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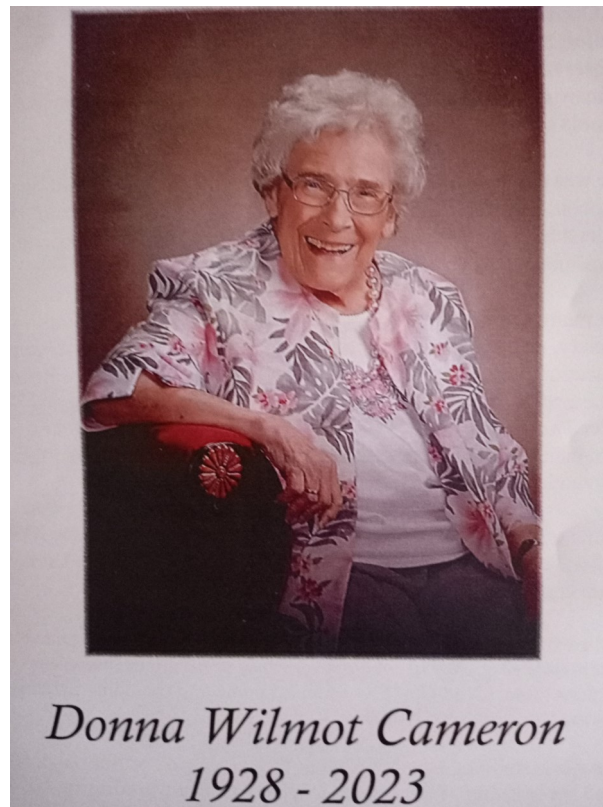
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Always One of Us



On November 7, 2023 members and friends gathered to celebrate Donna Cameron's passing. She joined the organization in 1960 as a charter member in Saint John. She was an exemplary leader serving as both NB State and Chapter President and founding editor of the first DKG NB newsletter, *NB3*. In her final years, she was still one of us as an Honourary Member. We will miss her warm smile, her positive attitude and her commitment to the purposes of the Society.

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

DKG NB Motto
Shine in DKG

**Light the path to Education
Glow with Friendship
Sparkle with Leadership**

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dianne Caron
2023-2025

Happy New Year to all members of DKG.

2024 brings opportunities for leadership and involvement in our DKG Society through benefits and funding for personal and professional growth. Although several of us are retired, learning does not stop as we age.

Here are just a few of the benefits of belonging to this remarkable organization.

DKG members (3 years membership) qualify for \$6000 US for working on a Master's degree and \$10000 US for Ph D study.

DKG NB members may apply for the Isabel Kane Scholarship for personal or academic courses after one year of membership. Rewards vary from \$250 per academic course to a maximum of \$1000 over a 3-year period. Funding covers the registration for participating in any

course for personal growth (e.g. arts, crafts, music, sports).

We also have alternate funding for members who wish to attend an International Conference or Convention, including Cross-Border events. Attendees will receive proportional reimbursement to a maximum of \$1000 CDN.

Early Career Educators with 1-5 years of active teaching experience who join DKG NB, are eligible for \$100 for classroom supplies for one year.

University students who are enrolled in the education programs in NB may qualify for a \$500 bursary. If they join DKG NB as collegiate members, their first year of dues will be complimentary.

The Emergency Fund allows \$500 US to help any member for weather-related disaster assistance that affects your home.

Please share this information with any teacher or student-teacher in any capacity or field who you feel will be a good candidate for our Society.

Keep well and safe,
Dianne Caron,
President DKG NB

News from the ARC Desk



Lorna Berlinguette
2022-2024

Greetings for 2024:

It's been an exciting time sitting on the Admin Board of DKG. In the last few months we have met for three days in person plus four or five times on zoom to revise the Constitution, modernizing the language, updating policies and moving any action to be taken by committees or individual members to GAPP (Guidelines for Policies and Procedures) so our go-to actions are easier to find.

A huge amount of time has centered around the recommendations of Avenue M. Women throughout the society, old, new, including those who have retired or left the society, were interviewed and their comments analyzed. The recommendations are now being translated into exciting changes which will be introduced to the membership in a "Bursting your Bubble" format, with one initiative bubble being revealed on the internet every two weeks.

