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State President

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## Alpha Iota State DKG—Michigan

### The 2013 Distinguished Service Award: Mrs. Vera Simpson

The Distinguished Service Award is given by the state to an individual who has provided exceptional service to education in our state. This year's recipient is Mrs. Vera Simpson of Albion, Michigan nominated by Nu Chapter whose members volunteer to help her with her work.

Mrs. Simpson, who retired after 30 years with Albion Public Schools as an elementary building secretary, and after the death of her husband, at 70 years of age, decided to dedicate the rest of her life to opening a community center where people from all walks of life could come to work and learn together. Once the idea was placed in her heart, Vera has not stopped moving and working!

Vera Simpson is the visionary of the Vision of Life Community Center located at 718 Austin Avenue in Albion, Michigan.

Vera led the charge to purchase, gut, and renovate a deteriorated building, enlisting numerous volunteers and donations from groups and individuals. She contributed heavily of her own funds to bring the building into city compliance and furnish it.

The building is open Monday through Saturday, 1:00-5:00, staffed solely by Vera, with help from her sister Dorothy when needed. Vera's enthusiasm and passion inspire others to get involved and help. Local children and young people take a variety of classes; each class has a minimum of three adult mentors working with the children. These volunteers are drawn by the desire to make a difference in the lives of kids and they are inspired by Vera's loving, giving commitment.

Children have grown organic vegetables in raised garden beds. With their produce they have cooked pizza and learned to prepare various dishes. They are now growing vegetables to sell to a local merchant with seeds started at the Albion College Student Farm. In this process the children learn what it takes to run a small business. Six classes are offered in learning to sew. Children make a pillowcase, a patchwork piece and quilts. Children also enjoy making jewelry and helping teach adults the skills. Book Club provides children and teens with books from all genres. Books were purchased with a grant and provide opportunity for other reading activities and tutoring.

All programs are offered free of charge to children of all ages and are designed to teach life skills. Over 50 adults and numerous Albion College students have volunteered to teach, mentor, organize, fundraise or do whatever is needed.

Once Vera tells her story and speaks with such passion, people willingly volunteer their time and talent. Vera opens the building up to the public because she believes the building belongs to the community. No individual or group is charged to use the building. Vera Simpson loves people and the children, teens and adult volunteers love her.

Mrs. Vera Simpson is touching lives and changing futures for persons in her community.

Alpha Iota State of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International joins other organizations who have honored her for her selfless caring with The 2013 Distinguished Service Award.



**Gloria Richards, Nu Chapter President; Vera Simpson holding the plaque; Dr. Dorothy Sample, 2nd Vice-president and Distinguished Service Chair**

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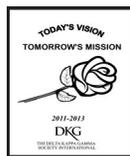
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# President's Message



## Alpha Iota State 2011-2013 Biennium Theme Today's Vision – Tomorrow's Mission

Dear Alpha Iota State Sisters,

### **The Alpha Iota Fall Conference is calling your name**

Come to Clare, Michigan, October 25-26. This is where the north begins! In Clare County there are no busy malls filled with cold department stores. Enjoy shopping at a slower pace; be greeted with friendly smiles, warm sophistication and country charm. Shopping varies from quaint specialty stores to auctions and flea markets.

Liz VanWestenburg and the Program of Work Committee have planned a great selection of workshops for you to attend. Many are available for SB-CECH's, so be sure to register for them if needed.

We've had conferences at the Doherty Hotel in the past and look forward to good service when we go there again.

I must reflect on the past convention. First, we welcomed twenty-seven first timers. What a joy! Second, thanks to Liz VanWestenburg and the Program of Work committee, we offered outstanding workshops. Third, Celebration-75! was especially meaningful when we met our nineteen founders and had a fun filled party organized by Dr. Paula Dent, Zeta Chapter members, and friends.

Dr. Beverly Helms, International President, graciously brought greetings and presented a workshop session. All were happy to meet her. We were so pleased when Judi Fisher was named State Woman of Distinction. Vera Simpson who has done so much in Albion was honored with the Distinguished Service Award. Bobbi Jo Kenyon, Michigan Teacher of the Year, was recognized and presented a wonderful workshop for us. We have a new State Honorary member, The Honorable Senator Gretchen Whitmer.

I'm pleased to announce the establishment of a new fund named **The Betsey Cooper Leadership Development Fund**. It will be used to promote leadership development within the state.

As I prepare to leave the position of Alpha Iota State President, I think of the outstanding educators I've met and the friendships that have matured. Had it not been for Delta Kappa Gamma, I never would have met most of you!

I am happy about the forward steps our state organization has taken with respect to promoting educational excellence on all levels. Michigan's 75 years of existence shows that we are doing something right and are remembering the vision of Dr. Blanton.

I spoke earlier of the need to be a torchbearer. The fire was carried to us and we need to carry the fire to prospective members. I believe our new president and officers will be torchbearers! I believe the fire will be carried throughout the state! I believe it will be caught and Michigan will be connected with the passion for Delta Kappa Gamma.

Enthusiastically yours,

*Olive*



**Liz VanWestenburg**  
**Incoming State**  
**President, 2013-2015**

I am honored and proud to have been elected president of Alpha Iota State-Michigan for 2013-2015. With Nancy Everett, First Vice-president, Bernice Haglund, Second Vice-president, Gloria Richards, Recording Secretary, Ranae Beyerlein, Corresponding Secretary and Executive Secretary Sally Garrison, Treasurer Loretta Miles, Editor J-Jay Pechta, Parliamentarian Dr. Helen Popovich and soon to be past president Olive Horning, I will work with our chapters and members to support and promote the Society's purposes and vision. We will help to strengthen chapters, support education and children in our state, and work to advance women in education. We will represent Alpha Iota at state, regional and International events.

As a team we have selected "**Education: Our Focus, Our Future**" as the theme for our biennium. There were others that came to mind, "You go girl" and Larry the Cable Guy's "Git Er Done", but my mind kept going back to the question: What are we all about as a Society? Education? Education is the key. Different types of education: formal and informal, planned and spur of the moment, for different people, children and adults from both sides of the educational aisle, as teachers and as learners. Just think of the things you have learned and taught or shared this weekend at this state convention: how to create an informational brochure, make a greeting card, fill your life with laughter, run a meeting smoothly, set up a website, plus so much more. This was just one weekend. From childhood through adulthood, as life long learners, just imagine what we can learn and teach!

Education should be our focus. It will shape and determine our future, our future as individuals, as members of the Society, the future of our children and our global future.

We have chosen two state projects. Our first state project is connected to an international project. We will ask chapters and members to "**Support Our Educators.**" This will relate to so many individuals: early career and more seasoned teachers, those in the classroom and those outside classroom walls, counselors, support staff, administrators and others. All can benefit from our offer of time and energy, our mentoring and help, knowledge of our past experiences, exploration of new techniques, our financial and emotional support. As we all know, being an educator is not an easy task. If we can help lighten the load or brighten the day of educators in our state, we will have accomplished probably more than we know. That support will affect not only the teachers, but also those they teach, their families and communities.

The second state project is "**Educating the Whole Child.**" This encompasses so many areas: core subjects, the arts, citizenship, physical and emotional well-being, family and community ties. We cannot ignore any of these if we wish to shape and grow happy and successful individuals. Each child deserves the opportunity to learn and explore all areas and develop their skills and interests.

I, with the team, eagerly begin this biennium. I look forward to getting to know you, your needs and interests, and those of your chapters. Together we can make education our focus, and work to promote excellence and excitement in our profession, thus, ensuring a solid and bright future. Thank you for your support and your participation in building strong individuals, strong chapters, a strong state organization, and a stronger Society.

Liz VanWestenburg

Alpha Iota State-Michigan President, 2013-2015

## A Special Welcome to Alpha Iota State Initiates



### Alpha Zeta

Adele M. Cumow

### Alpha Mu

Kaisa T. Mikkola  
Kimberly A. Truza

### Alpha Xi

Colleen Whitsitt \*

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Mrs. Karen S. Fornes  
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### Gamma Gamma

Mrs. Pamela Sue Morgan  
Mrs. Orlean Lewelling



\* Reinstated

H Honorary

## IMPORTANT NOTE TO CHAPTER TREASURERS

Please be sure to include e-mail addresses for everyone of your chapter members on the chapters master membership list. If the member does not have an e-mail address then put N/A in the cell. The Michigan excel spreadsheets have many errors in addresses and in phone numbers as well. Please check this information with your chapter members so we can work to have accurate information for the mailings of *The Wolverine* and other State information.

# Membership

## White Roses in Memoriam

### Earlene Sue McMillin, Beta Xi Chapter

According to our Beta Xi sister's family, Earlene's lifelong passion, calling and one true love was teaching children to read, write and view the world as a special place. Earlene's teaching career began in 1963 in her hometown of Detroit after she received her BS in Education from WSU. By 1967 she had also earned her Master's from WSU. In 1970 she moved to Barnes Elementary in the Grosse Pointe PSD, teaching third grade for 14 years before moving to Parcels, MS to teach Language Arts until retiring in 1994. A familiar face in the Grosse Pointe District, Earlene continued to be actively involved in education by subbing until 2012, and encouraging young women to go into the teaching field helped by the Beta Xi Scholarship. Also by working with her chapter to help new teachers in the district weather those first years when so many drop out of the field. A Beta Xi member since 1976, Earlene served as President from 1980-82, was Chapter Woman of Distinction, and chaired the Scholarship and Grant Committees for many years. This Denby HS graduate was also a writer and renowned journal writer, documenting much of her life and her travels, especially those she and her husband, Ken, took during her semi-retirement. She loved the beauty of our world, enjoyed and befriended so many people she met during her travels, and grew deeply attached to Maui where she and Ken spent their winters for the last ten years. From the depths of her soul, her experiences and her love of life came the poetry she wrote, some of which has been published in the book, "Feed My Lambs, Feed My Sheep." Her son, Robert, wants others to enjoy his mother's poetry and is working to have collections of her work published. Earlene will live on in those upon whose lives she impacted - her students, now grown, would stop her and thank her for what she had given them, her family, her friends, her colleagues, and her sisters in DKG.

December 20, 1940 - February 12, 2013

### Eloise Ethelyn Johnson, Sigma Chapter

Born and raised in Greenville, our Sigma sister attended Western Michigan University, graduating in 1943 in Elementary Education and receiving her Master's from the U of Michigan ten years later. She also studied at Ashford College in England, the University of Chicago and the University of Georgia. A gifted educator, a kind and gentle woman, and an inspiration to many, Eloise taught for three years for the Saginaw Public Schools and for 10 years at East Grand Rapids before beginning her second career in an ancillary profession. She became an educational consultant for the Scott Foresman Book Company of Chicago in 1956 and continued with them until she retired in 1985. A colleague from the company remembers working with her for many years helping teachers to effectively use the "Dick and Jane" readers. He said both Eloise and her work were "universally applauded" and that "her contribution to the company's status as the leading book publisher in the 1950's and 1960's cannot be overemphasized." A friend and fellow educator praised her "as a woman who went beyond the classroom to assist teachers in their choices of meaningful materials to prepare students for life beyond the classroom."

