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FALL WORKSHOP FOR CHAPTER OFFICERS

Saturday, September 17, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.
Salem Public Library
585 Liberty Street, S.E., Salem, Oregon

NOTE: Parking is 75 cents/hour, so carpool!

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Continue to the library on Liberty. OR Take the Commercial St. Exit and follow Commercial, turning slightly right onto Liberty.

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2. Retain
3. Reinstate

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PRESIDENT'S PAGE



*Dr. Cindy Ryan, President
Oregon State Organization*

Dear Alpha Rho Sisters,

As summer ends, I feel the anticipation of a new school year approaching. Families are shopping for school clothes and materials, teachers are in their classrooms preparing for students, and everyone is enjoying the last days of their summer. I love this time of year!

A special thank you goes to Alpha Rho Sisters who attended International Convention in Nashville. Although I was looking forward to attending, an illness kept me in Oregon. Without hesitation, our amazing members stepped up and led the way. **Kelly McIntyre**, Oregon Vice-President, attended meetings and events that I wasn't able to, and others sent video clips, photos, and texts to make me feel included. It was definitely not fun to miss International, but it was made much better by the kindness and generosity of Oregon Sisters who shared their experiences with me, as well as with you in the *Trail*.

Thank you to **Grace Pitzer**, our State Webmaster, who has taken time this summer to re-design our state website. Please take some time to check it out at dkgoregon.weebly.com It looks fantastic!

As you plan your chapter programs, please put the State Fall Workshop in Salem on your schedule. We want **all** chapter officers to attend this fun and educational training. Chapter officers will meet with State officers who share their position (secretary, treasurer, etc.), so bring your ideas and questions to share. We will have plagiarism training and a group session on *Strengthening the Chapter* with Cindy and Kelly. Good food, laughter, and fun will be sprinkled through the day, so come to enjoy it.

Strengthening the Chapter will focus on ways to strengthen local chapters, retain our current membership, reach out to reinstate former members, and recruit new members. Take advantage of this training and time with others from around the State. We are going to *Catch the Wave*, roll up our sleeves, and get to work. See you in September!

For everyone headed back to work, I wish you a wonderful school year. My wish for you is a few butterflies in your tummy, a smooth transition into the classroom for your students, laughter, and few tears.

For those of you who are retired, I have heard that those butterflies may still make an appearance this time of year. Although you will not officially be going back to school, you are a teacher, and that muscle memory of *back to school* is still there. I wish you a beautiful fall. Many of you will spend this time in schools, mentoring, visiting, and supporting working teachers. Your continued work is so appreciated by all those on the receiving end. Sisters, you spend countless hours supporting children, families, and each other. You are all my heroes.

Cindy

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Alpha Rho State Fall Workshop



**Saturday, September 17, 2016
9 a.m. - 3 p.m.**

**Salem Public Library
585 Liberty St., S.E.
Salem, Oregon**

This is a workshop for Chapter Officers.

Although others are welcome, chapter officers are strongly encouraged to attend. There will be a special gift for the first 60 attending.

Agenda

9:00 – 9:20	Registration and continental breakfast
9:20 – 9:30	Welcome
9:30 – 10:20	Marie Mueller on <i>Plagiarism & DKG</i>
10:20 – 10:30	Break
10:30 – 11:25	<i>Strengthening the Chapter</i> with Dr. Cindy Ryan and Kelly McIntyre
11:30 – 12:30	Individual trainings: Presidents, Vice-Presidents, Treasurers, Secretaries
12:30 – 1:15	Lunch and state book club gathering (Jodi Picoult, <u>19 minutes</u>)
1:15 – 1:45	DKG updates
1:45 – 3:00	2017 State Convention meeting with District Coordinators and District 2 members

Cost: **\$20** (includes continental breakfast and lunch)
Parking: **\$.75/hour if parking in the library parking structure--about \$5.00**
(Carpool and bring quarters.)
Return the completed registration form below by **September 8, 2016**

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Your Chapter: _____

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DKG Chapter Officer (please circle) **President** Vice-President Treasurer Secretary

Enclose this registration and \$20 check or cash. Make checks to: Alpha Rho State.