Inside International, the half hour meeting held every first Tuesday of the month, and the *Town Hall* meetings held occasionally, are excellent sources of information where you can ask questions and meet women from all 17 member countries. Please attend, clicking on the rotator bar on the web.

I told you before of the wonderful training session for new State Presidents in Dallas and conferences I attended in Detroit and Finland. In the upcoming months, I will be visiting members in Regina and Wisconsin. I am looking forward to meeting many of you in Maryland in July for the DKG International Convention. State Presidents from every Canadian province will be attending and I'm hoping many others will as well to see our new Area Representative of Canada inducted as well as Beverley McLachlin, who served as the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Canada and who will be made an honorary member of our international society. Because so many will attend, we will have our Forum live, not on zoom.

In January we had our second Canada-wide zoom meeting, a joint exchange with the eight European DKG presidents, our seven provincial state presidents and Alaska's. It was attended by 89 women. Our next Canadian zoom meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 9, at 7:00 CT, with Chair Sandi Causey explaining the ten funds which DKGIEF sup-

ports, and Cyndy Moore (DKG Member-at-Large and Alberta member) and Alexandra Kindrat (Quebec) giving information about our new Leadership Discovery Center.

In June the chapter executive members finish their terms. It is the responsibility of all to volunteer to take on positions themselves, or to personally encourage others to do so. It is also each of our responsibilities to invite new women, young or old, to join DKG. We are a team.

It has been an honour to serve you.

Sincerely,
Lorna Berlinguette
Area Representative Canada



Canadian Project Update
I Love First Peoples now has programs in 71 communities and over 40 schools. In 2024 there will be a project in Miskoosepi School in Bloodvein, Manitoba.

Projects here in eastern Canada are in 5 schools in Newfoundland and Labrador in the communities of Gander, Goose Bay, Nain, Natuashish and Sheshatshui.

Check out the shop on the *I Love First Peoples* website as purchasing items helps support these projects.

BETA CHAPTER CHATTER



Welcome to the New Year – 2024. Before you is an update on the activities of Beta Chapter since our Fall issue of Chickadee Chatter.

After the September Cross Border “Wreaths Across America” meeting with our sisters from Maine, we met in October with guest speaker, Jennifer Tym. Jennifer is no stranger to Beta Chapter as she is the daughter of Melanie Wood, member of our Chapter, and a former guest speaker. It was wonderful to re-connect with her.

The topic for the meeting was Montessori education. Jennifer, having taught in the public schools for many years, recently made the decision to take a teaching position at Fredericton’s Montessori Academy. Montessori education was the brain child of Dr. Maria Montessori, an Italian who developed her idea in the early 1900s. The Fredericton Montessori Academy was formally established in 2017 having existed prior to that on a smaller scale.

The school has children enrolled from age 3 through grade 8. Children are accepted regardless of race, gender and ethnic origin. The goal is to empower children to reach their full potential regardless of ability level and learning style thus producing a confident, creative, passionate life-long learner.

Jennifer spoke passionately about her work using props to illustrate what and how her students learn. There was a lively discussion and many questions were asked about Jennifer’s work. Some agreed that the Montessori method of teaching is an essential alternative to our public school system for some of our learners.

In November we were treated once again to a visit to The Beaverbrook Art Gallery where Roberte Melanson, gallery volunteer and member of Beta Chapter, hosted our group. You will be able to read an account of our visit written by Dianne Caron elsewhere in Chickadee Chatter.

Our Christmas social was held at East Side Mario's Restaurant when Susan MacLeod, a former Beta Chapter member, was a special guest. Provincial President Dianne Caron conducted a lively contest on Christmas trivia. Members, divided into two teams, had to guess answers to “very hard” questions many of which saw numerous attempts at answers by participants. No one ever said that Beta members are not competitive. It was indeed fun and the winning team took home a prize of a package of Christmas napkins. We continued our annual tradition of donating books to Women in Transition House for children who are living in the house over the Christmas season. There was a wonderful array of books as well as cash donations which Mary Hart delivered prior to Christmas.