Eloise loved her jobs and then had an active retirement. A lifetime member of her church, she volunteered and worked on many committees, belonged to the Bethany Circle, was treasurer of the United Memorial gift shop, and spent much time with her MARSP retirement friends. DKG also played a big role in her life. Initiated into Psi Chapter in 1956, she transferred to Sigma in 1958 and continued attending meetings and participating in the chapter activities after retiring. Though Eloise lost her vision late in life, she kept up with her friends, her beloved adopted family and her chapter. At the open house for her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday, she received, among her many cards, one from the Mayor of Grand Rapids, who was one of her first grade students and part of the legacy of this wonderful woman so full of life and knowledge.

September 30, 1921 - March 11, 2013

### Thank You

Dear Delta Kappa Gamma Sisters,

I wish to thank everyone for the cards, words of encouragement, and support in the recent death of my mother.

In sincere appreciation,

Nancy L. Berkompas



### Chapter Presidents and Membership Chairs

It is very important that the chapters send **Form 6** immediately following the death of a chapter member. No information can be shared in **The Wolverine** until this form is received.

There are many members whose deaths are observed in chapter newsletters but the editor cannot list them in **The Wolverine** until Form 6 is sent by the chapter to:

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# Membership

## Betsey Cooper Memorial Leadership Development Fund Established

To establish the Betsey Cooper Leadership Development Fund, a bequest of \$25,000 from Ms. Cooper's estate was given to Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Alpha Iota State - Michigan at the convention in Bay City.

The principle shall be maintained as an endowment and the Fund shall be open for others to make additional contributions. The interest earned and any other supplemental contributions shall be used to fund grants. The available funds shall be used for hiring speakers or providing other enhancements for Alpha Iota State's leadership development activity in odd-numbered years.

Betsey was a fifty-one year member of Alpha Phi Chapter and had a significant interest in fostering leadership development at all levels of the Society. She was active at the chapter level, was Alpha Iota State President (1977-1979) and our 1994 State Woman of Distinction. She also served on several International committees. On May 3, 2013 at the Bay City State Convention, Dr. Betty Brogan presented the motion to establish the fund..



In **Honor**  
of  
or in **Remembrance**

of our beloved chapter and state Society members. Chapters and individual members can give memorials and gifts to the following Michigan Alpha Iota State Funds:

- ◆ Kathy Cashen NE Regional Fund
- ◆ Katherine Keeling Professional Development Fund
- ◆ Jane Goudreault Memorial Grant Fund
- ◆ Betsey Cooper Leadership Development Fund
- ◆ President's International Convention Fund
- ◆ Member Supporting Member Fund
- ◆ International Educational Foundation

*\*Contributions should be sent to State Treasurer, Loretta Miles (see contact information on page 2)*

## Three Ways to Chapter Strengthening



Chapter members will feel special and become invested when someone connects with them personally about each chapter meeting.

- ◆ Set up a "Buddy System" and assign one or more members to mentor and maintain contact with a new or even a more seasoned member. Help them learn the names of all the members in the chapter.
- ◆ Set up a calling tree via phone or e-mail where the communications committee or corresponding secretary can remind members about upcoming events. Save money and carpool. Be sure everyone has transportation.
- ◆ Ask a member to call or send a card to a member who was not at the meeting to keep them informed and to let them know they were missed.

## Twenty Seven First Timers Attend Spring Convention

The membership committee prepares small gift bags for members who are attending a State Convention for the first time. This year there were twenty-seven members who were first timers in Bay City.

Mary Brimmer	Sigma	Wendy Brooks	Alpha Xi	Betty Masters	Alpha Xi
Dorothy Blackwell	Alpha Iota	Karen Cook	Alpha Tau	Marilyn Maurer	Pi
Lorilyn Coggins	Alpha Omega	Carol Hunt	Beta Lambda	Pamela Olech	Alpha Thets
Jeanne DeHenau	Alpha Zeta	Carol Kindt	Alpha Xi	Linda Olechowski	Alpha Gamma
Nancy Desjarlais	Beta Lambda	Marilyn Lake	Zeta	Patricia Olsen	Sigma
Joan Dillman	Beta Alpha	Sally Lamkin	Alpha Rho	Nancy Polnasek	Nu
Diane Frangie	Kappa	Ann Lamkin-Ferranti	Alpha Rho	Anna Rathbun	Alpha Alpha
Janet Gerstler	Pi	Jannora Lauderdale	Alpha Omega	Pam Strobe	Nu
Jennifer Greening	Gamma Gamma	Carole Lower	Gamma Alpha	June Thomas-Truswell	Alpha Upsilon

## Visit the Alpha Iota State Website for:

- ▶ Clare Fall Conference Forms
- ▶ Scholarship and Grant-in-aid Applications
- ▶ President's Mailings and Updates each month
- ▶ Chapter Resource Section

# Celebrate 75 Committee Thanks You

## Z E T Appreciation And Beyond

If you were at Alpha Iota State's Celebrate 75! Convention, you know that there was a hot time in Bay City on Friday night when we rejoiced, remembered, and partied in honor of the past 75 successful years as Michigan's Delta Kappa Gamma state organization.



There were recognitions and role players; there was music and dancing; there were games and photographs; there were angel readings and fortune tellers; there was liquid refreshment and Celebrate 75! cake; there were banners and balloons. Most of all, though, is was a GREAT PARTY because people always make the party.

Many members worked hard to imagine and produce this celebration. Co-chairman Dr. Paula Dent and Eileen Rodak, with the members of Zeta Chapter, spent countless hours generating ideas and providing the womanpower for the evening's carnival atmosphere with all the trimmings. In addition, committee members from many other chapters, each with a specific responsibility did their jobs well so the event could run seamlessly.

Special thanks to the members and chapters that helped plan and subsidize the evening, especially Paula and Eileen (Zeta), Dr. Dorothy Sample (Mu), Mary Hartman (Omega), Margaret Meehan (Beta Rho), Sally Garrison (Lambda), Kay Ostrom (Alpha Kappa), Tamara Webster (Gamma Theta), Judi Fisher (Gamma Alpha), Dr. Theresa Lorio (Zeta), Loretta Miles (Beta Omicron), Nancy Jewett, Evelyn Nash, Linda Pastucha, Karen Todorov, Bonnie Tucker (all from Zeta), Beta Pi Chapter for distributing the Children's Book Collection, our Nineteen Alpha Iota State Founders, and, of course, International President Dr. Beverly Helms, and State President Olive Horning (Gamma Beta), both of whom presented part of the evening's program.

Yes, it takes lots of great people to make a GREAT PARTY, but it takes many more to plan one. Thank you, All. "You done good!"



The support of many chapters and individuals made the "Celebrate 75!" Party a great success. The Celebrate 75! Committee wishes to salute the following contributors whose generous financial gifts made this party possible. We

offer each of you our heartfelt thanks.

### Chapters and Council:

Gamma	Psi	Alpha Tau	Beta Rho
Delta	Omega	Alpha Phi	Beta Sigma
Zeta	Alpha Zeta	Alpha Omega	Beta Tau
Lambda	Alpha Theta	Beta Alpha	Gamma Alpha
Rho	Alpha Kappa	Beta Delta	Cascades Council
Sigma	Alpha Mu	Beta Epsilon	
Tau	Alpha Xi	Beta Omicron	

### Individuals:

<b>Visionary Level:</b>	Dr. Betty Brogan	Joyce R. Daglow
Sarah S. Garrison	Dr. Geraldine Green	Dr. Theresa Lorio
Olive Horning	J-Jay Pechta	Judy Periat
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Dr. Gedy Love	Kathy Muench	Libby Owens
<b>Leadership Level:</b>	Linda Pastucha	
<b>Committees:</b>	Member Supporting Member Fund	"Celebrate 75" Pin Sales

## Beta Pi Distributes Children's Books



R to L: Suzanne Greenberg, Director of the CAN Council receives a bundle of books from Beta Pi DKG member Jacqueline Klein

During the Alpha Iota State Convention which was held in Bay City the weekend of May 3-5, 2013, approximately 1500 children's books were collected. The Beta Pi chapter in Saginaw was given the opportunity to distribute these books to groups and organizations serving children. Jacqueline Klein, Barbara Bowes, Kathy Braun, and Dorothy Weiss distributed them to Covenant Hospital Pediatrics, the Underground Railroad (a shelter for abused women and their children), the READ Association and the CAN Council (Child Abuse and Neglect Council of Saginaw County and its Bay City Satellite Office, the Nathan Weidner Center).

These organizations were most appreciative of the donation of boxes of books and beautifully wrapped bundles of books. The CAN

Council indicated that these books will enable them to remain committed to their mission: "We are building communities where children are free from abuse and neglect." Each of the organizations thought the support and thoughtfulness of receiving these books most useful in serving children in the Saginaw/Bay City Communities.



Some of the 1500 books collected for children in the Bay City area

# State Committees

## Funding Our Purposes Silent Auction



Well, ladies you did it again! We had 28 large baskets or items and 14 small baskets/items. We made more for our three funds than ever before, over \$3400. We thank everyone that made the convention auction a success by participating in donating very creative items and bidding on them.

Gloria Richards, World Fellowship Chair extends a special "Thank You" to everyone who gave of their time to sell tickets at the auction this year. The committee appreciates your help.

Please keep in mind that we will be looking for both large and small items for the State Fall Conference in Clare on October 26, 2013. We welcome donations from individual members, as well as, chapters. Needed are small items for the auction or you may create a basket. Baskets should have a theme like, gardening, books for grandmothers, tea/coffee/chocolate items, Michigan items, a holiday or color theme such as green or blue. Consider using a basket that can be recycled, a laundry basket, a recycle bag, or a covered file box.

Proceeds from the auction go to three funds:

- Scholarships
- World Fellowship
- Members Supporting Members

Your contribution to the auction also helps your chapter earn a point in # 8 criteria for the Award of the Rose.

*Submitted by Judi Fisher, Gamma Alpha  
Funding Our Purposes Chair and  
Gloria Richards, Nu, World Fellowship Chair*

## 2012-2013 State Project Awards

Alpha Iota State selected the "10 Interesting Women Project" to encourage teachers to stay in the profession, which is one of the International Society's initiatives. During the state convention eight chapters were presented certificates for their efforts in supporting working professionals:

Mu	Beta Rho
Alpha Kappa	Gamma Beta
Alpha Lambda	Gamma Zeta
Beta Beta	Gamma Theta



## A Parliamentary Moment Handy Guides for Officers and Committee Chairs

What questions did you have the first time you were elected to a chapter office or were appointed to chair a chapter committee? How did you learn the ropes? Did you ever wish for an easy-to-read manual containing simple guidelines and practical tips for avoiding pitfalls and carrying out your responsibilities?

