2021 biennium. COVID took over our lives 16 months ago but I am an optimist and I want to focus on what we have because of it.

Moving forward, how do we evolve and grow into something better? Chapters that don't grow their membership will eventually dissolve. Maybe it is because the number of members dwindles to a very few or because they can no longer get officers because everyone has held the offices several times. We experienced both these situations this biennium. Two of our Chapters have had great results recruiting new members this year despite COVID. Zeta and Omega are inducting 7 and 9 new members respectively!

We need to publicize all the good things we do in our communities. Our chapters give out thousands of dollars every year in awards, literacy support, and many other very worthwhile causes. Through our World Fellowship contributions we support higher education for women around the world. At the International level we join with UNICEF to support Schools for Africa. We support ourselves at the Chapter, State, and International levels. The money is there. APPLY for it! Chapters: our Bea Small Awards are available to help with financial support for your projects. APPLY for them! Members: Pi State Scholarships, Travel and Study and many other opportunities are there waiting for you to apply. APPLY for them! We also have awards to recognize the achievements of our sisters. NOMINATE them! COVID only shuts down these efforts if we let it.

My theme started out as Dialogue, Knowledge and Growth. Despite the pandemic, we did dialogue via email, phone calls and Zoom. We held two of our three scheduled state meetings with Zoom. Chapters and Area Councils have embraced virtual meetings. It has been my pleasure to sit in on many of those meetings. I was able to visit with more chapters this way than I could have in person and at no cost to the Society! From my perspective, I know dialogue is happening and evolving at all levels. If your chapter hasn't tried holding a zoom meeting yet, why not try it? You'll be surprised at how good it feels to just spend an hour talking with your sisters. Now is the time to start planning for the next year's programs and meetings. Make plans to meet in person, but you should have a backup plan ready to meet on Zoom.

Two of our Chapters, Omega and Chi, talked to me about their plans for the Convention. Officers hosted their chapters in a member's home and ran both workshops in different rooms. Members there could choose which to attend and then shared ideas. WOW! I wish I could take the credit for coming up with that idea. I would love the EEC to offer virtual workshop weekends every six months. They could have two or three on a Saturday and chapters could make them one of their meetings. This would be fun, dialoging growth and knowledge opportunities with no travel costs or time constraints!

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Southeastern and Eastern Areas went virtual with their Area Councils this last fall. They advertised their meetings on our website, in Pi Lights, and by email. They had many women from around the state attend – far more than they would have had in person, and at no cost to the visitors. Northwest/Southwest and East Central are scheduled to do the same thing in the future. Do I prefer meeting in person? **Absolutely.** However, I am about to be retired, and will have a wide-open schedule that allows me to travel to and participate in activities and meetings. If we, as a society, hope to attract working teachers, then we have to make sure that we offer opportunities that are important to them, that fit their schedules, and are worthwhile uses of their precious time. Is there a reason that an in-person meeting can't be virtual at the same time? I take over as President of my chapter the day after I finish up as your president. The first thing on my agenda is getting the chapter on board with dual-format meetings.

## International Conferences

**2021**

These meetings will be held in person and virtually. You can register for either format on the International website.



**2022**





*President-Elect Jennifer Lee-Alden*

2021-2023 Biennium

Madame President, Past Pi State Presidents, Executive Committee, Executive Board and members, it is with an open mind and spirited heart that I accept the position of New York State Organization DKG President for the 2021-2023 Biennium.

**Our theme for this Biennium will be “Moving Forward with Purpose and Passion.”**

As I penned the words for this acceptance speech, or rather typed them on my laptop, I reflected on the Biennial Themes of two recent NYSO Presidents, Mary-Martha Harvey (2017-2019) and current President, Sue Kenoyer. I wonder if Mary-Martha ever considered the significance of reliable internet service when she identified “**Opportunities to Connect,**” as her theme in 2017? Or did Sue ever envision how much we would *crave* in person conversations today when she presented her theme, “**DKG: Opportunities for Dialogue, Knowledge and Growth**” just two short years ago?

I am sure we have all spent time reflecting on the impact the last fifteen months has had on our families, friends, communities and students. Many leaders were forced to “shift on the fly,” creating viable solutions as new challenges arose. President Sue Kenoyer, the Executive Committee, Committee Chairs, Area Councils and Chapter leaders should all be commended on their creative, collaborative and steadfast efforts to keep our membership engaged during a time that traditional meeting practices could not be carried out.

Now is the time to emerge from the confines of the global pandemic, to arise with the **resilience** and **open-mindedness** of those who founded our country and our organization. We will **move forward with Purpose and Passion**, reassessing what is **sacred** to our state organization, identifying the principles and traditions that we cannot exist without, and collaboratively **embracing** new practices and technology to create sustainability.

