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The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International – For Key Women Educators

Arizona leads the way at the opening ceremonies



Alice Reule (Alpha Delta) and Sharon Lawrence (Omega) carry the Arizona banner at the opening ceremonies.

2017 Fall Executive Board Meeting and All Member Workshop

Saturday, October 21, 2017

Metro Tech High School • 1900 W. Thomas Road • Phoenix, AZ

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

Workshops will include:

- * Working in Harmony with International (EEC) —Carmen Wendt (Chi)
- * Membership—Susan Halliday (Alpha Delta)
- * Cuba: A Unique Experience, Esta Bien!—Linda Perl & Anne Palazzo (Chi)
- * Brain Research and Movement—Vicki Bonavito, guest
- * Life-long Learning ASU presentation Osher—Nick Pstross, guest
- * How to Write a Press Release—Terri Carnicelli Editor, North Central News, guest
- * Legacy Charter Schools and Music—Kelli Montano (Chi)
- * Raiding the Recycle Bin—Donna Betz (Alpha Eta)

All members are welcomed at the state fall meeting. Chapter presidents are members of the Executive Board with voting privileges on motions that affect the state. Reports from officers and committees will be given followed by two sessions of workshops. Workshops have been selected for current teachers in the field. There are also workshops which will be of interest to retirees. Certificates for professional development will be awarded at the end of the workshop sessions. Breakfast and lunch are prepared by culinary arts students at Metro Tech. Be sure to shop at the Rose Boutique.

Fall workshop luncheon speaker

Carla Landwerth will be the fall workshop luncheon speaker. She will tell about the Phoenix Sojourner Center and its partners and volunteers. The Sojourner Center is a domestic violence service organization that provides services for women and children who are victims of domestic abuse. These include emergency shelter, a 24-hour crisis hotline, advocacy, safety planning and help with referral services and health care. The organization is unique in that it also offers help for the pets of victims.

FRIEND OF EDUCATION



On May 18, 2017, Arizona State Organization members met with Representative Rebecca Rios to present her with the annual "Friend of Education" award. Pictured are Marilyn Duerbeck (Alpha Iota), Diane Peri (Alpha Alpha), Lori Good (Alpha Alpha), Muriel Ornelis (Alpha Alpha), Representative Rebecca Rios, Marge Threewit (Alpha Beta) and Debbie Shelton (Alpha Iota).

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heartfelt NOTES from ALICE

EQUIPPED Why is it important to be equipped? It helps us be prepared to go forward. Just as each of our chapter officers went through Leadership Training for their biennium, the Executive Committee also went through training in July to better equip each of us in our roles. The health of the Society is dependent upon each of us doing our part. Every member is vital. We are not joined or held together by age or preferences, but by a common view that together we can accomplish more as educators. My job is not to do it all; I need each of you to step up and get involved.

I am excited to be a part of an organization where we are expected to say "Yes," when asked to take on a task even if we have never done it before. Why? It makes us grow in confidence to take on more, to be better prepared for what your teaching job requires, or as a retiree, it keeps us growing as life-long learners. Life is not fun when we become stagnant, or take on a negative view of the world. I am so happy that Annie Webb Blanton had that drive to instill in each of us the will to do our best and honor those who are dedicated to educational excellence.

At the President's training in Hawaii, we were encouraged to "think outside the box," just as Texas and California have done. California brought in one new chapter and Texas has three new chapters. If they can do it, so can Arizona! International President Carolyn Pittman put out a challenge to everyone: invite and bring in two members this year.

Join me in this biennium to bring out the best in each of our members. Let us invite and make newcomers feel welcome. Keep supporting current teachers, stay in contact with those who have not renewed and encourage reinstatement.

Current teachers, have a great start to your school year, and retirees, get involved in volunteering. Continue to encourage early career educators. Use your talents to continue to promote DKG Society here in Arizona. Remember, we are all equipped to carry on Annie Webb Blanton's vision of excellence in education.

CONVENTION MEMORIES



Lori Good (Alpha Alpha), Gina McGill (Nu), Sharon Lawrence (Omega) and Suellen Brahs (Rho) enjoy the pre-banquet reception.

The way we were...

- 1942 (75 years ago) – During wartime, Omicron State Delta Kappa Gamma members volunteered to work during social functions for the young men at the Air Bases.
- 1967 (50 years ago) – For the transportation convenience of members and to allow for future expansion, Zeta Chapter divided into two chapters – Zeta and Alpha Zeta.
- 1992 (25 years ago) – Omicron State became a co-sponsor of Legislative Day.

Joyce Givens and Stacy Connor receive funds

The Scholarship Committee is proud to honor Stacy Connor (Kappa) and Joyce Givens (Alpha Sigma) with monetary awards from the Jo Regenold Fund.

Connor is a third grade teacher in Thatcher, Arizona. She used the \$350.00 award to purchase much-needed science materials and equipment for her classroom.

New Arizona resident Joyce Givens (Alpha Sigma) plans to use the award to help her with expenses incurred from taking the Assessment of Professional Knowledge: Elementary Exam to earn her Arizona teacher certification. She has just completed the 2016-17 academic year teaching 5th grade English Language Arts and 6th grade Math in Peoria, AZ.

MaryAnn Liddle, Lambda

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Omicron State World Fellowship Quilt shared by International

Earlier this summer, past Omicron State World Fellowship Chairman Shelley Smith was contacted by Margie Nowak, a member of the International World Fellowship Committee to provide further information about our quilt project, including photos and the history. Additionally, she requested the "I have...Who has?" game as it was played at the Convention's Lei of Friendship Breakfast in April. These items will be included in a booklet of ideas published and shared with all state organization World Fellowship Chairmen in an effort to enhance members' awareness of and commitment to the goals of the World Fellowship Committee. All State members should take pride in Arizona's accomplishments to that end.

Shelley Smith, Lambda

COLLABORATIVE CONNECTIONS



Lori Good (Alpha Alpha), Debra Shelton (Alpha Iota), Muriel Ornelis (Alpha Alpha), Representative Rebecca Rios, Marilyn Duerbeck (Alpha Iota), Marge Threewit (Alpha Beta) and Diane Peri (Alpha Alpha) are pictured with the annual Collaborative Connections check. This check represents the value of volunteer hours contributed to the community by Arizona State Organization members.



- **Dr. Geraldine Peten** (Alpha Beta) is the newest member of the Arizona House of Representatives. The Maricopa County Board of Supervisors voted to appoint her to represent Legislative District 4, which extends from parts of Goodyear and Buckeye to Tucson and Yuma. The seat is up for election in 2018.
- **Jessica Howell** (Nu) has received a Cornet Individual Professional Development Award in the amount of \$2000. She plans to use her award to attend a Non-degree seeking program to obtain Principal Certification.
- **Hayley Fox** (Alpha Rho) was named Sahuarita Teacher of the Year and is now in the running for Arizona Teacher of the Year. She teaches third grade at the Intermediate School.
- **Beverly Hill-Dowdy** (Alpha Epsilon) received her MFA in painting from Houston Baptist University in May 2017. She is teaching at Combs High School in the San Tan Valley.
- **Norma Bauer** (Eta) was named the Yavapai Regional Medical Center West Volunteer of the Year.
- During the summer, **Barbara Chinworth** (Lambda) played in the Great Western Rocky Mountain Brass Band in Silverton, Colorado. She has been playing there summers since 1987.
- Alpha Rho members **MaryJo Boyter** and **Dayna Burke** spent their summer teaching in China.



Barbara Chinworth (Lambda)

Below, Dayna Burke and MaryJo Boyter are pictured in the center with some of their students in China.

Educational Foundation offers funding

In the last fiscal year, the Educational Foundation awarded \$156,000 to DKG members from the United States and Canada as well as Finland, Baja California, El Salvador, and Costa Rica. To apply for Cornet Awards, DKG members should go to dkgef.org. Due dates for application submission are September, February and May. Members may apply for awards to attend conferences (other than DKG conferences) or to fund classroom projects. In the last two years, four Nu chapter members have received awards. Visiting the website is the best way to begin the application process.

Donna Reynolds, Alpha Epsilon, Educational Foundation Liaison

Alpha Alpha News

Alpha Alpha Chapter had another busy year. The programs and locations were varied and many members attended the Fall Workshop and the State Convention. Diane Peri won a gift basket at the Workshop.

A visit to the Phoenix Ben's Bells Studio included a tour of the facility and a hands-on project painting the clay parts of the bells. The December joint meeting with Rho Chapter was held at the Beatitudes and included initiation of a new member for Rho Chapter. A joint meeting with Beta Chapter included a "Game Day."

Some programs included speakers. One speaker, Jim Hall, enlightened the members about Charter Schools and concerns regarding the future of the public school system. Another speaker shared books and quilts.

The chapter also held its 25th annual yard sale. Proceeds go to various DKG projects.

Karen Carney, Alpha Alpha

CONVENTION MEMORIES



Alice Reule (Alpha Delta) showed attendees how to make aprons out of men's shirts.



SOUTHWEST REGIONAL CONFERENCE REPORT

The DKG Southwest Regional Conference (July 4-7, 2017) in Hawaii offered impressive sessions and events. Many keynote speakers from diverse backgrounds in business, maritime sailing and education shared their ideals and passions as they contributed to our global knowledge. Sherry Baca (Eta) agreed to share highlights from some of the keynote speakers including the italicized theme of their presentations.

Pono Shim, *Experience a Lifestyle of Aloha*. As a business leader and storyteller, he set the tone Tuesday with his "Aloha Response" and what "Aloha" means. He has produced a video for the World Indigenous Leadership Development Institute: *What is Hawaii, What is Aloha* based on the teaching of Aunty Pilahi Pahi who was called the keeper of Hawaii's secrets. She prophesied that the world would come to Hawaii in the 21st Century to find the answer to world peace - that answer is aloha. Pono's personal stories were very touching.

Dr. Shawn Kana'iaupuni, *Global Connections*, shared her beliefs and experiences about the Polynesian Voyaging Society, which is a voyage devoted to a commitment to learning and caring for our larger "island earth."

Barbara Kawakami, *Celebrating Our Legacy*, has been a researcher, writer and consultant for many projects and has been honored as a historian who has preserved the history of Hawaii

Hawaii Night sets the tone

"Hawaii Night" opened the Southwest Regional Conference on the Fourth of July. In the spirit of Aloha, it was a spectacular event and attendees had the opportunity to experience the beauty of Hawaii. Members listened to the music of the Royal Hawaiian Band and watched the rhythmic movements of the dancers from Halau I Ka Wekiu.

The Royal Hawaiian Band, founded in the early 1800's by King Kamchameha III, is a musical part of Hawaii's history. It has been an ambassador of Aloha, sharing Hawaiian musical culture all over the world. Traditional hula and chants were performed by the men and women of Halau I Ka Wekiu, motivating all to learn the movements.

The dancers were under the direction of Kumu Hula Karl Veto Baker and Michael Lanakila Casupang. The attendees raved about the evening's presentation. At the end of the evening, the men danced to a beautiful song about a bird "Aloha Pu" (give love) and "Aloha Mi" (get love back).

Saraj Jagernauth, Alpha Iota



Wally Turner (Eta) presided at the Fourth General Session of the Southwest Regional Conference.

and provided access to others through her work. She is the author of *Picture Bride Stories*, relating the challenges of young women paired with unknown husbands-to-be in Hawaii during the early 1900's.

Dr. Maenette Kape'ahiokalani Padeken Ah Nee-Benham, Chancellor of the University of Hawaii, focused on *Cultivating Leadership*. Her work on alternative frames of leadership and issues of education is nationally and internationally respected. She has published several books and is committed to healthy, vibrant and sustainable learning environments.

Miki Nishizawa and Kel Hirohata, *Celebrating Our Milestones*, shared the Essential E's to grow student leadership: *Empathize, Engage and Empower*. Hirohata is a teacher at Waipahu High School and Nishizawa is one of the

2015 graduates who has gone on to expand her advocacy at the national level. They shared how they had formed partnerships within the community to help students become advocates for current issues such as teen traffic safety, domestic violence awareness, and teen suicide prevention.

Mervlyn Kitashima, *Personal Significance/Personal Inspiration*. She was born on the island of Kauai and lived in Anatolia, which is part of the Kauai Longitudinal Study that defined clusters of protective factors to build resiliency in children. The findings revealed that "high-risk" youth could overcome trauma and other serious problems to become successful "survivors." Kitashima is an example and role model of being one of these survivors and shared her life experience as a teenage mother, mother of seven, grandmother of thirteen and wife of 39 years. To emphasize her success, in 2003 she was named the State of Hawaii and National Mother of the Year by American Mothers Incorporated.



Gina McGill (Nu) in the center dances with the first timers at the Southwest Regional Conference.

Memories from a post-conference traveler

Editor's Note: After the 2017 Southwest Regional Conference held in Hawaii approximately 80 DKG members (and family members and friends) took a Norwegian Cruise around the Islands. Your state editor (Merry Lewis, Nu) and three members from Alpha Beta (Marge Threewit, Marilyn Daniels and Bev Combs) and Suellen Brabs (Rho) were on the trip. Suellen kept notes.

From the moment we boarded the ship, we knew it would be a fun-filled week. Music played, people in Polynesian costume took pictures with passengers, and upstairs the buffet teemed with a wonderful array of food. We were on our way.

Nightly shows in the theater featured comedy, musicals, and magic. Daily activities included pool fun and games, dance parties, art auctions, lei making and hula lessons. Food was available 24/7 in the buffet, sit-down restaurants, snack bars and clubs. What's not to like and we had not even reached the islands yet!

The first stop, Maui, offered opportunities to visit beaches, pineapple plantations and shop-

ping destinations. Some DKG sisters had so much fun touring on Segways that they forgot to leave time to shop.

The Big Island, Hawaii, required two stops. The Hilo side included rainforests, orchids and volcanoes. We saw bright red lava flow into the ocean on an evening cruise to the Kona side where snorkeling, coffee plantations and King Kamehameha ruled.

Our final port, Kauai, was the final opportunity for a luau. Free shuttles took us to shopping areas for last minute souvenirs and the awesome Waimea Canyon often called the "Grand Canyon of the Pacific." This experience culminated with an afternoon cruise along the Na Pali coast, only viewable from the air or water.

This only left trying to pack all the gifts and mementos into our suitcases and saying farewell to our Southwestern DKG sisters on the cruise. Then it was back to reality - doing our own laundry, making our own beds and cooking for ourselves.

Suellen Brabs, Rho

LATIN AMERICAN NIGHT

A dinner welcoming thirteen Latin American sisters was held on July 5, 2017, at the Hale Koa Hotel located at Ft. DeRussy Military Base in Honolulu, Hawaii. Nancy Noll (Alpha Delta) had helped secure the venue. Twenty-one Arizonans joined DKG sisters from Panama, Costa Rica, Mexico, Guatemala and El Salvador. Alice Reule, Omicron State President, greeted all. Members introduced themselves telling their name, coun-

try, educational area and years taught. Prior to the bountiful buffet, a moment of silence was held to honor one Tucson member who had passed away. Latin American Representative Aurora Vignau brought greetings from all of the Latin American countries in the organization. This dinner was sponsored by the Arizona State Organization Latin America Committee.

Donna Reynolds and Lois Cullipher, Alpha Epsilon



Arizona State President Alice Reule (seated second from left in front row) poses with representatives from the Latin American countries at the Wednesday night buffet dinner sponsored by Omicron State at the Hale Koa Hotel.

Latin American Sisters in Attendance

1. Omaira de Ching, Panama
2. Lourdes de Figueroa, Panama
3. Nelly Figueroa, Panama
4. Tamara Flores, San Louis Potosi
5. Guadalupe Gonzalez, Nuevo Leon
6. Penelope Gonzalez Cano, Mexico
7. Ana Lourdes Acuna, Costa Rica
8. Priscilla Mata, Panama
9. Gabriela Ramos Tercero, Mexico
10. Barbara del Rocio Rodriquez, Puebla
11. Victoria Tello, Panama
12. Mercedes de Umana, El Salvador
13. Aurora Vignau, Latin American Area Representative



Sherry Baca (Eta) with two of the representatives from Mexico: Gabriela Ramos Tercero and Penelope Gonzales Cano

Creating Art with an iPad

Kristy Miller (Alpha Beta) and her husband Brian, a Star Wars artist, presented a workshop at the Southwest Regional Conference demonstrating methods of using an iPad to create art. Miller and a virtual Brian demonstrated step-by-step how to pencil, ink and color on the iPad. Using basic tools and techniques, including a list of which apps and stylus pens work best, the presenters showed how the iPad (even an iPhone), could become a portable art studio.



Kristy Miller (Alpha Beta) presented two workshops at the Southwest Regional Conference.

App Store prices range from free to \$10 for the following apps. In addition, the first three apps listed are recommended for classroom use: ComicBook, Sketch Club, Art Set, Procreate, Adobe Illustrator Draw, Autodesk Sketch Book (Pro), iOrnament, Sketch Club, and Color

Painting Buddy. The couple have also written several how-to books on Hi-Fi Color for Comics and Master Digital Color. More information

can be found on their Facebook page HiFiColourDesign.

Kathi Houtcooper, Alpha Iota

Arizona State Organization represented at conferences

Eleven Arizona State Organization chapters were represented at the DKG Regional Conferences in June and July. Arizona state members attending the Southwest Regional in Hawaii included:

Beta – Julie Cober, Sandy Hillegass, Kim Meighan

Eta – Sherry Baca, Wally Turner

Alpha Alpha – Lori Good

Alpha Beta – Beverly Combs, Marilyn Daniels, Marge Threewit, Kristy Miller

Alpha Epsilon – Lois Cullipher, Donna Reynolds

Alpha Delta – Alice Reule, Nancy Noll, Diane Gara-Weiner

Alpha Iota – Kathi Houtcooper, Saroj Jagernauth

Nu – Merry Lewis, Gina McGill

Omega – Sharon Lawrence

Rho – Suellen Brahs

Many state members contributed to the conference. President Alice Reule, treasurer Marge Threewit and editor Merry Lewis attended pre-conference training. Alice Reule and Sharon Lawrence carried the state banner at the opening ceremonies. Alice Reule, Merry Lewis, Kristy Miller, Marge Threewit, Wally Turner and Julie Cober presented workshops. Wally Turner presided at the Fourth General Session and Gina McGill (first timer) performed in a dance at the session. Wally Turner and Merry Lewis spoke at Ten Minute Take-Away sessions. Merry Lewis and Marge Threewit sang with the conference chorus.

Marilyn Steffen and Susan Halliday (Alpha Delta) and Carmen Wendt (Chi) attended the Northwest Regional Conference in Spearfish, South Dakota. Wendt and Halliday attended pre-conference officer training and presented a workshop.

NORTHWEST REGIONAL



Susan Halliday and Marilyn Steffen (Alpha Delta) and Carmen Wendt (Chi) attended the Northwest Regional Conference in Spearfish, South Dakota.

Wendt presents at the Northwest Regional Conference

Speaking at the Northwest Regional Conference, Carmen Wendt presented "Push, Pull, or Stand Back and Watch." The presentation was based on her experience at the DKG Leadership Management Seminar in Austin, Texas.


"There is no organization that has the number of leaders in it that DKG has," said Wendt. "Each of us has learned leadership skills we use daily in the classroom. We just need to understand how to transfer those skills to roles in our organization."

Situational Management is just one way to adjust these skills. The theory, the basis of her talk, advocates adjusting one's leadership role based on the needs of the members of her team. The leader may instruct, sell, monitor, or mentor as needed by each of the team members. Following these guidelines encourages the team to reach its potential.

Attendees indicated they appreciated the simplicity of the model. Tailoring one's approach is very similar to the "monitor and adjust" method used in the classroom.



Sue Pettit (2015-16 president Colorado), Sally Nyhus (2015-16 president Minnesota), Carmen Wendt (1st VP Arizona), and Karen Dole (2017-2019 president Iowa) all attended the DKG Leadership Management Seminar in 2016 and met again at the Northwest Regional Conference in Spearfish, South Dakota.

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What is Sticky Teaching?