For our incoming state officers Alpha Iota State recently purchased several such manuals from the National Association of Parliamentarians' *Spotlight Series*

- Spotlight on You the President (RONR 11th Edition),*
- Spotlight on You the Vice-president (RONR 11th Edition),*
- Spotlight on You the Secretary (RONR 11th Edition),*
- Spotlight on You the Treasurer (RONR 11th Edition),*
- Spotlight on Bylaws (RONR 11th Edition),*
- Spotlight on Committees (RONR 11th Edition),*

The president's manual focuses on the multiple duties of the president: meeting planning, preparing an agenda, handling motions, taking votes, etc. The vice-president's manual prepares the vice-president to assume the president's duties on a moment's notice. The secretary's manual gives guidelines for writing minutes, with examples. The treasurer's manual gives advice for preparing and detailed examples of various kinds of treasurer's reports and information on creating a budget.

The response has been positive. Nancy Everett, incoming First Vice-president, said, "The Spotlight on You book was very helpful in that it gave me concise, helpful tips on being a leader in charge of committees and, in case of emergency, taking over for the president."

Bernice Haglund, incoming Second Vice-president, said, "I found out things I didn't know, and I really liked the way the information was organized. I'd highly recommend it for chapter officers."

Loretta Miles, continuing State Treasurer, said, "I wished I'd had this kind of manual when I first became a treasurer."

Chapters or members who wish can order these booklets from the National Association of Parliamentarians either online at [www.parliamentarians.org](http://www.parliamentarians.org) or by phone (888) 672-2929.

*Helen Popovich, Ph.D., PRP*

*Anniversary Pins available for sale at state events. Contact J-Jay Pechta, Information on page 2.*



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# State Committees

## Judith Fisher Named the Alpha Iota State Woman of Distinction 2013



**Dr. Barbara Souve, Member of the State Personal Growth and Services Committee, presents the State Woman of Distinction plaque to Judi Fisher of Gamma Alpha Chapter**

Our 2013 Alpha Iota State Woman of Distinction, Judi Fisher, is someone almost everyone recognizes at the State DKG Conventions, Fall Conferences, and Women in the Arts Retreats. Since her initiation in 1997 into Alpha Gamma Chapter, Lynne Elsesser shared that Judi has attended all state meetings almost every year!

Judi is known for much more than mere attendance. Earlier in her DKG life, Judi worked in the World Fellowship display area room for years by organizing, planning and distributing auction items to the lucky winners. She helped count the money and cleaned up before chairing the committee from 2007-2009. Judi is now Chair of the Funding our Purposes Committee, 2009-2013, and working with the auctions. Judi ordered the Michigan State Raffle licenses, not only for all of our state activities, but also for her chapter.

Our State Woman of Distinction has been generous not only with her time but also with donations of items and money at the state level and in her local chapter. Many DKG sisters have won beautiful scarves created by this avid knitter.

Judi Fisher's strong and dependable leadership was distinctive as she served as the registrar for the 2013 State Convention. Because her leadership is so exceptional, several state presidents have counted on Judi to bring the organization through successful meetings. She was registrar for the Fall

Conference in Livonia in 2004; co-chair of the State Convention, Pontiac, 2007; and registrar for the State Convention, Romulus, 2011. During J-Jay Pechta's term as State President, 2007-2009, Judi served as the State Personal Growth and Service Chair.

She has attended nearly 100% of Gamma Alpha's chapter meetings since joining, participated in chapter activities, brought in several new members, and was Chapter Woman of Distinction in 2004. She has served in various offices, most importantly, as President for two biennia: (2002-2006) and on the Finance Committee every year since 1998. She also served as Gamma Alpha's Detroit Metro Coordinating Council representative from (2002-2006).

Jackie Smart, former Alpha Iota State President, told us that the Alpha Gamma chapter, Judi's chapter, and our state organization have been involved with Seedlings, an extraordinarily worthy non-profit organization. Judi volunteers at Seedlings in various capacities: assembling books, doing mailings, anything else they ask her to do. Recently, Judi applied for and received a sizeable grant from The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Education Foundation which will allow Seedlings to continue to provide Free World Book Encyclopedia articles in Braille to blind children grades 1-12.

She obviously also has a life outside of DKG as a retired Northville teacher who still subs, as a mom to two sons, as a wife and as a grandmother to two wonderful grandchildren who came here from Ethiopia. Judi spent innumerable hours chauffeuring kids to school and scouting activities, driving and attending swim meets locally and all over the country. She now still does some of these activities for her grandchildren.

Judi epitomizes what it means to be an outstanding, distinctive member of DKG. Therefore, during the 75<sup>th</sup> Celebration of Alpha Iota State of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, we are honored to award the 2013 State Woman of Distinction to Judith Fisher!

*Submitted by Marilyn Hopkins, Mu, Alpha Iota State Personal Growth and Service Chair*

### New Pins Available for honoring

**Chapter Woman of Distinction.** RED Letters are on a gold background. The dark areas are raised gold. The DKG letters are in red.

Available at State meetings or via mail with small shipping charge.  
Or Contact J-Jay Pechta see page #2 for information.



### Key Woman Educator Pin

Pin shows gold laurel leaves with a diamond setting. An open red rose with green leaves outlined in gold on a black background is in the center.

Gold letters read "Key Women Educators."



*See information on new 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 40 and 50 year Anniversary Pins on page 7*

# State Committees

## 2012 - 2013 Chapter Yearbook Awards

The yearbook committee was pleased to have the opportunity to evaluate thirty-three chapter yearbooks. The primary purpose of a yearbook is to provide members with information about chapter history, programs, events, member contact information, state and international information. The yearbooks help chapters remain cohesive and connected. From their chapter yearbook, new members can learn much about the chapter and the Society. State officers, staff and committee chairs also appreciate and utilize information from the yearbooks.

The publications included entries such as photographs, songs, historical data, information on individuals receiving Friend of Education Awards and grant-in-aid recipients. Chapters showcased program ideas, projects and speakers. The use of technology and the professionalism in publication were impressive. Many yearbooks were submitted electronically, and a growing number of chapters maintain a website that offers access to their yearbook.

There are four award categories. To earn the "Admirable Award" the yearbook contained some chapter and state information. To be deemed "Praiseworthy" the yearbook must contain most of the basic information, historical chapter data, program and project details and could contain extras such as a President's Challenge, a contact tree, photos or songs. To be deemed "Pacesetter" the yearbook must contain all the basic information, historical chapter data, program and project descriptions, and may contain a number of optional inclusions such as a President's Challenge, a contact tree, photos, songs, chapter rules and policies, and orientation and initiation information. For the "Exemplary Award", the yearbook must have, in addition to the basic information, historical chapter data, program and project details above, at least five of the optional inclusions.

The committee would like to thank the editors who sent in their chapter yearbook, and for their work in putting together such impressive, comprehensive publications.

I would also like to thank the members of the committee for their time, energy and work on this task.

### Members of the Yearbook Committee are:

Patty Cox, Phi  
Sandy Downs, Gamma Gamma  
Nancy Navarre, Gamma Gamma  
Marilyn Pfister, Beta Sigma

### Admirable Award

Alpha

### Praiseworthy Award

Beta Lambda

Alpha Mu

### Pacesetter Award

Beta

Nu

Sigma

Alpha Omega

Beta Eta

### Exemplary Award

Gamma

Zeta

Kappa

Lambda

Mu

Pi

Rho

Upsilon

Phi

Omega

Alpha Gamma

Alpha Zeta

Alpha Kappa

Alpha Xi

Alpha Rho

Alpha Tau

Alpha Phi

Beta Beta

Beta Kappa

Beta Pi

Beta Rho

Beta Sigma

Gamma Alpha

Gamma Gamma

Gamma Zeta

*Submitted by Liz VanWestenburg, Gamma Gamma,  
Alpha Iota First Vice-president and Program of Work Chair*



## Alpha Iota State Wants YOU to Consider International Officer and Committee Positions

**Deadline October 15, 2013**

**Four documents available at [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org)  
Go to Committees at the top and choose  
Nominations**

From the document entitled "**References ...**"

Nominations are being sought for the following International Positions:

*Members of the International Administrative Board ...*

International President

International First Vice-president

International Second Vice-president

Northeast Regional Director

Member-at-large (4-year term)

*International Committee Members*

Finance Committee Member (4-year term)

Nominations Committee Member (4-year term)

*Member of the Educational Foundation*

Trustee (6-year term)

"**Instructions for 2014 Nominations**" spells out the requirements and forms to be used during the nomination process in our Society, including information about the Recommendation and Endorsement Forms.

"**Official Recommendation Form**" is the form to be completed and sent to the noted E-address **by the October 15, 2013 deadline**. Part of this form can be completed by another person, part must be completed by the person being recommended. The Official Recommendation Form and the Endorsement Form are available in an interactive format.

"**Official Endorsement Form**" is a "second to the nomination" or "I support this nominee for this office" form. Text should be brief and specific, mentioning things, not on the Nomination Form itself. The more information the International Nominations Committee has about the candidates, the better the process works. This, too, is due **by the October 15, 2013 deadline**. **Endorsements** are limited to 5.

If you would like an Alpha Iota State endorsement please contact by mail or email t:

**Kathy Taylor,**

951 W. Finerty Rd.,

West Branch, MI 48661

[kathy.taylor@kirtland.edu](mailto:kathy.taylor@kirtland.edu)

*Submitted by Kathy Taylor, Beta Pi  
State Nominations Committee Chair*

# State Committees



## Coordinating Councils:

### A Year of Celebration

**Happy Birthday to us all!** Your Coordinating Council Co-chairs have traveled throughout Michigan to share in your 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations and your creative programs. We are very grateful for the exuberant hospitality that we enjoyed at each site.

**Farewell to Julie.** Julie Usher, the Co-chair of the Coordinating Councils, is moving to the Nominations Committee. Her efforts as the Co-chair of the Coordinating Councils have been invaluable and we will miss her energies, yet we know that Julie will be very successful in her efforts on the Nominations Committee. Please join with me and wish Julie the very best.

**Sub-committee help and contact persons.** Gedy Love will continue as the Chair of the Coordinating Councils and she will need your help, especially with providing local information and with attending your local council meeting. Please consider acting on the Coordinating Council Subcommittee. If you are already a member, *THANK YOU VERY MUCH for all your help*, and please consider continuing. Let Gedy know of your interest by August 1, 2013. (drgedy@frontiernet.net)

**The 2013-2014 Season.** Remember to keep Gedy updated on your activities and officers. Feel free to contact Gedy for help, ideas, and planning at drgedy@frontiernet.net. Keep photographing your events to share with your sisters around the state. Send your photos and videos to Tamara Webster, twebster@lawtoncs.org, our Alpha Iota State technology expert and your pictures and articles to J-Jay Pechta for *The Wolverine*.

### Fall 2013 Coordinating Council Schedule.

- ◆ October 25, 2013 All Coordinating Councils meet after the Executive Board Meeting at the Fall Workshop in Clare, Michigan
- ◆ November 9, 2013 Cascades Council - *Four Corners: Healthy Hints for Cooking, Crafts, Silver Sneakers, Stress Management*

*Submitted by Dr. Gedy Love, Omicron, and Julie Usher, Coordinating Council Co-chairs*



## Alpha Iota State Convention Chapter/Committee Sales Application Saturday, October 26, 2013 at the Doherty Hotel Clare, Michigan

Chapter/  
Committee: \_\_\_\_\_

Topic: (Sales table or type of exhibit)

\*Note: bring all supplies needed to set up your 6-8 foot sales table \_\_\_\_\_

Person(s) in charge \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

**Cost per table \$10. Make checks payable to Delta Kappa Gamma Return by September 25, 2013**  
**Judi Fisher, 20180 Rippling Lane**  
**Northville, MI 48167, judifisher@yahoo.com**

### The Grand Hotel "Start Saving Now" Plan

Our 2014 Alpha Iota State Convention is May 2-4 at The Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island, known for its elegant grounds, attentive staff, and cordial hospitality. Are those dates on everyone's calendar?