Our \$500 bursaries were awarded to three deserving UNB education students. The executive met with Sunyoung Lee, Hannah Proulx and Kelly Harris to present the awards and to provide them with information about Delta Kappa Gamma International and our local Chapter.

A provincial executive meeting was held in January when changes to the By-Laws and Standing Rules were discussed and amended. The revised documents along with information about the Strategic Plan will be distributed to our members.

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February is Black History month in Canada so there will be a virtual meeting, *Honouring Black History in New Brunswick*, with guest speaker, Janu Nair, Administrative Assistant at the Black History Museum in Saint John. Since our tradition has been to take a vacation from meetings, there will be no meeting in March. Happy traveling to those who are able to get away.

We are working on the finalization of our April and May meetings and will let you know the plan soon. The plan for June’s year end meeting remains the same – a picnic at Odell Park.

While June will be the final meeting until September, be reminded that DKG has an International Convention scheduled for July 9-13 at National Harbor, Maryland. The theme is *Ignite Her Spirit, Empower Her Voice*. Dianne and I are already making plans to attend and are more than happy to talk about our past experiences. It will be our first Convention since we attended in 2020 and we are looking forward to stimulating keynote speakers, workshops and of course net-working with new friends. I urge any of you who might be tempted to attend to make the effort. You will not be disappointed.

As we continue this 2022-2024 biennium, let me thank each of you for your continuing support of Beta Chapter. You have worked hard at supporting our programs whether it has been fund-raising, suggesting a guest speaker, attending meetings or just supporting each other. Beta Chapter is as strong as its members and you are its strength.

Until next time,
Joan Somerville
Beta Chapter President



Credit: D. Caron

Books for Transition House

Beta Chapter Events



Beta President Joan Somerville (L) presented Jennifer Tym with a red rose after her informative presentation in October on the Montessori philosophy of education and how rewarding it is to teach at the school in Fredericton.



Member Roberte Melanson, a dossier at the Beaverbrook Art Gallery in Fredericton, took us on a wonderful discovery of art for the November meeting. She opened our eyes to new exhibitions and we learned about classic and modern art. We also viewed artifacts created by prisoners of the Internment Camp in Minto, NB. Our informative tour ended with a viewing and interpretation of Salvador Dali's works including his surrealism painting Saint James the Great c. 1957. Roberte's story telling and information about the paintings and exhibitions enriched our learning experience.

We welcomed Joan Lamrock and Peggy McIntosh as guests.

Photos and report submitted by D. Caron

Honouring 40 Years of Service

DKG NB honoured 2 recipients this fall for their 40-year membership in DKG. Diana McCabe and Mary Delahunt received pins to commemorate their years in the Society. Congratulations to both members.



Mary Delahunt first joined DKG when Gamma Chapter formed in Moncton in 1983 at the home of Patricia Ball who became the new president. Presently she is a member of Beta Chapter in Fredericton as Gamma Chapter closed in 2023. She enjoyed participating in Gamma's community service projects and looks forward to sharing in the social and professional presentations of Beta Chapter. Uniting with fellow women educators has brought her great joy over the years.



Credit: D. Caron

Diana McCabe (L) received a red rose along with her 40 year pin from DKG NB President Dianne Caron at Beta's October meeting in Fredericton.

Diana joined DKG Beta Chapter in Fredericton on December 5, 1983 at the Mandarin Restaurant. She served as Chapter President from 2020-2022 after a term as Vice-President. She has also served on various committees, especially the Spring Conferences hosted by Beta Chapter.

DKG NB Awards Educational Bursaries

DKG NB contacted Dr Sharon Wahl, Dean of Education at the University of New Brunswick and approval was given to submit our bursary application form for posting to their BEd Share-Point server along with some general information about our organization. Information sent to Associate Dean Undergraduate Programs, Andrea Belczewski, also included a flyer titled, *Become an Empowered Woman Educator*.

We are pleased to introduce the following bursary recipients.

Sunyoung Lee



Credit: D. Caron

Beta Chapter President Joan Somerville (L) Bursary Recipient Sunyoung Lee and Dianne Caron, DKG NB President (R)

Sunyoung Lee began her teaching career as a part-time Korean language teacher at the university where she completed her Bachelor of Arts degree. She enjoyed working with students and strived to improve the program and create an American government-funded Critical Language Scholarship (CLS) program for the school. She was the head teacher of this program for four years, and during that time she focused on classroom instruction learning objectives for students.