The important work defined above cannot fall upon the hands, hearts and minds of the few. I described myself in the opening sentence as having a “spirited heart” - lively, vibrant and energetic. I should also include persistent! To accomplish the goals of the Biennium will take the work of many leaders. Some will be asked to accept the opportunity to lead by serving as a State Committee Member or Chair. Others may be asked to participate in focus groups as we gather member input for part of our decision-making processes. Chapter leadership will be changing in 2022 and will offer another avenue of participation. Please be ready to answer affirmatively if you are called upon- your leadership and service are key to the future of our organization!

Thank you for recognizing my leadership potential and offering this opportunity to serve as your NYSO President for the 2021-2023 biennium. Working together, we will set and achieve our goals!

R - Resilience

O - Open-mindedness

S – Sacred

E - Embracing new practices



## Virtual Convention

NYSO DKG held its first ever Virtual Convention on April 30 – May 2, 2021. 137 women attended parts of the three-day event. The response at the time was very favorable and the evaluations that were received continued to be positive. While we ALL would have loved to be in Lake Placid together it just was too early in the state reopening for us to do that safely. At all times during this biennium my first thoughts were on the safety of our members.

We voted on all the most important issues via email before the Convention took place. We successfully elected our new officers and Area Council representatives to the Finance and Nominations Committees, and we approved the budget that the Finance Committee proposed. We were able to hold the Executive Board Meeting virtually and carried out the necessary business of the Organization. We also held the General Session Meeting and made that business known to the membership. All the final state committee reports for the biennium are in the Redbook which you can find on our website. Our International visitor was **June Bowers**, International Second Vice-President, from Nebraska. Her Keynote address on Friday evening was an inspirational start to our weekend. It was followed by a lively round-table discussion of issues important to NYSO DKG and to the Organization in general.

We were able to hold the events at which we normally hand out awards, scholarships, and grant(s)-in-aid. We collected over \$4,100 for our Awards fund with the Benefit Drawing. The Membership Committee put on a very moving Virtual Hour of Remembrance in honor of our members deceased during the biennium. If you want a copy of the Power Point of the HOR you can contact **Deborah Bedard**, Membership Chairperson, and she will be glad to share it with you.

The Educational Excellence Committee outdid themselves with ten wonderful workshops! Some of these presenters are willing to do their workshop virtually for chapters and some are willing to send chapters the Power Point of their workshop. Attendance at these workshops ranged from 30-75 attendees!

We had a few glitches with **Zoom** but everyone took it in stride and we had a good time together.

DKG International website: [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org)

Pi State website: [www.dkgnystate.org](http://www.dkgnystate.org)

CTAUN website: [www.teachun.org](http://www.teachun.org)

## Chapters Members Attend Virtual Convention Together

### ***Omega Chapter***

Co-President, **Dawn Scales**, of *Omega Chapter*, decided to open her home for the Virtual NYSO Convention the weekend of April 30th. With two rooms for participants to comfortably watch sessions in, and time in between to converse and share, members greatly benefited from this offering. Sisters enjoyed the opportunity to collaborate with one another about the sessions during the break, brainstorm ideas for the coming year, and enjoyed refreshments. The dialogue shared allowed members to feel as though they benefited from all of the sessions, even those not personally attended. Many women who attended the Virtual Convention had not previously attended a State Convention and this gave them a taste of what the State Convention offers. **Linda Upchurch** stated, "Meeting at Dawn's for the Virtual Convention was a wonderful experience. I have never been to a State Convention before and because of doing it this way, I will be more apt to attend in the future."

Nine members of the *Omega Chapter* participated, as well as one member from the *Alpha Tau Chapter*. Being together also allowed members to celebrate Omegan **Linda Upchurch**, as she received the Omega Woman of Distinction Award. Omegan **Christine Bennett** was also awarded the Edna B. Mack Scholarship at this time. Bennett shared, "I appreciated the organization of the event and the time our Co-Presidents invested to make it happen. The convention felt personal and memorable, and spending the time together helped me feel connected."

Omega Co-Presidents **Dawn Scales and Denise Clark** counted the Virtual NYSO Convention a celebratory success and would most certainly do it again!

Submitted by **Gail Frances Burr**, *Omega Chapter*

### ***CHI CHAPTER***

On May 1, six members met at Immediate Past President **Sue Pennock's** home to view the virtual state convention. In attendance were: were President **Sue Peters-Bush**, Treasurer **Dorrie Boliver**, **Lynette Robinson**, **Sharon Kelly** and **Sharon Tallman**. Most were planning to attend the conference in Lake Placid. The officers watched the Executive Board meeting and General Session before the others arrived. We had the capability of watching two workshops scheduled at the same time and were mirroring one event on a larger television screen. We were especially interested in the M.E.L.T. (Malawi Early Literacy Team) workshop since it was a presentation to our chapter in November 2019 that prompted us to recommend them for a state meeting workshop.

Of course, we had morning refreshments and then we had a "create your own wrap" lunch while watching our selected workshops. We also assembled table favors for our upcoming banquet while viewing. The state officers and committees did a great job setting up the virtual events, but I must admit we missed the social interaction with our sisters. We are looking forward to seeing everyone soon.

