



Arizona SAHUARO

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International – For Key Women Educators

HEART OF THE WEST

OMICRON STATE CONVENTION APRIL 13-15, 2018

PRESCOTT RESORT AND CONFERENCE CENTER
1500 HIGHWAY 69, PRESCOTT, ARIZONA 86301

Plan a Western experience weekend in historical and panoramic Prescott, AZ. Bring a guest and enjoy nature, (Highland Center for Natural History), antique and boutique shopping, golfing (Antelope Hills Golf Courses) and hiking (Mile High Trail System, downtown walking tours). Meet old and new friends throughout the convention at the Leadership Training sessions beginning on Friday: Life Experience Activities and Officer training; Saturday: Breakfast, General Session, workshops, Birthday Luncheon and Rose Banquet; and Sunday: Ceremony of Remembrance and World Fellowship Lei of Friendship Breakfast.

Plan to wear your favorite western wear for the Rose Banquet Saturday evening.

Have your picture taken at the Photo Booth. Bring your Polaroid photo to the Saturday evening Rose Banquet to clip to the table favor.

Friday, April 13, 2018

9:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Chapter President's Training

11:45 a.m.-3 p.m. Chapter Officer's Training

Lunch will be served to all officers. Past State Presidents are invited.

11:30 p.m.-5:30 p.m. Life Experience Activities- See the detailed information about the afternoon activities and Prescott history provided in the article by Jane Holdcroft.

12-7 p.m. Option for participating chapters to set up for Saturday's Rose Boutique

2-7 p.m. Registration

Members can go to dinner at the many restaurants in the area before returning for the evening activities.

5:30-7:00 p.m. Hospitality Room- Hors d'oeuvres will be served

7-9:00 p.m. Convention Opening/Dessert Reception. Desserts and fruits served. This is not a meal. There is no fee.

Friday Night Entertainment

The Gurley Girls Band -This band is a local Prescott teacher group that formed in 2012. The 7 women perform rock songs, country ballads and 70's love tunes. Also view The Skyview Grand Canyon Dancers Video.

Saturday, April 14, 2018

Breakfast, General Session, Rose Boutique open 7 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Workshops:

- Chapter Renewal and Expansion and Membership-Saroj Jagernaugh, Alpha Iota, and Susan Haliday, Alpha Delta
- Alzheimer's Research-Author, Regina Olson, Alpha Chi
- Technology-Internet Security, Google
- Becoming a Duct Tape Teacher-Julie Cober, Beta

- What Color Are Your Roots?-Carmen Wendt, Chi
- Picture This! Mastering the heART of Visual Communication-Dr. Taryl Hansen, Alpha Beta
- Are We Retiring in Equador?-Cynthia Maher, Alpha Delta
- International Perspective-Pat Park, International Representative, Hawaii
- International Speakers Fund-Tamara Flores Hernandez, San Luis Potosi

Welcome Pat Park

Patricia "Pat" Park, DKG Southwest Regional Director, will bring Society news to the Omicron State Convention in Prescott, Arizona. She will speak at the Friday Leadership Training and at the Rose Banquet. She will be introduced at the Friday night opening reception and continue activities throughout the weekend. Her Saturday Workshop is titled "An International Perspective."



Patricia "Pat" Park, DKG Southwest Regional Director.

A longtime member of the Hawaii State Organization, she has served as chapter and state president. She has presented workshops at many Regional Conferences and International Conventions. As Southwest Regional Director, she has served on the International Administrative Board. After the 2017 Southwest Regional Conference in Hawaii, she attended and presented at the European Conference in Estonia.

Professionally, Park has taught in Hawaii and Japan and has served as a principal and as district superintendent. Most recently, she served as Hawaii State Assistant Superintendent.

Omicron State members extend a hearty welcome to Pat Park.

SAVE THE DATE!

An invitation to all incoming chapter officers
Friday, April 13, 2018
Prescott Resort and Conference Center

INCOMING PRESIDENTS:

9:30AM to 3:00 PM

OTHER OFFICERS:

Start with lunch – 11:45 to 3:00 PM

WORKSHOPS:

- Tools to ease your leadership role
- Updated society information
- Generate teamwork
- Chapter enthusiasm
- Fresh approaches





heartfelt NOTES

from
ALICE

LEAVING A DKG LEGACY? A new year is a time of renewal when resolutions are made to improve lifestyles: dieting, exercise, reconnecting with friends, volunteering and improving our spiritual lives. What can we do to help us focus on making a difference in DKG whether it be for educators, especially early-career educators, students, our DKG sisters and our communities? Our current DKG AZ state project, Collaborative Connections has been in existence since 2008 and will expire in 2018-19. Is it possible to have more than one state project? Definitely! Plan to attend a workshop at the State Convention where you will hear future plans for a state initiative given by Expansion Chair Saroj Jagernauth, Alpha Iota, and Membership Chair Susan Halliday, Alpha Delta.