As teachers, we are holders of knowledge and our constant challenge is to bridge the gap between what we know and what students need to want to learn. We are advocates of lifelong learning and passionate about our content, so isn't it frustrating when our students remember urban legends, false propaganda, or even rap songs? At the DKG Southwest Regional Conference in Hawaii, Julie Cober (Beta) presented a wonderful workshop entitled, "How To Be A Duct Tape Teacher," based on the book *Made To Stick*. Sticky teaching



Julie Cober (Beta) was a presenter at the Southwest Regional Conference.

is not a natural language for many teachers but it makes a student's understanding more concrete and digestible. Simply put, Sticky Teaching makes an idea or knowledge easily understood and changes make-up of how it is remembered. These are the "Sticky" Principles:

- S - Simple
- U - Unexpected
- C - Concrete
- C - Credible
- E - Emotional
- S - Stories

Using this easy acronym, techniques were offered to make our lessons "sticky," so we can reach our students at a different level. Just as the sand in Hawaii stuck to one's feet, Julie Cober's presentation gave teachers down to earth ideas as to how to STICK knowledge in students' minds.

Sandy Hillegass, Beta

Aloha Banquet

Friday night's Southwest Regional Conference (SWR) Banquet in Hawaii exemplified the Aloha spirit and showcased the talents of members from different areas of the Southwest region. The evening started with a five-course Chinese family-style dinner followed by International President Carolyn Pittman as the keynote speaker. Pittman reminded us that DKG has so many opportunities that no one can take advantage of all of them during a lifetime and that together we can make a difference. Together, we can model respect, leadership, resiliency, connection with others, learning from others, celebrating milestones, and thus impact the world. The Talent Showcase consisted of the talents and culture of Southwest member from Hawaii, California (hosts for the 2019 SWR), Japan, Latin America and the Southwest Regional Chorus. The banquet culminated our DKG journey as enhanced by the theme, Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide, and symbolized our growth of knowledge at SWR and continuous learning in the future.

Lori Good, Alpha Alpha



Quick links available through smart phones

Download a free scanning app on your smart phone (such as ScanLife or Quick Scan). Open the app on your phone and hold the phone over any of the following QR codes. It will automatically take to you that internet site. The fourteen QR codes below help you find resources from DKG committees, boards and jury presented in breakout sessions and 10-minute Take-Aways from the Southwest Regional Conference in Hawaii.



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Katalin Sulyak



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Constitution Committee Resources



Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Applications



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Judy Richardson Xi
 Tucson, Arizona June, 2017

Donate your gently used purses

The Latin American Committee is dedicated to raising money to support our Latin American sisters at Regional and International meetings. For 2017-18 the Committee is again collecting name-brand purses and purses in excellent condition to be sold at the state convention. This year you can begin spring cleaning early. Bring your purses to the Fall Workshop and/or Spring Convention. Of course, plan to take advantage of the purse sale at the State Convention in Prescott. You will be doing your sisters a good deed.

Sherry Alimi-Kent, Eta

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- March 18-20, 2018
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- April 13 - 15, 2018
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- July 16 - 20, 2018
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- July 16-19, 2019
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 Hilton Orange County
 Costa Mesa, California

Financial aid available for advanced study

It's not too early to start planning to apply for financial aid for advanced study: two \$1,000 DKG Omicron scholarships will be awarded at the 2018 State Convention to DKG members for this purpose. Suggested programs of study include the following:

- continuing education
- pursuit of a Master's Degree
- pursuit of a Ph.D. or Ed.D Degree
- National Board Certification
- advanced or specialized credentials

Refer to the revised Omicron State Scholarships website and the interactive application for details of eligibility and deadlines at deltakappagammaomicon.org.

Sorale Fortman, Xi

Financial help for classroom teachers

Could you use a little financial support with some of your classroom projects? The purpose of the Jo Regenold Fund is to give monetary aid to classroom teachers, especially early career educators. Out-of-pocket classroom expenses not reimbursed by an employer may qualify for assistance from this fund. Some such activities may include:

- science, art, and music enrichment programs
- production of a dramatic performance
- field trips not covered by the employer
- a conference or seminar registration, supplies

See our updated website and interactive application form at deltakappagammaomicon.org.

Sorale Fortman, Xi

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Alice Reule (Alpha Delta) receives a special lei from Marge Threewit (Alpha Beta).



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