These comments from those attending sum up our day:

- Lynette: Really enjoyed our playdate.
- Dorrie: Being treasurer, I loved the fact we could attend workshops and conduct business, without costing the chapter or individuals money. It was so comfortable attending from the living room and eating at our leisure. Everything went so smoothly within the time constraints given. However, as the day progressed, we shared memories of DKG sister's we had met and other conferences attended. I realized how important those "in person" connections were and how I cherished the places I had traveled to- places I probably would never have seen otherwise.
- Sue P-B: I'm sure others have said it better, but it was such a comfortable, normal day with friends. It was just so good to attend meetings but be together in our unmasked group.
- Sharon: Being together with five Chi sisters to watch the state convention was tremendous! Thoroughly enjoyed the workshops, especially MELT.

Submitted by **Sue Pennock**, *Chi Chapter*

### Important Dates

- ✓ **July 1, 2021:** Due date for membership dues for 2021-2022
- ✓ **July 15, 2021:** Chapter Treasurers Form 15 due to State Treasurer
- ✓ **August 6, 2021:** New State Officer Training
- ✓ **September 1, 2021:** Due date for Fall Pi Lights issue
- ✓ **November 1, 2021:** Pi State Educational Foundation Project Grant Applications due
- ✓ **November 1, 2021:** Workshop Proposals due to EEC Chair for Spring Conference
- ✓ **November 15, 2021:** Applications due for State Treasurer and State Pi Lights Editor to NYSO DKG Chair of Personnel Committee
- ✓ **December 1, 2021:** Due date for winter issue of Pi Lights articles
- ✓ **Reminder:** Death of a member Form 6 to NYSO DKG Membership and Expansion Committee Chair asap

### Visitations

Year	Date	Chapter(s)/ Area	State Representative
2019	8/10/19	Capital AC	Karen Crumley Lisa Huyck Suzanne Patrick
2019	9/28/19	West Central AC	Mary-Martha Harvey Sue Kenoyer Dr. Renee Funke
2019	10/5/19	North Central AC	Sue Kenoyer Mary-Martha Harvey Jennifer Lee-Alden
2019	10/16/19	<i>Alpha Psi</i>	Sue Kenoyer
2019	10/17/19	East Central AC	Sue Kenoyer Mary-Martha Harvey
2019	10/22/19	<i>Tau</i>	Lochie Musso
2020	5/5/20	<i>Omega</i> postponed	Suzanne Patrick
2020	5/7/20	<i>Alpha Alpha</i> postponed	Mary-Martha Harvey
2020	5/11/20	<i>Alpha Iota</i> postponed	Jennifer Lee-Alden
2020	5/13/20	<i>Alpha Chi</i> postponed	Sue Kenoyer
2020	5/15/20	<i>Rho</i> postponed	Sue Kenoyer
2020	5/28/20	<i>Beta Nu</i> postponed	Ellie Robinson
2020	6/3/20	<i>Alpha Lambda</i> postponed	Sue Kenoyer
2020	6/4/20	<i>Beta Gamma</i> postponed	Jennifer Lee-Alden
2020	6/6/20	Southeastern AC	Deborah Bedard
2020	6/8/20	<i>Alpha Theta</i> postponed	Dr. Renee Funke
2020	10/3/20	Eastern AC	Deborah Bedard
2021	5/19/21	<i>Chi</i>	Sue Kenoyer
2021	5/25/21	<i>Beta Omega</i>	Sue Kenoyer
2020-21		<i>Many Chapters via Zoom</i>	Sue Kenoyer

**2021-2022 NY State Directory Supplement**

Chapter: # \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

The NY State Directory Supplement will include the following information:

- The Chapter name with the Chapter President’s name, address, phone number and email.
- The Programs of the Chapter for the 2021-2022 year.
- The Chapter’s new Initiates including their name, address, phone number, email and current educational status.
- The NY State Officers for the 2021-2022 biennium with their addresses, phone numbers, and email
- The NY State Committees including information on the Chair as well as Committee members. This information will include their name, address, phone number and email.
- The names of all the awardees of Scholarships, Grants and Stipends that will be announced at the Sunday Awards Brunch at the 2021 Virtual Convention

**Each Pi State Past President and each 2021-2022 NY State Executive Committee Member will receive one complimentary Supplement which will be mailed in the fall of 2021.**

**All pre-ordered Supplements will be mailed in the fall of 2021.**

**If Chapter Presidents and NY State Committee Chairs do not pre-order, they will receive a free copy as a PDF attachment.**

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**Karen Crumley, Executive Secretary, 50 Hidden Ridge Drive, Monticello, NY 12701**

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## Congratulations and Thank You NYSO DKG!

The Pi 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, Pi State and the Awards and Grants-in-Aid awarded each year is appreciated beyond words. With your help, NYSO 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!

Amy Zimmerman, Awards Committee Chair

### THE BEA SMALL AWARD 2021

The Bea Small Award, established in 1999, in memory of Bea Small, *Omega* Chapter, is given for an outstanding existing project which addresses the need of a specific population within the Chapter's geographic area. This project must be on-going for a minimum of two years.

