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Vision: *Leading women educators, impacting education worldwide.*

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FALL 2018 CONFERENCE
&
EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING

Lane Community College
4000 East 30th Avenue
Eugene, Oregon

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PRESIDENT'S PAGE



**Kelly McIntyre, 2017 - 19 President
Oregon State Organization**

Happy New Year! Yes, it will soon be another new year for those of us who run on the school calendar. This is a new beginning for you and for your students. How much growing have you done over the summer? Are you better prepared than you were last year? How much growing do you think your students have done? It always amazes me the difference the summer makes. The students come back having grown 3 inches, and I always have great plans on how much more organized I will be and on the great projects I will complete. Then the reality of school, and I'm just trying to stay above water.

If you are retired, do you miss the beginning of school and setting up a classroom? Have you planned to mentor or assist an active teacher this year?

So many issues face us in education these days. Class sizes are huge, student misbehavior seems



FORWARD MOVING EVER IN DKG!

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to be increasing, resources are few, and more and more is being asked of our time without compensation. What can be done about this?

Back in 1929, similar issues existed, and our founders included two relevant purposes: (1) "To INITIATE, ENDORSE and SUPPORT desirable legislation or other suitable endeavors in the interests of education and of women educators"; and (2) "To INFORM the members of current economic, social, political and educational issues so that they may participate effectively in a world society."

These topics must have been very important to our founders and they should be very important to us as well.

This year, both our Fall Conference and Spring Convention will be emphasizing these two purposes, so we can be informed of the educational issues happening in our state as well as our nation. **Hanna Vaandering** will be our keynote at the Fall Conference. She is a past Oregon Education Association president and is currently on the Executive Committee of the National Education Association. No matter what your position is about unions, Hanna will be able to share

some of the issues facing our education system. We will also have a panel of guests with different perspectives to discuss disruptive learning at the Fall Conference. I will be the first to admit that I am not very informed about the issues. I have so many other things going on that I neglect that topic. I'm just not a political person. I'm guessing there are others out there like me; however, as professional women educators, we cannot be ignorant. We must know what's happening and decide how we can make a difference.

Come to Fall Conference on October 27th in Eugene at Lane Community College and get informed. Once you're informed, plan to do just one thing this year to help make a difference in our educational system. We don't have to be political, but we do have to be informed.

How are you going to help keep moving us forward?

Kelly



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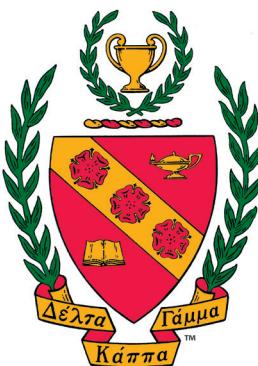
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If you are reading this in a print copy, you are missing out on several pages of photos and information. Check out the whole newsletter on the Oregon Website. Click on www.dkg.org. Follow the page to Oregon: Society Websites >> Northwest >> Oregon to find what you are missing.

ARE YOU CURRENT?

Send address, phone, and e-mail changes IMMEDIATELY to your chapter treasurer, to Oregon Administrative Secretary Bonita Fillmore (contact info in left column), and to DKG International Office.

Log in to www.dkg.org to change your personal information. Be sure you receive every single DKG message and publication!

FOR YOUR CALENDAR

Oregon Fall 2018 Conference & Executive Board Meeting

October 27, 2018
Lane Community College
4000 East 30th Avenue
Eugene

Oregon 2019 Convention

April 5 - 7, 2019
Red Lion Hotel
3301 Market St., N.E.
Salem, OR 97301

DKG Northwest Regional Conference

Des Moines, Iowa
July 10 - 12, 2019

DKG Internatiional Convention

Philadelphia, Pennsylvania
July 2020

Next Trail deadlines

January 5, 2019
March 1, 2019
May 20, 2019
August 15, 2019

Send your newsworthy events,
photos, and chapter chatter to
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THE DISRUPTED LEARNING PHENOMENON

Come hear our keynote speaker Hanna Vaandering, Past OEA State president

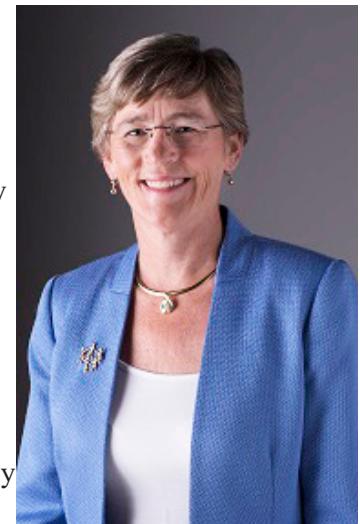
Oregon's classrooms are in crisis, experiencing a phenomenon we call "disrupted learning." Come to the October 27 Fall Conference in Eugene; learn what is needed; learn what is being done; earn PDU's; expand your resources.

