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YOUR CONVENTION 2015 CONNECTION!

KEYNOTERS INSPIRE!

Clair Wiles, Lambda

Clair knew from childhood she wanted to teach. She attended schools in Portland, but wanted to see the world before college. She joined the U.S. Navy and was active duty from 1991-95. She attended U of O and began teaching at North Eugene High in 1999. In 2006, as a Naval Reservist, Clair was called to serve a year in Iraq where she briefed 3- & 4-star generals on intelligence and served as team leader for anti-IED patrols. Clair was honored as Educator of the Year by the Nobel Peace Laureate Project; she is widely recognized for efforts promoting nonviolence in education through the "Peace, Justice and Human Rights" curriculum that she co-developed with Pam McCarthy.

Lura Pierce, Lambda

A BUTTERFLY PEACE QUILT AND A TEACHER'S PROMISE

Dr. Pierce taught middle-school English, social studies, and drama for 30 yrs. She taught English Methods in the MAT Ed. Dept. for 10 yrs. Lura earned a PhD in Curriculum and Instruction at the University of Oregon. She taught laughter workshops for 25 yrs.; was voted "One of the Top Five Funniest People in Eugene" by *The Register Guard*; and was Teacher-of-the-Year in Spokane. Lura earned the American Laureate Nobel Peace Project's first Teacher-of-the-Year award in Eugene. She traveled the world for a year after retirement with a peace quilt, gathering children's visions of peace. Lura continues to spread the peace message throughout (cont. p. 3)

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PRESIDENT'S PAGE

Kathy Martell, President
Oregon State Organization

Working Together: Building Early Academic Readiness

COMMUNICATION

Good communication with members is necessary for any organization to remain healthy and successful. As the world around us changes, so must we to survive. Alpha Rho State is very lucky to have an excellent state newsletter and website because our editor and our webmaster do a fantastic job. We have had many discussions in 2014 as to how to distribute the *Trail* in the most cost-effective way and still meet the needs of all our members. As we work toward doing an all-digital *Trail*, we will continue to meet the needs of our members who do not use a computer. With the help of each chapter, we are starting 2015 with a new communication plan.

1. This *Trail* was a hard copy sent to everyone because it contains the proposed *Bylaws* and *Standing Rule* changes, along with the 2015 Convention information.
2. For the next *Trail,* only members without computers will receive a printed copy. Everyone else will receive a digital one.
3. To accomplish the digital plan, each chapter will need to send us a list of members who do not use a computer by February 15, 2015. Please send this information to me to track, and then I will forward it to the state's communication pros. A few of you have already sent in your updated email list, so I have that information. You do not have to do it again. If you haven't done it yet, please do so as soon as possible.
4. Also, remember that when an individual email or other address element changes, it is important to send the new one to Jill Snyder and Linda St. Pierre. International is updating their computer system so we will soon be able to correct our information on line. Meanwhile, the Change of Address form is at https://www.dkg.org/content/change-address-form-27-word-interactive for you to fill in, print, and send in hard copy form. You may also e-mail Linda Davenport at International with the information: lindad@dkg.org
5. Most presidents have graciously agreed to forward the digital newsletter to their members when they receive the information. If your chapter has a communication person who you would rather be your contact person, please send me her name, and I'll remove the president's name as the contact person for the *Trail* information.
6. By March 15, 2015, we will have another Trail ready to go which will be mostly digital. It will contain information on our nominees for state officers, chapter chatter and the rest of the information we didn't put in the February newsletter. Any information the state leadership team or chapters would like included in this issue will need to be to Marie by March 10.
7. After the March issue, we will continue doing digital *Trails* and sending them to one person per chapter to pass on. The members without computers will receive a hard copy, and everyone will be able to find the newest *Trail*, as well as earlier editions, on the website.

Financially, it is important to work toward an all-digital *Trail* only and be part of the 21st Century. While doing this, though, we hope this plan will meet the needs of all our members. Our Society of Key Women Educators is only as strong as our membership, and the key to staying vibrant is communicating with all!

Happy New Year Everyone!

Kathy

If your chapter is ready to take the next communication step to develop a chapter website, be sure to attend the workshop titled: "Communicate Better with a Chapter Website" at state convention. The presenters will be our state's very own pros: Webmaster Grace Pitzer and Communications Chair Linda St. Pierre.

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the nation. In her journey around the world, she gathered a million visions of peace on postcards in one year. After studying the life of Eleanor Roosevelt, Lura spent a year in the one-woman show entitled *Eleanor Roosevelt* where she shared Mrs. Roosevelt's passion and work.

