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Important Dates

Deadline for (March) FEBRUARY Hoosier Newsette – January 5, 2015
Since the State Convention will be in March, the next issue of the Hoosier Newsette will be in the mail by the first of February so that you have ample time to read about all that's in store!

2015 AE State Convention
 Merrillville
 March 13 – 15, 2015

2015 DKG NE Regional Conference
 Baltimore, MD
 July 8–11, 2015

State Executive Board Meeting
 Noblesville
 September 12

Come to Merrillville!

*Peggy Glennie, Rho Chapter
 Steering Committee Chair, Alpha Epsilon State Convention 2015
 Alpha Epsilon State Membership Committee Member*

When Alpha Epsilon State hosted the 2014 International Convention, we were charged with the goal of “every member getting a member.” What better time to recruit new members, reignite former members, and reacquaint with our current members than at our biennial convention in 2015!

As Steering Committee Chair, I want to welcome ALL of you to join us beginning on Friday, March 13 through March 15, 2015 at the Radisson Hotel at Star Plaza in Merrillville. It will be a great weekend, and we in Coordinating Council I are very excited to welcome you to our home.

You don't want to keep the experience to yourself – think about taking a prospective member to convention. It will be an excellent way for someone to experience the depth and breadth of our organization! Don't forget that prospective members are not limited to the typical classroom teacher. Think of college professors and lecturers, librarians, women who provide one-on-one instruction. If you're not sure if a woman is eligible for membership, talk to your chapter membership chair. Each chapter has the yellow booklet, “Guidelines for Chapter Membership Committee Chairs,” which explains the three categories of membership and what to look for when recruiting. Professional Development and Professional Growth Points will be available for active teachers—attending convention meetings is an easy way to earn them.

Remind current members as well that DKG is an excellent source of scholarship funds. Go to a leadership seminar, further your education, or even take a trip to acquire a new perspective on your current lessons. There's an app (as in scholarship application) for that!

Our state convention is a great way to reconnect with a reserve member, or maybe one who has simply slipped into inactive status and never returned. Delta Kappa Gamma is doing so many new and exciting things—bring them up-to-date by bringing them along.

Do you know women who have retired from teaching and were never offered the opportunity to join DKG? Talk to them. Invite them. Our state membership committee has many tools (PowerPoint, brochures, etc) to assist your chapter in its efforts to recruit, rejuvenate and retain members.

During our weekend in Merrillville, we will remember our deceased members during the White Rose Ceremony. We also will recognize our longtime members, marking milestone years (25, 40, 50+). If you know a Woman of Distinction, someone who serves her community as well as her chapter (active in church? volunteer? officer in another group?), she will be recognized as well.

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INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS
DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

MOVING RIGHT ALONG

Lois Vogel, Alpha Epsilon State President 2013–2015



This biennium is moving right along. Plans are in progress for the 2015 Alpha Epsilon State Convention to be held March 14 and 15. Tours will be offered on Friday, March 13 and there will be a meeting for the State officers and committee chairmen that evening. The convention is being held earlier due to scheduling conflicts. March weather “up north” could be a little chilly and we need you to bundle

up and join us! The hotel is very nice and reasonably priced for a comfortable stay. The meeting rooms and restrooms are located in the same general area for ease in walking to and from functions. There will be business meetings, and I would love to have you there to learn more about what is going on and to vote as opportunities are presented. The sessions will be meaningful and you won’t want to miss the special meals and celebrations we have planned! Please come and let me have the opportunity to thank you in person for all of the contributions you have made to make a difference in Delta Kappa Gamma and in my life the past two years.

Please support the non-dues revenue committee by looking at the DKG products that will be offered for purchase. Remember, vendors and exhibitor applications are available on the website and you can help by spreading the word to those you know who might be interested.

You will find that the convention will move right along as we keep a fast-paced schedule to be able to get as much as we can into two action-packed days! Don’t forget to fill out the registration and to encourage others to come with you. I look forward to seeing you!

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Beta Alpha's new members (l-r): Kathy Reitz, Shari Millikan, Jaclyn Kauffman, (Darlene Dycus, President), and Missy Feller.



Members from former chapter Gamma Sigma chapter in Marion joined Alpha Zeta this fall. (l-r) Donna Myer, Mary Pahmeier, Margaret Wilson, Lael Littlefield, Martha Marley and Peggy Ransom.