Mail to:

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INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS
DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

WE HAVE A NEW WEBSITE

dkgoregon.weebly.com

Oregon was one of the early states to have a website. It was designed by Grace Pitzer in 2001 and maintained by her. Others took over while she was the state's editor for eight years. She then resumed the webmaster job and has maintained it ever since.

This summer Grace re-designed our state website using web-based Weebly.com, a free website builder and hosting company. This will make it easier to maintain the site, and we will no longer need to pay a fee for hosting on the International server.

Since the site is new, please bookmark it so you can have quick access. It is also designed to work smoothly on all mobile devices, so you can look for information easily on smart phones and tablets. If you find mistakes or have suggestions for additions, please contact Grace using the [Contact Us](#) link on the Home page or by an e-mail to gcpitzer@comcast.net.

Stock photos are from Pixabay. Photograph sources vary and are listed.
Grace Pitzer graciously photographed the convention and purchased a copy of the official "Oregon" photo for us.
Many thanks to **Christine Luehring** for patiently and accurately proofing the Trail!

CONVENTION COVERAGE BY THE DAY & BY THE EVENT

Kathie Hill: Opening Night Ceremonies:

Opening night of the 2016 DKG International Convention in Nashville began with an emotional Presentation of the Flags from the 17 represented countries and ended with dancing and singing. In fact, there was a lot of dancing and singing during the week in Music City!



The keynote speaker was Kai Kight, a classically trained violinist since age three, who found renewed energy and freedom when he began writing and playing his own compositions. As he played several of his compositions, he encouraged us to live without regret. Be creative. It is not always necessary to conform. Don't be afraid to "step out of your comfort zone." Recognizing women who have been members for 50+ years, Dr. Connie Hoag, IA, asked us to stretch vertically as well as horizontally. Using a rubber band we each received in our packets as a reminder, Connie encouraged us to grow our chapters not just in number. We also need to stretch our members horizontally to be involved within the chapter and organization.

Marietta Kukendahl: Tennessee Night

At the conclusion of the opening meeting on Tuesday, we were welcomed to Music City USA with "Tennessee Night." Five local musicians regaled us with an hour's performance of country music. A DKG sister from Tennessee said the performance included old time country, traditional country, rock, honky-tonk,



and bluegrass, as well as new country music. It took no time before we were up, moving and shaking, and dancing in the aisles. This was just the first of many opportunities to enjoy the music of Nashville.

Kathy Martell (Wednesday): General Session II

The Second General Session was a mixture of committee reports, music, and speakers. Have you ever wondered if there were other organizations with the same philosophy or vision as DKG? At our general session, we found out about one such organization: UNICEF, founded in 1946. Our similar vision is to "advocate for the protec-



tion of children's rights to meet their basic needs and to be able to expand their opportunities through education." In 1998, almost 20 years ago, UNICEF and DKG formed a partnership and developed the Schools for Africa project. With education support, the pathway to clean water and good health will continue in African nations where this partnership is working.

Our keynote person for this session was Mike Figliuolo, author of *One Piece of Paper*. He explained that his book provides a model for real leadership in the real world. He explained four basic aspects of leadership: leading yourself, leading the thinking, leading your people, and maintaining perspective and a balanced life. The fourth basic aspect is the most important. You can't lead others well if you can't set and maintain healthy boundaries for yourself; that includes diet, exercise, balance, and a healthy perspective. The book helps a person take a holistic approach to defining one's personal leadership philosophy.

"Be the Change" Luncheon: Grace Pitzer

"Be the Change" was the motto for the Thursday convention luncheon, mirroring the overriding theme of the gathering in Nashville, TN. In just two hours, the ballroom was converted from chairs to 100+ tables, each set for 12. The room was abuzz as members introduced themselves to their tablemates and learned something about each other while waiting for the program and the delicious food. The 11 Oregon members scattered throughout the room.



Heidi Chadwick (CA) gave the "85 Years and Beyond" challenge, pointing out that, while traditional cultures change slowly, modern cultures change more quickly and that we need to nurture our new members in their modern culture. After a few words from two members of the luncheon sponsors—RBC Wealth Management of Austin, TX—the winner of the DKG Friends of Education Award was announced. This prestigious award was given to The Country Music Hall of Fame for its many educational programs. One program uses local musicians who go into classrooms to work with teachers and students on the art of writing lyrics. The musicians write the music, perform, and record their songs. We heard one of these songs and learned the story of the

student who wrote it. The museum has the Taylor Swift Education Center, allowing 80,000 to participate each year. What an amazing program - well worth the honor we gave them. Eleven members who earned doctoral degrees in the last biennium were honored and four new international scholarships were awarded. One of the special speakers was a Generation X young woman who was a newer member of DKG. She gave an inspiring talk on "Advancing Key Women Educators for Life." She emphasized that we are "Life Long Learners." How true.

