

DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS

ETA CHAPTER



Eta Chapter Members,

Welcome to the "new year". We have a lot of interesting plans for our chapter. August 26th at Stone Ridge Community Room we socialize at 9:00 AM and the meeting begins at 9:30 AM.

After approval of 2017-2018 Budget and distributing yearbooks, we will hear from Wally Turner on our updated by-laws. Sherry Alimi -Kent will have the member profile forms available so we can update our Chapter Profile.

We welcome Penny Hargrove who has transferred from Alpha Kappa in Kansas. She will be the Superintendent of Mingus Union High School District.

I hope you all had a relaxing summer. It seems like the summers are shorter and shorter. Right?

I've been dealing with some health issues and surgery is inevitable. I may have to call on someone to step in for me from time-to-time.

Sherry B.'s Newsletter will be filled with news of Regional Convention in Hawaii in July and up-coming events. Do mark your calendars for Omicron State Convention in Prescott April 13-15, 2018. We would like Eta to be well represented even if you can't attend all events.

Watch your e-mail for hostesses for August Meeting. Hope to see you the 26th.

Mary Fiebiger, Eta Chapter President

PAY DUES!

Any member who wishes to spread out the payment of dues instead of paying all at once in September or October may do so. All amounts between now and October 31 will be tracked by the treasurer. As always, dues will be accepted at meetings or mailed to Norma Bauer at 4815 Hornet Drive, Prescott, AZ 86301. Currently dues for active members are \$81, for reserve members \$41, and \$20 for Grant-in-Aid.

TAYLOR HICKS WORKDAY

1845 Campbell Ave., Prescott Wednesday, Aug. 23, 2017 2:30 - 4:00 p.m.

We would like a big work force so all teacher requests can be filled. Please come to help us do that.

Linda Cramer would appreciate hearing from you as soon as possible. Email her at lindawayaz@outlook.com. Or call her at 443-1947 or 499-9586.

OUR NEXT MEETING

Sat., Aug. 26, 2017, 9:00 a.m. StoneRidge Community Room 1300 StoneRidge Drive Prescott Valley, AZ

PROGRAM:
Welcome Back!
Distribute Yearbooks
Complete Member Profiles

COMMITTEE Communications: Joyce Moore, Chairperson

Sherry Baca, Georgia Davidson,
Dorothy Eichbaum, Erin Harris,
Tashia Irvine, Helen McDowell, Linda
Spellman, Donna Stowell, Bonnie
Waterer, Veronica Wilson, Theresa
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RSVP to Joyce Moore BY MONDAY, August 21, 2017 mormath1906@aol.com or 928 759-7106

DIRECTIONS:

From Highway 69 in Prescott Valley, turn south on StoneRidge Drive. Follow it for approximately a half mile and the community center will be on your right.



AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Cindy Franklin, Aug. 29 Pam Dickerson, Aug. 30

Eta Chapter Finance Committee Recommendations, July 2017		
Prepared by G. Davidson (chair), M. Fiebiger, S. Baca, P. Dickerson, and Norma Bauer (treasurer)		
INCOME Last	Year (16-17)	Budget (17-18)
Chapter dues: 42A@\$15/3R@\$10	\$ 660.00	\$ 660.00
State/Int'l dues: 42@\$66/3@\$31	2814.00	2865.00
Fund raising		
Boutique	550.50	300.00
World Fellowship Fund	0.00	75.00
Misc donations (gen'l fund)	10.86	N/A.
In & Out	964.50	N/A.
TOTAL INCOME	4999.86	3900.00
Available cash carryover	834.42	714.10
TOTAL FUNDS	5834.28	4614.10
(less dues & fees for State/Int'l.)	(2814.00)	(2865.00)
Total cash	3020.28	1749.10
Held in reserve, for grant-in-aid:	\$726.61	\$ 1305.56
Grant donations	759.00	600.00
Yard Sale for grant	925.95	
Available for grant	2411.56	<u> 1905.56</u>
EXPENSES Last	Year (16-17)	Budget (17-18)
Yearbook	\$ 67.47	\$ 65.00
Postage	23.20	50.00
Supplies	280.35	250.00
Scrapbook	- 0 -	25.00
President's Courtesy Fund	- 0 -	25.00
Travel to workshops, convention	150.00	75.00
Workshops, convention	632.00	725.00
Donations	175.00	175.00*
Honors Program	-0-	N/A.
In & Out	985.65	N/A.
Misc.	32.51	N/A.
Program/Meeting Place Rental	- 0 -	- 0 -
Total expenses	2346.18	1390.00
(dues & fees for State/Int'l)	(2890.00)	(\$2865.00)
Contingency fund		359.10
TOTAL \$5236.18 \$4614.10		
Grant-in-aid:	\$1106.00	\$1500.00
*WFF, \$75; art students, \$100		