Now married with two children, living in Canada, Sunyoung has continued her studies at UNB in the Bachelor of Education Degree program and has enjoyed her internship at the elementary level, guiding young children in their educational growth.

Sunyoung is planning on joining us as a collegiate member and continue as an active member when she begins her teaching career.

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Hannah Proulx



Credit: D. Caron

Left to right: Geri Kilburn, 1st Vice President, Beta Chapter; Joan Somerville, Beta Chapter President, recipient Hannah Proulx, and Dianne Caron, Provincial/State President DKG NB

On January 15, 2024 DKG NB presented a \$500 Scholarship to Hannah Proulx, a bilingual education student at UNB. Hannah is enrolled in the Bachelor of Education Program and her fields of study are Mathematics and Physical Education. She has an undergraduate science degree from St. Francis Xavier University in Nova Scotia. She has enjoyed practice teaching in Ottawa and she is working toward applying for her International Teaching Certificate. Hannah intends to gain teaching experience by beginning her teaching career in New Brunswick and we congratulate her on her leadership skills.

Kelly Harris



Credit: D. Caron

Left to right: DKG NB President Dianne Caron, Kelly Harris, Past President Margie Goodin, Marjorie Sinclair

Beta Chapter Members congratulated Kelly Harris as our 3rd recipient of DKG NB’s bursary. Kelly is enrolled in the Master of Education Program at UNB. She holds an undergraduate degree in Psychology focusing on Child Development. She is interested in “developing a better understanding of how to engage learners to become actively involved in their educational experience”, She anticipates using her skills gained through research to teach at middle school.



The Book Nook

The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek

Kim Michele Richardson

Author Kim Michele Richardson has written five works of historical fiction. She grew up in poverty in Kentucky where she spent her first decade in a rural orphanage. Later she endured homelessness as a teen and as a result she explores social injustices as well as the cherished traditions, myths and legends of rural Kentucky.

The book is set in rural Kentucky in the 1930's when the Packhorse Librarian program existed. Part of the New Deal under FDR, the program was a way to alleviate extreme poverty by helping people get jobs that would address community needs. It clearly helped women who had no other family support and couldn't apply for most jobs.

Cussy Mary (Bluet as she was called by some) is the central character. Cussy was one of the "Blue people of Kentucky", an ancestral family living in the hills of Kentucky in the 19th century. They were known for having a genetic trait that led to the blood disorder that caused the skin to appear blue. Cussy faced racial discrimination, misogyny and questionable scientific methods used to research and treat her condition.

As a part of the Packhorse Librarian program, Cussy made a difference in the lives of those she served. In addition to delivering books, she distributed encouragement, friendship, first aid, hope and food to starving children. She created her own scrap-book type books of recipes, collected poems and handy hints for the mountain folks to pique their interest in literacy. She was a bright light in the harsh reality of Troublesome Creek.

The reader will witness the power that a few books can have on a struggling family. For the isolated people of the Kentucky hills, reading was a window on the rest of the world. The author has also written a sequel to *The Book Woman of Troublesome Creek* which is on my reading list.

The Ambassador's Daughter

Pam Jenhoff

This book is historical fiction set during World War I, a period of history that is often neglected compared to the many books written about World War II. The story reveals the attitude that many German citizens had towards the Treaty of Versailles and its treatment of the country.

The main character is Margot Rosenthal, a young Jewish woman of German descent whose father, a German diplomat, has come Paris to help negotiate the Treaty of Versailles with other world leaders.

Margot is not happy in Paris as she knows that she will soon return to Berlin and a life with Stefan, a boyhood friend to whom she is engaged to marry. Her second thoughts center around

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the fact that Stephan was badly wounded in the war and has a long recovery ahead of him. Margot's life in Paris includes her getting involved with some unsavoury characters which leads to blackmail for information about the enemy. Her relationship with the handsome naval officer, Georg, is based on deceit while she works to steal valuable information for the allies.

Margot's treachery results in a page-turner of a read which I hope you will enjoy.

Submitted by Joan Somerville

History of Cross-Border Meetings – NB and Maine

This information was written by Donna Cameron, former Charter Member Delta State, Province of New Brunswick and was included with archived material that I received prior to her passing.

Friendship Across the Border – Originated 1962

In 1960, DKG NB (formerly known as Delta Province) had been in existence for 4 years and the 12 members of Alpha Chapter in Saint John were feeling very isolated from the ability to socialize with other members and expressing ideas of other Canadian Chapters.

It was at this point that we looked to our closest American neighbour, the State of Maine, where we knew Delta Kappa Gamma was flourishing.

The logical steps would have been to contact the International President and get answers to our questions, however, this logical thinking was not the path that was followed.

Although Donna Cameron was then living in Saint John, she had been raised and had taught school in St. Stephen, a smalltown on the New Brunswick-Maine border. Donna knew the names of two teachers who were members of Delta Kappa Gamma. They lived across the St. Croix River in Calais, Maine. Alpha Chapter contacted these ladies and thus began their correspondence with Lambda Chapter.

The correspondence eventually resulted in a joint meeting held in the Calais High School on October 27, 1962. This led to a series of meetings being hosted alternately by Lambda and Alpha Chapters until October 23, 1971 at Lambda's suggestion to set a regular annual date. The last Saturday in September was established as the cross-border event date. Members would meet for lunch and the program would be a guest speaker with the location as convenient as possible for the chapters in terms of driving times.

When Beta and Gamma Chapters were founded in NB, they were included in the fall meetings.

The programs were interesting and varied often related to the place in which the meetings were held. Guest speakers discussed topics such as Elder Hostels, Community Colleges, Na-

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tive Education, Historical Towns, Educating Children and a variety of programs relevant to learning.

Many strong, personal friendships have resulted from these shared cross-border meetings and we trust that they will continue to enrich our future in Delta Kappa Gamma.

Respectfully submitted by Dianne Caron, State President of NB

DKG European, Canadian and Alaskan Cultural Exchange

Saturday, January 13, 2024 was a special day for DKG European, Canadian, Alaskan members and other DKG guests to participate in a virtual DKG Cultural Exchange. European Countries included Estonia, Finland, Germany, Great Britain, Iceland, Netherlands, Norway and Sweden. Eight DKG Canadian provinces included New Brunswick, Quebec, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan, Alberta and British Columbia. Our USA state participant was Alaska. It was a wonderful sharing experience and we learned so much about our DKG sisters and their accomplishments.

We were welcomed by ARC Lorna Berlinguette and European Director Marie Antoinette Hubers de Wolfe. Former ARC Marjorie Sinclair gave the Indigenous Land Acknowledgement. Marjorie also served as Zoom Master and she presented a power point of the map of each country with the corresponding presentation.

Our DKG International President Debbie LeBlanc greeted us from USA. We also learned about the importance of DKG International Connections by Connie Rensink, Chair of International Issues Task Force.

Marika Heimbach, chair of the European Forum spoke about how our Canadian Forum differs from their European Forum which has one representative from each state and the European webmaster in attendance. Part of their discussions focus on virtual presentations for European members.

Three-minute presentations were given by alternating European and Canadian DKG state presidents, ending with the state president of Alaska, USA. Each speaker explained when their DKG states were founded and highlighted a few points about the area where they live and cultural events that they enjoy. Speakers also drew attention to DKG activities and accomplishments in their DKG countries and states.

It was a wonderful opportunity to learn a bit about other DKG cultures in order to understand and preserve our global heritage.

Submitted by Dianne Caron, DKG NB State President

DKG Ontario - Learner's Series, Nov. 18, 2023

Topic: **Education in Finland**

Presenter: Kaija Teikari

Summarized and submitted by Dianne Caron

As teachers, many of us have known that the public educational system in Finland is free for all students. What we may or may not know is that the system (originating in 2011) is quite different from ours. This was a very interesting virtual presentation by Kaiji Teikari.

Pre-school begins at age 6 years. This is equivalent to our Kindergarten.

Unified Comprehensive Basic School begins at age 7 and continues until age 16 (grades 1-9). Comprehensive school students enjoy a number of social entitlements, such as school health care and a free lunch every day. Also, pupils are entitled to receive free books and materials, free school trips, and transportation if required.

Upper Secondary Education: Grade 10, students (age 16) have 3 options for their educational goals.

(1) Upper General Studies - academic, (2) Upper Vocational Secondary School, (3) No Secondary Educational goals. Students may move from one to the other type of coursework for the 2 streams: Upper General Studies and Upper Vocational Secondary Studies. It is also possible to study both vocational and academic secondary curricula at the same time. Tuition is free, and vocational and academic students are entitled to school health care, a free lunch, books and transportation to school. Students who choose not to continue with post-secondary study, may leave the educational system for more menial work.

Following Grade 10 there are 2 post-secondary opportunities: University Academic Study and University of Polytechnic Study before continuing careers in the workplace. Students may choose either.

High prestige matriculation examinations for University Academia Study and entrance exams for Polytechnic University are very intensive. Also, students who attend post-secondary studies need to be proficient in Finnish and Swedish languages since these countries are very close for economic development. Students are also encouraged to learn additional languages.

Basics in learning are a priority and Finland has been ranked as having one of the best educational systems in the world (World Economic Forum, Sept. 10, 2018, <https://www.weforum.org/agenda/2018/09/10>).



Avenue M Town Hall Meeting

January 16, 2024

The Avenue M Town Hall Meeting on January 16, 2024, was held via ZOOM at 9:30PM Atlantic Time. There were 83 members present.

Present Debbie LeBlanc chaired and started by saying that the priority of the Administrative Board is to recruit, engage and retain members. Three speakers shared information on this topic.

1. Member-at-Large 2020-2024 Cyndy Moore spoke about the development of a survey document based on the following recommendation:
Phase 1. Planning and Strategy Formulation.
Activity 2: Develop a pilot survey to test different engagement benefits and mechanisms.

This survey document will cover Areas of Interest, Intensity of Engagement and Preferred Platform of Engagement. The purpose is to identify what members need as the answers come from the members. It is also a way of bringing people together with like interests.

The survey will rank members' interest in 10 categories and determine their preferred role.

It will determine how members want to meet, how often, along with their areas of interest.

Executive Director Nita Scott informed attendees that International will be getting an idea of what kind of mechanisms can be set up to be useful to members and the best platform for doing it. For example, some members could use Facebook Live, or it could be a platform members are already using.

One of the attendees suggested that International didn't need to survey people but to market opportunities we already have as there are already great opportunities in states and chapters.

International will gather the data from the survey and send it back to the states.

2. Southeast Regional Director Theresa Cowan spoke about a campaign for promoting engagement called, *Bursting the Bubbles*. As a non-member when you first open the DKG website you will see 7 bubbles listing 7 opportunities that would encourage a non-member to join DKG. The campaign launches February 1 and will happen twice a month after that. Different cohorts of people such as those belonging to various committees, Boards, Forums, or Admin Board, decide what platform works best. Under MY DKG in a section titled *My Benefits* each cohort will add information. Watch for them as they happen and share within your network of influence. International is looking for members to offer suggestions which will result in all individuals all speaking the same language.

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3. First Vice President Connie Rensink spoke on Mastermind Groups.

A Mastermind Group is a small group of professional peers who meet to learn with and from each other to meet personal goals. Group members give each other advice and support based on their experience and knowledge. Meetings may include discussions, sharing presentations, or outside speakers, depending on the needs of the group.

In the early stages of developing Mastermind Groups keep groups small. i.e. 3 groups of 10 instead of one large group of 30 members.

This will be a member driven interest group which relates to professional growth.

Submitted by Marjorie Sinclair

Chapter-to-Chapter Exchange

When DKG members attend international events, in person and online, they often meet members from other regions or countries. Learning about DKG and educational practices in other places is one of the advantages of being a part of the Society. The International Issues Task Force wanted to find a way to help chapters make these extended connections without leaving their own community.

