



Alpha Zeta Gazette

DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL

Indiana State Organization of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International,

Alpha Zeta Chapter of Grant, Huntington, Wabash and Whitley Counties in Indiana

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of women educators and excellence in education.

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Dear Alpha Zeta Sisters,

We are beginning to wind down from the Holiday Season. Sometimes this time of year is difficult for many to go through. Removing the bright lights and decorations to face the next few weeks of winter can be depressing. Also, when you add in the isolation that many feel due to the current pandemic, that is a recipe for loneliness and depression. With all of the availability that we have to electronics, please stay connected despite the weather and the pandemic. Call, email, Skype, Zoom, Google Meet, Face Time, write a letter/note, or whatever you can to help your DKG sisters weather this storm. Share a memory, a laugh, the joy of a song, or just talk. We need to stay connected to help us all stay strong.

As we prepare to meet again in January, don't forget to connect with a member that you have been missing at our virtual meetings. **If** each of us calls one person, to either return or to join, we should be able to multiply our love for DKG together online. **If** you live close to member that is not sure of the technology for our meetings, suggest getting together for the meeting. **If** you know of any prospective members, please invite them to attend and share the link as your guest. Call one and bring one. Let's keep connecting. Let's change the **"ifs"** into **"cans"**.

Speaking of our **January 23rd** meeting, I have been so excited about this program. (**Note the change in the meeting date.**) Megan Devito's program is on coding. Not like with numbers or letters, but with personalities. How can you work better with a difficult person - through coding their personality? What a great program to share with others. I had a wonderful conversation with Megan just before Christmas. She will be sharing a very interesting topic of how to "read" people in order to communicate and work with them in a more meaningful way. (**Editor's Note: More program information can be found in a later part of this newsletter.**)

In April, the Indiana State DKG Convention was scheduled to be held at the Resort on Swan Lake near Plymouth, Indiana. The dates were April 23-25, 2020. The State executive committee has been gathering information about whether this will still be held due to the COVID 19 pandemic. On **Dec. 29th it was decided to cancel the in-person convention.** Our State President Jo Jones plans to have a June one-day meeting somewhere near Indianapolis. The date and location will be announced soon. She is looking at the weekend before or the weekend after Father's Day

Since the Leadership Seminar in November was cancelled, the State Officers have been working on a Leadership opportunity for all Indiana DKG members. The International convention that was to be held in Philadelphia had offered some sessions that many members did not take advantage of. The committee chose five sessions, and they contacted the presenters. All of the presenters said they would be willing to share their sessions live with Indiana members—at no cost to DKG members! The sessions will be carried at 7 p.m. Eastern time, beginning on January 18, 2021. For five straight weeks, a

different topic will be covered. Members will earn PGP points for each session they attend. Confirmation of points earned will be sent out at the end of the series. Attendees of all five sessions and who attend the state convention will be given a special honor at the rescheduled convention in June. Since these presentations will be done by using Zoom, you will need to register so that you can be sent a Zoom invitation. If you are interested in registering for these sessions, complete the attached [form](#) and email it to Jo Jones at jojonesindiana@comcast.net. This email address is also on the form. There will be a limit of 100 attendees. This opportunity is FREE. If you ever wondered what DKG does for you, here is an example. All presentations will be held at 7:00 p.m. EST/6:00 p.m. CST and should run about one hour. There should be plenty of time for personal questions and discussion during the one-hour session. Hope others will join me in attending these sessions.

- January 18: Strategies for Chapter Leaders.
- January 25: Coaching to Communicate Success!
- February 1: Light and Joy: Igniting Strength and Purpose.
- February 8: The Best Chapter Meeting Ever, Again, and Again!
- February 15: Time Management for Today's Leaders.

WOW! That was a lot of information to share with all of you. Please read the wonderful Newsletter prepared for you by Roxanne. Karen Kinney is doing a wonderful job in coordinating our connection communication. Enjoy the stories that were shared. Yes, I am guilty of getting in trouble in my younger days. My rebellious ways taught me many a lesson in my life. It gave me different perspectives and spunk. It gave my parents headaches, but we all survived those times and came out on the other side with more love and dedication to family and friends. I look at this pandemic in the same way. It is not easy to be patient and staying consistent with what we need to do to be safe. It is the “but” that I am anxiously waiting for. BUT, when we have things in control, I can't wait to see and feel the love in the reunions that will occur.

Stay the Course. Stay Connected. Be Positive. Test Negative. Continue Believing.

Your Sister in DKG,

Sue Corbin

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PROGRAM INFORMATION (Megan Devito)

The system I'm going to share with you is formerly known as B.A.N.K Code and now is branded Codebreaker Technologies. This system was designed following the 4 Temperaments that were founded by Hippocrates thousands of years ago that he used to treat physical illness, as well as mental health illnesses, long before we had doctors and psychiatrists. This system is the foundation for nearly all of the personality tests you take so there will be familiarity to the ideas I'm going to share with you with a little twist. While other personality tests tell you about yourself, you can use this system to learn about other people more easily than you might with Enneagram, DISC, or Meyers Briggs because once you recognize the traits in others, you've cracked their code. Why is this important? When relating to others we want to be able to reach them using their own values and beliefs so they can better understand us and we can better understand them.

Before we chat, take a list of these lists of words. Then, order the columns from what you value most or what describes you best to your least valuable or what describes you least. You'll find that you naturally have qualities in each column so don't worry if you fall into more than one. You'll want to know your order when we meet on the 23rd.

STABILITY
STRUCTURE
SYSTEMS
PLANNING
PROCESSES
PREDICTABILITY
RESPONSIBILITY
DUTY
RULES
CREDENTIALS
TITLES
TRADITION

FREEDOM
FLEXIBILITY
SPONTANEITY
ACTION
OPPORTUNITY
EXCITEMENT
ATTENTION
STIMULATION
COMPETITION
WINNING
FUN
IMAGE

RELATIONSHIPS
AUTHENTICITY
PERSONAL GROWTH
SIGNIFICANCE
TEAMWORK
INVOLVEMENT
COMMUNITY
CHARITY
ETHICS
HARMONY
MORALITY
CONTRIBUTION

LEARNING
INTELLIGENCE
LOGIC
SELF-MASTRY
TECHNOLOGY
RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT
SCIENCE
UNIVERSAL TRUTHS
EXPERTISE
COMPETENCE
ACCURACY
THE BIG PICTURE



Staying Connected.....December Edition

The question: Did you ever get in trouble in school?

The answers:

Donna Ott- The times she got in trouble at school usually centered around the comment: "She talks a lot!!" She laughed and said she was just being social!!!

Judy Kehmeyer- She said she rarely got in any trouble at school, was very quiet and rather shy in school! She commented that probably most of "us" tended to be teacher pleasers- - - which is probably true!!!

Karen Miller- In grade school, a boy gave Karen a pretty bracelet. She put it on her head and wore it like a crown, but it got stuck in her hair. Karen had to spend a few minutes with her nose touching a circle on the chalkboard. She also had to stand in the corner for talking when in high school biology class.

Margaret Wilson- Margaret was the student we all wanted in our class. She never got in trouble.

Kathaleen Reese- Kathaleen didn't get in trouble while she was a student, but waited until she was a first-year teacher to be called to the principal's office. It seemed that she was always keeping her band students long enough after class that they would be late to their next class. The principal had to explain to her, "Miss Tigner, we DO teach other things besides Band at Coesse."

Karen Bandelier- She can only remember one time when she did something she should not have done. She was in first grade and the teacher was not in the room. All of the students were running around the room and they knocked a plant off the window sill. She doesn't remember what the punishment was, but it scared her enough she never misbehaved again!

Sue Corbin- When in high school, Sue and her boyfriend built a still. This was not a class assignment. They just did it! And then they took it to school. Sue got in trouble BUT she also got extra credit!

Donna Myer- Donna got in trouble for talking too much. She had to stay in at recess for this when in 3rd grade.

Joyle Allen- It was either in junior high or high school that she carved something in to the top of a wooden desk. She does not remember (she is 85 you know) what she wrote!

Carol Herzog- It was in 5th or 8th grade History...it was a test, she copied from another student...teacher caught her!

Darlene Bockelman- Darlene relayed she often was in trouble for talking too much. But in 1st grade, the teacher tried for 3 weeks to get Darlene to write with her right hand when she is a lefty. Darlene was wapped across the knuckles with a ruler. She was afraid to tell anyone, even her parents. She thought she was in trouble.

Brenda Landis- When Brenda was in third grade, the teacher left the room for some reason. The boy in front of Brenda turned around and started talking to her. The teacher walked back in and caught Brenda talking to the boy. Brenda had to sit out in the hall. The boy didn't get in trouble. Brenda was most afraid the custodian would see her and then tell her dad that she got in trouble and had to sit in the hall.

Barb Overdeer- In 6th grade she had to memorize things at the end of a Health chapter. She got them all correct so the teacher thought she had cheated. Teacher called Barb's mom questioning her but Barb's mom said Barb had gotten them all correct with her so why wouldn't she get them correct in class? That was the closest Barb came to getting in trouble.

Michelle Ball- She was in an elementary school art class, sitting at a table with 3 or 4 other students, enjoying class. However, she and 2 others were having too much fun, talking, giggling, laughing, etc. The teacher had to stop them. Michelle and her friends ended up being sent out into the hall as their punishment.

Karen Kinney- When Karen was in 4th grade, there were three grades in her room (4th-6th.) She was supposed to be doing her work but instead was taking the 6th grade spelling test. As the teacher was reading the correct spelling of the words for the students to check, Karen was telling those around her that she had the words right. The teacher made her sit in the hall for talking. The principal chose that time to come for a visit and he asked her what she was doing in the hall. This turned out to be the very same principal that gave Karen her first teaching job!

Janet Vesa- She got in trouble in 2nd grade and had to stand in the corner. The class was reading a story together, but Janet decided to read ahead. When it was her turn to read, she did not know where the rest of the class was in the story. The teacher made her stand in a corner. Janet felt angry because she got in trouble for reading ahead.

Mary Sell- As a teacher, Mary got in trouble with parents who wanted to bully her.

Samantha Sutorius- I can't remember ever being in trouble in school as a student. As a teacher, I've had students complain when they don't do well in a course or they don't turn in an assignment and then get a zero. Luckily it's college so I really don't deal with parents!

Vicki Hinen- She does not remember getting into trouble in school, but if she did, it would have been for talking when she should not have been.

Jennifer Harris- She was giving a tour to incoming students at Crestview and she let them climb on a ladder. She was called to the office to explain. Also, there was one time she had to serve a lunch detention because she forgot to bring a pencil or notebook to class.

Linda Sutton- Linda remembers being in 6th grade at the time this incident occurred. A fellow student sneezed and passed gas at the same time. Linda found herself unable to stop laughing. She felt laughter bubbling up inside her, and looked up at the picture of George Washington on the classroom wall. She told herself he looked so serious, and she should try to be the same. It didn't work and her giggles continued! That memory has stayed with her for many years!

Designated Callers

Please call two different people on your list and ask them this question: Did you ever get in trouble in school? Email the answers to Karen by the deadline of February 5, 2021.

At our November meeting, members were honored for their years of membership in Delta Kappa Gamma. Ann Ambler delivered roses and certificates to members. The following 3 were especially celebrated for their years as members.



June passed away the morning of December 15, 2020.



Kathaleen Reese received a certificate and rose to celebrate her 63-year membership in Delta Kappa Gamma.



Mary Lou Fries received a pin, certificate, and a rose to honor her 60-year membership in Delta Kappa Gamma.

Minutes of Alpha Zeta Virtual Chapter Meeting
November 14, 2020

The meeting was opened at 9:00 am by President Sue Corbin with 18 participants. Opening Thought and Prayer on a Thanksgiving theme was given by Ann Ambler.

Secretary's report of September meeting: Barb Buroker moved to accept and Ann Ambler seconded. Minutes approved.

Treasurer's report: Accepted as printed and filed for review.

Correspondence report: Joyle Allen requests reserve membership.

Chapter Project: A motion was made by Roxanne Thomas that money collected for the food banks be divided equally among the four counties and paid in December and May. Karen Bandelier seconded and the motion passed. Members were reminded to send their donations to Darlene Bockelman denoting the amount desired for Celebration, Scholarship, Grants-in-Aid, and Chapter Project.

Committee Reports

Finance: Janet Vesa reported her committee will be working on a budget to be presented in January.

Membership: Sue encouraged members to invite others to our virtual meetings. We can forward the Zoom invitation to others.

Program: Vicki Hinen reported our January meeting will be on Coding, presented by Megan DeVito, a teacher in Whitley County.

Personal Growth: Karen Kinney shared the book Waiting is Not Easy. She is also setting up connection phone calls. Each member will be called sometime during the year. After conversation, the callers will ask an interesting question and answers will be published in the newsletter. Karen will be sending out e-mails explaining the details.

Professional Affairs: The goal is to hand out 3-4 Grants-in-Aid in March. Please look for candidates.

Music: Ann Ambler played a delightful recording of "The More We Get Together".

Scholarship: There is money available (\$300 per member) to fund projects. Please apply.

Unfinished Business

If anyone has personal information that has changed, let Sue or Darlene know so the International Website can be updated.

Virtual Library report: Judy Kehmeyer is available to help anyone get started on the process. Roxanne enjoyed her experience recording books. We will probably be reading about our project in the Hoosier Newsette.

New Business

Jadean Barnes moved to accept Joyle Allen's request for reserve membership. Karen Bandelier seconded. Motion passed.

Joyle has been paying reserve membership dues for June Everitt. Jadean moved that henceforth her dues be paid from the Care Fund. Roxanne seconded. Motion passed.

Barb Buroker announced she will be going off the state nominating committee and asked anyone interested in that position to let her know.

Announcements

1. *DKG Indiana State Conference April 23-25, 2021*

Swan Lake Resort and Conference Center, Plymouth, Indiana

2. *DKG Regional Conference – July 7-10, 2021 Portland, Oregon*

3. *DKG Regional Conference – July 21-24, 2021 San Antonio, Texas*

4. *DKG International Convention – July 12-16, 2022 New Orleans, Louisiana*

Closing thought was given by Ann on planning ahead.

Program

All members were honored by recognizing their years of membership via a Powerpoint presentation. Kathaleen Reese topped the chart with 63 years as a DKG member.

Members celebrating a special anniversary will be presented a rose and certificate at a later date.

Next meeting will be January 16, 2021, at 9:00 am.

Meeting was adjourned at 10:40 am with a recording of the DKG song.

Respectfully submitted,

Donna Myer, recording secretary

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CALLING ALL READERS!

We are still in need of readers to record books for the DKG Virtual Library. Dust off your books, practice reading, and record a few books. Go to our [DKG Virtual Library](#) direction page to learn how. Call Judy Kehmeyer (260-396-2617) or Vicki Hinen (260-229-1779) if you need help. We look forward to listening to your favorite stories!

Committee Reports– PLEASE review these.

Society Business

Finance: Janet Vesa, Chair

Proposed Budget for 2021-22

Attached is the proposed budget. Basically it is the same as last year, with adjustments made for any change in membership numbers.

On Line 21, we had an increase at the state level for conventions from \$1 to \$2 this year.

Line 34, Programs and Printed items, we added \$50 from last year.

The 3 lines marked with ** are paid out of encumbered funds so don't come from our yearly chapter income.

We will review the proposed budget at the January meeting and vote at the March meeting.

Membership: We are all part of this committee. Invite a teacher to join us for our January meeting.

Nominations: Brenda Landis, Chair

For membership: Be thinking about what position you would be willing to fill for the 2022-24 biennium. Also be thinking about and observing members who would be good leaders for our society. You don't need to be on the membership committee to do this. The committee always needs good input.

Chapter Program

Personal Growth and Development: Karen Kinney, Chair

Professional Affairs (grant-in-aid): Myra Schmidt, Chair

Legislative: Judy Kehmeyer, Chair

Legislative Report: Budgeting will be a concern in the upcoming legislative session. The average teacher salary in Indiana is much lower than in neighboring states. There is also continued concern with teachers, students, and schools being held harmful with mandated testing along with Covid restrictions necessary to keep students and teachers safe for the 2020-2021 school year. Please contact your legislature as bills come up in support of teachers. Do you know your elected officials? Use this link to find who represents your area. [WAYEO \(39dn.com\)](http://WAYEO(39dn.com))

Music: Ann Ambler, Chair

From the music committee: "Music is 'fun'damental-one of the great sources of life, health, strength, and happiness." Luther Burbank

Be sure to tune in for the premier performance of the Alpha Zeta Rappers at our upcoming zoom meeting!

Educational Services

Communications & Publicity: Barb Buroker, Chair

I hope all of you saw the articles in your respective county newspapers about our November, 2020 Virtual Alpha Zeta meeting.

Thank You to our committee members Karen Bandelier, Nancy Kolb, Donna Myer, and Roxanne Thomas for getting the articles out there!

A **BIG THANK YOU** to Lori Heuer for compiling our AZ scrapbooks.

If you see articles about any of our members...doing some good and important...please e-mail me (bjburoker@gmail.com) and let me know so I can pass this information on at our virtual meetings or in our committee report in the next AZ Gazette.

Merry Christmas to You and a Happy, Healthy and Calm 2021!!!

Scholarship: Donna Ott, Chair

Donna will be contacting Manchester University about our Esther Mae Ashley Award.

International Projects: Mary Lou Fries, Chair

Our Alpha Zeta International Projects Committee will announce their choice of project at our January meeting. Please start saving some money to help our chapter support our newest decision.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for your support. You are all to be commended for the success of last year's donation to Japan.

Chapter Business

Cheer: Jadean Barnes, Chair

I have sent birthday cards for our DKG sisters. Please let me know if a card is needed.
Happy New Year

Memorial Committee: Mary Catherine Palmer, Chair

I would just ask the members who remember June Everett to send me their thoughts and memories.

Scrapbook: Lori Heuer

Chapter notebook: Karen Bandelier

Correction to the Chapter Notebook on pg. 26:

Ann Ambler's email address is: annmarieambler74@gmail.com.

Standing Rules: Carol Herzog, Chair

2020-2022 ALPHA ZETA OFFICERS

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Ann Ambler (2021/22)

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Recording Secretary ... Donna Myer

Corresponding Secretary Roxanne Thomas

Treasurer Darlene Bockelman

Parliamentarian... Karen Bandelier

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Mark Your Calendars

March 13, 2021 – Huntington

May 1, 2021 – Whitley

September 18, 2021 - Wabash

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