State Convention, continued from p. 1

Still not convinced? Here are the Top 10 reasons to come to convention:

Sisterhood. We can “talk shop” with full sympathy. No one knows a classroom like a teacher, except other teachers.

Learn about our profession. Even if you’re retired, admit it—your ears still perk up when you hear anything related to schools, classrooms, etc.

See your DKG sisters **perform**! Several members are also members of Sigma Alpha Iota International Music Fraternity—they are our luncheon performers. I have met several DKG members at SAI events—I know you’re out there! Brush up on the Chorale.

Lots of **shopping** choices! Come early, stay late—If you can’t find a store to browse through or a particular item—you don’t need it. (Yes, we have that many stores!)

The **tours**. We have two—one will travel to three quilt shops with plenty of time to shop and buy supplies. The second will tour throughout the

jewels of Porter County, including lunch at Strongbow Inn. It’s so good even locals eat there!

The **food**. Upon arrival Friday evening, one of the Council 1 members will happily accompany you to a restaurant that you probably won’t find in other areas of the state. With a plethora of choices, try something as exotic as French and Thai fusion or as comforting as a Polish buffet. You won’t get lost—we’re doing the driving!

Professional Growth Points—You need them, we’re offering them. What an easy way to accumulate points—a weekend with sisters!

It’s a chance to get all dressed up for the **President’s Banquet**!

Celebrate **DKG’s birthday** (there will be cake!).

Elect your new state officers and have a voice in the decisions of your state organization.

Registration deadline in Feb. 20. Don’t be late!

Kudos to Key Women Educators!



Beta Chapter member **Michele Lefkovitz** was given MSD Lawrence Township’s *Teacher of the Year* award for Forest Glen School of Spanish Immersion in 2014. Michele teaches art

and has a wonderful way of collaborating with classroom teachers, district and community projects through her award-winning art curriculum program. Kudos to Michele for keeping the arts valid!



Karen Turner, Tau Chapter, was recently announced as the 2014 *Spirit of Women National Community Hero*. A devoted educator, volunteer and ovarian cancer survivor, Karen was selected from a pool of applicants nominated by hospitals and healthcare systems throughout the country.



Karen serves on the board for Ovar’coming Together, a non-profit organization founded to support survivors/caregivers, create awareness and fund research for ovarian cancer. Volunteer activities have included speaking publically, writing articles, organizing meetings, working with health fairs and serving as the subject of newspaper articles.

Karen retired as an elementary principal in 2012 from the Bartholomew Consolidated School Corporation after being involved in education for over forty years. She has been a Delta Kappa Gamma member since 1996.

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World Fellowship: A Focus on the Future

Leslie Hamman, International Projects Chair

With so many highly qualified applicants, choosing the 2014-2015 World Fellowship recipients was a daunting task for the committee. Throughout the selection process, the inspirational words of hopeful recipients touched the hearts and minds of committee members as they reflected upon their own lives.



"Were we ever that dedicated to the education that was offered to us? Were we that committed to family, country, and profession?" The unanimous response was, *"Maybe we were not as appreciative because our education was offered rather than fought for as many applicants showed."*

This experience challenged committee members to become more dedicated to family, country, and profession and, in the end, award a total of \$80,000 to nineteen new recipients and four continuing scholars.

How many lives have Delta Kappa Gamma's World Fellowship awards touched? How much has been donated and given? The numbers are impressive.

- In 1960, an initial award of \$2,500 was given based \$11,528 in contributions.
- From 1960 through December 2013, awards were given to 881 women from 120 countries for a total of \$3,193,100 from contributions of nearly \$4 million.
- During 2013-2014, awards were given to 33 women from 28 countries totaling \$100,200.

One recent recipient stated, *"Winning the World Fellowship Award has been a lot more than securing the necessary funds for my study. I got to know an amazing community of highly dedicated professionals who make a positive difference in the lives of people they teach. You set an inspiring example to follow!"*

What a wonderful compliment! If we are to continue being "an inspiring example to follow," our focus on the future must concentrate our efforts on financial support and our continued dedication to the Delta Kappa Gamma purposes and mission. Since donations from chapters and individuals along with bequests determine the number of World Fellowship Awards given each year, please plan to contribute to World Fellowship.