Lura's blog includes the following advice from the imaginary Mrs. R.: "Get involved. Get busy. You must do the things you think you cannot do...for it isn't enough to talk about peace. One must believe in it. And it isn't enough to believe in it. One must work at it." This quote seems to sum up how Lura Pierce embodies life, believing in and working toward peace.

BYLAWS & STANDING RULES REPORT

The Alpha Rho State Bylaws committee has completed its work for changes this biennium. You will find that complete work printed in this edition of *The New Oregon Trail*, pp. 10-14. However, I would like to make a short statement regarding our work. There really are only two changes: (1) the International change regarding fees for an honorary member and (2) the State issue regarding the position of historian. Moving the Awards section to the *Standing Rules* (they are now in the *Bylaws*) takes up most of the text. We believe that this material is better suited to the *Standing Rules* and have been so advised by the International Parliamentarian.

A number of motions passed at our last two conventions. These changes will appear in the newly printed and revised *Standing Rules* and *Bylaws* documents but, having already passed, do not come before the convention for vote in 2015.

Jean Fairbairn, Chair
Ad hoc Bylaws and
Standing Rules Committee

MEET TAMARA HERNANDEZ, OUR INTERNATIONAL GUEST!

Tamara Flores Hernández was initiated as a DKG member in 2005 as one of the 12 founders and as State President of the Zeta State of San Luis Potosí, S.L.P., México; Alpha Chapter. She served DKG as State and Chapter President in 2005-2007 and 2009-2011 as well as being Executive Secretary in 2007-2009. Since July 2014, she has been serving the Society Executive Board as the Latin American Representative.

She has attended and participated in four of the five Latin American Conferences held in Mexico and Latin America, as well as Conferences in some states in Mexico and Costa Rica. She also attended three Southwest Regional Conferences and four International Conventions.

Oregon members are pleased that Tamara will now be able to say that she attended an Alpha Rho State Convention. In addition to providing a welcome and updates from International, Tamara will be conducting a workshop entitled *Peace Across Borders*. **Welcome, Tamara!**

YOUR CONVENTION CONNECTION!

ALPHA RHO STATE CONVENTION
Eugene, Oregon

Please join us at the Eugene Hilton, April 17-19, 2015, for the Alpha Rho State Convention. With the theme of "Teach Peace," workshops will meet the needs and interests of all attendees.

The Hilton, located in the heart of Eugene, is a great place to bring your family. They will enjoy the swimming pool, fitness center, and the sights downtown. Plan to arrive on Friday afternoon, so you can take part in the tour of the Nobel Peace Park. This unique park is dedicated to honoring American winners of the Nobel Peace Prize. We will be meeting at 4:00 to share rides over to the park. You will not want to miss it!

This year's convention will also include keynote speakers who will share stories and visions of peace. In addition, we are proud to welcome Tamara Flores Hernández, DKG International representative from Mexico. Along with sharing greetings and updates from International Office, Tamara will be leading a workshop entitled ***Peace Across Borders.***

CONVENTION SCHEDULE SYNOPSIS

Friday, April 17
Arrive, check into your room, and join us for the 4 p.m. Peace Park tour. Visit the Boutique, drop off your baskets for the raffle, visit the Hospitality Room, and join us for social time before heading to our first General Session at 7 p.m. After a welcome and our opening ceremony, join us in a fun and interactive presentation of Playworks provided by Nancy Schall-McHarry from Lambda Chapter.

Saturday, April 18
After breakfast in the Hospitality Room, join us for our 8 a.m. General Session, where Clair Wiles, Lambda Chapter, will present her keynote address. The next three hours offer a variety of workshop sessions that focus on our theme "Teach Peace." Plan to visit the Board Room to take part in the Basket Drawing and visit Catie to find treasures at the Boutique.

Following the workshops, attend the Birthday and Awards/Scholarship Luncheon to enjoy great food, great conversation, and a short program. Right after lunch,is our Business Meeting where our International guest will share her report from headquarters and we will conduct state business.

Following the meeting, join your sisters on the Mezzanine to hear results of the Basket Drawing, then visit the Hospitality Room for the pre-banquet social. Get ready for the President's Banquet in the Sousa Room! We will have singing, celebration, installation of state officers, and again great food and conversation. To cap off our busy day, join us in the Hospitality Suite for the District 5 Reception for our International Guest and new state officers. It will be a busy and wonderful day!

Sunday, April 19
Plan to help honor our departed sisters with the White Rose Ceremony on Sunday morning in Vista II. After the White Rose Ceremony, take part in the Executive Board Meeting before connecting one more time with others at the breakfast buffet. Before heading home, attend the final General Session to hear our keynote speaker Lura Pierce. On p. 1, read about the speakers who are great additions to our program!