By the time you receive this issue of The Sahuaro, chapter officer elections should have taken place. New officers are expected to attend officer training in Prescott. I suggest that the officers' lunches be paid for by the chapter in appreciation for volunteering their services. The Leadership Committee has put in months of work planning a very special training for the new officers. At the training, you will learn your role and should become confident in accepting your new responsibilities. We are here to support you to be the best you can be in your position, just as you once, or still are, in encouraging and inspiring your students to reach their full potential.

As we go through life, will we be remembered for achievements that were done alone, or will we be remembered for sharing life's important moments with and for others? Influencing others in a positive manner takes time and energy. Have you noticed when someone is memorialized at a funeral, a resume is not read. Instead, eulogies are given. What is the difference? A eulogy shares the memories that impacted others' lives; a resume simply states facts about your education, qualifications, experience and interest in securing a job. I would like to believe that all of us in DKG have inspired others to want to continue what Anne Webb Blanton started...a Society honoring the 7 purposes. I would like to think that each of us will have created a passion in others to keep promoting DKG for the next generation. Make it your legacy!

ALICE'S TRAVELS

August 2017

18 Non-dues Revenue Committee Meeting, Phoenix

24 Memorial Service, Judy Richardson, XI, Tucson

September

10 Non-dues Revenue Meeting, Phoenix

12 Alpha Delta Chapter Meeting, Phoenix

23 2018 Convention Committee Meeting, Prescott

29 Fall Workshop Executive Committee, Phoenix

October

10 Alpha Delta Chapter Meeting, Phoenix

21 All Member Fall Workshop, Phoenix

November

9 Alpha Delta Chapter Meeting, Phoenix

14 Go-to-Meeting, Leadership Committee

December

4 Expansion & Membership Committee Meeting, Phoenix

4 Alpha Delta Chapter Meeting, Phoenix

9 Joint Chapter Meeting - Rho & Alpha Alpha, Phoenix

29 2018 Convention Meeting, Prescott

The way we were...

1943 (75 years ago) – President Ida Flood Dodge presided at the meeting of the “central and western” members, held at the Adams Hotel in Phoenix. She had also traveled over a three day period to visit Delta chapter in Globe and Eta chapter in Prescott. This was the first mention in our history books of president visitations to chapters.

1968 (50 years ago) – The thirty-second state convention was held in Yuma at the Stardust Hotel. Wylma Rogers, president, announced that Omicron state had 1350 members in 31 chapters.

1993 (25 years ago) – State Senator Lela Alston, Alpha Delta, was a key speaker at the state convention in Phoenix. Nora Berbisada, a World Fellowship recipient from the Philippines was honored at the Lei of Friendship breakfast. She had been studying at Northern Arizona University.

Dear Arizona State Organization Members

In less than eight months we embark on the DKG Alaska Glacier Cruise...August 29-September 8, 2018. There are still spots available.

The Celebrity Solstice cruise ship has many amenities, good food, and our group will have a knowledgeable guide to point out the sights and lead us on our land tours. If you have never been on a cruise, now is the time. Your DKG colleagues make a congenial touring group. Family and friends are also welcome.

Contact me for more information or call Nicole at 1.800.438.7672 to make reservations.

See you aboard the ship!

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SMART MOVEMENT:

Why Learning is not All in Your Head

As teachers, DKG members know that learning can change one's life. At Omicron State's Fall Workshop, Vicki Bonavito, a PE teacher from Washington Elementary School District in Phoenix, gave members the experience of learning, using brain research and exercise.

A PowerPoint presentation on “Why Learning is not All in Your Head” related the powerful advances made in how people learn, and how the use of exercises keep brains engaged.