****Contributions to the World Fellowship Fund may be made using Form 43 or with the on-line contributions form. Both can be accessed at www.dkg.org under Forms, Contribution Forms.**



New Kappa members (l-r): Kelly Amos, Laura Brazil, Lisa McDugle, Denise Williams (new initiates); Lou Ann Moore, Linda Shelford, and Lu Spicer (rejoined)

Nominations Committee Report

Carolyn Borchardt, Sigma, Nominations/Personnel Committee Chair

The Nominations/Personnel Committee is pleased to present the following slate of nominees for the election of Alpha Epsilon State officers at the state convention in Merrillville in March of 2015.

Jo Ann Manes, President

Jo Ann comes highly recommended by her Beta Delta sisters and others she has worked with at the state level. Jo Ann was initiated into Beta Delta in 1979. She has served as president, treasurer, and chairman of the communications committee for Beta Delta. Jo Ann has been active at the state level since 1997 when she served as a member of the state scholarship committee. Since that time Jo Ann has been a keen supporter of Alpha Epsilon State by serving as member and chairman of the state finance committee; parliamentarian; chairman of the state rules committee; chairman of the state membership committee; and chairman of the state educational excellence committee. Jo Ann has held several state offices, as well, among them first vice president and second vice president. Jo Ann has been attending state, regional, and international conventions/conferences regularly since 1996.

Outside of her Delta Kappa Gamma involvement, Jo Ann is also a court appointed volunteer for Volunteer Advocates for Seniors Program and for North West Indiana Adult Guardianship Services, Inc. Jo Ann is very active in her church, too. She has served on the media team, teaches Sunday school, and has been the coordinator of the elementary Wednesday night classes.

Jo Jones, First Vice President

Jo is a member of Mu chapter where she has served as president, first vice president, second vice president, treasurer, recording secretary, and parliamentarian. She has also served on the membership committee, finance committee and as chairman of Star Walk. It is with pride that her chapter president has nominated her for the position of first vice president for Alpha Epsilon State. Jo also has been busy on the state level as chairman of the membership committee, the research committee, the scholarship committee, and member of the membership committee. Jo has also held the offices of recording secretary and secretary. She was a keynote speaker for the Council I brunch in 2011. At the International level Jo was a member of the 2014 international convention steering committee. Jo has eagerly attended state, regional, and international conferences or conventions since 1999. As her Mu President said, *"Jo has the desire to be an officer in a leadership position. She is willing to try new ideas and sparks ideas with brainstorming. She has been in a leadership position every year since her initiation in 1989."*

Evelyn Campbell, Second Vice President

Evelyn Campbell has been nominated for the position of second vice president by her chapter, Alpha Omega. Evelyn is highly qualified for this position having served as chairman of the state membership committee from 2009-2011. Evelyn has been extremely active at the state level. She has been a member of the rules committee, the personal growth & services committee and the program committee. In addition to chairing the membership committee, Evelyn has been the chairman of international projects/world fellowship and the communications/ publicity committees. From 2003-2007 Evelyn was a co-chair for the leadership management seminar.

It all started when Evelyn was initiated into Alpha Omega in 1981. Prior to serving as their president from 1992-1996, she served as first vice president, parliamentarian, secretary, membership chairman, and program chairman. Since becoming a chapter president Evelyn has attended every state convention/conference in addition to several regional and international conventions.

Her supporters point out that DKG has always been a priority of Evelyn's, and thanks to her volume of involvement at the chapter and state levels, she has a thorough understanding of what is needed to perform successfully in this position.



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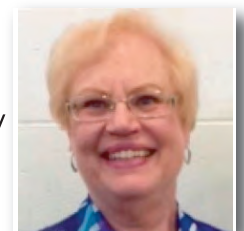
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2015 State Convention at Merrillville Professional/ Educational/ Personal Growth Sessions Saturday, March 14, 2015

Session 1 10:00 – 10:50

Recognizing and Reporting Child Abuse and Neglect

Presenter: Rachel Gibson, Family Case Manager
The Indiana Department of Child Services (DCS) protects children from abuse and neglect and works to ensure their financial support. Indiana is a mandatory reporting state. Any person who has reason to believe a child is being abused or neglected shall make a report, but teachers have a higher duty to report abuse or neglect. This PowerPoint presentation will provide information on how to recognize abuse and neglect, how to file a report, and the role DCS plays in ensuring the safety of children.