Members planning to attend need to know that the price structure for any event at The Grand Hotel is different from most state events. At other events, the state organization collects the registration fee, plus payments for meals. At the Grand Hotel, the state collects ONLY the registration fee, no money will be collected for food which was an additional \$130 in Bay City and can run as much as \$160 or more, depending on the site.

This spring members will pay The Grand Hotel for food, plus gratuities (for both breakfast and dinner at a value of \$100 a day), when paying for overnight rooms. Room prices are based on a three-tiered system. The least expensive, interior rooms will be \$190 per person in a double room, plus 6% MI sales tax, 19 ½% gratuities, and a mandatory 2% Mackinac Island assessment. A single baggage charge of \$7.50 is also added. A calculator check indicates that the charges at the Grand Hotel will run about \$500 per person for the weekend. That's more than is usually paid for a convention weekend. But, there's no tipping AND it is, after all, The Grand Hotel, found annually on Travel and Leisure magazine's List of the Best Hotels in the World. For some this weekend will be a once in a lifetime experience with rates that are the best to be found.

A caution, if planning to stay somewhere else on the Island, members staying off-site will have to pay the Grand Hotel for any meals or snacks consumed. The site gives overnight guests a passbook which must be shown at each meal to verify that payment has been received. Those attending only meetings will not have a passbook and will not, therefore, be eligible for meals or snacks unless they purchase them on site.

The good news... we are going to The Grand Hotel on Mackinac Island this spring. The bad news... it's not cheap. The wisest plan of action--think ahead and start saving now for this wonderful weekend "Somewhere in Time." You will not want to miss it.

See you on The Island!

# Chapter News

## Pi Chapter Celebrates 75 Years of Alpha Iota State

PI Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma International, celebrated the 75th Anniversary of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society, Alpha Iota State organization. Members of Rho Chapter of St. Joseph and Gamma Zeta chapter of Dowagiac were invited



to join in celebrating this special event. Committee Chairperson, Nancy Nimtz, Co-chairperson, Joan Morton and members of the Pi Executive Board put on the lovely event at the Holiday Inn Express in Niles, MI. President Marilyn Maurer, welcomed everyone and introduced the program.

Nancy Nimtz interviewed, PI Chapter member Marion Moyser, who recently celebrated her 100th birthday. The focus of the interview was Marian's long

teaching career. Of particular interest was her early teaching career in a one room school house in Buchanan. Marion shared her experiences which included teaching all ages in one room, stoking the fire for heat, maintaining outhouses, and sweeping daily. Most memorable was her experience of living during the Great Depression. Marion remembers very clearly the day the banks closed during the depression. She had no income for several months. Marion spent over 40 years of her life teaching the children of Southwestern Michigan. She lived first hand the changes that occurred from the 1920's to the 1970's in education. While she believed that her own teachers must have been "walking encyclopedias", she herself is a rare treasure of first-hand knowledge. Marion has the distinction of longevity as she has been a member of Alpha Iota State for 62 years. In tribute to the 75 Celebration, a donation to the Alpha Iota's Wilma Adam's Fund was made by those present.

## Tau Chapter 's World Fellowship Scholar Sends Greetings From Vietnam

Cam Thanh Nguyen studied at Central Michigan University for two years. She received a Fulbright Award and her research interests include collaborative learning, motivation in second language learning, application of the Input Hypothesis in teaching listening, and genre-based approach to teaching writing. She is presently an instructor of English at University of Languages and International Studies - Vietnam National University. Last year, some Fulbrighters and she got a small grant from the US Embassy in Vietnam to offer free online courses to primary and secondary teachers of English across Vietnam. The project benefitted teachers in remote areas and the Ministry of Education is considering trying their model in mountainous areas of the country. She wanted to share with Alpha Iota members what she has been working on since returning home.



Thanh attended many Tau Chapter meetings while a resident of Mount Pleasant. She says, "It's spring now in Vietnam. I live in a crowded city so I only see some flowers and trees in a park near our home. I remember the first spring I was in Mount Pleasant. My memories of American nature in Michigan are among my happiest memories ever."

## Beta Tau Chapter Hosts Michigan Author Janis Stein



Beta Tau, a Sanilac County chapter met at the Sanilac County Career Center. Janis Stein from the Harbor Beach area presented the program. Janis is an author and assistant editor of the "Lakeshore Guardian." She explained what sources she used to do historical research. This interesting information aided her in compiling some of the facts for her books. Janis Stein pays tribute to Huron County, Michigan's one-room schoolhouses in her book, *Schools of Yesteryear, Volume I*, featuring the country schools of Sand Beach & Sherman Townships in Huron County, Michigan. She is currently working on *Volume II*. She has also published *Musings of a Country Girl* and *Tales of Tragedy and Triumph* a collection of short stories where fiction and history merge. Her Book *Lost Legends of the Lakes* was co-authored with artist Robert McGreevy. Many of her articles, historical reviews and stories have been published in Michigan magazines. Janis is an interesting speaker and talented author. We would highly recommend her for a chapter program. You may contact Janis at [http://lakeshoreguardian.com/our\\_authors/107/](http://lakeshoreguardian.com/our_authors/107/)

Submitted by Marilyn Trainor, Beta Tau Chapter

# Chapter News

## Rho Chapter Honors Women

Rho Chapter's annual Brunch took place at Pebblewood Country Club in Bridgman, Michigan, with the theme of hats. Decorations included a little hat for each guest to wear.



From left: Barbara Peeples 2013 Chapter Woman of Distinction, co-president Pat Spaulding, 60 year member Miriam Pede, co-president Judy Ott and newly retired Linda McConville

A special pin and longevity certificate were presented to Miriam Pede, who was initiated into Delta Kappa Gamma in 1953 and has maintained her membership for an



Cindy Retterer (on left) with Scholarship Chair, Carol Oehlhaffen

incredible sixty years. Mrs. Pede gave an interesting talk about the changes in Delta Kappa Gamma over that time. Barbara Peeples was chosen as the 2013 Chapter Woman of Distinction, new retirees Linda McConville and Diane Nye were honored, and a scholarship was presented to Cindy Retterer. Rho Chapter is happy to be completing another successful DKG year.

## Clark Retirement Community Arts Council Purchases Painting



Beta Omicron Artist Jean Balgoyne, a member of Beta Omicron Chapter is well known for her artistic ability and has had her work chosen several times for display in the Grand Rapids

area. The latest acknowledgement of her work was the purchase of her painting "Mission San Jose" for the Clark Retirement Community Arts Council Collection in memory of Donna Chase who founded the arts council 20 years ago and was a personal friend. The art collection is one of the many famous collections in Grand Rapids. "Mission San Jose" shows the façade of the oldest of four missions run by the Archdiocese of San Antonio built in 1720 and know as the Queen of Missions of New Spain.

*Submitted by Mary Tracey, Beta Omicron*

## Beta Alpha Chapter Celebrates 75!



In front (L to R) Rita Traynor, Marilyn VanKat and Mary Tracey showing their Memoirs. In back Co-presidents Kay Calley Martin and Nancy Hood.

Beta Alpha Chapter invited Mary Tracey, Beta Omicron and friends to their recent meeting to share their writing samples. We learned about writing and publishing our memoirs.



Nancy Hood presenting a rose to Joan Dillman for her work as chairperson in publishing the chapter cookbook, *Beta Alpha Classics*



Arlene Lents Vice-president is standing in front of our monthly Celebrate 75! Collection of school supplies for Voces after school program

# Chapter News



## Beta Kappa Chapter Exemplifies Educational Excellence

Beta Kappa Chapter, Michigan, is one of the first chapters in the Society to adopt the new Educational Excellence Committee model. The chapter also aligned its activities with the international priorities, agreeing to support Schools for Africa and to support early-career educators with mini-grants of \$150-300 to purchase classroom supplies for special projects. Beta Kappa also supports experienced working teachers who need money to enhance their educational gifts. Money is also granted to members who volunteer in classrooms, and who work with other educators to present projects. So even our retired teachers are benefiting from our educational mini-grants. There is an application process in place. Beta Kappa members are excited to be part of the Society-wide thrust to become "Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide."



Early career educator Cindy Derscheid received a \$150 grant for purchasing a special camera and lens to use with the Allied Health Career Center classes

Friend of Education recipient Ruth Vermeer, a member of Artworks a non-profit organization in Big Rapids. Ruth is in charge of classes throughout the year and during the summer. Beta Kappa presented her with a \$66 grant for a campership and personal gifts from members of over \$350 for additional camperships.



Left to Right: Donna Drake, Beta Kappa Scholarship committee member, presenting Maureen Somsel, Early Career Educator \$150 to build her classroom library; Ruth Vermeer of Artworks working with Beta Kappa member Julie Tilmann who was given a grant of \$150 to present Art Experiences at Eagle Village a residential center for troubled youth; Brandi Fattore, Early Career Educator, receiving \$150 for Special Learning materials in a middle school Special Education Classroom



(L to R:) Beta Kappa Scholarship Committee members Christine Conley-Soles, Donna Drake, Ferris State University Student Hillary Meyer receiving a \$500 grant to use in her student teaching experience at Ferris, and Mary Cline



## Articles Wanted

For *The Wolverine* about:  
 Chapter News  
 Events/Celebrations  
 Program Ideas and Resources  
 Good Works  
 Pictures with captions  
**Fall Issue Deadline**  
**October 15, 2013**

e-mail-jpechta.dkg@comcast.net



# State Fall Conference – Clare

## Do Not Miss Pre-Conference Seminar Friday, October 25, 2013 8:00-10:00 P.M.

### Family Engagement for Academic Success

Join Mr. Lee Fitzpatrick, Parent Involvement Coordinator for the Alpena Public Schools, to learn ways in which you can get parents and family involved in their student's school life and increase



academic and social success. Mr. Fitzpatrick is a professional educator and an advocate for family rights and responsibilities in education. This session addresses concerns of classroom teachers, counselors, administrators, support staff, parents and family members. Learn how to engage parents in their child's education to help motivate and invite that child to learn and achieve. This program uses the methodology developed by Joyce Epstein, one of the leading researchers in this field. Her six-tiered system

has been adopted by the Michigan Department of Education. The program focuses on parental assistance, communication, volunteerism, helping students at home, and getting the parents and community involved in educational decision making and support.