Attendees learned how some present-day “advances” may be causes for ADD and other difficulties with which teachers contend. One example is that today schools do not use jungle gyms and swings because they are deemed unsafe. This may deprive a baby's brain of some of the up and down movement needed to develop the cerebrum. Babies being moved in carriers may be a reason they aren't getting movement in and out of cars. Being placed on their stomachs to sleep in order to prevent SIDS may be hindering the necessary back and forth movement. Not breastfeeding, may keep baby's heads from being moved from left to right.

Many schools have eliminated recess and PE. Better learning could be facilitated by involving students in exercising in the classroom. Bonavito gave attendees time to practice examples of the exercises to be used in the classroom.

Members can learn about brain research through watching Dr. Daniel Amen on YouTube and PBS and reading such books as HOW THE BRAIN WORKS by Eric Jensen.

Because exercise grows brain cells, students and adults need to exercise.

Alice Rice, Omega

Educational Excellence Committee encourages participation

The Educational Excellence Committee is continuing to work to promote quality in education. They are currently working on a personal/professional seminar for May 12. The plans are to have a half-day seminar in the Phoenix area, and interested members and non-members will be welcomed. As the plans become finalized, chapter EE chairmen will be notified. If you would like to be on the mailing list, please contact Shauna Patton-Finley, Alpha Iota, at-shaunar.pattton@gmail.com.

The Committee also is responsible for a number of happenings that will occur at the Prescott State Convention. The Spotlight Award will be presented. All chapters are encouraged to nominate a member. The application is available from the EE chairs or on the state web site

Making A Difference:

Your Chapter, Your Community and Geographic Area

The year 2017 was a very busy year for all Omicron State members. The Membership and Expansion for Chapter Development and Renewal Committees met to evaluate the survey responses from chapter presidents. The responses clearly indicate that our presidents are all aware of the need to retain current members, attract new members, and ignite the passion of current members. Some presidents felt that project-based activities within the community will be very effective in meaningful involvement of all members and attracting new members. At this time there are a number of vibrant chapters actively involved in the community with relevant projects and mentoring of members to experience the success that bonds them to their chapters. We are seeking input from these chapters to share their successes with our membership and ignite the desire to stay involved.

Saroj Jagernauth, Omicron State Expansion Chair, Alpha Iota

Membership Chairman offers solutions

As Arizona's Second Vice President, I attended the Northwest Regional Conference in Spearfish, South Dakota. There, I attended a pre-conference training session on membership. I was given data on membership numbers, reasons for members to remain in and reasons for members to drop out of DKG, how to attract new members, and good practices for chapter meetings.

Membership is the life blood of DKG. We must strive to retain, reinstate, and initiate members in our chapters. Encourage all of your members to attend as many meetings as possible, even if they can only be there for part of the meeting. Give each member the opportunity to be involved in discussions, decisions, activities, and leadership roles. Urge seasoned

and needs to be emailed to Donna Reynolds (warn2@cox.net) by Feb. 15, 2018. One member will be recognized for her volunteer work outside of DKG.

The total number of volunteer hours members have given will be recognized at the Convention through Collaborative Connections. It is always an amazing representation of what Omicron members do in their communities. The chapter EE chairmen will be collecting these hours through March 2018.

Another project the Committee has asked chapters to participate in is "Change for Change" to collect money for the UNICEF School-in-a-Box. Trick or Treat for UNICEF boxes were handed out at Fall Workshop. Members are being asked to drop their change in the box at each

members to mentor new members. Have meaningful programs that will enrich members as lifelong learners. Ensure that your meetings are safe places for members to share without the fear of criticism and make time within your meetings to socialize.

Remember, also, those women that have dropped out and encourage them to give DKG another try. Circumstances change, maybe now is the perfect time for them to reinstate.

Susan Halliday, State Membership Chairman, Alpha Delta

Raffle drawings at state convention

Bill Neely, an Arizona master bird carver, will be carving two hummingbirds on manzanita wood for the convention raffle.

His passion for wildlife and nature is prevalent in his intricately detailed birds that he has been creating for decades. Neely's art can be found in museums and galleries throughout Arizona. Also, his skills have qualified him to become one of a few carvers to repair and restore thousands of Native American Kachina dolls around the country.

Ron Watson, a retired real estate broker from Yuma, is designing a yard art totem for the raffle. Ron served on the Governing Board of Yuma School District Number One for 24 years. The Ron Watson Middle School is named in his honor. The ceramic totem will be 5-6 feet tall with 10-12 colorful, multi-shaped pieces. A steel rod in the middle of the piece attaches to a large disk from a Yuma County farm implement. The totem is made to withstand most elements. Raffle tickets will be sold at the convention registration table and the proceeds will go to convention expenses.