Students and educators across Oregon are struggling with a dramatic rise in serious behavioral issues and disciplinary challenges that are threatening the opportunity for all students to learn. Emotional breakdowns and violent outbursts are among the behaviors that stem from student trauma and other root causes, which are not addressed due to a general insufficiency of community and educational resources for these children. Thousands of students are not receiving the mental health and services they need to arrive at school ready to learn, and our districts lack the resources they need to help support these students once they come to school.

Room clears, physical and emotional disruptions, and other behaviors are more likely in Oregon's typically overcrowded classrooms, which overstimulate agitated kids and do not allow for the individualized attention students require. This further degrades the opportunity for students to learn and contributes to many of the challenges our schools face. Oregon has the fifth largest class sizes in the nation, stemming from a state funding level that is only 82 percent of what the Quality Education Commission has determined to be "adequate."

The Oregon Education Association has elevated this phenomenon among policymakers, ensuring that its solution becomes a statewide priority. We have urged lawmakers to make class size a mandatory subject of collective bargaining, and we successfully advocated for the formation of a statewide task force to study the issue and develop a comprehensive policy package for enactment in 2019. We have supported dedicated funding for trauma-informed care and wraparound services, and our members shared their students' stories in daily legislative testimonies and continue to do so in the Education Leader Round Tables being held across the state, as a part of the Joint Committee on Student Success.

OEA knows that the resources dedicated to counseling, health care, social workers, and other critical services are woefully inadequate, as are all key programs in Oregon's K-12 public education system. A healthy investment in a variety of student support services is the only path to solving this problem.



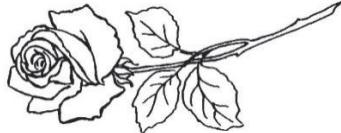
MEET OUR KEYNOTE SPEAKER Hanna Vaandering

Hanna taught elementary physical education for 17 years at Ridgewood in Beaverton. She was elected to the National Education Association (NEA) Executive Committee in July 2017 after serving two successful terms as President of the 44,000-member Oregon Education Association (OEA).

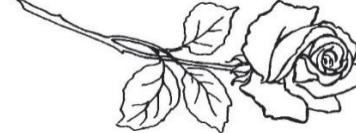
Hanna was born and raised in Washington County, Oregon. She enjoys traveling, but is proud to call Oregon home. A graduate of Pacific University in Forest Grove, she was a two-time All-American and Academic All-American catcher for the Lady Boxers. In her free time, she enjoys scuba diving, water skiing and spending time with family and friends.

While at Ridgewood, Hanna started a successful rhythms program to help her students gain a love for movement and dance. As OEA President, Hanna helped facilitate the creation of "A New Path for a Balanced System of Assessments" that lays groundwork for creating a system of assessment that honors student learning over student testing.

Hanna is committed to our vision of a great public school for every student, fighting for the rights of each and every educator, and advocating for the funding necessary to build the schools our students deserve.



Alpha Rho State Oregon



Fall 2018 Conference & Executive Board Meeting

Saturday, October 27. 2018

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Lane Community College, Eugene

4000 E 30th Ave

Center for Meeting & Learning

Disrupted Learning Oregon Legislative Outlook for Education

Agenda

9:00 - 9:30	Welcome and Introductions
9:30 - 10:00	Keynote Address: Hanna Vaandering, NEA Executive Committee
10:00 - 10:15	Break
10:15 - 11:15	Workshop Sessions
11:15 - 11:30	Break
11:30 - 12:30	Lunch
12:30 - 2:00	Panel on Disrupted Learning
2:00 - 2:15	Call to Action
2:15 - 3:00	Executive Board Meeting