Mr. Fitzpatrick has a Master's Degree in Educational Administration from Wayne State University and more than a decade of experience working with children and their families in a wide array of roles inside and outside of schools. He was a teacher, Title I Facilitator, Dean of Students and an Assistant Principal. He spent the previous several years as Project Director for the Detroit Public Schools in charge of engaging parents in their children's education and he currently does the same for Alpena Public Schools. (2 SB-CECH's)

### Delight in Michigan's Fall Color, Discover Clare's Doherty Hotel Attend Michigan's Fall Workshop/Conference

Our 2013 Fall Workshop/Conference will be held in the Doherty Hotel, a Clare landmark. Opened in 1924 by Senator A J Doherty and run by the family ever since, the Doherty is known for its history, ties to its quaint setting in Clare, Irish influence, and proximity to Michigan's Fall Color Display. As you wander the hotel, notice the original Terrazzo floor in the lobby, previously covered with carpet, laid bare and recently refurbished. In addition, note the Ox Yoke over the Registration Desk, look around at the woodwork, murals and original fixtures. See where the famous murder took place in the lounge. History comes alive at the Doherty! (Learn more about the Doherty's history in coming Alpha Iota State President's Letters to Chapter Presidents. Members, ask your president to share.)

In addition to living in history, we will be eating well, too. **Friday's Optional Dinner Buffet** (\$17.50, including tax and gratuity) will present for your selection: Homemade Soup, Three-Cheese & Beef Lasagna, Garlic and Herb Baked Chicken, Mashed Potatoes & Gravy, Home-style Macaroni and Cheese, Mixed Greens, Fresh Salad Trimmings, House-made Dressings, Macaroni Tuna Salad, Italian Pasta Salad, Cottage Cheese, Bread & Butter, Beverage, Chef's Selection Dessert.

**Saturday Breakfast** will be On Your Own. The Doherty Dining Room is offering their buffet breakfast for \$8.25, not including beverages. The breakfast buffet has over 15 offerings. For smaller breakfast eaters, less can be ordered from their menu. Each member at the event is asked to present their breakfast ticket to the wait staff so the site can credit our weekend meeting room charges based on the our group's breakfast sales.

**Saturday's Lunch** (event registration includes cost of lunch) will present an Irish Buffet, in honor of the Irish Doherty Hotel, Are you ready for your stay at the Doherty in Clare? State officers and chairmen are planning workshops, meetings, and informal gatherings for all of us. See you in Clare October 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>.



## The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Alpha Iota State Convention Schedule October 25-26, 2013

Doherty Hotel, Clare Michigan

### "Supporting our Educators"

Friday, October 25, 2013

2:30 PM - 8:00 PM	Registration (Closed during Executive Board Meeting)
6:00 PM - 8:00 PM	<b>Buffet Dinner Opportunity</b>
7:20 PM - 7:45 PM	First Timers' Meeting
8:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Pre-Conference Seminar "Family Engagement for Academic Success," Mr. Lee Fitzpatrick, *2 - SB-CECH's
8:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Executive Board Meeting/All Members Welcome to Attend
8:00 PM - 10:00 PM	Conversation, Camaraderie, and Coordinating Council Meetings

Saturday, October 26, 2013

6:00 AM - 8:15 AM	<b>Breakfast Buffet Opportunity</b>
7:30 AM - 12:30 AM	Registration
8:15 AM - 8:30 AM	General Membership Announcements
7:30 AM - 12:00 PM	Funding Our Purposes Raffle and Chapter Sales
8:55 AM - 9:55 AM	First Workshop Sessions
10:05 AM - 11:05 PM	Second Workshop Sessions
11:20 AM - 12:20 PM	Third Workshop Sessions
12:30 PM - 1:25 PM	Luncheon Buffet
1:25 PM - 1:30 PM	Reflection
1:30 PM - 3:30 PM	General Membership Meeting
3:35 PM	Keynote Speaker* SB-CECH Units
3:50 PM	General Announcements
	Funding Our Purposes Raffle Drawing
	The Delta Kappa Gamma Song
	Program of Work Committee Meeting

### Professional Affairs Committee

#### Looking for Presiders for DKG Conference

I am looking forward to seeing lots of DKG members at the state Fall Conference at the Doherty Hotel in Clare, Michigan.

The state program committee has planned an interesting group of sessions that should appeal to everyone. My committee, Professional Affairs, has the responsibility to find presiders/scribes for each session. The responsibilities of the presider are: to make sure the session starts and ends on time, introduce the speaker, stamp any SB-CECH forms if the session qualifies, and to write a short summary of the session. If you would like to assist with any session, please let me know. Please contact me if there is a particular session you would like to attend as presider. Sessions are listed in this *Wolverine*. I will look forward to hearing from many of you.

**\*\*NOTE SB-CEU now State Board Certified Educational Clock Hours or SB-CECH**

Kay Tebo, Professional Affairs Committee, Chair  
hierarchy5@gmail.com, 231-627-9530



# State Fall Conference Registration - Clare

## The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Alpha Iota State Fall Conference Registration Form



Supporting Our Educators

October 25-26, 2013

Doherty Hotel

604 North McEwan / Clare, Michigan / 48617

1-877-236-4378 / www.DohertyHotel.com

Please print. Use one form for each person

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Title

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_

Present Office(s) Held:  
Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ International: \_\_\_\_\_

### ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST REGISTER TO ATTEND

		Amount
Registration Fee: (Postmarked by September 25, 2013) Note: Lunch is included in the registration fee	Member	\$45
	Non-member	\$55
Late Fee (Postmarked after September 25, 2013)		\$15
Friday Night Dinner Buffet Opportunity 6:00 PM – 8:00 PM		\$17.50
Saturday Breakfast Buffet Dining Room (ON YOUR OWN) Will you participate? Please circle.	Yes No	
SB-CECHs: MI State Certified Educational Clock Hours Fee	Member	\$10
	Non-member	\$20
Total Amount Enclosed	Total Due	

Make checks payable to *Delta Kappa Gamma*

Is this your first Fall Conference? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

\* *The Executive Board meeting will begin at 8:00 PM Friday night.*

\* *Coordinating Councils will meet following the Executive Board meeting.*

\* *To help us "go green" please bring your neck wallet name badge holders. If you do not have one or forget yours, plastic holders will be available.*

**Registration Form will NOT be valid unless both sides are completed**

# State Fall Conference Registration - Clare

## **Registration Form will NOT be valid unless both sides are completed**

### Dietary Restrictions:

If you have dietary restrictions, please **check** the appropriate space  None  
 Diabetic  Vegetarian

Photo Release: By your attendance at this event you are granting your permission to be filmed, videotaped, audiotaped or photographed by any means and are granting full use of your likeness, voice and words without compensation.

### Handicap Assistance:

There is elevator service to guest rooms. If you require special guest room accommodations, please notify the hotel staff directly when you make your overnight reservations.

**In order to earn the MI State Certified Educational Clock Hours (SB-CECH's) formerly SB-CEU's you must do the following:**

1. Register for the Credit on your registration form. (Fee is \$10 for member, \$20 for non-member.)
2. Sign-in for SB-CECHs at the registration desk when you check in. (State Required Form)  
A sheet will be in your packet.
3. Attend a minimum of four sessions for credit.
4. Assure that you are stamped in and stamped out of each session. You must attend the entire session.
5. Before you leave the conference, turn in your Official Attendance Sheet and your evaluation form.  
There will be a special box for this purpose at the registration table.

**Please mail this completed form and your check, payable to *Delta Kappa Gamma*, to:**

**Patricia Little, Registrar  
16385 Mud Lake Rd.  
Rodney, MI 49342**

**(231) 592-1140 / Cell: 248-202-1612  
prlittle@hughes.net**

**Cancellation Policy:** "A person having to cancel will receive a refund provided her written request is posted **fifteen** days prior to the event" – October 10, 2013 (Standing rule 7:01 of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.) Requests for cancellations must be sent in writing to the same person to whom the registration form was sent. You must personally cancel your hotel accommodations. If it is necessary to cancel after October 10, 2013, you should attempt to get someone from your chapter to attend in your place. No refunds can be made after the cancellation date.

**PLEASE NOTE:  
FOR GUARANTEE OF LOWEST AVAILABLE PRICE  
HOTEL REGISTRATIONS ARE DUE BY SEPTEMBER 25, 2013**

# State Fall Conference-Doherty Hotel Form



## Doherty Hotel

Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

Friday – Saturday, October 25 - 26, 2013

*Reduced rate overnight rooms are available on Thursday (24th) \$65.00 and Saturday (26th) contracted rate of \$80.00. Plus Taxes. for those who wish to extend their stay. Mention DKG to get the reduced rates.*

Cut Off Date: September 25, 2013  
Check In: 3:00 pm Check Out: 12:00 n

### Group Rates:

Standard Double Double \$80/room    Deluxe Double Queen \$85/room    Double Queen Fireside \$99/room

**Please Note:** Rates quoted are based on single or double occupancy, are per night and are subject to 6% state sales tax and 2% local assessment. There is an additional \$5 fee for each additional person beyond double occupancy. The Doherty requires the first night's payment and tax, or a credit card, to guarantee the reservation. *You will be charged for any cancellations within seventy-two hours of scheduled arrival.*

### Guest Preference (SUBJECT TO AVAILABILITY)

If more than one room is requested, please enclose a list of names and addresses, indicating which guests share rooms. If you would like room confirmation please provide your email address below.

### Number of Rooms:

\_\_\_\_\_ Standard Double Double    \_\_\_\_\_ Deluxe Double Queen    \_\_\_\_\_ Double Queen Fireside

Special Requests (please check if needed)    \_\_\_\_\_ Handicap Assessable

### Names of Guests in Room:

1. \_\_\_\_\_
2. \_\_\_\_\_
3. \_\_\_\_\_
4. \_\_\_\_\_

INDIVIDUAL MAKING RESERVATION: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ FAX: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

ARRIVAL DATE: \_\_\_\_\_ DEPARTURE DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please note: For security purposes, we prefer that you call the Doherty Sales office with credit card information: 1-877-2-DOHERTY (1-877-236-4378)*

CREDIT CARD NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_ EXP DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF CARD HOLDER: \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

The Doherty Hotel is located in downtown Clare, at the crossroads of US 127 & US 10.



Distance from:  
Detroit . . . . . 2 ½ Hours  
Lansing . . . . . 1 ½ Hours  
Grand Rapids . . . . . 1 ½ Hours

# State Fall Conference Sessions – Clare

## Tentative Sessions

October 25, 2013

Friday Night Alternate Session

8:00 PM – 10:00 PM

### Family Engagement for Academic Success



Join Mr. Lee Fitzpatrick, Parent Involvement Coordinator for the Alpena Public Schools, to learn ways in which you can get parents and family involved in their student's school life and increase academic and social success

This session addresses concerns of classroom teachers, counselors, administrators, support staff, parents and family members. Learn how to engage parents in their child's education to help motivate and invite that child to learn and achieve. This program uses the methodology developed by Joyce Epstein, one of the leading researchers in this field. Her six-tiered system has been adopted by the Michigan Department of Education. The program focuses on parental assistance, communication, volunteerism, helping students at home, and getting the parents and community involved in educational decision making and support. **2 SB-CECHs**

October 26, 2013

Saturday Conference Sessions

### Our Garden, Our World: How Our Actions Can Impact the Environment



Are we helping or hurting the environment when we garden? When is it acceptable to use chemical pesticides and herbicides?