LaVonne Larson, Alpha Xi

chapter meeting. In April, all monies collected will be turned in at the Convention and sent to UNICEF to purchase boxes to be handed out to schools that have suffered a disaster. The collection started with \$100 in change being donated at Fall Workshop.

Do not forget to continue to support Early Career Educators. Chapters may do this through any project of their choice.

Last, check the International web site for information on CTUAN (Committee on Teaching About the United Nations) on April 6, or the US Forum National Legislative Seminar on March 18-21.

Carmen Wendt, Educational Excellence Chairman, Chi

Omicron Scholarship Winners

Two women educators were awarded \$1000.00 each at the April 22, 2017 Omicron State Convention Banquet. Dayna Burke, Alpha Rho Chapter, received the Isadore Munger Endowment. She currently teaches first grade in the Sahuarita Unified School District and has been



Dayna Burke, Alpha Rho

recognized numerous times for excellence in teaching. She was a 2014 Arizona Teacher of the Year finalist. Burke is working on a Masters Degree in educational leadership (Northern Arizona University) and pursuing a

National Board Certification in Literacy. With the leadership certification Burke plans to fulfill her passion for leading other teachers as a principal or assistant principal.

Jessica Howell, Nu Chapter, is a 2017 Raytheon Leader in Education Award Winner.

Previously she has been recognized as Hendrick's Elementary Teacher of the Year (2015-16) and in 2007 she was a RODEL Exemplary Teacher finalist. She earned a bachelors degree from University of Arizona and a masters degree from Northern Arizona University. She has taught grades 1-4 students as a Title I Reading Specialist and is now teaching 3rd grade at Hendrick's Elementary in Flowing Wells District. She will use her Mary Bandy Price State Founders Scholarship to earn her National Board Certification.



Jessica Howell, Nu

Mary Ann Liddle, State Scholarship Chairman, Lambda

Unleash the power of lifelong learning with Osher

Are you looking for “cognitive vibrancy” in your life? How about camaraderie and memorable learning? At October’s Fall Workshop, Mikulas Pstross shared about the Osher Lifelong Learning Institute with such joyful passion, some DKG attendees selected classes before the workshop ended and even planned their light rail routes!

Osher non-credit courses are “university quality,” taught by some of the finest faculty available. Many fill quickly each semester. Mr. Pstross provided a few examples: Arizona’s poet laureate Dr. Rosemarie Dombrowski explores indigenous poetry; Dan Fellner’s students may find their travel writing published in *The Arizona Republic* and other venues; and Kevin Wilson discusses such diverse community building components as organic festivals and hippies in the forest in his *Life Beyond Civilization* courses. Dr. Kiersten Hendrickson’s very popular *Chemistry In the Real World* classes—relevant, irreverent, and “oh-so-much fun”—have students sharing what they learn with friends in their kitchens or with grandchildren everywhere.

Most courses are one-time lectures of ninety minutes, while other classes take place one morning per week for four weeks. Each class costs \$12 per session. Also, there is a \$20 per semester enrollment fee (\$10 for the June sessions), but that fee comes with a benefits card that offers discounts to local museums and other places of interest.

Would you like recertification credit? Osher students who provide a template may ask faculty to sign it to use with AZ Department of Education, much like DKG members receive clock hours for DKG participation. (A Lifelong Learning template will be available soon on the Omicron State website, as part of the Benefits



Diana Hutchinson, Beta, introduced Mikulas Pstross at the Fall Workshop

of Belonging information about recertification).

Classes are designed for adults age 50+. The program began with Mr. Osher’s legacy to create an “asset-based” learning community that utilizes the gifts of those who come to class. OLLI is part of the Age Friendly University Global Network, connecting to Dublin, Ireland, for example, with research and Skype “conversations.” In Arizona, that means a network of classes are available at five locations in the Phoenix area under ASU’s umbrella, and also through U of A in Tucson for the southern part of the state, and for the north, at Yavapai College in Prescott. Find schedules, locations, and more at www.osher.net, or at lifelonglearning.asu.edu.