**The Awards Committee is honoring Alpha Zeta and Beta Omega Chapters this year with the Bea Small Award.**

*Alpha Zeta* has been involved in their chapter project, **Bonnie Boxes**, since October 2018. The chapter fills decorative boxes for patients receiving chemotherapy in the hospital. The target age range is up to 18. The boxes contain Chap Stick, lemon drops, socks, word games and books with an uplifting message. The books are included so that the patients have something to do while they receive their infusions. The nurses have told the chapter that this project uplifts the patients and is often the highlight of their day. *Alpha Zeta* has been able to do about 35 boxes so far, but due to Covid, the number has been restricted. The feedback from the nurses shows proof to the chapter that the project is making a positive difference in their lives with the smiles on their young faces. This project has been an unexpected and pleasant surprise for these young patients.

*Beta Omega*, has been involved with their project, **Little Book House**, since the winter of 2017. Little Book House was built by a member of Beta Omega and her husband, outside the Lions Club Building, which houses a food pantry, in Galway, N.Y. Books for all ages are collected from members and they are replaced on a rotating basis. The chapter thought that people with limited access would be more likely to grab a book being near the food pantry. The monies received will go toward materials to build more houses. The goal is to build more houses within the chapter boundaries that have higher levels of poverty. Little Book House is registered with the Little Free Library Association and the charter number is 65903. This project is encouraging reading across generations and the idea of "take a book and/or leave a book" has been well received.

See photo on page 12

Submitted by Karen Crumley

## Native American Grant-in-Aid

During the fall semester, with many trying circumstances, the Native American Grant-in-Aid Committee was able to award two grants.



**KC Herne** is a senior biology major at Norwich University. She lives on the St. Regis Mohawk reservation (Akwasasne). KC plans to attend medical school next fall. She was awarded the College of Science and Mathematics Board of Fellows Award. This award is given in recognition of academic excellence leading to significant research related scholarship in examination, evaluation, and creation of technical knowledge by a senior in a science and mathematics discipline at Norwich University.

**Audrey Shenandoah** has completed her first semester at Onondaga Community College and is a member of the St. Regis Mohawk Tribe in Akwasasne, New York. Audrey plans to continue her studies in Early Childhood Education and hopes to become a teacher in an elementary school within her community. This semester had some challenges for Audrey. She was proud that her hard work helped her to accomplish her goal of successfully completing all of her course work.



**Submitted by: Jeanne Schenk, Chairperson**

## Congratulations to our 2021 Scholarship Recipients!

The 2021 recipient of the **Pi State Scholarship** is **Christina Warner**, *Nu* Chapter, whose career goal is to become a school administrator. Christina's present position is as a school counselor and business partner liaison in the *Pathways In Technology Early College High School (P-TECH)*, an advanced program at the Oneida-Herkimer-Madison BOCES. When first in this position, Christina noticed that participants in this students-at-risk program were mostly males. She developed a recruitment program that targeted female students and started a female student-centered club called "Empower Hour." As coordinator of the mentoring program, she makes sure female students are always paired with female professionals in STEM careers. After the establishment of this program, she then focused on students from minorities of many different backgrounds. She says she hopes to be able to be role model and positive force for all of her students and that providing students with opportunities and encouragement is the best part of her job. Christina will use the scholarship to pursue her Certificate of Advanced Studies (CAS) at SUNY Cortland. Christina sees the need for more female administrators and feels increased female leadership will continue to push education further and make schools better.

As a member of *Nu* Chapter member since 2017, Christina has served on various committees. Presently she is serving on the *Nu* Scholarship Committee, which has used Christina's insight and assistance to craft a plan that will yield profound impact on scholarship recipients. To quote one of Christina's letters of recommendation, "Christina is a rare find and her determination and sparkle have been tremendous assets to our chapter."



**Christina Warner**

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decision to enter a CAS program for School Leadership, the encouragement of my female colleagues and DKG sisters was vital. To have DKG support me even further with a financial contribution to my education is extraordinary. I'm excited to take this next step in my career and I thank DKG NYSO for supporting me in this endeavor." Congratulations, Christina!

The 2021 recipient of the **Edna B Mack Scholarship** is **Christine Bennett**, *Omega* Chapter. Christine's present position is as Coordinator of Employment, in the HR Department at the Wayne-Finger Lakes BOCES. She drives research-based strategies to improve employee recruitment, retention, and engagement within her organization. She also continues to supervise their mentor program and leads the BOCES Mentoring Committee. Her day is filled with meeting the needs of the Wayne-Finger Lakes employees. Christine does not at present participate in union negotiations or in the creation of collective bargaining agreements, however, her goal is to develop a strong understanding of ethical negotiation practices in order to advance to a Director of Human Resources position in a school district. This would require her to have the ability to negotiate contracts with unions. To reach this goal, Christine is using her scholarship to obtain a Negotiation Mastery Certificate in the Negotiation Mastery Cornell Certificate Program at Cornell University.