CONVENTION NOTES & NOMINATIONS

To keep this *Trail* as small as possible, state officer candidates for 2015 – 17 will be announced in the March *Trail*. Voting on the new officers will be conducted by the state Nomination Committee during the business meeting Saturday afternoon (18th) at State Convention. All registered DKG members at convention will be able to vote. Be there to have a voice in who will be leading Alpha Rho State for the next biennium. Installation is scheduled during the President's Banquet.

The 2014-2016 Chapter Presidents will be recognized at the President's Banquet. Presidents will find their seats with the rest of the membership and wait to be introduced. District Coordinators will introduce presidents of chapters in their areas.

MONEY?

Yes, it's time for an ad about MONEY! This is a reminder from Jill Lang, State Scholarship Chair.

Who: You!
What: State Scholarship and Grant Award Applications
When: Due March 1, 2015
Where: www.dkg.org
Why: Because you're worth it!

* Also, note that International award applications are due February 1 and May 1, 2015. Check the website for more information! www.dkg.org

2015 CONVENTION AT-A-GLANCE

Hilton Hotel -- Eugene, Oregon

Friday, April 17

1:00-6:45 p.m.	Convention Registration in Conference Center Lobby
	Basket Drawing set-up in Board Room
1:30-6:45 p.m.	Hospitality Room open in Directors Room
	Boutique open in Board Room
4:00-5:30	Meet in Lobby for Peace Park Tour (ride-share)
5:45-6:45	Social Time--Cash Bar open in Conference Center Lobby
7:00 p.m.	General Session I--Welcome & Opening Ceremony in Composers Hall
	Playworks with Nancy Schall-McHarry, Lambda Chapter
	Following General Session I--Alpha Rhosies Rehearsal in Composers Hall

Saturday, April 18

7:00-7:45 a.m.	Breakfast in Hospitality (Directors) Room
	Basket Drawing & Boutique open in Board Room
7:15-8:00	Registration in Conference Center Lobby
8:00-8:45	General Session II--Welcome & Inspiration in Composers Hall
	Inspiration Keynote--Clair Wiles, Lambda Chapter
9:00-9:50	Workshop Sessions (see program for room locations)
10:00-10:50	Workshop Sessions
11:00-11:50	Workshop Sessions
11:50-12:15	Break
12:15-2:15	Birthday & Awards/Scholarship Luncheon in O'Neill Room
2:30-4:30	General Session III--Business Meeting in Composers Hall
4:30-5:00	Basket Drawing on the Mezzanine
5:00-6:00	Hospitality (Directors) Room open
5:00-6:15	Rehearsal for Alpha Rhosies and Installation of Officers in Composers Hall
5:30-7:30	Pre-Banquet Social--Cash Bar open in Conference Ctr. Lobby
6:50-7:00	Seating for President's Banquet in Sousa Room
7:00	President's Banquet in Sousa Room
Following	District 5 Reception for new state officers and International guest in Hospitality Suite

Sunday, April 19

7:30-7:50 a.m.	White Rose Ceremony in Vista II
8:00	Executive Board Meeting in Vista II
8:30	Breakfast Buffet in Vista I
9:15	General Session IV--in Vista I
	Keynote--Lura Pierce

"TEACH PEACE" TOUR, SPEAKERS & WORKSHOPS

Alpha Rho State Convention, April 17-19, 2015

Friday, April 17, 2015

4:00 p.m. TOUR to the Peace Park. FREE! Meet in the lobby to car pool. We will return by 5:30.

7:00 p.m. Welcome & "Playworks" in the Composers Hall (Bloch/Sousa Rooms)

Presenter: "Playworks": Nancy Schaal-McHarry, Teacher at River Road Elementary School, Eugene. Join us to earn peaceful ways to actively involve students in classrooms and on playgrounds.

Saturday, April 18

8:00 a.m. Welcome & Inspiration in Composers Hall (Bloch/Sousa Rooms)

8:20 a.m. Presenter: Clair Wiles, U.S. Navy veteran and teacher at North Eugene High School, Eugene. Clair will share her journey from serving in the war zone in Iraq to developing a curriculum for Teaching Peace.

WORKSHOP SUMMARY

PDU's are available.

