

Alpha Alpha On-Line...

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ALPHA EPSILON STATE, INDIANA

THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL

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MISSION STATEMENT

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



Thoughts from Addy!

I am looking forward to seeing everyone again! Seems like it has been forever!

Really excited that it is Spring and can get outside more! Not excited about working in my yard though!

After our meeting on April 10th, I would like a short meeting with the Executive Board (Officers & Area Chairpersons). Just want to talk briefly as to how we should proceed. We will

just meet for 30 minutes. (Somebody set a timer to keep me on track!)
Hope you all can make it!

Sincerely,
Addy

We are going to get to Meet!

Please come!

Sat. April 10, 2021
Coloma Friends Church
Rockville, IN
9:00 a.m.
Breakfast \$8.00
“Reading Boot Camp.”
By Kathy Alfke

Reservations to Area 3 Teresa at 569-6749 or Sue Woodard at 765-498-4594 by April 1, 2021

Legislative News for Retired Teachers!

We seriously need your help to obtain the 13th check for 2021 and 2022! Even though our bill, HB 1227, passed the House 92-1, we are very concerned about it passing the Senate. We are asking you to email your senator immediately.

Your email needs to be short and sweet. First ask them to please support the 13th check that is in the budget bill and the \$50 increase contained in HB 1227. Then mention at least one important item/service that you will use that money for. It might be medicine, utilities, etc. Be specific about costs.

Email address: Senator.Boots@iga.in.gov

Example:

Dear Senator Boots:

I am asking you to support the 13th check for retired teachers found in HB 1001 and 1227. If we receive this help, I can use it to pay for my medicine that costs \$160 per month.

Then thank the senator and add your name. That is all you need to do, but if all our members help, we should be successful.

The above is only an example. It needs to be in your own words and your own example of how you would spend it. If you will be spending this money in your own community, you might add that.

Mark your Calendar!

Sat. June 12, 2021

9:30 a.m.

Marshall Federated Church

Brunch \$5.00

“To Russia with Love.”

By Sarah Helderman

Founders Day/Memorial Service

Indiana State Convention

Saturday June 12, at Primo Banquet and Convention Center, 2615 National Avenue, Indianapolis
Hope you can come!

It is just off 1-65 onto the South Keystone Avenue exit.



Reminder!

Dues can be paid for next year at any time. \$75.00 for active and \$40 for reserve. Mail checks to:

**Sarah Sykes
7297 Rosedale Road
Terre Haute, IN 47804**

Due: June 30, 2021



Don't Forget Applying for Mini-Grants for your Classroom! It is very easy to do!

Travel/Study Grant

A \$350 Travel/Study Grant is awarded to a DKG member who is 55 years old or older, who is willing to write a brief essay about why you chose this opportunity to travel and study and will share what personal growth you want to accomplish.

Mini-Grants

A mini-grant can be awarded in the amount of \$500 or less for projects or professional development of members. Projects must show promise of making a significant contribution to the candidate's professional growth in the field of education.

Scholarships

There are nine \$1000 scholarships available to women who have been a member for two years for advanced studies.

There is one \$1,500 scholarship for guidance/ counseling degree. There is one \$2,500 scholarship for a woman admitted to the doctoral program.

Check out the state website at dkgindiana.org for an application.



Happy News Around the Chapter!

Dianna Ross's oldest daughter, Kelli is engaged! She and her fiancé, Andy, have not set a date yet, but it is probably going to be later this year!

Sue Weber is going to be a grandma again! Her son, Jared, and his wife, Kayla are expecting in September. The baby will be joined by Maya, the big sister who will be 3 and has proclaimed that she will still be "The Queen!"

Maggie Sockwell has retired from teaching as of January 1, 2021. Congratulations on a rewarding career and dedication to so many students! Enjoy your new adventures that are in store for you, your husband, and your family.

Roleen Pickard was recognized by the Beta Chapter as being a member of DKG for 50 years! Congratulations Roleen! She just had a birthday a couple weeks ago. If you would like to drop her a card, we are sure she would appreciate it.

Roleen Pickard
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Westerville, OH 4308



Travel News by Sandee Frey



Tom and I left for Florida on the 12th of March and arrived on Anna Maria Island the next day. We had a three bedroom, 2 1/2 bath condo close to the beach and the bay. We were there for a month and entertained friends and family. The weather was cooperative, and the entertainment and food were fabulous! We were CDC compliant and most of our days were spent outside, even for food. We found that most people were very good about mask-wearing and kept a six-foot distance everywhere we went. Tom and I were vaccinated as were most of our friends and family. Those that were not, we visited outside and kept our distance. Most memorable events were watching a fisherman bring in a shark, fantastic sunsets, and fresh seafood! The

pandemic could not steal away the beauty of the seaside.

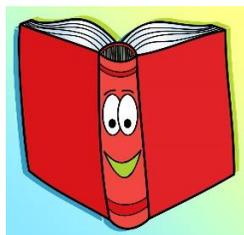


This sunset picture just makes you smile!

More Travel News!

By Patti Spurr

Jerry and I spent January and February at Fort Morgan, Alabama. I enjoyed reading at the beach as Jerry fished. It was nice to have sunshine and avoid the below zero days in Indiana.



The Book Nook

Books Read (or listened to)

Addy's picks:

"Before I Go to Sleep" by S.J. Watson

(interesting mystery - not murder)

"Dirty Little Secrets" by Liliana Hart

(mystery, first in a series with a mortician/ coroner in a small town)

"The Shadow Box" by Luanne Rice

(mystery)

"Awakening" by Nora Roberts

(supernatural/love story - first in a trilogy)

Dianna's Pick:

"It's Not About Me" by Max Lucado

Sue Weber's Picks:

"Lady Clementine" by Marie Benedict

An Historical Fiction about Winston Churchill's Wife.

"The Only Woman in the Room" by Marie Benedict. An Historical Fiction of Hedy Lamarr during World War II.

"Carnegie's Maid" by Marie Benedict. An historical fiction about the Carnegie Family.

Upcoming Events:

Indiana State Convention: June 12, 2021
Primo Banquet and Convention Center,
2615 National Avenue, Indianapolis



DKG Purposes

1. To unite women educators of the world in a genuine spiritual fellowship.
2. To honor women who have given or who evidence a potential for distinctive service in any field of education.
3. To advance the professional interest and position of women in education.
4. To initiate, endorse and support desirable legislation or other suitable endeavors in the interests of education and of women educators.

- 5. To endow scholarships to aid outstanding women educators in pursuing graduate study and to grant fellowships to non-member women educators**
- 6. To stimulate the personal and professional growth of members and to encourage their participation in appropriate programs of action.**
- 7. To inform the members of current economic, social, political, and educational issues so that they may participate in a world society.**

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