As an *Omega* Chapter member, she has served on various chapter committees since her induction in 2014. In addition, Christine serves as a representative on the New York State Organization Nominations Committee and an at-large member of East Central Area Council. To quote one of Christine's letters of recommendations, "I speak for the chapter when we say that Omega is fortunate to have gained a true gem in Christine Bennett."

In her acceptance letter, Christine stated, "As a current School District Administrator in our BOCES Human Resources Department, developing strong and ethical negotiation skills are integral to my position. Completing the Cornell University Negotiation Mastery Certificate will help me form a solid foundation to lead any district in a confident, clear, moral and financially responsible manner." Congratulations, Christine!



Christine Bennett

Submitted by: Susan Gruber, Chairperson

### Active Educator Appreciation Project

In times of a crisis, *Omega* sisters have been known to rise to the challenge. Teacher Appreciation Week offered a unique opportunity for *Omega* retirees to step up and do just that for their sister educators who have been working in this unprecedented time of havoc, upheaval and health risk. Going from real to virtual practically overnight did not come without its share of frustration and stress. To show their appreciation to their sisters for going above and beyond normal expectations in a difficult time, *Omega* retirees gifted their 12 active educators with baskets of personal and professional items carefully selected to fill needs and help alleviate stress. Baskets included a variety of items, such as scented candles, gift cards for coffee, take out and spa indulges, extension cords for multiple devices, flowers, professional and literary books, and bottles of water and prizes for students. Each basket was tailored to the educator's individual "wish list." *Omega* retirees give kudos and thanks to our sisters "in the trenches" who have worked tirelessly to adjust, adapt, create and innovate to insure that their students remain engaged and motivated learners in a challenging time.



Kristen Carr

Submitted by: Gail Frances Burr

**Alpha #1**

Kate Balogh  
 Jayme Ginga Baxter  
 Catheryn Berger  
 Mary Bishop  
 Elizabeth Blashka  
 Merrriam Boenning  
 Marileia Brannick  
 Anna Brett  
 Debra Cacchillo  
 Elas Cameron  
 Debra Calvino  
 Deirdre Thorpe-Clark  
 Kathleen Donahue  
 Pam Donato  
 Patricia Donnelly  
 Bernadette Dvorak  
 Sue Ellen Egan  
 Rae Fallon  
 Frances Filshie  
 Faith Fury  
 Rosemarie Gardner  
 Louise Gallagher  
 Susan Garrison  
 Collen Greco  
 Patty Hershberger  
 Deborah Hill  
 Angela Houlihan  
 Katherine Lamb  
 Kathleen Larson  
 Joyce Luby  
 Nasncy Maguire  
 Sue Maloney  
 Carol Mastrianni  
 Bonnie McCaig  
 Mary Grace McCue  
 Jane McDonald  
 Mildred Niedzielski  
 Nancy Nielson  
 Kathleen Owitz  
 Susan Paisley  
 Mary reid  
 Agnes Reis  
 Alison Roper  
 Jeanne Roper  
 Susan Rummmler  
 Carole sauer  
 Jacqueline Sittner  
 Jennifer Smalley  
 Mary Spade  
 Lisa Talaber  
 Leigh Ann Vandebogart  
 Anne Wilkins  
 Deborah Wood  
 Vivian Yettru  
 Mary Ann Zuccaro

**Beta #2**

Sandy Attleson  
 Chris Baron  
 Lisa Benedict  
 Barbara Bostwick-Quinn

Marcia Bulger  
 Brenda Comolli  
 Karen Cunningham  
 Karen Currian  
 Esther Davis  
 Jeanette Dippo  
 Sara Earl  
 Susan Eligh  
 Ann Marie Finamore  
 Melinda Gardner  
 Mary Kay Hickey  
 Beverly King  
 Kathryn Locke  
 Lori McGivern  
 Bonnie Meldrim  
 Lynn New  
 Norma Riley  
 Jeanne Sangiorgi  
 Lisa Scofield  
 Kathleen Tavarone  
 Deb Vibbard  
 Janet Vorstadt  
 Melinda Young

**Epsilon #5**

Catherine Bala  
 Catherine Bingay  
 Zora Clement  
 Marylu Collins  
 JoAnn Dobranski  
 Rochelle Giumenta  
 Julia Haupt  
 Mary McDonnell  
 Rosemary Pepe  
 Gloria Petitto  
 Valerie Sawinski  
 Virginia Sullivan

**Zeta #6**

Dawn Birnbaum  
 Michelle Corona  
 Doreen Croyle  
 Patti Hunter  
 Val McPartland  
 Pam Mitchell  
 Annmarie Santorelly  
 Janice Steeves  
 Jessica Szeli  
 Jennifer Thompson

**Kappa #10**

Dr. Renee Funke  
 Members

**Nu #13**

Sheila Bamberger  
 Heather Johnson  
 Janet Jury  
 Elizabeth Klug  
 Rise' Messmer