TENTATIVE PROGRAM FOR 2017-2018

Note: Refreshments at 9 a.m. and meeting at 9:30 a.m. unless otherwise noted

Sat., Aug. 26, 2017 at StoneRidge Community Center. Welcome back, distribute yearbooks, have member profile available to complete and collect. This research data will be compiled on our chapter to include ethnicity, educational specialty, age, grade level, etc.

COMMUNICATION Committee in charge of refreshments

Sat. Sept. 30, 2017 at StoneRidge Community Center. Continue to complete member profile for those not at Aug. meeting. Conduct Initiation.

MEMBERSHIP Committee in charge of program and refreshments.

Sat. Nov. 4, 2017 at StoneRidge Community Center. Car 101 program (Sherry A. will contact AAA agency for program) FINANCE Committee in charge of refreshments.

Sun. Dec. 3, 2017 at 12:30 p.m. Christmas luncheon at StoneRidge. Sherry A. will check with Blackboard Café for catering. If they are not available, Sherry B. will check on other caterer or another location. Need nominating committee by this meeting for officers for next biennium.

Sat. Jan. 13, 2018 at Joyce Moore's home. Executive Board meeting – and planning for convention in Prescott. Need slate of officers for next biennium.

EXECUTIVE BOARD in charge of refreshments.

Tues. Feb. 6, 2018 at 5 p.m. at Sacred Heart School. Art student program followed by dinner at the Prescott Brewing Company. Vote on officers for next biennium.

ARTS AND MUSIC in charge of program.

Sat. Mar. 3, 2018 at StoneRidge Community Center. World Fellowship Program. Do game on World Fellowship. (I have who has or Jeopardy)

WORLD FELLOWSHIP Committee in charge of program and refreshments.

Sat. Mar. 24, 2018 tentative meeting at Sherry Baca's to work on Prescott Convention – if needed SHERRY BACA will provide refreshments

Fri.-Sun., Apr. 13-15, 2018 Omicron State Convention at Prescott Resort.

Eta chapter in charge of Hospitality Room.

Sat. May 5, 2018 at Wally Turner's house in Sedona. Program: Greater Sedona Substance abuse coalition EDUCATIONAL EXCELLENCE Committee in charge of refreshments.

Sat. June 9, 2018 at Joyce Moore's home. Executive board meeting. EXECUTIVE BOARD in charge of refreshments.

TENTATIVE WORKDAYS AT TAYLOR HICKS SCHOOL

1st quarter: Wednesday, August 23, 2017 2nd quarter: Wednesday, October 18, 2017 3rd quarter: Wednesday, January 10, 2018 4th quarter: Wednesday, March 21, 2018

ETA CHAPTER SUMMARIES by Dorothy Eichbaum and Sherry Baca

NORMA BAUER: For those of us who received the annual Yavapai Regional Medical Center Report booklet (in June) we were honored to see our very own Norma Bauer's lovely picture listed as the 2016 YRMC West Volunteer of the Year. Norma is known for her giving of time, talents, and dedication. What a treasure we have as our ETA treasurer!! from Dorothy Eichbaum

MONA GILLUM: We received the following note from Mona.

We are about 90% moved into our new house. I am enjoying Being a person who spends most of my time indoors the 100 plus temps have not bothered me much. Amara likes the new house because there are good areas to hide when we play hide-go-seek. I am really enjoying watching her grow and mature. She's a big help to granny when it comes to technology especially when I don't know how to turn things on. By the way, getting back to the house, it has been hard putting all of our belongings into 700 square feet less space. Our donations to charity will probably be questionable to IRS when we file our tax returns, but there's no space for all that we have obtained in the past. Below is our new address and home phone number. We live in Peoria, Arizona just minutes from Arrowhead Mall. We live in the Ventana Lakes subdivision. It's a beautiful place with 7 lakes and way too many activities for seniors. If you plan to be in the area we would love to have you visit.

> Roland and Mona Gillum 20633 N. 103rd Ave Peoria, AZ 85382 623-249-4437

KRIS FOSTER: She sent us the note below and we send back our sincere sympathy about the sad part of her news.

I will not be able to attend the meeting. Richard and I are leaving August 24 to go on our first major trip retired. We are going to New York and Maryland. We also will be spending one night in an ocean side house in Massachusetts. We will return September 17th or thereabouts.