Sandy Watts (Thursday): 3rd General Session



Lively, heartfelt debates were sparked by the proposed amendments to *International Standing Rules*. Although five amendments were presented, only two passed. One of those passing changed the due dates for nominations and endorsements from October 15 to

September 15. The other amendment that passed will allow abstracts in *The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin* to be printed in languages other than English.

We were reminded of our founders and the Seven Purposes by Michigan sisters as they comically raced stick horses across the stage. A narrator read from a script as the race was played out. If our Michigan sisters would share their script, this could be a great Founders' Day presentation at chapter meetings or even at a state convention!

A physical break had us up and moving. We learned an abbreviated line dance to "I've got Friends in Low Places." This was a fun precursor for the night at Wild Horse Saloon.

Oregon's own Karen Shelton, Iota Chapter, made us proud with her uplifting message. Being asked her opinions at the International level and with her voice having been heard and valued, changed her plans in DKG membership and commitment. Karen's well-spoken comments were loudly cheered and applauded by all present, especially by her Oregon sisters!

Dr. Bobbie Middaugh: "Call Me Country!"

Thursday night was a free night at the International Convention, so 500 DKG members donned western outfits and took a short ride on the Opryland bus for a fun evening at Nashville's fabled Wildhorse Saloon. The event included an excellent barbecue buffet, a country



western band, and lots of line dancing, including lessons. The money raised will go to the DKG Educational Foundation to support its many projects. To be able to kick up one's heels and raise money for a good cause at the same time made the event a special one for all.

Kathie Hupp (Friday): 4th General Session



At the Fourth General Session, 1633 DKG members were eligible to vote. Reports: Area Representatives, Forums, Educational Foundation Board of Trustees, and Elections Committee.

Dr. Cherie Ward, DC, honored at the "Be the Change" Luncheon for receiving her doctorate, spoke and read her beautiful poem, "By the Rubric of Rhythm They'll Read." Dr. Ward's passionate, powerful words inspired the entire audience. She received a standing ovation.

The Broadway Babes...errr...Ladies, regaled us with Broadway show tunes. Colorful feather boas and exquisite harmonies dazzled the crowd! We were invited to Austin, TX, for the 2018 International Convention with a video showcasing some Austin highlights. Y'all come!

The funny, witty, all-knowing, very excellent, incomparable Judith Viorst was the featured speaker. She entertained the audience with "Life Lessons From Under Eight Till Over Eighty." Ms. Viorst read poems that reflected life lessons she had learned about love, happiness, family, marriage, relationships, etc., regardless of one's age. She was wise, humorous, insightful, and spot-on! She also received a well-deserved standing ovation.

Amber Hedgepeth, SC, gave the closing reflection, encouraging DKG to advance, press on, and gain ground.

Kelly McIntyre (Thursday): U.S. Forum

We were welcomed by the U.S. Forum Chair, Judy Fox Jackson from Tennessee. Following the *Pledge of Allegiance*, the *National Anthem* was played by trumpeter Steven Smartt, PhD, retired, from Vanderbilt University. He exceeded his goal of playing throughout the US 100 times. U.S. ladies chimed in by singing the anthem.



Jessica Donze Black was our guest speaker. She talked to us about the time it takes to pass bills. The Federal govern-

ment gets over 10,000 bills a year. Some of them are as simple as making May National Watermelon Month. She brings this up to help us understand how to cultivate ideas and when the right time is to present these ideas. It takes 6 to 10 years to move ideas. She uses the banana as an analogy. If the banana is not ripe or too ripe, you don't want to eat it. If some topics are presented too soon for people to get behind or if it's too late, there won't be support. You need to know when the opportunity is ripe. You need to be patient and gain bi-partisan support. This is why it takes so long to get some things going. Sometimes it takes a news event to jump start idea, but even the smallest things, like a ribbon cutting, should be made into a big deal.