“SAP” A’Rising in AE State

Presenters: Kaaren Rodman and Faye Peter, AE State Strategic Planning Committee
Participants will be introduced to strategic action planning and will learn how to use it proactively to plan for the vibrant future of their chapters. Participants will leave with materials and resources they will need to complete their action plans within their chapters. If you attended this workshop last year and have already begun to plan in your chapter, we hope that you will attend again. Input about your chapter’s progress, setbacks and accomplishments can help all of us to move forward.

What I Learned on My Summer Vacations

Presenter: Karen Kinney, Retired Elementary Teacher

Vacations can lessen stress, be relaxing and encourage a positive outlook. They can also be learning experiences.

This session will feature trips to the beautiful American West and the DKG International Convention in Indianapolis. Through this journey, participants will hear ideas on how to renew energy, improve memory, and use

art to increase focus. The goal is to share these insights through photography, personal experience, and humor.

Computer Science K–8

Presenters: Olga Granat, Instructional Technology Specialist

Carolyn Rodea, Middle School Spanish Teacher

Computer science, which used to be accessible to only a few, has now found its way to more and more people, including K–8 teachers and students. Come hear two non-computer science teachers who dove into the world of computer science with students in after-school club settings. In this session you will find out about programming, coding, 3D printing, physical computing and more, and how you can take computer science back to your school.

Session 2 11:00 – 11:50

Girls’ Education Matters

*Presenter: Mercy Chepkoech Ngetich, Nakuru, Kenya
Valparaiso University Business/Finance student*

“From an early age, I witnessed injustices towards those who could not articulate their problems because of social, economic, religious or political disadvantage,” she wrote in her scholarship application. “I had to overcome many challenges, such as discrimination of girls, preferential treatment of boys, inadequate educational resources and outdated traditions.

“My plan and vision in life is to excel in school and become a successful young woman, ... I want to return to my village, start my own business and also a foundation to help other women and children in the world.

“I believe Valparaiso will open a door of opportunity for me and other women in my village,” said Mercy, who subscribes to an age-old adage: “You educate a woman and you educate a whole village.”

(Information taken from an October 13, 2013 article in the Post-Tribune.)

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*Professional/Educational/Personal Growth
Sessions, continued from p. 6*

If Laughter is the best medicine, Teachers should live forever

Presenter: Ina Van Duyn, Retired kindergarten teacher

This presentation, planned to be interactive, will share funny and inspiring short stories of time (32 years) spent in a kindergarten setting. There will be time set aside for attendees to tell their own stories of joy in the classroom. We hope it will be a time of respite and enlightenment.

Geo-caching 101

Presenter: Deb Carrell, First Grade Teacher of Gifted

Geo-caching is a real life treasure hunt using GPS coordinates to find small containers hidden in public. There are millions hidden around the world. You probably drive by a dozen or so on your way to work. Come learn how to get involved with this free hobby, which will help you explore and learn more about your area or a place you are visiting on vacation. This activity is great for individuals or groups of all ages, from birth to wisdom years...many are even handicap accessible! Deb has also used this in her classroom with her students. At the end of this session, you will know websites to use, types of geo-caches, and typical hiding places. Geo-caching is a 21st century hands-on STEM experience.

FIRST Robotics Opportunities and Experiences

Presenter: Stephanie Walsh, Science Educator, NASA Ignite! Curriculum Facilitator and FIRST Robotics Mentor

The plan for the program is to inform educators about opportunities available to students through the FIRST family of robotics programs. I also plan to share my personal experiences about a FIRST and United States Air Force Leadership Experience, hosted at the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado Springs, CO, that I participated in last summer.