**Pi #16**

Celia Bradford  
 Deborah Conte  
 Rachelle Cotugna  
 Susan Naple  
 Betty MacLachlan  
 Jean Sekel  
 Sue Summerfield

**Rho #17**

Sue Patrick  
 Lisa Hyuck  
 Members

**Tau #19**

Karen Billig  
 Mona Bogan  
 Nancy Catalano  
 Karen Crumley  
 Virginia Dudko  
 Liz Huggler  
 Susan Kaufman  
 Franci Solomom-Kirtack  
 Linda Lee  
 Debi Levine  
 Mary Ellyn Levy  
 Judy Lucyk  
 Lauren Miller  
 Robin Pantel  
 Pat Segar

**Psi #23**

Mary Brassard  
 Judy Corigliano  
 Rita Bedard  
 Fran Baroody  
 Valerie Jodoin  
 Catherine R Brown  
 Elaine Rice  
 Jackie Germain  
 Carol Lowery  
 Sarah M Brown  
 Kathleen Lavoie  
 Margaret Leone  
 Pamela Ross  
 Susan La Pierre  
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 Melissa Bistor-Cross  
 Alison Brown  
 Marilyn Kretser  
 Gail Parsons  
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 Glenda Rowe  
 Colleen Ryan

Veronica Hollingsworth  
 Carol Beausvais  
 Virginia LaPointe  
 Ruth Mowry  
 Jean Seeber  
 Billie Vancour  
 Joanna Orr  
 Doris Hatch  
 Kathy Inhelder  
 Rita Manley  
 Carol Schnob  
 Lynn Mulholland  
 Lee Ann Thomas  
 Paula DeLaurentis

**Omega #24**

Jan Astles  
 Cynthia Avery  
 Jennifer bay  
 Christine Bennett  
 Lydia Berrong  
 Evelyn Bottorff  
 Gail Burr  
 Karen Busby  
 Kristen Carr  
 Mary Cherniss  
 Sharry Cirulli  
 Denise Clark  
 Mary Dorgan  
 Renee Durso  
 Judy Western Farris  
 Jerry Fletcher  
 Anne Forbes  
 Phyllis Frantel  
 Helen Goodberlet  
 Mary-Martha Harvey  
 Elizabeth Hezel  
 Laure Hill  
 Kristen Jabara  
 Lynda John  
 Jacqueline Johnson  
 Judy Kiehle  
 Wendy kierst  
 Mary King  
 Jennifer Knobel  
 Beverly Lanoue  
 MaryLou Lawerence  
 Della Ludwig  
 Lois Ludwig  
 Cindy Lynch  
 Deanna Massucco  
 Sally Maxson  
 Adelle Miller-Wadsworth  
 Cindy Myers  
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\*\* Please forgive any spelling errors that may have occurred. It can be quite difficult to read various script handwriting

**Bea Small Award  
Bonnie Boxes from Alpha Zeta  
Chapter**



During the Virtual NYSO Convention the Membership Committee celebrated and honored our sisters who have departed from us over the course of the 2019-2021 biennium. Since the celebration was virtual our Committee has created a PowerPoint ceremony to be used in your chapters. Contact **Deborah Bedard**, Membership Chair, for a copy of the presentation. ([dmbedard29@yahoo.com](mailto:dmbedard29@yahoo.com))

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<i>Kappa</i>	Gay Norgren	7/17/2020
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<i>Nu</i>	Janet Burt	7/5/2020
<i>Pi</i>	Joan Nellis	4/15/2020
	Marion Buchner	10/19/2020
<i>Chi</i>	Jean Henry	12/30/2019
	Myrajean Koster	10/4/2020
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	June Renner	10/20/2019
	Deborah Trombino	3/23/2020
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	Jean Fuller	4/20/2020
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<i>Alpha Zeta</i>	Patricia Coon	11/10/2019
	Irma Brunmayer	1/6/2020
	Margaret Hunt	5/14/2019
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	Sandra Eddy	9/6/2020
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<i>Alpha Chi</i>	Joanne Truman	3/15/2020
<i>Alpha Psi</i>	Aranka Lawyer	11/15/2019
<i>Beta Gamma</i>	Dr. Alice Wilson	12/23/2021
<i>Beta Delta</i>	Marjorie Backlund	1/19/2020
<i>Beta Epsilon</i>	Elizabeth Pappas	4/15/2020
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<i>Beta Eta</i>	Rita Kay Kennedy	4/8/2019
<i>Beta Theta</i>	Marjorie Hunt	5/14/2019
	Nancy Johnson	10/21/2019
	Patricia Younglove	7/28/2020
	Jill Virts	11/22/2020
<i>Beta Tau</i>	Jane Hogan	1/19/2018
	Margaret Vangalio	4/28/2020
<i>Beta Psi</i>	Valerie Cordiale	4/17/2019
<i>Gamma Alpha</i>	Irene Ferguson	9/23/2019
	Eleanor Guido	4/18/2019
	Dr. Rita Swedlow	12/24/2019
<i>Gamma Gamma</i>	Eleanor Mason	8/12/2019
<i>Gamma Zeta</i>	Ann Price	9/6/2019

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## 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.