Composting, recycling, reusing and reducing help lessen our impact on the earth. How can we do it better? Join us in a discussion about the environment and other topics at this informative and fun environmental science gardening session. The information is valuable for classroom teachers and the home gardener. People of all ages should learn about the environmental issues that impact our earth. Master Gardener Sheila Jehle of Alpha Theta Chapter will teach us all about these topics and will also talk about plants. Remember, we all share the same backyard! **SB-CECH**

### LD 101: Identifying, Understanding and Helping Individuals with Learning Disabilities. Is It Possible?

Loreena Parks, Associate Professor in Eastern Michigan University's Special Education Department will give a presentation that will provide a framework for working with individuals with learning disabilities.



This important information is for classroom teachers, support staff, administrators, and individuals at all grade levels. The participants will be a part of a hands-on, interactive session that might very well have them looking at all individuals in a very different way in the future! Upon leaving this workshop educators will be able to understand the daily issues a person with learning disabilities faces and will be able to implement various strategies as needed.

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### It's for the Birds!

Love to watch the birds? Come and learn about birding in Michigan. Find out what kind of feeders work best and which foods entice different birds. Learn how to identify birds and welcome them to your yard. Presenter Claire Rettenmund, Alpha Omega Chapter, will share her love of birding. We can share this knowledge with students of all ages, teaching them about their environment, bird habits and habitats. Claire will provide sources to learn more about the birds we see in our yards. She will share her favorite guide and field books and the best web sites.



**SB-CECH**

### The Best of the Best: Ways to Support Our Educators



This workshop presented by Dr. Helen Popovich of Beta Kappa, will focus on innovative ways that chapters and individuals throughout the Society are supporting early-career educators. These ideas can be extended to supporting all educators. You will learn ways in which members can positively impact education and the educational staff in your community. The support not only benefits the teachers, administrators, support

staff and students in your schools but it can result in strengthening and growing chapters. Come and hear what others are doing to assist educators and bring your suggestions to share with the group.

### Let's Explore Pinterest and LinkedIn!



Dr. Ranae Beyerlein, Alpha Mu, will teach us all about two on-line sites that offer ideas, resources and networking opportunities for individuals and educators. Pinterest is an on-line community, a tool for collecting and sharing ideas for events, projects, travel, crafts, cooking and more. It's easy to join and "pin" items. LinkedIn is said to be the world's largest professional network. Reconnect with others, enhance your career, research careers and get answers to questions you may have regarding work and school. These tools are helpful resources for classroom use and both the professional and personal side of your life. **SB-CECH**

### "I Love Being a Woman"

Talented musician and singer Pamela Chappell, Gamma Theta chapter member, will sing for you and *with* you a mini-concert of songs about women, by women and for women - some original pieces, some drawn from history, some from traditional women's gatherings. All participants will receive a complementary MP-3 of several songs via email after the concert. Some of these songs may be ones you will want to share with your chapter, with friends and with other groups to which you belong.



### Paper Crafting for Fun and Learning

Join Nancy Tetzlaff of Beta Epsilon chapter and create a handcrafted paper centerpiece. It can be a student project, a chapter project or just for fun! It does not require much in the way of materials or complicated steps, but it does allow creative ideas to come to life. The skills used are excellent practice for young and not-so-young hands: improving dexterity, fine motor skills, color coordination and hand-eye coordination. Activities like this enhance creativity and appreciation of the arts and encourage one to use his or her imagination. Performing these tasks improves concentration and allows for teamwork. **SB-CECH**



# State Fall Conference Sessions – Clare Continued

## Leaders Developing Leaders

Members of the Leadership Development Committee invite you: Administrators, department heads, teachers, chapter officers and leaders, to this informative and interactive session that will help you identify and grow strong leaders in your chapter, in your classroom and in your department at school. Let us help you in this process! It is exciting and challenging to be a leader.

How will you find your successors? How can you help them feel ready to step into that next leadership role? Does your chapter or classroom need a structure to implement this? Let us help you with the process! Successful business organizations use their senior leaders to develop high-potential talent, and we should, too. Let us help you learn the process! Join us in this learning experience. It is a wonderful way to see how chapter, state, and International levels work together to achieve Dr. Annie Webb Blanton's vision. **SB-CECH**

## Scholarships and Grants: Celebrate, Support and Honor Women Educators

What opportunities are available to you as you continue your education? One of the seven Purposes of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International is "To endow scholarships to aid outstanding women educators in pursuing graduate study and to grant fellowships to non-member women educators." International and Alpha Iota State organizations offer opportunities that encourage and support lifelong learning. Gloria Fisher, Nu Chapter member and state Scholarship and Grants Chairperson, will give you information about the available monies and tips for receiving them. Hear about the assistance that may be available to you as you study and engage in professional development. **SB-CECH**

## Let's Grow Our Chapters



**Love. Grow. Serve.**

The Alpha Iota State Membership Committee will share exciting new ideas and initiatives on ways to increase and strengthen chapter membership. Learn about the resources and support available to chapters. Did you know that 70% of women who dropped their Society membership said they would rejoin if someone asked them personally? Let us see if our chapters can gain members, retain members and reclaim members!

## Legislation and How It Affects Us All!



Be in the know! Find out what is happening in state politics today. The session will include the latest on legislation dealing with children, education, women and retirees, and how those bills will impact education in our state. The Alpha Iota State Legislative Committee, with chairperson Judy Foster, member of Upsilon chapter and MEA Retired State Vice-president, will bring you up-to-date on the political happenings in Michigan. Find out what you can do to become involved and make your voice heard. This will be a thought provoking and educational presentation with practical information on the legislative process and democracy in action. The processes and details learned will be of interest to us all and can be used in social studies classroom presentations and discussions. This pertains to content standards for Civics, teaching students about governmental authority, how citizens can impact governmental decisions and how government will protect political and economic freedoms of citizens.

**SB-CECH**

## PowerPoint!

### A Powerful Presentation Tool

Learn how to create a PowerPoint presentation for the classroom, for professional workshops and conferences, and for family and friends. Such presentations engage the students and participants and offer ways to connect with different learning styles. It grabs the attention of visual, auditory, artistic and kinesthetic learners. It allows the speaker to post notes, assignments and information online so others can access the lesson or session. Bring your laptop and a flash drive (pen drive, thumb drive) and follow along or just sit back while you learn the tips and tricks in putting together a presentation. Margaret Meehan of Beta Rho chapter will teach us to create slides, select backgrounds, and add links, clip art, music and video. These skills can be taught to students in your class, to colleagues and to members of your chapters. **SB-CECH**



## Keynote Speaker Saturday Afternoon Teachers Mentoring Teachers



Our keynote speaker, Ms. Bobbi Jo Kenyon, is Michigan's 2012-2013 Teacher of the Year. Ms. Kenyon teaches science and mathematics at Ottawa Hills High School in Grand Rapids. She has

sixteen years of classroom experience and has worked with many students and educators.

Ms. Kenyon has been active in leadership roles in the schools. She is co-chair of the Instructional Leadership Team, helping to develop the School Improvement Plan, analyze data, make classroom observations and plan professional development for the teachers. She also works with the Formative Assessment Team, looking for ways to check for student understanding and adjusting instruction, and the MACUL MI Champions Team, incorporating technology into the classroom. She is part of the Positive Behavior Intervention Support Team and the GRPS Academic Team, a group that works to increase student achievement in the district. She has been the Science Department Chair at Ottawa for the past six years designed and implemented a course in forensic science. Her professional interests also include using research-based and "best practice" strategies, sharing ideas and plans with other teachers, using formative assessments, and incorporating technology into the classroom.

Ms. Kenyon strongly believes in the value of a mentoring program for new teachers and in strong professional development for all educators. She leads a New Teacher Group to give support for teachers new to her school, and she works with the Woodrow Wilson Fellowship through the Grand Valley State University education program to mentor and guide new teachers. **SB-CECH**

## Need a Roommate?

Are you going to the State Fall Conference in Clare?

Do you need a roommate?

If you plan to attend any DKG function and need an overnight roommate, contact Sally Garrison

She will try to pair you up with someone else in the same situation.

Phone (248) 540-3762 or

E-mail: [wsarahsally@aol.com](mailto:wsarahsally@aol.com)

# State Committees - Women in the Arts Registration



## WOMEN IN THE ARTS RETREAT

Theme: Roman Holiday

Friday, October 18 – Sunday, October 20, 2013  
Arrival 4:00 PM or later – 10:30 AM Sunday  
Ralph MacMullan Conference Center, Higgins Lake  
Roscommon, Michigan  
(989) 821 – 6200



REGISTRATION FORM  
Deadline September 1, 2013

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Roommate Preference \_\_\_\_\_

\$168.00 – Lodging and 4 meals (due to increase by the Center) at Straits

\$17.00 - Friday Night Dinner – 5:30 PM (optional)  
(Dinner hour over at 6:15 PM)

Please mark your choice \_\_\_\_\_Chicken \_\_\_\_\_Shrimp

\$184 – Total including Friday Dinner

**Single room, add \$33      Total Remitted:** \_\_\_\_\_

In late September you will receive a communication listing activities and other pertinent information about the weekend.

Make check payable to: DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

Send to: Nancy Higgins  
11305 Island Lake Road  
Dexter, MI 48130  
734 426 2914 nhigs@aol.com

**Cancellation Date: October 1, 2013 to guarantee a full refund**

Would you be willing to present an activity? \_\_\_\_\_

If so what one? \_\_\_\_\_

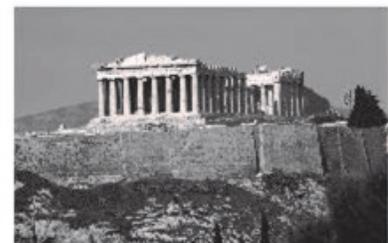
Come join your Delta Kappa Gamma Sisters at the lovely Ralph MacMullan Center on beautiful Houghton Lake for a relaxing weekend.

You do not need to be a member to come. Guests are welcome!

This year we will be staying in the luxurious Straights Lodge, where you have your own bathroom and larger rooms.

The price is all inclusive and includes two night lodging.

10/18 Check In  
Optional Dinner for \$17.00  
10/19 Breakfast, Lunch & Dinner  
10/20 Breakfast Only



# State Convention Highlights



## Convention Awards

### 2012– 2013 Alpha Iota State Longevity Award

Membership in Delta Kappa Gamma is an honor for all of us. There were seventeen members in attendance at this year's convention who have been members of DKG for 40 or more years. I would like to present these ladies with a **Longevity Award** and our new Anniversary pins.