Nominations, continued from p. 5

Peggy Glennie, Secretary

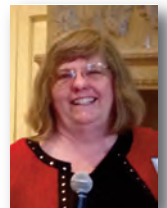
Peggy is a member of Rho chapter. She has served as Rho's president, Council 1 Chairman and is presently chairman of the 2015 Convention Steering Committee. Peggy attended both the Clarksville and Fort Wayne state conferences/ conventions. Peggy is also actively involved in her community. She has directed two musicals for the Town of Highland, teaches Sunday school, directs the Sunday School Christmas programs, serves as president of the Ladies Society at her church and is a member of their Altar Guild. Peggy has been a member of the Sigma Alpha Iota International Music Fraternity since 1983 and has held many positions with it, including that of president and vice president. She is currently Regional Officer. Peggy is always willing to take on the responsibilities of whatever committee or office she commits to. She knows the meaning of deadlines and has the organizational skills to meet them.



Sheila Baker, Nominations/Personnel Committee Central Area

Sheila was initiated into Beta chapter in 2008. She has served as secretary, corresponding secretary, 1st vice president and president of her chapter, and is currently the chairman of Council 8. She served as the chair for Indiana Night at the 2014 International Convention in Indianapolis.

She brings years of experience with Special Olympics at the local, state and national levels while she served as a speech therapist in MSD Lawrence Township, and is active with the Central Indiana Bridge Association in retirement.



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Want to Go Green?

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Please do NOT use a school email address; often local filters block the newsletter.

TOURS OF THE CALUMET REGION

Friday, March 13, 2015

OPTION NO. 1 (ALL DAY): *Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore, Valparaiso University, Hoosier Bat Company, and lunch at Strongbow Inn. Cost: \$35.*

Travel will be by school bus, but distances are short and bathrooms plenty! We must have a minimum of 20 participants or the tours will be canceled.

Visit the gem of Northwest Indiana, the Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore and Dunes State Park for a tour. (Light walking, but not strenuous.) The tour will include an interpretive nature hike at West Beach viewing ecosystems, then visit the state park which will include the great marsh, nature center, beach and pavilion, ecosystem hike. Our bus will stop at various spots along the National Lakeshore: Paul H. Douglas Center, Portage Lakefront and River Walk, and the Learning Center. (2–3 hours)

Travel to the Hoosier Bat Company in Valparaiso to see how baseball bats are made. Louisville Sluggers aren't the only bat professional ball players use. The souvenir shop is available for gifts. (1 hour)

We will visit Valparaiso University and tour the Chapel of the Resurrection. The Chapel is home to a 5,500 pipe organ. We will have a short musicale on the organ (a must experience!). If art is more to your liking, the Brauer Museum of Art is just across the street in the Valparaiso University Center for the Arts. Or you may do both. (90 minutes)

Lunch will be at Strongbow Inn, famous for their delicious turkey dishes! Still family owned (now by the third generation), this is a must for quality food.

Choose from three lunch selections. (Please circle):

Sliced Hot Turkey meal (includes tossed salad, homemade rolls, Host's choice starch and vegetable)

Turkey Salad Croissant (includes pasta salad, fresh fruit, cranberries)

Soup and salad buffet (Garden salad with THREE homemade dressings, pasta salad, fresh fruit, pretty salad (marinated vegetables), turkey noodle soup, crackers, homemade rolls and breadsticks.

All choices include coffee, iced/hot tea.

(But do bring money for their yummy bakery—forget the dog and keep the bag for yourself!)

OPTION NO. 2 (ALL DAY) QUILT TOUR

Visit three of Northwest Indiana's quaint small towns and their local quilt shops which will offer demonstrations, answer questions and have specials for our members. Some shops may supply light snacks, but lunch will be at a local restaurant (at your expense, light walking required).

Transportation will be via carpool (contribution for gas suggested).

Yes! I want to take a tour of the Calumet Region! I will submit my registration before Feb. 20, 2015.

☐ I want to take the all-day bus tour. Here is my check for \$35 (made payable to Council 1–Alpha Epsilon State).

☐ I want to go on the quilt tour!

Please detach this form and submit (with check if appropriate) to

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800 East 81st Avenue
Merrillville, IN 46410
Phone: (219)769-6311
Room Reservation Deadline: February 20, 2015
Ask for reservations with DKG/Alpha Epsilon State
Room rate is \$99 per night plus tax

Directions from Indianapolis:
Take I-65 North to Exit 253-US 30.
Turn left off the exit ramp.
Turn right at the second stoplight
to enter the Star Plaza.



2015 Alpha Epsilon State Convention Registration Form

Please Print. Each member attending should submit a separate registration form.