Time	Topic & Presenter(s)	Location
9:00 – 9:50	Therapy Dogs: Providing Peace in Our Communities Presenter(s): Bridget Honan & Betty Flinn from Therapy Dogs, Inc.	Bloch
	Peace Curricula & Resources Presenter(s): A panel	Sousa
	Peacefully Completing National Board Certification Presenter(s): Kelly McIntyre	Studio A
	Communicate Better With a Chapter Website Presenter(s): Grace Pitzer & Linda St. Pierre	Studio B/C
10:00 – 10:50	Therapy Dogs: Providing Peace in Our Communities Presenter(s): Bridget Honan & Betty Flinn from Therapy Dogs, Inc.	Bloch
	Love & Logic: Strategies for Lasting, Loving Relationships for Families & All School Staff Presenter(s): Kate Kelleher	Sousa
	Peace Hopes: Middle East Presenter(s): Lane Community College Students	Studio A
	Literature and Peace: Using Essential Questions to Discuss Ethical Dilemmas Presenter(s): Dr. Jill Slansky & Evelyn Banko	Studio B/C
11:00-11:50	Peace Jam Presenter(s): Local Students Share Their Projects	Bloch
	Peace Jam Presenter(s): Local Students Share Their Projects	Bloch
	Peace Across Borders Presenter(s): International Guest Tamara Flores Hernandez, Mexico	Studio A
	Peaceful Strategies for Cyberbullying Presenter(s): Jennifer Harris, Counselor, Eugene Dst. 4J	Studio B/C

DKG 2015 WORKSHOP DETAILS

Therapy Dogs: Providing Heartfelt Peace in our Communities (9:00 and repeated at 10:00)
Bridget Honan (Alpha Chapter, Past Alpha Rho State President, Music); Betty Flinn, Therapy Dogs, Inc.

Come meet some ambassadors of peace and learn how they provide peace in their communities for people who otherwise might not have access to an animal for companionship and affection. Presenters will give background information on therapy dogs and explain what differentiates them from "service dogs." Teams will demonstrate the characteristics and skills required of therapy dogs.

Peace Curricula & Resources: Free sites for your classroom (9:00)--Panel of Presenters

Many free sites are available to help you "Teach Peace." DKG connects with the United Nations; Massachusetts DKG has an ongoing peace project; Eugene's Peace Park creators have developed curriculum; and teachers can connect with state, national, and international projects.

Peacefully Completing National Board Certification (9:00)
Kelly McIntyre, Oakridge Elementary School Counselor (Psi Chapter President, State Membership Chair)

Why become a National Board Certified Teacher? What's in it for you? How can being a NBCT bring peace to your classroom? What can improve your chances of passing the first time? All these questions will be answered, including how current NBCTs are working to gather state support and improve district benefits with the help of OEA.

Communicate Better with a Chapter Website (9:00)
Grace Pitzer (Alpha Nu, State Webmaster) and Linda St. Pierre (Alpha Epsilon, State Communications)

Enable chapter members to keep informed quickly in this digital and mobile age. Publicize the mission and benefits of DKG to potential members and the community. Your chapter can have its own website built easily and free of charge using Weebly.com. You will learn how to do it and how to fulfill DKG International's requirements for certification.

Love and Logic: Strategies for Lasting, Loving Relationships for Families & All School Staff (10:00)
Kate Kelleher (Beta Beta Chapter Co-President)

Kate Kelleher is a recently retired teacher and counselor who is a facilitator for the Love & Logic curriculum. She has seen first-hand the effectiveness of strategies that create changes for both students and adults. The curriculum works with parents, teachers, instructional assistants, administrators, bus drivers, secretaries, and school support staff.

Peace Hopes for the Middle East (10:00) -- Lane Community College Students

History in the Middle East is long and complicated. Is it even possible to hope for peace there?

Literature and Peace: Using "Essential Questions" to Discuss Ethical Dilemmas (10:00)
Dr. Jill Slansky and Evelyn Banko (Phi Chapter)

Using "Essential Questions" can help students become actively involved in seeing how literary characters delve into situations such as the following: What is the relationship between decisions and consequences? How can a person's decisions and actions change his/her life? Rich discussions based on "Essential Questions" result in students who think critically and perceive how decisions lead to consequences that can create peaceful conclusions.

DKG 2015 WORKSHOP DETAILS, cont.

PEACE JAM (11:00 – Two Rooms—Studios A and B)
Local Students Share their Peace Projects

Do you want your students to be involved in peace projects? Come to this session to hear what students of all ages are doing. You will be inspired!

Peace Across Borders (11:00) -- Tamara Flores Hernandez, Mexico, our International Guest

Peaceful Strategies for Cyberbullying (11:00)
Jennifer Harris, Eugene School District, Teacher and Counselor

NOBEL LAUREATE PEACE PARK TOUR

Located in Eugene, Oregon, at the entrance to long-established Alton Baker Park, this special portion of the park is intended to honor the 24 U.S. recipients of the Nobel Peace Prize. Among those honored are presidents, scientists, peace activists, and many more. Claus Nobel, a direct descendent of Nobel was a participant in planning the park. Tour the park to learn what each contributed to peace.