School lunches started in the 1940s. By the 1980s, lunches were being cut from the Federal budget. By 2000, it went from 1 in 10 to 1 in 3 children struggling with obesity. Vending machines were in the school with *a la carte* service and cheaper, less healthy foods. Wellness policies started to change lunch policy, first at district levels then state and finally back to the Federal level. In 2010 the Federal government set a higher nutrition standard.

Jessica shared with us the three excuses given by policy makers and encouraged us to be persistent and keep talking. (1) time – never enough time but the calendar still has 365 days. (2) money – never enough money but they can reprioritize the numbers; (3) politics – it's always about politics but we can advocate for what we want. We need to be patient and listen to the other side and address their concerns. We need to fight because it's the right thing to do even if we know we won't win . . . this time. However, the seed has been planted.

Jessica ended with a quote from Margaret Mead, "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."

We then went on to the business portion of the US Forum. An update from the National Legislative Seminar held this past March in Washington, DC, was given; 74 DKG members attended. High topic areas were cyberbullying/bullying, human trafficking, high stake testing, women's history museum, gun violence, mental illness, and pay equality. We passed an initiative on bullying/cyberbullying prevention. We shared in groups about these key issues. We voted for new regional representatives. After the vote, Oregon's **Darlene Cook** won Northwest Regional Representative again! We also learned that **a stipend would be available for the 2018 Legislative Seminar to help more members attend.** We ended with a drawing for a U.S. flag that was flown over the Capitol just for this event. The winner was a member from Missouri.

**Karen Shelton: DKGnext! panel member:
The Presidential Banquet**



85 years and Beyond: Advancing Key Women for Educators for Life. This was not only the theme for the 2014-2016 Biennium, but was also the very apparent mood and movement for the 2016 International Convention President's Banquet.

As a fairly new DKG member, I was excited to be present at such a beautiful and moving event. The room was nothing short of beautiful. The evening began with a lovely appetizer and bar hour where all members could gather. I had made so many new friends that I wanted to see before we parted ways at the end of the night that I kept mingling until the doors to the banquet hall opened.

We began the ceremony with a moving speech from Jean Gray. She spoke eloquently of how we must never stop changing and growing. That change is a natural evolution of life and it must continue if we are to thrive. I was moved to hear how amazing the Delta Kappa Gamma Chorus was. They performed lovely songs and were dazzling both in sound and appearance on stage.

Sara Sweeney, a DKGnext! member shared with the group what DKG meant to her. To Sara, DKG means being a servant leader, a mentor, and a friend to DKG sisters.

The state presidents were announced, followed by the installation of the new officers and regional directors. Carolyn Pitman shared with us stories of her family, her goals, and her vision for the future of Delta Kappa Gamma. She quoted Vince Lombardi by saying "Making it work is a commitment to the greater good, not the individual." Ms. Pitman's theme for the next biennium is *The Butterfly Effect*. The analogy is that the movement of a butterfly's wing can create a ripple effect, similar to a stone being cast into water. The effects go far beyond our present and into a future that we want to share. This is her vision for the future of DKG.

As a first time international convention attendee, you can bet on seeing me at the 2018 Delta Kappa Gamma international convention in Austin, Texas. I had an amazing time!

Darlene Cook (Saturday): General Session V

International President Dr. Lyn Schmid opened the 5th and final general meeting on Saturday, July 9. The convention treasurer announced that nearly \$25,000 had

been collected for the International Emergency Fund. The emergency fund came into existence in 1948 when DKG members contributed \$3,000 after a flood destroyed Vanport, Oregon. Any member who sustains a major loss from a natural disaster may apply for a \$500 award from the emergency fund.



Judy Fox Jackson, US Forum 2014-2016 Chair, announced election results for the US Forum Committee. Carmela DeMarco (NJ) was elected chair for the 2016-2018 biennium. Regional representatives are Northeast: Barbara Bostwick-Quinn (NY); Northwest: Darlene Cook (OR); Southeast: Candace Martin (AR); and Southwest: Kathy Davis (OK).