We are sorry to report that the Foundation received NO grant applications in the May 2021 grant funding round. While we realize the Covid pandemic has affected many people, things ARE opening up, and so we encourage Foundation members to begin planning more wonderful literacy and learning projects and apply for funding in the next round which will be due on November 1<sup>st</sup>. Application forms are found on our section of the state website.

It was good to see many of you virtually at our Annual Meeting on May 2<sup>nd</sup>. We heard some great project reports, learned about the launch of the Pi State Educational Foundation Literacy Scholarship to be offered in honor of Agnes Becker and presented the NEW Pi State Educational Foundation Logo! See the logo design below. We also announced the reelection of **Ellen Hughes** to a 4-year term to the Board of Directors of the Foundation, 2021-2025. This is all wonderful news.

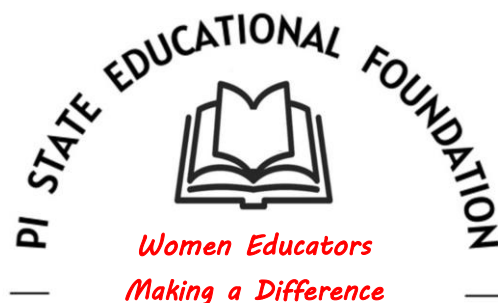
The somber news is that the Foundation treasury has suffered greatly during the pandemic. We feel much of this is due to the fact that there have been few in-person meetings at the chapter, area and, especially the state level this last year, all times when many of you make donations to the Foundation. PLEASE, if we are to continue our wonderful work, we need you to pull out your checkbook, and download the donation form from our section of the website (under the New York State tab, Pi State Educational Foundation line, Contribution Form line)—donations, as always, are tax-deductible. And . . . encourage any members in your chapter to become a member of the Foundation who might not belong.

As per a request at the meeting, the Annual Meeting agenda has been posted on our section of the website. Thank you for all your support in so many ways.

Submitted by: **Ginny Dudko**



**Ginny Dudko**



The new Pi State Educational Foundation logo was developed from entries submitted by Foundation members. The winning graphic design was submitted by **Carol Zaleski** of *Alpha Chi* and the winning text design was submitted by **Ann Marie Plowe** of *Beta Theta*. Congratulations! Thank you to Donna Noble, Lois Restrepo, Judy Wadsworth and the Foundation Board, who also submitted designs. President **Ginny Dudko** was presented with a shirt from her Board of Directors showing the new logo design at the Annual Foundation Meeting.





## Population and Demographics

### Active Generations

#### Maturists (pre1945)

**Strengths**- loyal, respectful,

hardworking, dependable, prudent

**Weaknesses** – less tech savvy, prefer traditional ways

#### Baby Boomers (1946-1964)

**Strengths** – team players,

strong mentors, committed to their roles

**Weaknesses** – competitive, prefer structure and discipline, often resist change

#### Generation X (1965-1980)

**Strengths** – ‘best overall workers,’ committed to work/life balance

**Weaknesses** – prefer to finish tasks quickly, less likely to speak up in disagreement

#### Millennials or Gen Y (1981-97)

**Strengths** – work well independently, concerned with ethics and social responsibilities

**Weaknesses** – do not enjoy teamwork, weaker work ethic, impatient for growth

#### Gen Z or Centennials (1998-2010)

**Strengths** – tech savvy, ambitious, multitaskers

**Weaknesses** – prefer a realistic outlook, can be cynical, reliant on technology

#### Generation Alpha (2011-2025)

They are the future DKG members!

Strengths and weaknesses to be determined. What part will education have in determining these traits?

*Generational descriptions were combined from numerous resources.*

## Promoting DKG Visibility

Fall 2020, the International Communications and Marketing (C&M) Committee asked state C&M committee chairs how they promoted visibility of DKG to non-members. The answers included methods such as websites, newsletters, social media, public news articles, and DKG brochures. As a result of the data provided, the International C&M Committee invites you to explore alternate options for promoting DKG using electronic platforms that can appeal to all generations.

**Pinterest** – This site is a resource for followers looking for personal and professional information. Refer non-members to this site as an additional resource, another way that DKG supports educators.

[The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Pinterest page](#)

**YouTube** – This site is a storehouse of sorts for DKG related videos. Refer non-members to this site as it offers current updates and programs, and showcases countless aspects of the Society overall.

[DKG: The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International YouTube channel](#)

**Facebook** – Social media is a marketing tool appreciated by all ages. Current trend is that Millennials and Centennials follow FB pages more heavily but will abandon quickly if a post opposes their views. Refer non-members to either site for fresh, timely, and applicable Society information.

