

Omicron State Organization

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Upcoming Events

October 21, 2017 Fall Workshop

Metro Tech High School 1900 W. Thomas Road Phoenix, Arizona 85015

April 13-15, 2018

2018 State Convention Prescott Resort and Conference Center

1500 Highway 69 Prescott, AZ 86301



<u>Mission Statement</u>

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



HEARTBEAT

Promote Leadership Increase & Sustain Membership Support Early Career Educators

Arizona Theme: Hands + Heart = Harmony

PLEASE FORWARD THIS LETTER TO ALL CHAPTER MEMBERS

August

DEAR CHAPTER PRESIDENTS,

Now that vacation is winding down, it is time for school sessions to resume. As we gather for our first chapter meetings of the year, ask members to plan to attend this year's fabulous Fall Workshop.

Attached to this newsletter is a Fall Workshop Registration Form. As in the past, chapter Treasurers are to collect the \$25.00 registration fee from each member attending and send to Co-registrars Julie Berkel or Barbara Hewett from Chi chapter. Their contact information is on the Registration form. Registration is open from August through October 11th. Also raffle tickets will be mailed out to each chapter in August to be entered for a drawing to win the 2018 Convention Baskets prepared by this year's convention committee. Any questions, please contact me, Alice Reule @ 480-280-5074 or e-mail areule@cox.net.

PLAN TO ATTEND FALL WORKSHOP, OCTOBER 21

The schedule thus far is:

- 7:00 8:00 Set up for Rose Boutique, Building 3
- 7:00 8:00 Continental Breakfast, Café Building 3
- 7:15 to 8:00 Registration
- 8:15 9:50 Executive Board Meeting, Lecture Hall, Building 1 (Rose Boutique closed)
- 10:00 10:55 Session 1 Workshops, Classrooms Building 1
- 11:00 11:55 Session 2 Workshops, Classrooms Building 1
- 12:15 2:00 Luncheon with speaker Leslie Moore, Sojourner
- 2:00 2:30 Committee meetings (Rose Boutique open)

As a chapter president, you are a member of the Executive Board with voting privileges on motions that affect our state. You will hear reports from officers and committees. There will again be two sessions of interesting workshops for current teachers in the field and retirees. Certificates for professional development will be awarded at the end of the workshop sessions. Breakfast and Lunch are prepared by culinary arts students at Metro Tech. This year's Speaker is Leslie Moore from the Sojourner Center. You won't want to miss this great event at Metro Tech High School, 1900 W Thomas Road in Phoenix.

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International President's

<u>Theme</u>: Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide

President's List:

- Go to the International website and check to see that all your profile information is current. Your 9 digit zipcode is encouraged for more efficient mail service.
- Contact those members who did not renew last year and invite them to reinstate.
- Yearbooks-save printing costs, bring 4 sections to Fall Workshop: chapter officers, membership list and schedule of meetings and programs.

<u>Membership</u>

International President Carolyn Pittman challenges each of us to bring in 2 new members this year.

<u>Heart Pins</u>

Available for sale at the Fall Workshop – \$5.00 each to offset 2018 Convention costs.

REGISTERING FOR FALL WORKSHOP

1. Share with members and your treasurer the details about Fall Workshop before the September meeting including the date, cost and benefits of attending.

2. At the September meeting, collect \$25 registration fee which includes breakfast, state business meeting, workshops, lunch and speaker.

3. The chapter treasurer collects the money and records names on the registration form, attached to this email.

4. Give members an opportunity to register during the months of September or the October meeting, if held near the first of the month.

5. The treasurer sends all the registrations from your chapter to the Fall Workshop Co-registrars Julie Berkel or Barbara Hewett (Chi). See registration form for their addresses.

RECRUITMENT IDEAS

Are you planning to take a basket of goodies or classroom supplies to new teachers in your area with a prominent name tag that gives your chapter name and a contact number? Remember to include DKG literature. Some chapters do this twice a year, starting first and second semester. Another idea may be to contact a superintendent or principal at a local school and ask for a few minutes at a staff meeting to share benefits of DKG, especially the grant and scholarship opportunities. Many young educators are looking at pursuing a Master's degree or are thinking of National Board Certification. Share the Lucile Coronet award options given three times a year to members or non-members.

BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

Sherry Alimi-Kent's (Chi) Latin American Committee is dedicated to raising money to support our Latin American sisters at Regional and International Conventions. For 2017-18 the Committee is again collecting name-brand purses and purses in excellent condition from Omicron members to be sold at the state convention. This year you can begin spring cleaning early. Bring your purses to Fall Workshop and/or Spring Convention in Prescott and plan to buy a few purses. You will be doing your sisters a good deed. Thank you.

GREAT NEWS!

LaVonne Larson (Alpha Xi) reports they have received transfers from several states. Carrie Snyder, a new transfer, is immediately getting involved by serving on Educational Excellence.