EUGENE HILTON RESERVATIONS ARE NOW OPEN

The Eugene Hilton is located in the heart of downtown Eugene near the University of Oregon, great shops, and restaurants. Plan to bring your swimming suit and take some time to enjoy the indoor pool.

Eugene Hilton
66 East Sixth Avenue
Eugene, Oregon 97401

Online and phone reservations are now being accepted. Please register early to help us fill our room block so we have a discount on meeting room rentals.

Register online at http://www.hilton.com/en/hi/groups/personalized/E/EUGEHHF-DKG-20150410/index.jhtml?WT.mc_id=POG

You may also make reservations through their **reservation desk** at 1-800-937-6660. Be sure to refer to the booking code "DKG."

Room rates: Register by Monday – March 16, 2015, to get the DKG group rates of:
Single: $119.00 + 10.5% tax
Double: $119.00 + 10.5% tax
Additional people, up to 4 total per room, may be added for $20.00 each.

FINDING THE HILTON

Thanks to the Hilton's "Directions to the Hotel" at http://www.reservationcounter.com/hotels/show/113172/hilton-eugene/

From the North

Take I-5 south to Exit 194-B. Follow to I-205 / OR126 West to Eugene. Take Exit 2 Coburg Rd., following signs to Downtown. Stay left. Follow signs for the University of Oregon to Coburg Rd. Stay right at the fork. Take OR 99 N to Downtown. Merge onto OR 99 N / E 6th Ave. Destination is on your left.

From the South

Take I-5 North to Exit 192 (OR 99 /Franklin Blvd.) Stay right onto Hilyard to E 6th Ave. Hotel is on your left.

From the East

Take US 20 W to OR 126 E. Follow 126 to I-105 W / OR 126 W. Take Exit 2 to Coburg Rd., following signs to Downtown. Stay left. Follow signs for the University of Oregon to Coburg Rd. Stay right at the fork. Take OR 99 N to Downtown. Merge onto OR 99 N / E 6th Ave. Destination is on your left.

From the West

Take OR 126 E. In Eugene, turn left on Garfield. Turn right on W 7th Ave. Turn left on Oak St. Take the **FIRST** left onto E 6th Ave. Destination is on your left.

THE ALPHA RHOSIES NEED YOU!

The Alpha Rhosies are playing an important role in the 2015 State Convention and they need you! Help them regain the choir numbers and blended voices of bygone years. Please fill out this form and send it to Bridget E. Honan ASAP. The choir will have special songs about PEACE to sing at the President's Banquet, along with the songs for the White Rose Ceremony on Sunday morning, the 19th.

Name: _____

Chapter: _____

Address: _____

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Phone: _____-_____-_____

Email: _____

Please mark one: _____Soprano _____ 2nd Soprano _____Alto

Do you play any instruments? If so, please list: _____

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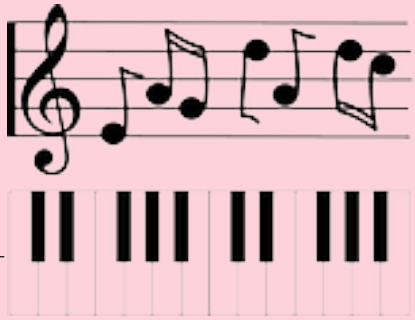

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Klamath Falls, OR 97603

PROPOSED CHANGES TO STANDING RULES

Number	Which now reads:	To be amended by:	If adopted, would read:
	(New item)		
1.A.3.f	Rationale: 2014 International S.R. change Fiscal impact: $49.50 Submitted by: Bylaws Committee	**(New item)**	THE STATE OR CHAPTER FEE FOR ANY HONORARY MEMBER SHALL BE $49.50.
1.E.1.d.	Each chapter in Alpha Rho State shall take its turn as host or assistant host as recommended by the Executive Committee. Host and assistant host chapters shall be announced three years in advance. Rationale: Area responsibility broadens Fiscal impact: 0 Submitted by: Executive Committee	Each (chapter) district in Alpha Rho State (take its turn as host or assistant host) shall be responsible for various components of conventions as recommended by the Executive Committee. Host and assistant host chapters shall be announced (three years in advance.)	Each DISTRICT in Alpha Rho State SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR VARIOUS COMPONENTS OF CONVENTIONS as recommended by the Executive Committee. Host and assistant host chapters shall be announced.
1.E.1.g.	**(New item)**	**(New item)**	SITES FOR CONVENTIONS SHOULD BE LOCATED ON A NORTH-SOUTH OR EAST-WEST MAJOR HIGHWAY.
1.E.1.h.	Item 1.E.2.d. will then move up to become 1.E.1.h. Rationale: Convenient and consistent Fiscal impact: 0 Submitted by: Ad Hoc Committee		
1.E.2.	District and/or Combined District Workshops.	(District and/or Combined District Workshops.)	Delete total
1.E.2.a.	Workshops are open to all members.	(Workshops are open to all members.)	Delete total
1.E.2.b.	The state president and the Leadership Development Committee shall plan the workshop program.	(The state president and the Leadership Development Committee shall plan the workshop program.)	Delete total
1.E.2.c.	The state vice-president, in cooperation with the district coordinators shall secure the facilities and ask local chapters to host. Rationale for deleting 1.E.2. through 1.E.2.c.: Not current practice. Fiscal impact: 0 Submitted by: Bylaws Committee	(The state vice-president, in cooperation with the district coordinators shall secure the facilities and ask local chapters to host.)	Delete total