Sharleen Gonzalez	Gamma Beta	40 Years
Nina Keener	Lambda	40 Years
Joanne Saucier	Beta Epsilon	40 Years
Kay Ostrom	Alpha Kappa	41 Years
Gloria Richards	Nu	41 Years
Dr. Paula Dent	Zeta Chapter	42 Years
Mary Tracey	Beta Omicron	43 Years
Sally Garrison	Lambda	43 Years
Francis Robbins	Alpha Tau	43 Years
Alice André	Alpha	43 Years
Dr. Betty Brogan	Alpha Phi	47 Years
Loretta Miles	Psi	49 Years
Dr. Helene Zimmerman	Tau	51 Years
Dorothy Weiss	Beta Pi	51 Years
Mary Christian	Mu	51 Years
Helen Popovich	Beta Kappa	53 Years
Mary Galer	Alpha Tau	53 Years

*Olive Horning, Alpha Iota State President*

### 2012 - 2013 Alpha Iota State Award of the Rose

This Award of the Rose was initiated during Sally Garrison's biennium, 1995-1997. The Award of the Rose recognizes chapter achievement and excellence. It encourages chapters to participate in state and international activities, as well as, meeting state and international deadlines and goals. Chapter Presidents were invited to apply for recognition by April 1.

The nineteen chapters receiving the Award of the Rose are:

Beta	Alpha Zeta	Beta Lambda
Gamma	Alpha Kappa	Beta Rho
Lambda	Alpha Lambda	Beta Sigma
Mu	Alpha Mu	Gamma Alpha
Sigma	Alpha Xi	Gamma Gamma
Phi	Beta Beta	Gamma Eta
Alpha Alpha		

*Olive Horning, Alpha Iota State President*

### Scholarships/Grants Awarded

The 50/50 raffle money to assist in funding the Kathy Cashen Fund was won by Dr. Gedy Love, Omicron Chapter.

The Kathy Cashen Fund will be awarded to chapter members to assist with registration costs to attend the Northeast Regional Conference in Portland, Maine. Elaine Christensen, Alpha Mu; Christina McGrinson, Epsilon will each receive a \$125 stipend. These ladies are sure to enjoy the sessions and networking at the conference.

Congratulations to Christie McWilliams who has received the Ola B. Hiller Scholarship from the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International in the amount to \$10,000 for the completion of her doctoral degree. Christie is a member of Beta Chapter. She is attending the University of Houston where she is majoring in Curriculum and Instruction. She is on track to receive her doctoral degree in December of 2013.

*Submitted by Gloria Fisher, Nu, Scholarship/Grants Chair*

### 2012-2013 Alpha Iota State

#### President's Awards

The President's Award is given to those chapters that achieve the specific goals of the State President for the year. Chapter Presidents were asked to complete the President's Award application and send it by April 1. This year the President's Award is being given to fifteen chapters that increased their membership by recruiting, retaining and reclaiming members.

The chapters receiving the President's Award are:

Gamma	Alpha Mu	Beta Kappa
Zeta	Alpha Omega	Beta Rho
Sigma	Beta Alpha	Beta Omega
Alpha Kappa	Beta Beta	Gamma Alpha
Alpha Lambda	Beta Iota	Gamma Eta

*Olive Horning, Alpha Iota State President*

### 2013 State Convention Attendance Awards

#### In Bay City

Alpha Iota State Spring Convention 2013 Attendance Awards for Chapters having 10% or more of their members in attendance.

*Submitted by Amy Wainwright, Gamma Alpha*

1. Gamma	12. Psi	23. Beta Beta
2. Epsilon	13. Omega	24. Beta Delta
3. Zeta	14. Alpha Alpha	25. Beta Epsilon
4. Kappa	15. Alpha Gamma	26. Beta Lambda
5. Lambda	16. Alpha Zeta	27. Beta Rho
6. Mu	17. Alpha Theta	28. Beta Tau
7. Nu	18. Alpha Xi	29. Gamma Alpha
8. Pi	19. Alpha Upsilon	30. Gamma Beta
9. Sigma	20. Alpha Phi	31. Gamma Gamma
10. Tau	21. Alpha Omega	32. Gamma Theta
11. Upsilon	22. Beta Alpha	

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## Communications Committee Presents Chapter Newsletter Awards

Laura Perkins, Mu, Communications Chair

This year, 34 chapter newsletters were submitted to the Communications Committee for evaluation. The purpose for the evaluation is to give chapter news editors feedback on their publications and suggestions for improvement. Based on a 23 point scoring guide the newsletters were judged on appearance and content by all 5 members of the Communication committee: Laura Perkins, Evelyn Nash, Joan Dillman, Mary Lou Ederer and Marilyn Shier. We were pleased to see more chapters getting the highest award of Exemplary and look forward to the day when all chapters reach that goal. Exemplary Awards received 21 – 23 points, followed by Outstanding Awards with 19 - 20 points, Praiseworthy with 12 - 18 points, 15 points and under the Admirable Award. The following chapters received a certificate and detailed evaluation of their newsletters.

Chapter Name Award							
Gamma	Exemplary	Upsilon	Outstanding	Alpha Upsilon	Exemplary	Beta Rho	Exemplary
Delta	Admirable	Phi	Exemplary	Alpha Phi	Praiseworthy	Beta Sigma	Exemplary
Zeta	Exemplary	Omega	Outstanding	Alpha Omega	Outstanding	Beta Tau	Admirable
Kappa	Exemplary	Alpha Alpha	Praiseworthy	Beta Alpha	Exemplary	Gamma Alpha	Exemplary
Lambda	Exemplary	Alpha Zeta	Exemplary	Beta Beta	Outstanding	Gamma Beta	Praiseworthy
Mu	Exemplary	Alpha Kappa	Admirable	Beta Eta	Praiseworthy	Gamma Gamma	Praiseworthy
Nu	Outstanding	Alpha Lambda	Admirable	Beta Kappa	Exemplary	Gamma Zeta	Exemplary
Rho	Outstanding	Alpha Xi	Outstanding	Beta Lambda	Exemplary		
Sigma	Praiseworthy	Allpha Tau	Outstanding	Beta Pi	Exemplary		

### Personal Growth and Services Committee Presents Chapter Women of Distinction Awards Marilyn Hopkins, Chair, Mu

<b>Alpha</b> Dr. Rose Marie Schmidt	<b>Nu</b> Gloria Fisher	<b>Phi</b> Jan Updike	<b>Alpha Rho</b> Suetta King	<b>Beta Kappa</b> Patricia Little
<b>Beta</b> Evelyn Finn	<b>Omicron</b> Teresa Delph Dr. Gedy Love Mary White	<b>Chi</b> Sharon Torgenson	<b>Alpha Tau</b> Linda Crawford	<b>Beta Lambda</b> Phyllis Lange
<b>Gamma</b> Carol Jean Stockwell		<b>Omega</b> Patricia M. Andrews	<b>Alpha Upsilon</b> Jane Faulkner	<b>Beta Xi</b> Linda McKinney
		<b>Alpha Gamma</b> Mary Ann McKay	<b>Alpha Phi</b> Theresa DeSmet	<b>Beta Omicron</b> Mary Jane Dockery
		<b>Alpha Zeta</b> Barbara Teller	<b>Alpha Omega</b> Pamela Ketner Pamela Marchuk	<b>Beta Rho</b> Margaret Meehan
<b>Delta</b> Tamra Bott	<b>Pi</b> Linda J. McNitt	<b>Alpha Theta</b> April Anderson Gabriella DiNatale Debra Hill	<b>Beta Alpha</b> Joan Dillman Arlene Lents	<b>Beta Sigma</b> Marilyn I. Pfister
<b>Epsilon</b> Bonnie Briggs Dee Lapekas	<b>Rho</b> Barbara Peebles	<b>Alpha Kappa</b> Mary Hendon	<b>Beta Beta</b> Jeanette (Nettie) Hall	<b>Beta Chi</b> Mary Kune
<b>Zeta</b> Marilyn Lake Dorothy Nagle	<b>Sigma</b> Mary Lou Andres	<b>Alpha Lambda</b> Sandy Mason	<b>Beta Delta</b> Gladys Coats	<b>Gamma Alpha</b> Esther Loskowske
<b>Lambda</b> Suzanne Fortescue	<b>Tau</b> Susan Coon Doris J. Ramsey	<b>Alpha Mu</b> Lisa Gaglio	<b>Beta Eta</b> Joann Kefalas	<b>Gamma Gamma</b> Debbie Maloni Barbara Marshall
<b>Mu</b> Shirley Israel Alta Parsons	<b>Upsilon</b> Jean Biggs	<b>Alpha Xi</b> Carol Kindt Mary Anna Mulka	<b>Beta Iota</b> Ila Fagen Susan Smith	<b>Gamma Zeta</b> Charlotte Poole
				<b>Gamma Eta</b> Marcia Makela

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## Alpha Iota State - 2012-2013 FRIEND OF EDUCATION AWARDS

The Friend of Education Award may be given to an individual or community group that a chapter deems worthy of such recognition. Chapters have the autonomy to determine who is to receive the award and how the award will be presented. Alpha Iota State thanks the following people and organizations for their dedication and the chapters that recognized them.

*Dr Dorothy Sample, State Second Vice-president*

FOE HONOREE	CHAPTER	SERVICE
Lincoln Miller	Gamma	Created a "Special Initiative Project" and raised \$50,000 from the Hillsdale community and businesses for it. Classroom teachers submitted projects.
Jackie Winkowski	Delta	Shares her love of dogs and dogsledding with the young and the young-in-heart in the UP through hands-on experiences and through her books.
Holly Miller	Nu	Gives service above and beyond the usual parental involvement with teachers and students at Harrington Elementary School, Albion, MI.
Nancy Lewis	Nu	Recognized for her volunteer service to Albion Public Schools. She organized the DI program and worked with students on their presentations.
Vera Simpson	Nu	Founded the Vision of Life Community Center which serves the youth of Albion—teaching them many life skills.
Charlie Aymond	Omicron	Great promoter of education in the community as director of the Ella Sharp Museum.
Ella Sharp Museum	Omicron	Provides wonderful educational experiences for students and others in Jackson, MI area.
Silver Beach Carousel and Amusement Park Museum	Rho	Provides enjoyable learning experiences about local history/culture, tailored to each age group that visits the museum from the communities of Southwestern Michigan.
Tom and Barbara Fagerlin	Sigma	Contributes to education of children as a driving force behind the new interactive "The Bel Museum" floor at the Belding Museum.
Mt. Pleasant Discovery Museum	Tau	Provides unique hands-on educational opportunities for children and their parents, grandparents, mentors, and teachers to share.
Moomer's Ice Cream	Phi	Nancy Plummer, a former teacher, with her husband and son, owners of Moomer's, honors children by providing an extensive educational program to learn about dairy farming in a hands-on manner.
Ann Barclay	Alpha Eta	Art instructor who volunteers in all classrooms at Leonard Elementary School, Ovid, MI. Her "gallery on the go" makes it possible for each classroom to experience her art.
Lisa Brown	Alpha Eta	Has dedicated herself to the Elsie Elementary School for eight years by serving in many roles: president, secretary, fund-raising chair, and as a volunteer in Elsie classrooms for many years.
Cindy Fairfield	Alpha Kappa	Has supported classroom teachers with editorials and columns in <u>The Muskegon Chronicle</u> .
Kid's Hope Mentor Program	Alpha Lambda	Mentors from this program volunteer weekly at Waverly Community Schools, helping students academically, emotionally, and socially.
Thunder Bay Arts Council	Alpha Xi	Features a Youth Core Exhibit of local student artists from Alpena schools. Provides workshops in area schools and displays student art work at all of performing arts events. Students are given free access.
Bill Trachett and Shiela Rinker	Alpha Rho	Gives generous yearly donations for chapter's female youth scholarship fund in memory of chapter's former president, Lydia Trachett.
Burton M. Lamkin	Alpha Rho	As dedicated elementary school principal, created a wellness program for Ann Arbor Schools and did many things to enhance education programs in Ann Arbor.

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## Alpha Iota State - 2012-2013 FRIEND OF EDUCATION AWARDS CONTINUED

FOE HONOREE	CHAPTER	SERVICE
Dr. Richard Morrison and Dr. Denise Toner	Alpha Tau	Provides a yearly free dental checkup for all students who cannot afford one and supports the school by participating in health fairs and other activities.
Ann Marie Smith	Alpha Tau	Has developed, as Pickford Community Librarian, a close and helpful relationship with the school. Provides all information regarding library activities and acquires books students and teachers need. Provides classes for students in the library after hours.
Caroline Dibaba	Alpha Upsilon	Organized a Seeds of Hope mentoring program in the Saranac Elementary School.
Jodi Hagen	Alpha Upsilon	Organized a Kid's Hope mentoring program involving five schools and five organizations with volunteer mentors and supporters.
Len Thomas	Alpha Omega	An extensive volunteer with teachers and students in the Flint area. Great researcher, writer, collector: shares his research and books, art, and other collections with students, teachers, and others. Has recently written a book on a Civil War nurse from Fenton, MI and shares the story.
Dr. Vernie Cassity	Beta Beta	Has donated extensive time and money for special drives in two schools in Jackson.
Ted Christoff	Beta Beta	A businessman extremely involved in the life of the Jackson schools and community. Served as liaison between Jackson schools and Jackson College to create a charter school which permits students to take college classes while still in high school. Helped save the Dome for East Jackson High School volunteers for afterschool programs, including coaching.
David Macko	Beta Iota	Devotes much of his time to the students and staff of Surline Elementary, Prescott, MI as volunteer for assemblies, picture day, Reading Month, his twins classroom, etc. Involved in PTO and Kids' Club. Prepares popcorn every Friday for 650 children.
Ruth Vermeer	Beta Kappa	Works as the Education Coordinator of Artworks: Big Rapids Area Arts and Humanities, a non-profit organization for the region. Assists the chapter in presenting art enrichment classes for disadvantaged, mentally and physically impaired young adults. Helps teachers from the chapter identify the clients and helps them set up areas for instruction.
Betty Metroff	Beta Rho	Serves as a caring bus driver who is said to be "an irreplaceable volunteer aide" in a kindergarten classroom.
Rotary Club of Monroe	Beta Rho	Distributes dictionaries to third-grade students in Monroe County Public Schools.
Anne Bezotte	Beta Tau	Involved in helping educate children in her community: volunteers at Peck Community School, Sandusky Community School and the local library.
Ian Smart	Gamma Alpha	Helps with technology for many functions and meetings of the chapter.
Arthur Rodney Jenkins	Gamma Gamma	Has volunteered for past 16 years to work with English Language Learner Students program at Hulsing Elementary School in Canton, MI.
Debra Madonna	Gamma Gamma	Was primary organizer of Miracle League of Plymouth which helps special needs students.

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Dr. Beverly Helms, International President, receiving a hand-made paper rose picture, created by Gamma member Linda Shiffler, from President Olive Horning as a thank-you for sharing her vision on how to strengthen our Society



Liz VanWestenburg, Alpha Iota State's, 1st Vice-president, presenting the 2013 Teacher of the Year Recognition to Bobbi Jo Kenyon who teaches science and mathematics at Ottawa Hills High School in Grand Rapids Michigan



Grace Morgan, Alpha Gamma presenting a workshop on Make-and-take Greeting Cards that members can use in their classrooms and at a chapter meeting



Incoming officers for 2013-2015 are (L to R) Ranae Beyerlein, Corresponding Secretary; Gloria Richards, Recording Secretary; Bernice Haglund, 2nd Vice-president; Nancy Everett, 1st Vice-president, and Liz VanWestenburg, President



Jennifer Greening, Gamma Gamma Chapter member and award winning author of "Opening Doors, Opening Lives: Creating awareness of advocacy, inclusion, and education for our children with special needs" sharing her unique perspective of being a general education teacher and a parent of a 14 year old daughter, with disabilities and autism. While she stressed and encouraged members to never give up, and to be an advocate. Encourage multi-level learning groups because they provide the best opportunities for children with disabilities to learn.



Greeters at the convention were Alpha Rho members (L to R): Phyllis Swank, Ann Lamkin Ferranti, Sally Lamkin



Dr. Paula Dent, Celebrate 75! Co-chairman, gets the "Party" started on Friday evening

Submitted by Alice Chrenko, Gamma Gamma, and Sue Kruizenga, Gamma Theta

# State Convention Highlights



**Founders: Front Row (L to R)** Helene Zimmerman, Tau, as Carolyn Hawes, Ishpeming; Alice Chrenko, Gamma Gamma; Dr Orma Fitch Butler, Fitchburg; Diane Shull, Beta Rho as Mrs. Mabelle Sperry Ehlers, Deodasha, KS; Sharleen Gonzalez, Gamma Beta as Maude L. VanAntwerp, IL; Esther Puckett, Beta Beta as Dr Orma Fitch Butler, Fitchburg; Dr. Paula Dent, Celebration 75! Co-chair. **Second Row:** Maria Gonzalez, Gamma Beta as Dr. Maude E. Watson, Chicago, IL; Bernice Haglund, Beta Beta as Dr. Ruth Barber Davidson, Hillsdale; Diane Dray, Omicron as Dr. Ruth Barnes, Ypsilanti; Judith Nixen, Upsilon as Effie M. Downer, Detroit; Jeannie Matherly, Alpha Omega as Maude L. Fiero; Iris Geik, Epsilon as Pearl A. Ludy, Guy, KS; Suzanne McKinley, Alpha Kappa as Marion Franklin Stowe, Ypsilanti. **Third Row:** Joyce Daglow, Gamma as Dr. Alma Ackley Clements Fowler; Gloria Fisher, Nu as Dr. Ethel Winefred Bennett Chase, LaPorte, IN; Elaine Christensen, Alpha Mu as Cora Lavina Haas, Ann Arbor; Lynn Mason, Sigma as Frances Herald, Oconto, WI; Dee Lepakas, Epsilon as Dr. Elizabeth Ellen Lichty, Kalamazoo; Mary Ann Menck, Gamma Theta as Laura Millar, Lansing; Wendy Brooks, Alpha Xi as Dr. Bertha Maude Ronan Cobb; Pat Wittler, Delta, as Bess Stinson, Epsilon, Kalamazoo.



**Angel Reader Evelyn Nash, Zeta, and Fortune Teller Karen Todorov, Zeta, practicing their craft before the Celebrate 75! Party**



**( L to R )  
Fortune Tellers  
Bonnie Tucker  
and Nancy  
Jewett , Zeta,  
impressed the  
members with  
their clairvoyant  
talents**



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**Note of Thanks:** Alpha Iota State Convention was held at the DoubleTree Hotel, Bay City, MI. It was attended by 180 members from 50 chapters. There were 27 first timers. Thanks to Judi Fisher who was registrar and Cindy Dietz who was treasurer, both from Gamma Alpha Chapter, Northville/Livonia area, for an outstanding job. Thanks also to Convention Chair, Claire Rettenmund, from Alpha Omega for her time and talents. Other chapters who helped to make the convention a success were Beta, Zeta, Mu, Alpha Rho, Alpha Omega, Beta Epsilon, Beta Pi, and Gamma Beta.  
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# International News



## Educational Foundation Celebrating Years

Donations are 100% tax deductible for U.S. citizens

### Celebrate by Giving

- Give to the Educational Foundation to honor your friends, your mentors, your chapter, yourSELF.
- Give to the Educational Foundation to memorialize your loved ones.
- Give to the Educational Foundation to celebrate an achievement, to recognize your champions.
- Give a dollar for each year - just \$50 for 50 years (€ 30) - and your name will be cited among the celebrants of the Golden Anniversary of the DKG Educational Foundation on this website.

During the 2013 regional conferences there will be the opportunity to give \$50 for 50 years. The money collected will enhance the numbers and kinds of projects funded by the Educational Foundation

More Information available on the website. [www.dkgef.org](http://www.dkgef.org)

## Need Money For Professional Development ?



Travel, hotel, meals, substitutes, conference/seminar expenses?

### Have we a deal for you! Cornet Professional Development Awards

Available to members and non-members

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Click on Contact Us

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INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS  
**DELTA KAPPA GAMMA**



TRANSFORMING LIVES THROUGH EDUCATION

Schools for Africa is a joint campaign founded by UNICEF, the Nelson Mandela Foundation, and the Hamburg Society to promote education for children in Africa. The campaign will increase access to quality basic education for children with special focus on girls, orphans and vulnerable children. UNICEF is working with governments, local authorities, communities and other partners.

### What your Money can Do

- ◆ Build and rehabilitate 1,000 schools
- ◆ Create schools that offer a safe and protective environment where children can learn and play
- ◆ Provide access to clean water and separate sanitation facilities in schools
- ◆ Supply exercise books, pens, proper furniture and other school and sports materials
- ◆ Train 100,000 teachers to provide children with quality education and basic life skills

Educate children about proper hygiene and HIV prevention, this knowledge is passed on to siblings, parents, and the community-at-large

Visit [www.schoolsforafrica.com](http://www.schoolsforafrica.com) or under UNICEF and see a video and slide show

## Supporting Early Educators

An international initiative and major focus for chapter programs and projects this biennium has been Support for Early Career Educators.

This is a second International project. The efforts include but extend beyond mentoring and provide help for new teachers to maintain enthusiasm, inspire networking among new teachers, reduce the feeling of isolation, provide nurturing and support, enhance self esteem and invite those with potential for distinctive service to membership in DKG



**Note:** To Celebrate their 50th anniversary the Educational Foundation will award 50 \$1,000 grants. These awards will be for any **employed classroom teachers** and are for classroom, school, or community educational projects. These projects are to be initiated after July 15, 2014 and completed at the end of the 2014-2015 academic year. Examples of items that this award will fund are classroom or art supplies, books, computer software, field trips, etc. It may not be used for salary purposes. The application is available at [www.dkgef.org](http://www.dkgef.org) and has a **November 15, 2013 submission deadline**.



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Did you know that the first letters in

**D**elta **K**appa **G**amma are the first  
letters in the Greek words for

***Teacher, Key, and Women?***

**August 24, 2013**

President's Advisory Committee Meeting  
Crowne Plaza Hotel, Lansing, MI

**October 18 - 20, 2013**

Women in the Arts Retreat  
Higgins Lake, Michigan

**October 25-26, 2013**

Alpha Iota State  
Fall Conference & Executive Board  
Doherty Hotel, Clare, MI

**February 8, 2014**

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Crowne Plaza Hotel, Lansing, MI

**May 2-4, 2014**

Alpha Iota State Convention  
Executive Board and General Membership  
Grand Hotel, Mackinac Island, MI