[The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Facebook page](#) \*Hosted by DKG Staff

[The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International public group](#) \*Hosted by DKG members

**Instagram** – Social media sharing app that allows users to edit and share photos and videos to followers. Refer non-members to this site to offer them a visual snapshot into the Society.

[Delta Kappa Gamma Instagram](#)

**LinkedIn** – Often considered a “career-building” site but so much more. Refer non-members to this site as it explains what DKG is, it’s role in the education profession, and offers means for building a professional connection.

[DKG: The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International LinkedIn page](#)

**Twitter** – Refer non-members here for the latest news and developments of the Society. Quick, easy, and “hot off the press” knowledge that can be used for marketing the Society.

[The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International twitter page](#)

What are we missing? Snapchat, Tumblr, WhatsApp, Reddit, and more are other social media, communication sites that are available. Consider your population as you explore and implement social media tools to communicate and market membership to non-members. Remember non-members are often prospective members, donors, and community affiliates.

*Electronic platforms are listed in a similar order as the given generations. This information is based on reading articles, talking with persons from each generation, and personal experiences.*

*Alpha Tau* spent an afternoon exploring the facilities and program offerings of LeTourneau Christian Center, our President's Project for **Beth Rasmussen's** biennium. Below is a picture of our Alpha Tau members on the tour of LeTourneau Christian Center. We are on the front porch of Bethany House which overlooks beautiful Canandaigua Lake. A chilly and windy day in the Finger Lakes, but we'll take it with sunshine!

At the conclusion of our tour we enjoyed a delicious Italian chicken and rotini dinner with seasoned veggies, homemade rolls and a salad. We enjoyed a custard and strawberry filled vanilla birthday cake for dessert to celebrate the recognition of our chapter's 60th birthday!

All of this was followed by our May business meeting, which we concluded by conducting table shares and whole group shares of a reflection activity called Roses, Buds and Thorns. The task was to think back on our year of COVID-19 using Roses, Buds and Thorns. We then discussed that Thorns may be feeling as if they are out-weighting the Roses and Buds, how do those of us no longer in the classroom best support, within our meetings and outside of them, the teachers that are still living life in the classroom? The answer from our members was a resounding, "No PD! We are 'PD'ed' to death. Let us just gather, talk if we need to, and learn/explore topics/activities outside of or on the fringes of education."



### *Omega Honors "Woman of Distinction"*

Omega Chapter has selected member Linda Upchurch as its 2020-2022 "Woman of Distinction." Linda has been one busy and dedicated Omegan. Inducted in 1997, she served as Treasurer for 8 years. That was followed by Co-Chairing the Scholarship Committee for 4 years. Currently, Linda is Co-Secretary for the 2020-2022 biennium. Omega salutes Linda's dedication and service to the Chapter!

Submitted by: Gail Frances Burr



Pictured in the photo are; Dawn Scales, *Omega* Co-President, Linda Upchurch, *Omega* "Woman of Distinction," and Denise Clark, *Omega* Co-President.

## Alpha Alpha Member Updates

Submitted by Judy Wadsworth

### Anita Mance named East Rochester Historian

*Alpha Alpha* Member **Anita Mance** began her term as East Rochester Historian on January 1, 2021 after serving ten years as the Assistant Historian. Anita is a life-long resident of East Rochester, and served that district's students as an elementary school teacher and librarian until her Retirement in 2010. Three years later she became East Rochester Village's Assistant Historian. She regularly writes articles about East Rochester history for the Post Newspapers. Anita also serves on the Alumni Foundation Board and Public Library Board in East Rochester as well as on alumni boards at SUNY



### Alice Young receives Liberty Medal from NYS Senate

On March 19, *Alpha Alpha* Member **Dr. Alice Holloway Young** received the Liberty Medal, the highest honor accorded by the NYS State Senate. **NYS Senator Samra Brouk** awarded Dr. Young the medal during ceremonies at Monroe Community College's Brighton campus in honor of her impact on education in our area. Alice was a founder and long-time chair of the Monroe Community College Board of Directors after serving in teaching and leadership roles in the Rochester City School District.



### Susan Hasenauer named Newark Superintendent

On February 22, *Alpha Alpha* Member **Susan Hasenauer** began her first day as Superintendent of the Newark Central School District in Wayne County. She was unanimously appointed Superintendent by the district's board of education on February 3. Susan had served since 2013 as the Assistant to the Superintendent for Elementary Instruction for the Brockport Central School District and has over 27 years of educational experience, 16 of which have been in leadership roles. She began her career in education in 1994 as an elementary teacher in the Rochester City School District. She earned her Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education from SUNY Geneseo in 1994; a Master of Science degree in Reading Education from SUNY Brockport in 1999; and a Master's Degree in Educational Administration, also from SUNY Brockport in 2002. She lives in Penfield with her daughters. Her photo is taken from the Newark district website.





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## *Information for the Fall Issue of Pi Lights*

**Due September 1, 2021**

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

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***Pi Lights* Deadlines for 2021-2022**

December 1, 2021...March 1, 2022...June 1, 2022