

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



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

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Dear Rho Sisters,

THANK YOU for your support during the past calendar year. We concluded with the final meeting Saturday morning, May 22<sup>nd</sup> (raindate). Our gathering proved to be informative and enjoyable.

First, each of us in attendance took turns reading aloud and discussing a snippet about each of the 12 Founders of Delta Kappa Gamma. Along with the brilliance of Dr. Annie Webb Blanton, 11 of her distinguished colleagues contributed to the purpose of the organization that originated May 11, 1929. Happy 92<sup>nd</sup> Birthday, DKG!

Next, acknowledged were the active Rho members in attendance (Renee Berkowitz, Evelyn Lisek, and yours truly) with 30+/40 years as DKG members. Those unable to attend (Joyce Choncoff, Barbara Kozak, Dottie Lahaie, Virginia Moffitt, and Joan Torres) have had their pins hand delivered to them. It gave me great joy to see the smiles brought to the face of each of these ladies. Comments from some included, "Tell everyone hello", "I can't attend the meetings, but I've always respected the organization", "Keep me in your prayers", and "Thank you for remembering me." Please email, call/text, or mail a note of encouragement to any of the ladies that you may not be able to attend a meeting during this time. They continue to support Rho and have remained on the active roster financially. So as requested, please keep them in your thoughts and prayers. To date, Dr. Celeste Foster and Theresa Tucker are the only members that have not received their pins. They both showed up expecting the May 15<sup>th</sup> meeting. But now they're busy living their best lives! I will wait patiently for them to contact me to receive their "special delivery!" ☺

Rho Chapter members have always stepped up in the time of need. However, there were many conflicts with our dates of the last meeting. Whether it had been May 15<sup>th</sup> (rained out) or the raindate, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, we didn't have a quorum to vote on the business of decreasing the dues (by a few dollars) for the 2021-2022 year. So, as a result, we will continue to pay

the \$72 dues. This amount, for the most part, fulfills our obligations to State and International. Francie Blaney, our faithful treasurer, will be sending out statements to those that have yet to pay. Checks should be made out to: DKG Rho Chapter. Please remember to respond to her request as soon as possible. She has her deadline of June 30<sup>th</sup> which she'd like to meet. I'm counting on everyone.

As we look ahead, a July date will be scheduled in order that we may plan our 2021-2022 calendar. We need your suggestions/ideas to make this work for all of us. Please give the following questions some thought. If you feel inclined to do so (I hope that you will), "reply" to this email or call/text me.

- *What else can Rho sisters do to help others?*
- *What can we do to grow professionally as retired/active educators?*
- *If possible, should Pappas continue to be our indoor meeting facility? Is there another option to consider?*
- *Should our first and last meetings be held in the evening?*
- *How do you feel about alternating between breakfast and lunch for our Saturday meetings?*

Please take the time to let us know what you think...

In closing, Hallmark printed, "You've been so kind. Can't thank you enough." Heartfelt THANKS to Judith Hancock for once again hosting our meeting. She warmly welcomed each of us. The day and weather proved to be perfect---sunny and bright.

"Everything good, everything magical happens between the months of June and August...."---Jenny Han  
Have a safe and fun-filled summer. Take charge!

Thanks again for supporting Rho Chapter and Delta Kappa Gamma!

Sandra Y. Collins  
Rho Chapter President

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY to YOU!!!**

**MAY: Myrtle Trubey (1<sup>st</sup>) Anna Padberg (21<sup>st</sup>)**

**JUNE: Frances Hill (1<sup>st</sup>), Ann Rak (1<sup>st</sup>)**

**JULY: Virginia Moffitt (6<sup>th</sup>), Belinda Potoma (8<sup>th</sup>), Natalie Keller (9<sup>th</sup>),  
Janice Toma ( 18<sup>th</sup>), and Carmen Dulhanty (29<sup>th</sup>)**

**\*\*\*Rho Meetings for the 2020-2021 Year\*\*\***

**Saturday, September 12, 2020** (Raindate: Sat., Sept. 26<sup>th</sup>)

Judith Hancock's Beautiful Breezy Backyard

1415 West 95<sup>th</sup> Place

Crown Point, IN 46307

Registration begins at 1:00 pm

Program begins at 1:30 pm

\*\*\*Masks are required, and no meal will be served. Please fill out your intent on the bottom portion of this newsletter, and send it to Francie by September 8th. Be sure to include your birthdate.

**November 2020**

Pound Auction—Don't forget to, in lieu of wrapped gifts to bid on, send in a donation to Francie Blaney.

**Saturday, February 6, 2021**

Zoom Meeting

Program-10:00 am

Registration Plans for Council One Meeting (Guest: JoAnn Manes)

**March 6, 2021**---*Council One Joint Brunch*

**(VIRTUAL/ZOOM PRESENTATION)**

Program-10:00 am

"Remembering Marshall Fields" by Leslie Goddard

**Saturday, May 22, 2021**

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1415 West 95<sup>th</sup> Place

Crown Point, IN 46307

(219)789-2033

Registration-1:00 pm

Program-1:30 pm

Founder's Day Program/

30 and 40 Year Member Recognition/Honor Retirees

**Saturday, June 12, 2021**---*DKG Indiana State Convention*

Primo Banquet and Convention Center

2615 South Keystone Avenue

Indianapolis, IN 46227

**Purposes:** The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International has seven basic *purposes* that govern its program of work and study. The activities of each level of the Society implement the *purposes* of the Society. The seven *purposes* include :

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