Cost: Registration **\$30.00** and Lunch **\$20.00** for **\$50.00 Total**
Return the Completed registration form (below) by **October 12, 2018**

Delta Kappa Gamma Member? Yes No

Name: _____

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Your DKG State/Chapter Office _____

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CONVENTION REVIEW

Darlene Cook

Last month, 6 Alpha Rho members traveled to Austin, Texas, the birthplace of DKG for the 2018 International Convention. Over 2,000 members from 17 countries attended the festivities. **Attending from Oregon were Past State Presidents Alice Hartness-Reichle, Madaline Lapp, and Janet Walsh; State Vice President Darlene Cook; State Secretary Kaye Jones and International Membership Committee Member Karen Shelton.**

On July 16, Darlene, the official designee for President Kelly McIntyre, and Kaye as State Secretary attended the Executive Board with many reports. Evelyn Barron, Past International President 1998-2000, is working on *Our Heritage IV*. The Executive Board was instructed on voting procedures and use of the remote voting devices.



Monday evening was the opening assembly. Following the presentation of flags, DKG anthem, welcome to Texas and the 2018 convention, DKG staff reported on their work this biennium. Following the guiding principles of International President Carolyn Pittman of "People over Paper" and recently retired Executive Director Sandra Smith Bull of "let's blur the department lines," staff is organized into working project teams. Their working principles are "synergy," "systems," and "simplify." Working together, 1 + 1 = more than 2. Texas night followed with poetry and a slide show of

beauty in Texas. Violin virtuoso Warren Hood and his band played music that exemplified their Texas roots. classic country, and their own songs. Members were encouraged to take pictures with the Texas themed back drops and props.

The 2nd general meeting was Tuesday morning. Following reports and instructions on how to use the remote voting devices, Constitution Committee Chair Cathy Daugherty introduced the first set of proposed amendments. Once the allotted time for debate ended, the meeting was adjourned for the Global Awareness Forum, the Impacting Education Worldwide Luncheon, scheduled workshops, and Ten-Minute Takeaways.

Oregon members were busy the entire week as each wore several hats. After the 3rd general session and keynote address by Benjamin Zander, Alice and Karen were especially busy. As a member of the International Scholarship Committee, Alice worked with other committee members to present a workshop entitled "The Heat is on, Let's Get Fired Up." Workshop participants had an opportunity to meet a scholarship recipient and received tips on preparing a winning scholarship application!

"Bridging the Generation Gap" focused on utilizing strengths of members from multiple generations to effectively establish meaningful dialogue and provide energized, all-inclusive chapter meetings. Presenters were Oregon member Karen and a SE Regional Committee member. Later, Karen joined other Membership Committee folks to present a second workshop, "DKG Membership Think Tank," an interactive session to brainstorm remedies for membership issues facing all chapters. A 2018 graduate of the Golden Gift Leadership Management Seminar, Karen participated in a Ten-Minute Takeaway on her experiences at the seminar and benefits of

the LMS program. Later, Alice, her husband David, and Darlene attended the Educational Foundation event.

Thursday saw Madaline and Darlene assume their responsibilities. As a member of the Elections Committee, Madaline manned the Northwest voting station. Darlene cast Oregon's votes for international officers and committee members and represented Oregon at the Northwest Regional Breakfast. After breakfast Janet met with Dr. Rhonda Anderson, NW Regional Director, 2016-18.

As NW Regional Representative to the US Forum Steering Committee, Darlene participated in the Ten-Minute Takeaway informing members about leadership opportunities on the US Forum Committee. Proposed amendments were discussed; and Darlene presented a quilt to a lucky winner as one Meet the Block prize.

Friday morning began with the Celebration of Life Ceremony. As a member of the International Membership Committee, Karen had a significant role. Immediately after the ceremony, the final session was called to order and members spent several hours discussing and voting on the remainder of the proposed amendments. The afternoon concluded with the US Forum Session. The final event of the convention was the Celebration Banquet. Congratulations to our new international officers: Cathy Daugherty, President; Becky Sadowski, First Vice President; and Dr. Lace Marie Brogden, Second Vice President. Dr Donna Niday of Iowa is our NW Regional Director for 2018-2020.

See you at the July 2020 convention in Philadelphia. The NW Regional Conference is July 10 - 12, 2019, in Des Moines, Iowa. Mark your calendars, save your pennies, and attend these great meetings.