Quoting Viktor Frankl’s *Man’s Search for Meaning*, Mr. Pstross reminded us of lifelong learning’s capacity to elevate us above the everyday, and find purpose. In addition to that legacy of learning and the pursuits of cognitive vibrancy and asset-based thinking, other Osher values build on the “intertwining of learning

and community.” Those values range from critically reflecting on assumptions both positive and negative; systems thinking that encourages awareness of the multitude of phenomena that go into systems—“more than we might initially think about”—and the opportunity unlocked by creativity, even the creative process of formulating arguments. Above all, Osher values and promotes the mental and physical wellness inherent in the program’s title, “For the Love of Learning”!

Janet Vickers, Omega.

Working with the Media

Teri Carnicelli, Omicron’s 2017 Media Award winner, presented a session on “How to Tell Your Good-News Stories” at the Fall Workshop. Her 13 years of experience as editor of the *North Central News*, a community newspaper in Phoenix, gives her insight to working with many areas of



Teri Carnicelli, 2017 Media Award winner

media. She commented that editors are usually very interested in local neighborhood news, but she also emphasized how difficult it is to get your story noticed due to the volume of press releases received. Here are some strategies she presented:

- A preliminary conversation with the editor or reporter will help determine the delivery area, deadlines, when issues are delivered, and the best way to submit your story (email, format, etc.). Selecting a local newspaper in which an event occurs is critical.

- Include the 5 W’s in your story: Who, What, When, Where, Why. You may also want to add cost (if relevant), exact location of event, contact information, and photos.

- Photos are especially attractive to both readers and editors. Check with the newspaper staff to determine if a release form is needed to have a picture printed. Another option for submitting photos is to indicate they are “available upon request.” She suggests a Drop Box the editor can link to if pictures are available.

- Editors are always seeking stories on local happenings in the area of delivery. One of the challenges for the writer is to identify a unique approach or angle to the story that attracts the attention of the editor. For example, write a “personal story” that might inspire readers. The personal approach to the news item may be based on an individual or group, but DKG/organization would be mentioned in the article.

DKG AZ membership is abundant with personal stories – and women who enjoy writing. And now you know how to get your stories noticed!

Kathy Green, Alpha Delta

Sojourner Center supports women, children and animals

Carla Landwerth introduced herself as a writer of grants to be used to support women, children and animals so they might lead violence free lives. She has worked for forty years with the Sojourner Center, one of the largest violence center shelters in Arizona. The Sojourner Center has served the needs of 18,000 women and children.

Sojourner Center started with one four bedroom rental with 19 beds and a staff of four women who took turns meeting the needs of women and children in distress. Those who sought the refuge of the violence shelter were likely to arrive with only the clothes on their backs and four women volunteers provided everything from toiletries to advice. The stay in the early facility was limited to three days.

Today, the Sojourner Center functions with 29 transitional apartments with a possible two year stay available to aid women and children



Carla Landwerth speaks about the Sojourner Center.

in danger of physical, emotional and financial abuse. One in four women are likely to find themselves in such circumstances. It’s not just a shelter anymore. Comprehensive services provided by the Sojourner Center include shelter, counseling, lay legal advice, an educational center, job training, physical health care, behavioral health care, social services and prescriptions. For example, seven school busses from different school districts show up daily to take children to school.

Since 75% of women who need services do not go to shelters, the Sojourner Center serves the needs of 2,000 people per year in community outreach linking them to services. The center has taken over the Sandra Day O’Connor human trafficking responsibilities. It has also



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CONVENTION HOTEL RATES
(ask for Delta Kappa Gamma rate)

All rooms are non-smoking

STANDARD ROOMS

Single (1 King bed):
 \$109

Double (2 Queen beds):
 \$109

SUITES

King Suite with separate room
 with pull out sofa: \$119

Queen Suite with 2 queens and
 separate room with pull out sofa: \$119

These prices are for 1 or 2 people.
 For 3 people \$119 and 4 people \$129

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 For 3 people \$129 and 4 people \$139

Indoor swimming pool, hot tub and workout room – Pool Hours: 7a.m.-11p.m.

If you are not already a member of the Gold Rush Club at the Prescott Resort,
 you can join on the second floor of the casino.

Thursdays are Ladies Day with \$10 free play for every Gold Rush Member

RESERVATIONS DUE BY MARCH 19, 2018
 to qualify for special convention rates

How Can Chapters Retain and Expand Membership?

At the 2017 Omicron State Fall Workshop, Susan Halliday, Alpha Delta, along with representatives of the Membership Committee, helped chapter membership chairmen and other interested members learn more about the international membership goals and how to promote them in our chapters. Halliday, along with Expansion Committee Chairman, Saroj Jagernauth, Alpha Iota, discussed the use of our KARE (Keep Active, Reach Everyone) committee with the state chapters. High on the list of other topics discussed was declining membership. Current statistics for Omicron State show that 8 chapters have at least thirty members, 10 chapters have less than twenty-nine members, and 10 chapters have less than twenty members. A suggestion was made that perhaps a larger chapter could “buddy up” with a smaller chapter for some special meetings. This would also strengthen our organization.

Creating meaningful connections can be facilitated by allowing each member to contrib-

ute in planning programs. Traveling together to workshops and meetings also strengthens positive connections. A social time needs to be part of each chapter meeting. If a member is missing, let her know she was missed. Each member’s contributions and viewpoints should be respected and considered with an open mind.

Attendees brainstormed about ways to strengthen our chapters. Among the topics discussed were: Recruiting new members, strategies for a positive chapter environment, and the current Girl Scout Badge program associated with DKG. Sharing ideas through networking and collaborating with other chapters, using chapter members for programs, including ALL members, and planning interesting programs were high on the list of ideas.

Handouts were distributed and the participants of this workshop came away with many ideas for engaging chapter members.

*Evelyn Harris, Epsilon and
 Karen Blackstone, Alpha Epsilon*

WORKSHOP MOMENT



Life Experience Events:

Downtown Prescott and Phippen Museum Tour

For the 2018 Spring Convention, the Life Experience seminar will be a tour of Downtown Prescott and the Phippen Museum. Prescott was Arizona's first territorial Capital. The town was founded after the Gold Rush in 1863 and boasts more than 500 buildings on the National Registry of historic places.

On Friday, those planning to attend will meet at 11:30 am to carpool from the Prescott Resort Hotel to downtown Prescott. The first stop is Whiskey Row on Montezuma Street. This is where miners and other residents took their meals, drank their liquor (the water wasn't safe), got their haircuts, found jobs, voted and found entertainment. On the Square there are art galleries, ice cream shops and gift shops.

Lunch will be at The Palace Restaurant and Saloon. It has been open since 1877 and is the oldest Frontier Saloon in Arizona. Next, plan to walk around the Yavapai County Courthouse, which is the center of downtown activity. The Gurley Street Shops, Montezuma's Antique Shops and the Prescott Art Gallery are a must see. There will be opportunities to sightsee, relax on the street benches and people watch, too. If you still have energy, walk to the Sharlot Hall Museum just north of the courthouse on Gurley Street.

For those joining later in the day or after the officer training, take in "The Life Experience Tour" from 3:30-5:30 pm at the Phippen Art Museum. Meet at 3:10 pm in the lobby of the Prescott Resort to carpool to join the Museum tour. This museum includes paintings, etchings, drawings, bronze sculptures, American Indian artifacts and jewelry that date from the late 19th century to the early 21st century. It has a one-of-kind western heritage gallery and the Arizona Ranch and Cowboy Hall of Fame. The museum is 7 miles north of the downtown courthouse on Highway 89 past the Granite Dells. The museum will be on the right-hand side. Upon entry, a guide will give a tour of the museum. Plan to sign up on the Convention Registration Form. The entrance fee is \$6.

Other places you might want to visit while you are in Prescott are the Smoki Museum, which showcases American Indian art and culture, the Heritage Park Zoo or the Sharlot Hall Museum in downtown Prescott.

Jane Holdcroft, Co-chair Life Experience Committee, Alpha Sigma.



- The Scholarship Committee is proud to honor **Stacy Connor**, Kappa Chapter, with this year's Jo Regenold Fund award. Stacy is a third grade teacher in Thatcher, Arizona. She used the \$350.00 award to purchase much-needed science materials and equipment for her student instruction.

- **Marilyn Ludwig**, Upsilon, was honored in October by the University of Arizona Alumni Association. She received the Sidney S. Woods Alumni Service Award at the College of Education Homecoming Wine Harvest Reception. The award was presented by Melinda Burke, President of the UA Alumni Association. Ludwig also rode in President Robert "Bobby" Robbins' car in the Homecoming Parade. She received her bachelor's degree from the U of A in 1952 and went on to teach for 48 years in the Tucson Unified School District. She continues to support aspiring teachers as a volunteer in the UA College of Education and has left an endowment to the college to help support future teachers.



Marilyn Ludwig, Upsilon receives Alumni award.