My good news is that in June our daughters hosted a 40th Anniversary and dual retirement party for us. All of my siblings, and most of my nieces and nephews came from as far away as Minnesota and Washington and Tucson to celebrate. Our sad news was that our daughter Laura, who was pregnant with identical twin daughters, lost the babies at 20 weeks in July due to twin to twin transfusion syndrome. Prayers for her and husband Matt are appreciated.

<u>CAROL STAFFORD:</u> She shared that their children, Jim and Stephanie, came together and stayed with them a few days. That is always special.

LINDA SPELLMAN: She writes that she is excited to see so many Saturday meetings but regrets she can't make the August meeting because she is on a committee putting on a tea that day. She has been busy updating our website with the officer and committee structure, the planned program and calendar, and updated member information. The website is http://etachapteraz.weebly.com. And remember - the member information is on the password protected part of our website. To access it you need the chapter password. This can be found in your yearbook on the officer page.

MARY SHENEFIELD: Mary is one of our long time members who now lives in the Valley and remains a reserve member in our chapter. She shared the following:

What did I do on my "summer vacation"? I have busied myself with remodel projects on new home with Eric. We completed a new bathroom and my bedroom. A lot of work but so nice! Now we're doing the kitchen. New appliances are installed and now all we have to do is learn how to use these modern innovations. We did an energy audit and began work in that area by installing a new pump for the pool that promises a reduction in APS charges. Of course, the pool is one of the saving graces in dealing with the Phoenix heat. Other projects await. Eric had someone checking on me each day he was on his vacation to Wyoming for his 40th h.s. class reunion. Their visits were a welcome change.

I miss DKG and read every word of the mailings. Thanks so much for keeping in contact.

Love 'n' Hugs Mary Shenefield

SHERRY BACA: Her husband and youngest daughter accompanied her to Hawaii for eight day to attend the DKG Southwest Regional Conference and to vacation. The first five days they toured all over the island and then Sherry went to the conference while her family played on the beach and went parasailing. Please see the Convention and Hawaii photos later in this newsletter.

Next she and hubby took their RV on a two week trip up to Washington State to see her oldest daughter who lives there. They traveled through California, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Utah, and Nevada visiting friends along the way and going to the ocean, taking in the sights around Olympia, exploring the Columbia River area, staying a couple days in Boise touring the Old Penitentiary, and going to the downtown street market, capitol and Basque festival. They spent a couple days in Salt Lake visiting the lake itself and then touring all the buildings in Temple Square and several other city sights. On the way home they stopped at Cove Fort and then a couple of casinos in Henderson, Nevada.

SOUTHWEST REGIONAL CONFERENCE - HONOLULU, HAWAII July 4-7, 2017 by Sherry Baca

The DKG Southwest Regional Conference was packed full of amazing sessions and events. As reported in the Conference Newsletter *Many keynote speakers from diverse backgrounds in business, maritime sailing, and education shared their ideals and passions as they contributed to our global knowledge*. Below I am sharing highlights from some of the keynote speakers including the italicized theme of their presentation.

Pono Shim, *Experience a Lifestyle of Aloha*. As a business leader and storyteller, he set the tone Tuesday with his "Aloha Response" and what "Aloha" means. He has produced a video for the World indigenous Leadership Development Institute: *What is Hawaii*, *What is Aloha* based on the teaching of Aunty Pilahi Paki who was called the keeper of Hawai'i's secrets. She prophesied that the world would come to Hawai'i in the 21st century to find the answer to world peace - that answer is aloha. Polo's personal stories were very touching.

Dr. Shawn Kana'iaupuni, *Global Connections*, shared her beliefs and experiences about the Polynesian Voyaging Society which is a voyage devoted to a commitment to learning and caring for our larger "island earth".

Barbara Kawakami, *Celebrating Our Legacy*, has been a researcher, writer and consultant for many projects and has been honored as a historian who has preserved the history of Hawaii and provided access to others through her work. She is the author of *Picture Bride Stories*, relating the challenges of young women paired with unknown husbands-to-be in Hawaii during the early 1900's.

Dr. Maenette Kape'ahiokalani Padeken Ah Nee-Benham, Chancellor of the University of Hawaii, focused on *Cultivating Leadership*. Her work on alternative frames of leadership and issues of education is nationally and internationally respected. She has published several books and is committed to healthy, vibrant and sustainable learning environments .