11.H.2	One member of the committee, designated as the State Historian, shall keep an accurate account of the history of the Society in Oregon and the contributions made by its members to education and to The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. Rationale for deleting 11.H.2.: This will be a new process. Fiscal Impact: 0 Submitted by: Bylaws Committee	(One member of the committee, designated as the State Historian, shall keep an accurate account of the history of the Society in Oregon and the contributions made by its members to education and to The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.)	Delete total
11J.D.	**New Item** Rationale for adding item 11J.D.: More accurate list of responsibilities stated. Fiscal Impact: 0 Submitted by: Bylaws Committee	**New Item**	INITIATE, ENDORSE, AND SUPPORT DESIRABLE LEGISLATION IN THE INTEREST OF EDUCATION AND WOMEN EDUCATORS.

CHAPTER CHATTER

District 1

Iota (Umatilla & Morrow Cos.): celebrates a centenarian! Long-time Iota member Alice Fossatti, just turned 100! Born in Clackamas Co., she met her future husband at Milwaukie Union High School. Alice taught kindergarten for 23 years in Pendleton; her husband was also an educator—superintendent in Athena. In addition, Alice was a multi-medium artist and still is. She says she plans "happy, happy years to come"!

District 2

Omega (Josephine Co.): celebrated Christmas with a baby shower for Mr. Ethan Pugsley, 4 months old on Thanksgiving Day. What fun we had!

District 4

Tau (Clatsop & Columbia Cos.): Tau Chapter is pleased to announce that $50 mini-grants were awarded to five teachers at Clatskanie Elementary on November 21. Grants were awarded to Amber Crawford, Heather Stafford, Sarah Thorud, Sara Tallman, and Hallie Parker to enhance learning opportunities in their classrooms.

District 5

Beta Beta (Tigard/Tualatin/Sherwood): At our November meeting, Beta Beta held an auction, which raised $2800 for our Education Foundation. In December, members helped families from the Early Intervention Program with gifts, gift cards, and food for the holidays.

District 6

Beta Gamma (Canby/Molalla): gives personal care items for the homeless in each of our three school districts—Canby, Oregon City, and Molalla. This fall the chapter donated $210, and members contributed another $186, so we were able to give 132 items, such as shampoo, deodorant, feminine hygiene, razors, soap, to each district.

We also brought personal care and food items for local military stationed in Afghanistan to our October meeting and filled five large boxes. Two members had their classes write letters and draw pictures. We think there will be some "soldier smiles" when the boxes are received One soldier's father came to speak with our group.

PROPOSED CHANGES TO BYLAWS

Number	Which now reads:	Number or Action	If adopted, would read:
Article VII Section 4.C.2	Duties of Related Personnel Supervise the production of and edit The New Oregon Trail.	**Delete**	MAINTAIN A COLLECTION OF ONE COPY OF EACH *NEW OREGON TRAIL* TO BE USED AS A HISTORY FOR ALPHA RHO STATE.
Article VIII	**Currently in Bylaws**		**Proposed to move to Standing Rules**
Section 7. A.	Duties of Appointed Committees	**Number:**	If adopted would read
	The Awards Committee shall be composed of past award winners and/or members of the State Executive Committee. The Committee shall make all decisions regarding categories and honorees. A nomination letter signed by the chapter president or vice-president, detailing reasons why the member deserves a particular award will be received by the committee no later than March 15. The awards will be presented at the state convention. The state president shall not be eligible for an Achievement Award during her term of office.	**Article X II.L.**	AWARDS GENERAL AWARDS COMMITTEE RECOGNITION AWARDS ARE PROVIDED FOR INDIVIDUAL MEMBERS, NON-MEMBERS, CHAPTERS, AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS AND ENTITIES.
		II.L.1.	AWARDS COMMITTEE SHALL:
		II.L.1.a.	PROVIDE TO CHAPTERS INFORMATION CONCERNING APPLICATION PROCEDURES.
		II.L.1.b.	BE COMPOSED OF PAST AWARD WINNERS, MEMBERS OF THE STATE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND/OR MEMBERS APPOINTED BY THE PRESIDENT..
		II.L.1.c.	MAKE ALL DECISIONS REGARDING HONOREES AND TYPE OF RECIPIENT GIFTS FOR THE ACHIEVEMENT OR SERVICE AWARD TO ALPHA RHO STATE, THE ACHIEVEMENT OR SERVICE AWARD TO COMMUNITY, AND THE ACHIEVEMENT OR SERVICE AWARD TO EDUCATION. A WRITTEN AND SIGNED LETTER FROM A MEMBER OR A CHAPTER MUST BE RECEIVED FOR THESE NOMINEES NO LATER THAN MARCH 15.
		II.L.1.d.	PRESENT THE AWARDS AT STATE CONVENTION.
		II.L.1.e.	KEEP A RECORD OF ALL RECIPIENTS.
		II.L.1.f.	SHALL NOT PRESENT THE STATE PRESIDENT AN ACHIEVEMENT AWARD DURING HER TERM OF OFFICE.