Name of Member (Dr., Mrs., Miss, Ms.) Last _____ First _____

Preferred Badge Name _____ Address _____

City _____ Zip _____ Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____ Email _____

Chapter _____ Chapter President? Yes No Year of Initiation _____

There is **NO** registration fee. However, **EACH MEMBER** attending must **REGISTER** and **PAY FOR MEALS**.

Friday, March 13 Hospitality Suite: 7:00-10:00 P.M. No Charge _____

Saturday, March 14

Executive Board Breakfast \$23.00 _____

DKG Birthday Celebration Luncheon \$32.00 _____

Presidents Banquet \$40.00 _____

Please Choose One: Pork Tenderloin _____ Almond-Crusted Tilapia _____

Sunday, March 15

Sunday Honors Breakfast \$23.00 _____

Indicate Any Special Needs: Diet _____ Mobility _____ Other _____

Please Explain: _____

Please send check or money order payable to **Alpha Epsilon State Convention 2015** to:

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Deadline: February 20, 2015

All cancellations must be in writing to Convention Registrar Carmen Dulhanty, prior to February 25, 2015.

I grant permission to have my name and/or photo published in *The Hoosier Newsette* or on the Alpha Epsilon State Website. Yes _____ No _____ Signed _____

Strategic Planning for Chapters

Kaaren Rodman, Strategic Action Planning Committee Chair

The Ad Hoc Strategic Action Planning Committee has received positive feedback about our efforts to encourage chapters to begin the strategic action planning process. Many chapters were represented at the 2014 April Conference workshop, and many others heard the presentations at CCOT and at the Executive Board meeting in September. Chapter leaders were urged to get their members involved by “starting the conversation” about chapter assessment and planning for the future. Information and materials remain available on the state website.

That said, I know that this kind of task is indeed “easier said than done.” What most people would agree is a much-needed step to strengthen our chapters and our state organization can seem overwhelming. A process that appears logical, uncomplicated, and doable, often seems less so when one begins to present the ideas at a chapter meeting. With that in mind, I’d like to share my chapter’s experience so far.

The Omega chapter officers and committee chairmen are a mix of both new and long-standing members. My goal was to get started on a chapter assessment (SWOT) at our 2014–2015 program planning meeting in June. That did not happen, although the idea was mentioned by someone else who had received planning materials from CCOT. I brought it up at the follow-up meeting, but again, there was no time to even start the process. It was at a third meeting in September (this is a dedicated group of chapter leaders) that the idea of strategic planning caught

on. “New” members kept asking questions about Omega practices that “old” members could not answer or answered differently, and our Standing Rules were no help. As the discussion continued, it became obvious that we needed to set priorities to give our efforts some direction, and it was agreed, for the most part, that the strategic planning process would help us to do that. At that moment, we began the Omega Chapter assessment by undertaking the SWOT process. We started to list our strengths, weaknesses, opportunities and threats (obstacles). When we finished, an officer volunteered to put together a survey on “Survey Monkey” to gather input from chapter members via email. Finally, we agreed to let our year continue as previously planned (membership is our #1 priority—maintaining and nurturing present members and recruiting new ones) and to work on strategic planning and updating our standing rules on a parallel track. I’ll keep you posted about our progress, and I would also like to hear about what is happening in your chapter. You can reach me at kbrodman@sbcglobal.net.

Chapter presidents: You will have another opportunity for training and sharing ideas about strategic action planning. Our committee will present another workshop at the AE State Convention in March 2015. **Please send a representative if you cannot attend.** In the meantime, “start the conversation” in your chapter, and check the website for information and materials from our committee as well as from International.

CALLING ALL SINGERS

Janie Hornung, Music Chair

It's time to plan for the 2015 State Alpha Epsilon Delta Kappa Gamma Convention. I would like to invite you to participate in the 2015 Convention Chorus. The chorus will perform at the banquet on Saturday evening, and we have a place reserved for you. I will send practice CDs and music for your use in preparation. Please use the registration form and send it to me by Jan. 6, 2015. Or, you may reach me by telephone or email. Join us for a great time as we provide the convention with beautiful, inspiring music.

Name _____ Email _____

Address _____ City, State, Zip _____

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Circle voice preference: Sop. I Sop. II Alto

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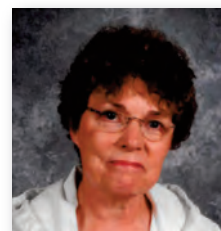
Olga Granat, Nominations/Personnel Committee NW

Olga has been a member of Alpha Gamma since 1997. She has served as chapter president (2012–present), corresponding secretary (2010–2012), newsletter editor (2010–2012), and webmaster (2010–present). Olga has attended the 2013 State Conference, the 2013 Regional Conference and the 2014 International Convention. Her chapter describes her as “... a dedicated Delta Kappa Gamma president and tireless worker for any cause she undertakes. She is friendly and outgoing with a wonderful positive attitude, making our chapter meetings fun and interesting. Olga envisioned and organized a large three day technology conference last year. Olga would make a great Nominations/Personnel member.”



Barbara Shirden, Nominations/Personnel Committee SE

Barbara has been nominated by her chapter president on behalf of her chapter. She has been a member of Kappa since 2001. Barbara graciously volunteered to finish an unexpired term on the Nominations/Personnel committee, so she has some experience in this area. Apparently we did not scare her off since she has agreed to be nominated for her own term! Barbara has served as president and recording secretary for her chapter. She is also the co-chair of Kappa's Third Grade Academy committee. She most recently attended the 2014 International Convention in Indianapolis. Barbara has been active with Cub Scouts, 4-H, and is presently the secretary of the United Methodist Women's group at her church. Barbara's chapter says she is an excellent candidate for this position!



Kudos to Key Women Educators!

Sue Carr, Theta's 2014–2015 co-president, was presented the *Weil Award for Exemplary Service* at the Art Museum of Greater Lafayette's annual meeting. Sue provided an art curriculum, organized volunteer instructors, planned tours to the museum, and gave 15–20 hours of service per week so that students at Oakland High School in Lafayette, an alternative school in which art was not part of the original curriculum, could learn to enjoy the arts.

Sue had previously designed a gifted program for Lafayette School Corporation. She taught art at Jefferson High School and is past president of the Art Education Association of Indiana. Theta chapter is proud to have this master educator as a member.



White Roses *A life that touches others goes on forever...*

Kappa Helen Robinson October 2, 2014 Liberty	Pi Jane Freeman Heneisen August 20, 2014 Newburgh	Tau Dr. Ruth Esther Holland November 9, 2014 Columbus	Alpha Omega Sophie Wojihoski November 14, 2014 Portage	Gamma Sigma Patty Lou Stout October 26, 2014 Indianapolis
Mu JoAnn Williams Haymond September 14, 2014 Warsaw, KY	Sigma Arlene Dickover October 8, 2014 Dyer	Alpha Sigma Miriam Hizer Reid October 31, 2014 Winamac	Beta Mu Sheliah Dorton September 12, 2014 Gaston	
Dr. Gertrude Geraets November 3, 2014 Madison	Tau Cornelia Schuette Cunningham September 14, 2014 Knoxville	Alpha Psi Helen Louise Blackledge October 11, 2014 Fort Wayne	Beta Pi Martha Voll August 8, 2014 New Albany	



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Congratulations Five-Star Newsletter Award Chapters!

Evelyn Campbell, Communications/Publicity Chair



In order to receive the Five-Star Newsletter Award, a chapter must produce a newsletter that meets established guidelines for format and content at least 5 times each year.

The chapters awarded the Five-Star Award at the executive board meeting on September 6, 2014 in Noblesville include:

Alpha	Alpha Omicron
Beta	Alpha Pi
Epsilon	Alpha Chi
Theta	Beta Alpha
Kappa	Beta Eta
Rho	Beta Sigma
Tau	Gamma Lambda
Alpha Alpha	Gamma Omicron
Alpha Gamma	Gamma Mu



Chapters earning Honorable Mention Awards are Mu, Omicron, Pi, Beta Epsilon, and Gamma Kappa.



Complete requirements for both format and content can be found in the Guidelines and on the Alpha Epsilon State Website. Included are points for overall attractiveness, readability, and inclusion of specific pieces of information in the masthead. Content should include dates and deadlines specific to the chapter and state organization, news of individual members, descriptions of chapter projects, the DKG Mission Statement, and articles that help members apply the Seven Purposes to their work.