Under new business, Dr. Carolyn Rants, International President 2008-2010 and chair of the 2012-2014 Ad-Hoc Election Process Committee, presented a motion regarding the election of international Society leaders. At the 2014 international convention, a majority of members in attendance approved amendments to the Constitution to include an electronic voting option to elect international society leaders. However, a two-thirds vote was required to pass the amendments. As there was still a concern among members that the process for voting had not been resolved, Dr Rants brought forth the following motion: as chair of the committee, she moved that a review of the work of the 2012-2014 Ad-Hoc Elections Process Committee be conducted, and proposed amendments be prepared to enable the 2018 international convention to consider the election of international society leaders by one of the following voting methods: (a.) All DKG members attending the convention; (b.) One member one vote by an electronic method. The motion passed.

Nita Scott, membership services administrator, reported on the DKG--Girl Scouts collaboration. Nita noted that many chapters are building relationships with other organizations in the local community to accomplish common goals. This not only engages members, but also promotes DKG to all who are involved. One such alliance is with the Girl Scouts. By working with DKG members, Girl Scouts can earn a special patch. Activities required for the patch center around the Society's seven purposes. Shared projects and activities help to strengthen intergenerational connections, and provide an excellent avenue for DKG members to impact the lives of young women and to grow the leaders of tomorrow.

Natalye Paquin, Chief Transformation Officer for the Girl Scouts of America, leads the GSUSA Office of Strategy and Investment. In her remarks Natalye noted the similari-

ties between our organizations: (1) in our purposes: to promote personal growth and genuine fellowship, to encourage participation in our world society, and to inspire women to take the lead; (2) to our founders, Dr. Annie Webb Blanton (DKG) and Juliette Gordon Low (Girl Scouts). She shared statistics of women in leadership positions, reporting that the percentage of those who had been Girl Scouts was significantly higher. When convention attendees were asked if they had been or are currently working with the Girl Scouts, many stood in affirmation. Natalye emphasized that young girls are ready to work together and with adult mentors, striving to reach their highest potential. In fact, they are not only ready; they are BORN READY!

The fifth general session ended with the retiring of flags. Tennessee Girl Scouts served as escorts.



The Portland area chapters of
Delta Kappa Gamma
invite you to join us
for our annual Fall Brunch

Saturday, November 5th
Multnomah Athletic Club

Doors open at 9:30
Event begins at 9:45

Program:

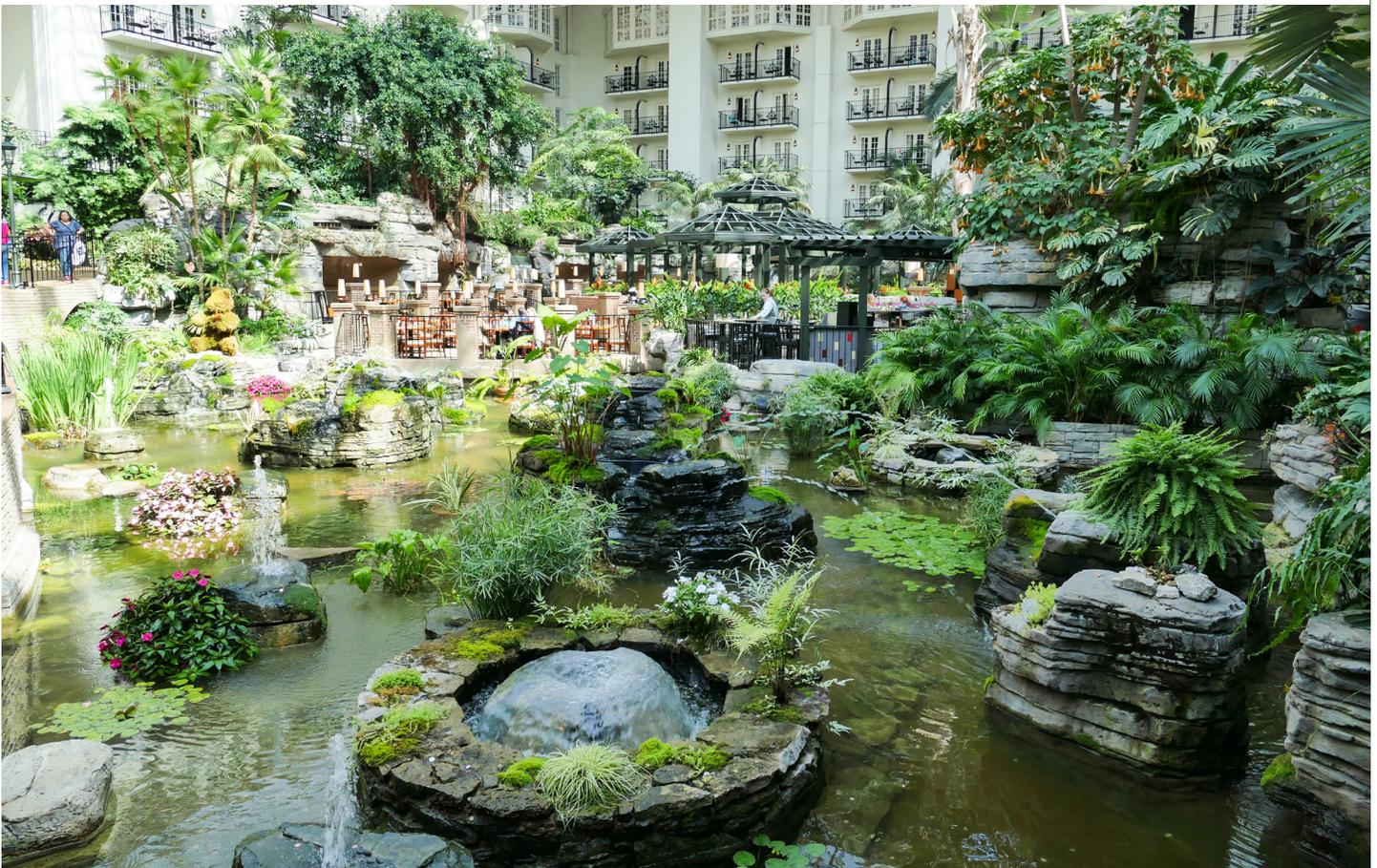


For ticket information contact
Jean O'Neil
503.653.1332

Cost: \$25.00



The Gaylord Opryland Resort--This is the atrium, only one of many classy venues within the resort.





L to R: Darlene Cook, Kathie Hill, Marietta Kukendahl, Sandy Watts, Kathie Hupp, Grace Pitzer, Kathy Martell, and Kelly McIntyre at the Wildhorse Saloon.



L to R--Standing: Bobbie Middaugh, Karen Shelton, Kathy Martell, Kathie Hill
 L to R--Seated: Unknown, Kathie Hupp, & Sandy Watts

CHAPTER ARTICLES & NEWS

CHAPTER CHATTER!

Photo by Peggy Cowens, Omega/2



BEAR Project Report : Omega Chapter/2

Omega Chapter had the privilege of supporting the BEAR Project at Evergreen Elementary in Cave Junction. The project was coordinated by members of Omega's Literacy Committee; **Tawnya Campbell**, Omega President/Evergreen's Title 1 Intervention Specialist; **Carrie Gragg**, member and third grade teacher at Evergreen; and **Ellen Ellis**, just selected as District 2 Coordinator.

This year's project included 18 families, 23 Evergreen students, and 26 younger siblings. Three students were individually recognized for turning in reading logs with the most books read amongst their family with Kayden, a third grader and her family reading 60 books, Ethan a kindergartner and his family reading 62 books, and then there was Julian, a second grader! He and his family turned in logs totaling 432 books read throughout the year; truly amazing!

During the year-end celebration, we constructed a "cave" where Carrie and the students gathered in for a read-aloud of *How to Share With a Bear*, by Eric Pinder. The read-aloud was followed with refreshments as we acknowledged all students with a certificate and ribbon for their participation. Kayden, Ethen, and Julian each received a large gift bag including a Dairy Queen™ gift card, games, books, and treats for the family to share and enjoy.

Through various donations, we are excited that we will continue this project at Evergreen next year and anticipate an even larger group of participants. Major 2015 – 16 gifts were from:

- Terry MacDonald and Laura Bennett at the **St. Vincent De Paul Society of Lane County** donated 100 books (thanks to Omega member Kelly Turner).
- Tawnya Campbell and her husband Shawn through his company, **ADI Electric Sales and Service**, generously donated \$300.

District 1

Iota (Umatilla & Morrow Cos.): Umatilla County School Districts chose their 2016 Crystal Apple Award winners and IOTA Chapter's **Jacque Fox** won as a third teacher from the Athena-Weston School District. Jacque was in charge of our B.E.A.R. program.