The Chapter-to-Chapter Exchange program invites chapters to make connections with fellow members in other countries or regions. Members might share educational information from their region, how their local members are involved in DKG, and other personal stories. Formats for exchanges can include email, video conferences, recorded videos, Padlet, or any other platform that works for both partners. It's up to each chapter.

Members and chapters may log onto the new *Chapter-to-Chapter Exchange Community* on dkg.org at MyDKG > Communities > Chapter-to-Chapter Exchange to find a partner.

The following is an example of an European exchange.

Netherlands and Germany

Last spring, the Epsilon chapter in The Netherlands organized an exchange with a chapter in Germany.

The German guests visited Groningen where they had a beautiful day together. They visited the Groningen Museum, went on top of the Forum in Groningen and had a delicious dinner together.

Next year the Netherlands chapter hopes to visit Germany!

The International Task Force hopes that members will embrace the Chapter-to-Chapter program and use the power of technology to enjoy DKG fellowship with friends across the globe.

*Submitted by DKG 1st VP Connie Rensink
International Issues Task Force Chair*

DKG NB Strategic Plan

We will:

- Support Members
- Provide Global Opportunities
- Develop Leaders
- Build Resources

Strategic Action Plan for 2023-2025

Supporting Our Members	We will have fewer business meetings with announcements. Members will be encouraged to give their suggestions and participate in decision making.
Providing Global Opportunities	<p>DKG NB will have a DKG Maine, USA provincial/state connection to share information about customs, locality and DKG issues. We will continue with our cross-border meetings for learning and fellowship.</p> <p>We will advocate attendance at online International meetings.</p>
Developing Leaders	<p>Informing student-teachers in local universities about DKG and offering four \$500 scholarships towards their learning and leadership opportunities.</p> <p>We will encourage members to attend conferences and conventions by granting financial aid.</p>
Building Resources	<p>We will expand our community service profile through public relations by donating funds, school supplies, and books that will assist less fortunate citizens.</p> <p>We will broaden our public relations by distributing DKG NB brochures and note cards.</p> <p>We will continue to archive DKG information for historical purposes.</p>



DKGIEF: Women Honoring Women

Honor a woman who has had a significant impact on your life or career.

For each \$25 donation made in honor of that special woman, DKGIEF will send you a specially designed card and pin to present her. **Your donation must be postmarked or received between March 1, 2024 through April 15, 2024,**

DKGIEF will offer a different pin each year in celebration of International Women's Day. The initial 2024 pin features the blue hydrangea which symbolizes gratitude and heartfelt emotion. Parts of the flower and stems will be raised to give a 3D effect. For further details on how to make your donation, visit the DKGIEF website or scan this QR Code with your mobile device.



DKGIEF Dueling Pianos Event

Looking for a fun night out? Well, toss in your dancing shoes and tune up your vocal cords for an evening spent at Bobby McKey's Dueling Piano Bar on Wednesday, July 10, from 6 to 11 pm, sponsored by DKGIEF. World-class musicians will play all your requests and favorites while weaving in improvisational humor. Heavy appetizers, desserts, and soda/water will be included with your ticket purchase, and the venue is just steps away from the convention center. A portion of the \$150 ticket price will be tax deductible as a contribution to DKGIEF. Tickets are limited to 300, so join your DKG sisters as you'll sing and laugh the night away while making incredible memories.



DKG International Educators Foundation



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March 1, 2024 DKGIEF Project Application
 May 1, 2024 DKGIEF Cornetet CIPD Application

Submissions Deadlines

February 1, 2024 International Scholarship Application
 February 9, 2023 Avenue M Implementation Survey
 February 15, 2024 Arts and Humanities Spring Gallery Submissions
 March 1, 2024 Bulletin: *Journal* Submissions
 May 15, 2024 Bulletin: *Journal* Submissions

Save the Date

February 6, 2024 2:30PM AT Inside International
 February 7, 2024 6:30PM DKG Beta Chapter Meeting via Zoom
 March 6, 2024 7:30PM AT Inside International
 April 9, 2024 9:00 PM AT Canadian ZOOM Meeting
 June 2024 Beta Chapter Year End Event, O'Dell Park
 July 9-13, 2024 International Convention National Harbour, Maryland
 August 19-23, 2024 International Leaders Orientation, Austin, Texas

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