Article IX	Areas of Activity		Proposed to move to Standing Rules If adopted would read
Section 5.B.	Awards Granted to Chapters	**II.L.4.**	AWARDS GRANTED TO CHAPTERS
	The Rosette Award shall be presented at the state convention to chapters that have completed each of the following:		THE ROSETTE AWARD SHALL BE PRESENTED AT THE STATE CONVENTION OR CONFERENCE TO CHAPTERS THAT HAVE COMPLETED THE FOLLOWING:
B.1.a	Sent a copy of the chapter yearbook by December 1 to each of the following: the State President, Educational Excellence Chair, and the appropriate District Coordinator.	**II.L.4.A.1**	SENT A COPY OF THE CHAPTER YEARBOOK AND THE BROCHURE BY DECEMBER 1 TO EACH OF THE FOLLOWING: THE STATE PRESIDENT AND THE APPROPRIATE DISTRICT COORDINATOR.
B.1.b.	Sent a copy of the chapter President's report by February 1 to the State President.	**II.L.4.A.2.**	SENT A COPY OF THE CHAPTER PRESIDENT'S REPORT BY FEBRUARY 1 TO THE STATE PRESIDENT.
B.1.c.	Sent four chapter newsletters and the brochure by March 1 to the Communication/Technology Chair.	**II.L.4.A.3.**	SENT FOUR CHAPTER NEWSLETTERS BY MARCH 1 TO THE COMMUNICATION/TECHNOLOGY CHAIR, PRESIDENT, AND DISTRICT COORDINATOR.

Number	Currently in Bylaws Which now reads:	Action To be amended by: (---)	Proposed to move to Standing Rules If adopted, would read:	
	The Order of the Rose	**II.L.4.B.**	**II.L.4.B**.	THE ORDER OF THE ROSE.
B.2.	The Order of the Rose Award shall be presented at the State convention to chapters that have completed the following:	The Order of the Rose: The Order of the Rose Award shall be presented at the State convention **or conference to** chapters that have completed the following:		THE ORDER OF THE ROSE AWARD SHALL BE PRESENTED AT THE STATE CONVENTION OR CONFERENCE TO CHAPTERS THAT HAVE COMPLETED THE FOLLOWING:
B.2.a.	All requirements for the Rosette Award	All requirements for the Rosette Award	**II.L.4.B.1**	ALL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE ROSETTE AWARD.
B.2.b.	Initiated members between March 15 of the year preceding the convention and March 15 of the year of the convention according to the following parameters:	**Initiate and/or reinstate** members between (March 15) **April 1** of the year preceding the convention **or conference** and (March 15) **March 31** of the year of the convention **or conference**, according to the following parameters:	**II.L.4.B.2.**	INITATE AND/OR REINSTATE MEMBERS BETWEEN APRIL 1 OF THE YEAR PRECEDING THE CONVENTION OR CONFERENCE AND MARCH 31 OF THE YEAR OF CONVENTION OR CONFERENCE, ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING PARAMETERS:
B.2.b.1.	Small chapters (10-30) members initiate at least 3 new members.	**Chapters at 30 members or below** initiate **or reinstate 1 member.**	**II.L.4.B.2.a.**	CHAPTERS AT 30 MEMBERS OR BELOW, INITIATE AND/OR REINSTATE 1 MEMBER.
B.2.b.2.	Medium chapters (31-50 members) initiate at least 4 new members.	Chapters of 31-**60** members initiate **and/or reinstate 2 or more members.**	**II.L.4.B.2.b**	CHAPTERS OF 31-60 MEMBERS, INITIATE AND/OR AND/OR REINSTATE 2 OR MORE MEMBERS.