**Dr. Donna Niday, Northwest Regional Director
2018 - 20, Iowa**



**Carolyn Pittman, International
DKG President 2016- 18**



**Darlene Cook and
Alice Hartness-
Reichle at the
DKGEF event.**



Alice Hartness-Reichle (L) and Madaline Lapp



**Dr. Rhonda Anderson (L) Northwest Regional
Director 2016 - 18, South Dakota, with Janet
Walsh, Past Alpha Rho State President**

DKGEF
FUNDRAISER NIGHT
Alice Hartness-Reichle

Our DKG Educational Foundation “night out on the town,” was not out, but was actually hosted in one of our hotel ballrooms, featuring The Sights and Sounds of Austin. Dinner was an all-you-could-eat delicious Texas-style barbecued meat and taco bar and, after greetings from the Foundation board, we were serenaded by a marvelous mariachi band and awed by the lively steps of students from a dance school. The students ranged from high school down to about age six. Their colorful costumes enhanced the toe-tapping experience, as they led us through the folk stories and history of each dance, honoring the many aspects Spanish, Latina, and even French heritage of Texas (Tejas).

The dancers were followed by a local up-and-coming 15-year-old country/pop star, who not only could sing, but was a superb guitarist. After her set, she and her high school cheerleader friends pulled many attendees to their feet for line dance lessons, allowing time to dance with the music of numerous great country songs. The dance floor was rocking with the help of those teens! Fun was had by all, and participation in this event helped fund the DKG Educational Foundation, which has provided more than \$4 million since 1964, supporting educational excellence through cultural understanding and providing funding for projects, seminars, and professional development for members and non-members. (Photos follow, page 13).



VOTING AT CONVENTION

Kaye Jones

Checking in at the 2018 DKG Convention was the beginning of the voting process for all members. First, we checked our meal tickets and activities ordered when we e-mailed our registrations. We received the printed program. Then we obtained the voting fob on an orange lanyard. Finally, we chose a card of welcome from the Texas members.

We were instructed how to select our vote either 1/a for yes/aye or 2/b for no (Don't touch the other keys, as it confuses the computer.) At both the executive board meeting and the second general meeting, we sat in the Pacific region between Japan and Hawaii, in front of Washington, California and Latin American states.

We voted on The Identity/Names (Group I). The discussion on the name change for The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International was heated. After several extensions for debate and attempts to amend, the

C-1 amendment failed. We retain the name *The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International*.

During the next two general sessions, we covered membership. We will now induct new members who become active when they pay their dues. New members will continue to be invited to membership. Collegiate membership passed. Reserved status has not changed. The classification of Emerita members was referred to committee.

On Friday morning, we started the final general session an hour early (8:00 a.m.), took a break for lunch, and at last finished all the amendments around 3:00 p.m.



Special thanks go to our extra-special proofreaders:!

Christine Luehring, Lambda/3

Kathie Hill, Omega/2



THE U.S. FORUM & THE GLOBAL AWARENESS FORUM

The Global Awareness Forum was the first collaborative effort of the four DKG forums to discuss a common international issue. The purpose was to highlight the global reach of DKG members and to emphasize that we are, indeed, Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide. During the one-hour session, chairs of the Canadian, Latin American and European Forums joined US Forum Chair Carmela DeMarco to discuss “Teaching Tolerance and Promoting Peace.”

Guest speakers were: Dr. Cristina Gonzalez Paras, President and Director of the Worldwide Meeting on Human Values held annually in Monterrey, Mexico. Through this group she has been able to build alliances with global organizations and institutions to promote the Universal Value of Compassion. The second speaker, Mansi Mehta, a representative of UNICEF, discussed how UNICEF has partnered globally to teach tolerance and promote peace.

Resources for this collaborative forum may be found on the DKG website under **Resources>Global Awareness Resources**.

At the US Forum, Dr. Donna Niday of Minnesota was elected Northwest Regional Representative, 2018-2020. Kathy Davis of Oklahoma is the incoming chair. US Forum members also approved the proposed operational guidelines. The adopted guidelines will be posted on the US Forum website, www.usforumdkg.org, as soon as International Constitutional alignments have been made.