- **Gina Etzel**, Alpha Iota Chapter, was named Deer Valley Teacher of the Year in May. She teaches Language Arts 7-12th grades at Vista Peake and teaches for Deer Valley's online program.



Gina Etzel, Alpha Iota

DKG Omicron State

REGISTRATION FORM FOR ROSE BOUTIQUE SPACE AT SPRING CONVENTION

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April 13-15, 2018

Name of Chapter _____

Contact Person Name _____

E-mail address _____

Unless you have unusual space needs, your chapter will be assigned a one-half table.

Types of items you plan to sell: 1. _____
2. _____
3. _____

Please be sure a member of your chapter is available to man your space during open Rose Boutique time. Set-up time Friday, 4/13 @ 4:00 p. m.; 4/14, Saturday set-up @7:30 a. m. **DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION: April 1, 2018.** (Feel free to scan your registration form to me)

Diane Gara-Weiner

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White Roses
*"A Moment to Remember...
 A Lifetime to Honor"*

May L. Anderson Gilbert, Arizona	Alpha Epsilon September 17, 2017
Joanne Jett Yuma, Arizona	Iota August 24, 2017
Janet R. Hoy Yuma, Arizona	Iota May 27, 2017
Diane L. Henry Litchfield Park, Arizona	Alpha Sigma Nov. 24, 2017
Sandra Kelly Glendale, Arizona	Alpha Sigma March 6, 2017

DATES TO REMEMBER

- March 18-20, 2018
National Legislative Seminar
Holiday Inn/National Airport
Crystal City • Arlington, Virginia
- April 13 - 15, 2018
Omicron State Convention
Prescott Resort and Convention Center
1500 Hwy 69 • Prescott, AZ
- July 16 - 20, 2018
International Convention
JW Marriott • Austin, TX
- October, 2018
Fall Workshop
Metro Tech School • Phoenix, AZ
- July 16-19, 2019
Southwest Regional
Hilton Orange County
Costa Mesa, California

Rules Committee sets schedule

Arizona members of DKG will not be considering/voting on any state Bylaws or Standing Rules changes until the 2019 state convention. The state rules committee, however, will review proposed changes at any scheduled committee meeting up to February 1, 2019. If any member or chapter wishes to propose an amendment, please contact Janice Rosenberg for a submission form (janrosenberg@comcast.net; 520-219-0304), or go to the DKG Arizona web site.

*Janice Rosenberg, Chairman,
 Omicron State Rules Committee, Nu*

FALL WORKSHOP ROSE BOUTIQUE

Eleven chapters sold items at the Rose Boutique at the 2017 Fall Workshop at Metro Tech High School in Phoenix. There were a variety of handmade items that were offered for sale and excellent sales were reported. The sale money is used for chapter projects and all chapters are always welcome to participate. A big thank you is extended to the chapters that sold items and to those members who made purchases. The next event is Saturday, April 14, 2018, at the Omicron State Convention in Prescott, AZ.

LaVonne Larson, Alpha Xi

Sojourner from page 4

merged with the J.F.C.F., a seventy-year-old Jewish charity to provide even more services to people in need.

Statistics show that 50% of Native Americans and 62% of gay and lesbians may require services today. The Sojourner Center has expanded their assistance to abused animals who are most often the first victims of violence. There is a somber ceremony to recognize the victims of domestic violence with 75 people holding plaques with names of women and children who became the ultimate victims.

Landwerth stated that it is reasonable to assume that everyone in the audience has known the effects of domestic violence. In one's past, a grandmother may have had her teeth knocked out by a step grandfather. Perhaps a sister's divorce was the result of emotional and physical abuse by her ex. Maybe the beloved pet that was adopted needed a loving home. As educators we have, no doubt, made contact with an agency on behalf of some of our students.

Arizona State DKG members salute the efforts of Sojourner Center, Carla Landwerth and all of the supporters who provide shelter and services to women, children and animals who have suffered domestic violence.

Priscilla Hall, Tau

Heart of the West from page 1

- 12:30 p.m. - Birthday Luncheon
- 2:30 p.m. Guest Speaker, Tamara Flores Hernandez, San Louis Potosi, Mexico
- 6:00 p.m. Presidents' Processional
- 6:30 p.m. Rose Banquet-Keynote Speaker, Pat Park, SW Regional Director, Hawaii

Sunday, April 15, 2018

- 8:00 a.m. Ceremony of Remembrance
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