B.2.b.3.	Larger chapters (51 or more members) initiate 5 or more new members.	Chapters at **61 or more,** initiate **and/or reinstate 3 or more members.**	**II.L.4.B.2.c**	CHAPTERS AT 61 MEMBERS OR MORE, INITIATE AND/OR REINSTATE 3 OR MORE MEMBERS.
	Rationale: for adding section L. The specific rules and guidelines for the General Awards had been placed in the Bylaws. Items of specificity are better placed in Standing Rules. Source: International Parliamentarian. Presented by Priscilla Ing of the Awards Committee.			

Article IX	**Currently in Bylaws**		**Proposed to move to Standing Rules**
Section 5. D.	Membership Longevity Awards Certificates shall be presented at the convention to members who have reached their 25th or 50th anniversary of membership in the Society.	**II.L.2.**	AWARDS COMMITTEE FOR THE LONGEVITY AWARD SHALL:
		II.L.2.a.	GATHER NAMES OF RECIPIENTS.
		II.L.2.b.	CREATE CERTIFICATES
		II.L.2.c.	DISTRIBUTE CERTIFICATES ANNUALLY TO MEMBERS WITH 25 AND 50 YEARS OF MEMBERSHIP. THIS SHALL TAKE PLACE AT A STATE MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT'S CHOICE.
	New	**II.L.3.**	AWARDS COMMITTEE FOR THE RECOGNITION OF ADVANCED DEGREES SHALL:
	New	**II.L.3.a.**	RECEIVE NAMES OF MEMBERS WHO HAVE EARNED AN ADVANCED DEGREE BEYOND THE B.A. OR B.S.
	New	**II.L.3.b.**	CREATE CERTIFICATES.
	New	**II.L.3.c.**	DISTRIBUTE CERTIFICATES ANNUALLY AT A STATE MEETING OF THE PRESIDENT'S CHOICE.
	New	**II.L.3.d.**	KEEP A LIST OF ALL RECIPIENTS.

Article IX	**Currently in Bylaws**		**Proposed to move to Standing Rules**
Section 5.E.	Certificate of Appreciation	**II.L.4.B.3.**	
	The Alpha Rho State Certificate of Appreciation may be awarded to any person, regardless of membership, who has or is rendering exceptional educational service. Certificates may be obtained from the state President.		Remains the same. Move to Standing Rules.

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Convention Registration

Registration fee: Required for all Members:	**COST**	**AMOUNT**
Early Bird--Postmarked on or before **March 27, 2015**	$65.00	$_____
Postmarked after **March 27, 2015**	$75.00	$_____

***Spouses and guests are welcome at all functions.*
**Please indicate if you need any special accommodations due to mobility, oxygen tank use, vision, or other health concerns:_____
Please indicate if you are interested in obtaining **Professional Development Units (PDU's) for state licensure for the eligible workshops (Free to registered members): Yes_____ No_____

MEALS

	Cost	**x Quantity**	**TOTAL**
Birthday & Awards/Scholarship Lunch	$33.00	_____	$_____

Soup, Entree & Dessert. ***Please select one of the following entrees:***
____Cashew chicken salad on Croissant with roasted vegetable salad
____Tortellini pasta with peppers, sun dried tomato, onion, olives, toasted pine nuts & crumbled feta cheese

President's Banquet	$47.00	_____	$_____

Salad, Entree & Dessert. ***Please select one of the following entrees:***
____Herb-seared top sirloin, Rogue Creamery blue cheese risotto, pernod sautéed spinach, cabernet reduction
____Seared Northwest salmon, apple cider glaze, roasted sweet potatoes, sautéed baby zucchini
____Crispy phyllo filled with grilled eggplant, zucchini, roasted red pepper, spinach & fresh mozzarella cheese. Tomato-mushroom concasee.

Sunday Breakfast	$20.00	_____	$_____

Continental breakfast buffet includes muffins, hard-boiled eggs, fresh fruit, yogurt, and granola

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President Kathy's 2015 Schedule		
Date	**Chapter/Activity**	**Location**
1/22	Alpha Omega	Seaside
1/30 - 2/8	R & R with Kathie Hill and Sandy Watts	E. Caribbean Sea
2/28	Finance Committee Meeting	Salem
3/7	District 4 Combined Meeting	Astoria
4/17 - 19	Alpha Rho State Convention	Eugene
May	End-of-year BEAR Celebrations	Varied
7/29 - 8/1	NW Regional Conference	Regina, Canada