Miki Nishizawa and Kel Hirohata, *Celebrating Our Milestones*, shared the Essential E's to grow student leadership: *Empathize, Engage and Empower*. Kel is a teacher at Waipahu High School and Miki is of the 2015 graduates who has gone on to expand her advocacy at the national level. They shared how they had formed partnerships within the community to help students become advocates for current issues such as teen traffic safety, domestic violence awareness, and teen suicide prevention.

Mervlyn Kitashima, Personal Significance/Personal Inspiration. She was born on the island of Kauai and lived in Anatolia, which is part of the Kauai Longitudinal Study that defined clusters of protective factors to build resiliency in children. The findings revealed that "high-risk"youth could overcome trauma and other serious problems to become successful "survivors". Kitashima is an example and role mode of being one of these survivors and shared her life experience as a teenage mother, mother of seven, grandmother of thirteen and wife of 39 years. To emphasize her success, in 2003 she was named the State of Hawaii and National Mother of the Year by American Mothers Incorporated.



MORE ON THE HAWAII SOUTHWEST REGIONAL CONFERENCE by Sherry Baca

The Southwest Regional Conference (SWR) 2017 attracted over 500 DKG sisters from Canada, Latin American, the Netherlands, Japan and all 4 Regions of the USA. Several spouses, family members, and guests accompanied their conference attendee with a Hawaiian vacation. The Emergency Funds collected were \$5,379.97.

Besides the keynote sessions, each day featured several 45-minute breakout sessions and 10-minute Takeaways. Below I have tried to summarize events that took place at the conference as well as some of the break-out sessions I attended.

State Organization Leaders attended preconference training in order to understand their new job duties.

DKG's 88th Birthday was celebrated and 2015-2018
International President,
Carolyn Pittman, engaged everyone in social media by participation in a survey being done in all five regions, to give quality input for the future of DKG.

The Market featured DKG signature accessories, designer outfits from Hawaii, and gift items

to take home.

I attended the session

Life is Simple, Just Dance given by
Jeanette Ryan from Texas. She
encouraged us to stay active because
as we age our joint flexibility gets
harder to maintain. She led us
through fun low impact dances to get
moving and shared tips on how
exercise helps our health. It was great
being with DKG ladies doing dances
like the Twist, the Cupid Shuffle,
YMCA, and the Hustle! It
was educational and good
exercise.

Music is ongoing in DKG and musicians, voices, and dancers were offered at breakout sessions and performed at general meetings and meal events. I attended the session

These Islands presented by Jennie
Lee Tam Sing from Hawaii. She
taught us the hand, hip and foot
motions to a beautiful hula dance to
the song entitled These Islands sung
by Danny Couch. But no matter how
hard I tried I never could move my
hips and hands as gracefully as she
did. She even provided us with
handouts of the lyrics with stick figure
photos to remind us what to do. She
encouraged all to perform with
her at the banquet!

I attended the *Beginning Japanese Tea Ceremony* led by Yoshiko Mizuta and Mikako Yasuoka from Japan. We saw a video on the history and basics of the ceremony beginning in the 16th century. Then we experienced this formal ceremony as we were treated to Japanese sweets along with the slightly bitter green tea. After the session they had several different flavors of tea for all to sample.

I attended *Celebrating*Hawaii's Diversity Through
Plants, Animals, and
Storybooks by Soo Boo Tan and
Jan Ikawa from Hawaii. They
showed us this diversity through
pictures and stories including
Naupaka, the flower who lives
by the sea and the evil spirit
Pele, god of fire, who chases
two love birds and tries to
divide them apart.

I attended

Laugh for the Health of It

led by Edna Thayer from

Minnesota and based on the book
she co-authored: A Mirthful Spirit,
Embracing Laughter for Wellness.

The session was interactive, fun,
humorous and described the
benefits of laughter and ways to
add more joy at work and home. I
was able to purchase a copy of the
book and am looking forward
to reading it.