District 2



Alpha (Klamath Co.): Alpha Chapter elected officers for the 2016-2018 biennium (see photo above): Left to right Cheryl Kenney (secretary); Lisa Swartz (Vice-President); Brenda Jensen (President); Judy Smith Clifton (Treasurer). We are all set for a busy two years!!

Epsilon (Medford/Ashland): *has dissolved as of Conference 2016.*

Omega (Josephine Co.): Welcome to former Epsilon members who wish to join our chapter to stay active in DKG (and we are hoping more will transfer in the coming weeks). Epsilon donated some paraphernalia to Omega. Aug. 19 was the Executive Board planning-for-the-year potluck session.

District 3

Lambda (Lane Co., Eugene):

Awarded grants of \$1000 each to Noriko Baldwin and Holly Lamb to continue their pursuits of professional development. Noriko was licensed in Japan, but now needs to obtain her US/Oregon teaching license. She has been working with Head Start of Lane County while attending the University of Oregon. Holly has been assisting with the Kids in Transition to School (KITS) program this summer. A student at Pacific University, Holly looks forward to becoming a full-time teacher.

More than \$800 was added to the chapter's grant fund, as a result of the annual June yard sale at the Fasold home. Bev and Jodi Emmons made a June delivery of food and other items to the Eugene Service Station, a homeless day shelter. Members donated money and/or supplies toward this. Since then, Bev had surgery and is recuperating at home, limiting further activities.

Sigma (Deschutes, Jefferson & Crook Cos.):



Welcome to our new members: **Angie Henderson**, from Madras, and **Carol Wayne**, from Prineville.

This summer Terri Comment went on a mission to Thailand and Christine

Sime travelled to France. The chapter had a very successful yard sale fundraiser in Prineville in July. Our August 23 yearly planning meeting will be by the pool at President Carol Bicart's house where we also will prepare books for our Care Bags. New member Carol Wayne will share her teaching experiences in Alaska.

District 4

Tau (Clatsop & Columbia Cos.): *has dissolved as of Conference 2016.*

Alpha Omicron (St. Helens): had two members journey to Nashville in July for the International Convention. Kathie Hupp and Sandy Watts participated in as much of the convention as they could fit into their days. They extended their stay to enjoy even more of Nashville's musical history. They are excited to share their experiences with their chapter at an upcoming meeting.

District 5

Alpha Epsilon (Salem & Polk Co.): Our chapter is busy planning programs for 2016-2017. We had a picnic in the park in July to brainstorm ideas. Now the Executive Board is planning programs around these ideas. As we do so, we are looking at topics that would be interesting to teachers still in the workforce as well as retirees. We will be sending out invites for certain programs throughout the year in hopes that nonmembers will attend and learn more about DKG.

Beta Beta (Tigard/Tualatin/Sher-

wood): This is a beautiful water lily at Hughes Water Garden, one stop on our 4-garden tour. This tour came from our November auction, on which we



Barb Becker, Jeanette Voss, & Jo Ann Brinkman from Beta Beta enjoy the garden tour

all bid. Our organizers were Barb Becker and Jeanette Voss. It was a beautiful day!

District 6

No one reporting

Read more about what Alpha Rho State is doing.

Visit the new (or the old) Oregon website for articles from winners of scholarships, first-time attendees at convention, and tales of travel and learning.

Take time to view the other pages that were included in the digital-only edition. You will enjoy what your sisters have done.

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**FALL OFFICERS' WORKSHOP &
CONVENTION PLANNING
September 17, 2016
Salem, Oregon**

**April 28 - 30, 2017
2017 OREGON ORGANIZATION
CONVENTION
Medford, Oregon**

President Cindy's 2016 - 17 Schedule		
Date(s)	Chapter/Activity	Location
2016		
8/24	Chi Chapter Picnic	Salem
9/17	Fall Conference & Exec. Bd.	
10/13	Family Building Blocks Dream Builders' Luncheon	Salem
10/22	Psi Chapter Meeting	Hillsboro
11/2 - 6	National Assc. for the Education of Young Children Annual Convention	Los Angeles
2017		
April 28 - 30	Oregon Convention	Medford