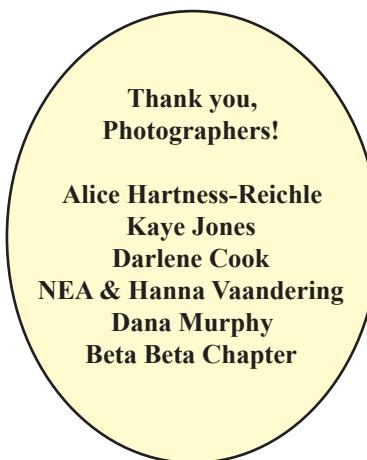
It has been an honor and a privilege to serve Oregon and the Northwest region states as the US Forum



**Darlene Cook, Alpha/2
Last action as the Northwest Representative to the U.S. Forum.**

Northwest Regional Representative for the past four years. Please get involved and support the work of the Forum. Plan to attend the National Legislative Seminar March 15-18, 2020, in Arlington, Virginia. We are “Women Poised for ‘Legislative Action’!”

Darlene



CONVENTION KEYNOTE **BENJAMIN ZANDER**

Darlene Cook

Visionary, teacher, conductor, and author, Benjamin Zander is one of the most sought after speakers in the world. As a celebrated speaker on leadership, Mr. Zander took convention participants on a journey of personal insights into themselves and our Society, emphasizing the international language found in music and the arts, as well as the universal need for nurturing personal growth. He challenged and inspired members to reflect on the future with optimism and the art of possibility.

Zander conducts the Boston Philharmonic Orchestra, the Boston Philharmonic Youth Orchestra, and serves as a guest conductor around the world. He has been on the faculty of the New England Conservatory, and his recordings have been nominated for three Grammys. His book, *The Art of Possibility*, co-authored with Rosamund Zander, has been translated into 15 languages. He has been recognized for outstanding contributions in the arts and international relations. He received the Caring Citizen of the Humanities Award from the United Nations International Council for Caring Communities and was the keynoter at the World Economic Forum in Switzerland.

Mr. Zander’s presentation was partially funded by the Eunah Temple Holden Leadership Fund of DKG.



Goal #1 Creating Global Involvement



17 GOALS TO TRANSFORM OUR WORLD

13 CLIMATE ACTION
14 LIFE BELOW WATER
15 LIFE ON LAND
16 PEACE, JUSTICE AND INCLUSIVENESS
17 PARTNERSHIPS FOR THE GOALS



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AD HOC COMMITTEE ON REDISTRICTING REPORT *Kathy Martell*

The Ad Hoc Committee on Redistricting is composed of your District Coordinators:

- Vickie Jackson--District 1
- Lynn Hughes filling in, District 2
- Priscilla Ing--District 3
- Linda McCoy--District 4
- Kathy Martell--District 5
- Jean Fairbairn--District 6
- Shirley Mann--State Membership Chair

The group met in June to discuss the results of the survey many of you filled out. After our review of the survey, we decided that before we look at redistricting our state, we would like to try to expand state membership.

To do this, we would use the educational skills current members have and offer workshops to teachers in areas around the state. Professional Development Units would be offered to teachers when they attend the workshops, and presenters will share information about DKG: brochures, flyers, posters, membership applications, and stories about what DKG does.

To add to our survey data, District Coordinators have been busy collecting information from chapters in their districts on successful programs they had last year and what kind of projects they do in their local communities. All the data will be compiled and, when the committee meets again in September, they will develop their action plan on "expansion."

The ad hoc committee will share our plan of action at the Fall Conference in Eugene on October 27.



CHAPTER AWARDS REVISION UNDERWAY

An Ad Hoc committee has been reviewing the current Alpha Rho State Chapter Awards (Rosette and Order of the Rose).

The committee members are **Kathy Martell, Marie Mueller, Priscilla Ing, and chairman Sandy Watts**. Much thinking, soul searching, several meetings, and numerous e-mails resulted in updated ideas to be presented at the October Executive Board Meeting.

Requirements for attaining the awards would be the biggest change. Along with some required familiar items, Chapters could choose from a list of varied and updated requirements to earn points towards attaining an Order of the Rose award. The committee felt that the requirements had grown stale and needed this revision; change can be uplifting! Attend the October Executive Board session to hear what may be in store for future years.

Award requirements stay the same as usual for 2018 - 19.



PAC BRUNCH PLANNED

The District 6 -- Portland Area Chapters Fall Brunch is scheduled for Saturday, November 3, 10 a.m., at the Multnomah Athletic Club. The cost will be \$25. Mark your calendars to reserve the date.

CONNECTING CHAPTERS

District 2

Alpha (Klamath Co.): Brenda Jensen here. My President Project this year is recruitment of new members. After a planning meeting in July, we made some positive steps to recruit members. We planned activities, such as handing bags out to new-to-the-district teachers and a welcome-to-the-teaching-world pizza social. We will send invitations to nonmembers to attend meetings to see what we are all about. We have scheduled fewer meetings during the year along with two fund raisers and an end-of-year celebration. We are continuing the BEAR project in two elementary schools. This year is the year for a member scholarship too....We are off to a great start.

Omega (Josephine & Jackson Cos.): In June, Omega honored **Lise Van Brunt** at a retirement party to celebrate her 38 years in education. In July, members who could do so welcomed **Kathie Hill** "home for the summer" from her residence in South Carolina. Kathie was here to clean, repair, and sell her former home. **Kathy Martell** and **Sandy Watts** came down to help with that massive effort, so some of us were able to visit with them, too. The final planning meeting was August 20. On our way!!

District 3

Lambda (Lane Co.): Lambda Chapter, as do many other chapters, slows down for the summer. There were no scheduled meetings since May. We had a successful yard sale in June, bringing in \$971. This was added to our funds to support grants for applicants' continuing education toward teacher certification.

At the May meeting, possible programs were brainstormed and a point person assigned for each selected topic for the months of September – May. All summer Lambda's program has been coming together due to the work of many chapter members.

Our final schedule includes a visit with Eugene School Board members, learning about the Art in Schools and the Kids in Transition to School (KITS) programs, just to name a few. We will also have a joint meeting with Gamma Chapter, honoring our DKG Founders. We are ready for the coming school year!

District 5

Psi (Hillsboro, Beaverton & Washington Co.): Psi is starting our year off with a picnic hosted by member **Anne Kingsley-Beeson** at her house, overlooking a beautiful valley. Members are bringing school supplies for her home school in Vernonia, OR. We will discuss the upcoming year and our first project of bringing dictionaries to third graders in three elementary schools in our area. We will initiate a new member, Julia Busby. Yayy, Julia! Glad to have you join us. (Photos, back cover)

Alpha Epsilon (Salem & Polk Co.): Alpha Epsilon looks forward to continuing our partnership with the Marion and Polk County Early Learning Hub. We will start on Monday, August 27th, labeling over 4,000 books that will be given out to Preschool Promise students in 2018-2019. >>>>>

Labeling Books: L-Beverly Bodtker; R--Martha Nicoloff

District 6

Eta (Portland): On June 12 several members met at the Rogerson Clematis Garden in West Linn for a private tour. We viewed hundreds of varieties of clematis in a beautiful setting. Most of us purchased a clematis. Afterwards we joined other members for lunch in Lake Oswego.

On August 2, our Finance Committee met for a 2018-2019 Budget discussion at the home of **Carol Cushman**. Carol provided us a wonderful lunch. We had a good discussion of ways to honor our beloved member **Helen Kappler** who gave the chapter a nice gift of money upon her death. Discussion will continue, but some ways we thought of will be to help students or children, or further women in an educational way.

September 19 we will meet at the home of **Nancy McClellan** for our Fall Potluck & Chapter Organizational meeting. Our chapter is small in number of members, but we truly enjoy the fellowship of each other's company. As co presidents we appreciate how members are so willing to help do their part. As far as future discussion for projects we have discussed ways to support Bridge Meadows. Bridge Meadows is a unique community blending foster youth, adoptive parents and elders in a safe community of apartments and cottages.



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Invote Kelly McIntyre, Oregon President, to a meeting or special event at your chapter. What best shows off what your chapter can do?

Call or e-mail today to be put on her schedule.

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PRESIDENT KELLY'S SCHEDULE 2018 - 2019		
WHEN	WHAT	WHERE
October 27, 2018	Oregon Fall Conference & Executive Board	Lane CC Eugene
April 8, 2019	Alpha Chapter	Klamath Falls
When is . . .	your chapter . . .	scheduled?