PHOTOS FROM THE SOUTHWEST REGIONAL CONFERENCE IN HAWAII

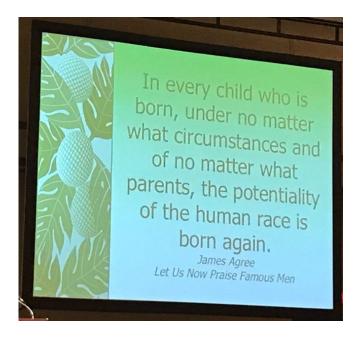


Welcoming Banner at the Waikiki Sheraton Hotel for the Conference



From Arizona: Lois Culliper (Alpha Epsilon), Nancy Noll (Alpha Delta) and Donna Reynolds (Alpha Epsilon) watch as representatives from Kochi, Japan perform the Yosakoi Dance

MORE PHOTOS FROM THE SOUTHWEST REGIONAL CONFERENCE IN HAWAII



A quote from one of the presentations at the Southwest Regional Conference



Wally Turner, International Non-dues Revenue Committee Chair, presides at the 4th General Meeting at the Southwest Regional Conference





During one of the breaks at the Southwest Regional Conference Sherry Baca and Arizona State President Alice Reule took a walk along the beach walk behind the hotel to enjoy the ocean scenery, boats, and people parasailing. At left Sherry is posing with Diamond Head in the background while on the right Alice poses in front of a catamaran that just came in.

MORE PHOTOS FROM THE SOUTHWEST REIONAL CONFERENCE



DKG representatives from California did a "Disney" skit inviting everyone to the next Southwest Regional Conference that will be held July 16-19, 2019 in Costa Mesa, California





PHOTOS FROM THE ARIZONA SPONSORED LATIN AMERICAN DINNER AT THE SOUTHWEST REGIONAL CONFERENCE IN HAWAII



Arizona State President Alice Reule (seated second from left in front row) poses with representatives from the Latin American Countries at the Wednesday night buffet dinner sponsored by Omicron State at the Hale Koa Hotel. The food and company were great! And many of the Latin American ladies brought samples of chocolates, candy, and other hand made items from their country to share with all the Arizona ladies.

Latin American Sisters in Attendance

- 1. Omaira de Ching, Panama
- 2. Lourdes de Figueroa, Panama
- 3. Nelly Figueroa, Panama
- 4. Tamara Flores, San Louis Potosi
- 5. Guadalupe Gonzalez, Nuevo Leon
- 6. Penelope Gonzalez Cano, Mexico
- 7. Ana Lourdes Acuna, Costa Rica
- 8. Priscilla Mate, Costa Rica?9. Gabriela Ramos Tercero, Mexico
- 10. Barbara del Rocio Rodriguez, Puebla
- 11. Victoria Tello, Panama
- 12. Mercedes de Umana Rep. President
- 13. Aurora Vignau, Lain Amer. Area Rep



Sherry Baca posing with two of the representatives from Mexico:
Gabriela Ramos Tercero and Penelope Gonzales Cano

PHOTOS FROM HAWAII





Photos of Honolulu - on the left is Diamond Head and on the right is Waikiki Beach and downtown





Photos of Hanauma Bay at Sunrise and later in the day. We got up at 4 a.m. to arrive at the bay by 6 a.m. We hiked down the mountain to the beach and played in the water snorkeling for several hours.



Fourth of July fireworks on Waikiki





Dole Whip creamy ice cream topped with pineapples is the best!



Sherry Baca and daughter Jenny at Dole Pineapple Plantation after taking the train ride and touring the plantation and gift shop.

QUICK LINKS

Download a free scanning app on your smart phone (such as ScanLife or Quick Scan). Open the app on your phone and hold the phone over any of the following QR codes. It will automatically take to you that internet site. The fourteen QR codes below help you find resources from DKG committees, boards and jury presented in breakout sessions and 10-minute Take-Aways from the Southwest Regional Conference in Hawaii.



COLLABORATIVE CONNECTIONS HOURS NEEDED

Barbara Scott requests that you please email her at the end of **each** month your collaborative connection hours. These are volunteer hours you do in the community, at church, with your school, etc. She needs the following information emailed to her at junipersv@gmail.com:

NAME MONTH LOCATION(S) NUMBER OF HOURS



Scanning this QR code will link to the International website.

Omicron State Calendar

October 21, 2017

Fall Workshop
Metro Tech High School
Phoenix, AZ
7 - 8 a.m. Continental Breakfast and
Set up for Rose Boutique
8:15 - 9:50 a.m. Executive Board
10-10:55 a.m. Session 1 Workshops
11-11:55 a.m. Session 2 Workshops
12:15 - 2 p.m. Luncheon with Speaker
2-2-30 p.m. Committee Meetings

Bring purses in excellent condition to Fall Workshop to be sold at state convention to support our Latin American sisters

April 13-15, 2018

Omicron State Convention
Prescott Resort and
Conference Center
Prescott, AZ

USE THESE WEBSITES

*Omicron State*http://www.deltakappagamma.org/AZ/

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Mission Statement

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

> <u>State Theme</u> Hearts + Hands = Harmony

<u>International Theme</u> DKG - Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide