

# THE NEW OREGON TRAIL



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**Mission:** *The Society promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.*

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

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Success! The Oregon State Organization has survived a biennium like no preceding one: together, we accomplished the business of DKG Oregon without a single in-person state meeting. Thanks to all members and officers who joined in on Zoom and participated just as usual.

## 1. Oregon has newly elected officers:

- President: Brenda Jensen, Alpha/2
- Vice President: Bonita Fillmore, Alpha/2
- Secretary: Kate Kelleher, Beta Beta/5

## 2. Oregon has newly appointed officers:

- Treasurer Vickie Jackson, Sigma/3
- Editor Marie Mueller, Alpha Epsilon/5
- Webmaster/Zoom-meister Grace Pitzer, Alpha Nu/5
- Parliamentarian, Nancy Lewis, Beta Beta/5

## 3. Oregon has newly elected committee members:

### Nominations Committee

- Dst. 1: Sandra Rysdam, Zeta
- Dst. 2: Kathie Hill, Omega
- Dst. 3: Kaye Jones, Kappa

### Finance Committee

- Dst. 1: Laurie Graves, Zeta
- Dst. 2: Cari Hinesly, Omega
- Dst. 3: Annette Lange-Hildebrand, Sigma

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

**June 29, 9:30 a.m.:** Zoom-- State Officers' Transition Meeting

**July 7 - 10:** International Conference in Portland, Oregon

**Nov. 6:** **PAC Brunch** at the Multnomah Athletic Club.

**April 29 - May 1, 2022:** Spring Conference at the Oregon Garden

**The Portland INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE will be IN PERSON.** Be sure to register during the early registration period (ends 6/8). Do one day--or do all. See page 5 for a summary of the good things to do.

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How many DKG chapters are in Oregon? Ans: 19

## PRESIDENT'S PAGE



**Darlene Cook, Alpha/2  
2019 - 21 President  
Oregon State Organization**

### Along the Garden Path



A new biennium is on the horizon and the new state leadership team will soon take office. Activities for 2021-22 are taking shape! I have been reflecting on my term as your State President.

In 2019, Beta Beta Chapter agreed to host our 2020 conference at The Oregon Garden Resort in Silverton. We chose the date and signed the contract. Everyone was excited to experience the “garden” in springtime! A theme was chosen: “Cultivating Resiliency in Ourselves and Others.” Little did we know how important The Oregon Garden and “cultivating resiliency” would become!

In 2019, Oregon leaders planned three district conferences to strengthen member opportunities. I attended

chapter meetings and joined others in February 2020 for CTAUN at the United Nations. Through the fall and holiday season, chapters were meeting in person for usual activities. In March 2020, the Steering Committee met to finish plans for the state conference. This was the last in-person meeting. Days later, everything shut down due to pandemic restrictions. An October conference at the Garden was cancelled. **Resiliency** suddenly took on a new meaning. Plans were on hold. Oregon was at a standstill. We had to adapt to continue the work of DKG in Oregon!

Enter many creative, skilled, and tech-savvy Oregon members! With the help of and resources from those innovative sisters, we have dived into the virtual realm of Zoom® for meetings, programs, and business. Members from different chapters and different states “Zoomed” with us. Oregon members participated in International webinars and events; we enjoyed workshops provided by other state organizations.

Although we re-scheduled The Oregon Garden for a 2021 Convention, by January that gathering was not possible. Yes, we went through this entire biennium without an in-person state activity. Instead, we held virtual events: executive board meetings, trainings, president-to-president sharing sessions for chapters, evening social activities (**Thank you Alpha and Alpha Epsilon Chapters!**), and an informative and well-attended symposium on “Displaced Children and Youth.” This spring, Oregon met virtually for our 2021 State Convention and recognized our 80 years as a state organization with a fun-filled Zoom Birthday Celebration, highlighting eight decades of chapter and state history. To add to these events, Oregon formed the Alpha Rho Foundation, our 501(c)(3) corporation (**Thank you, Treasurer Vickie Jackson!**), and Oregon members spent

hours working on the Portland International Conference under the guidance of chair Jean Fairbairn (**Thanks a million, Jean!**).

Resiliency has been essential during this most challenging biennium. We gained much, however, that we can embrace for the future.

I encourage every Oregon member and chapter to:

- Welcome the new biennium. Support our new leadership team. Participate at all levels of our Society. Discover the benefits of membership in Delta Kappa Gamma. Apply for scholarships, project grants, and DKG Ignite. Sign up for conferences, workshops, and webinars. Attend the 2021 Portland International Conference.
- Communicate within your chapter and with our state organization and International. Write articles and chapter chatter for *The New Oregon Trail*. Our Birthday Celebration emphasized the fun and importance of exploring our past to enhance our future. Consider submitting an article to an International publication or an exhibit in the Arts and Humanities Gallery.
- Invite colleagues and friends in education to join our Society, so they too can experience “A Journey for Life.” During this biennium we welcomed 23 new, transfer and reinstated members. We have room for many more! And for new chapters!
- Consider using your strengths in a leadership position. Serving at the chapter, state, or International levels is fulfilling, rewarding, and a lot of fun. Come to the State Leadership Transition Meeting on June 29 to learn about our many state committees. Find one that interests you and exercise those leadership skills.

- Look forward to finally gathering at The Oregon Garden on April 29- May 1, 2022, to enjoy the lovely scenery, embrace each other, and learn from the myriad of workshops and takeaways. It has taken two years and a lot of resiliency but “the garden” will finally become a reality!

Thank you, Chapter Presidents, Executive Board, Executive Committee and certainly all Oregon members for your support, guidance, and grace. You were there when I needed you. You embraced me with friendship. You made it possible for me to represent you and to conduct the business of our state organization in a timely, efficient, and enjoyable manner. You are the best! As I reflect on the past two years, I sincerely thank you for the opportunity to represent you and our Oregon State Organization. I am humbled by the honor and privilege of serving as your 2019-2021 State President!

*With warm regards,  
Darlene Cook  
June 2, 2021*



*Kind hearts are the garden.  
Kind thoughts are the roots.  
Kind words are the flowers.  
Kind deeds are the fruits.  
Take care of your garden.  
And keep out the weeds.  
Fill it with sunshine, kind words, and  
kind deeds.*

~~Henry Wadsworth Longfellow

**Birthday Trivia #2:**  
Which chapters are in Northeast Oregon--District 1?  
Zeta and Iota

## BOOK FAIRIES WANTED!

Will you make a difference in a child's life by volunteering his summer?

Teachers Brigade supports reluctant readers in the summer by offering the Book Fairy Project to help prevent the "Summer Slope" that happens to some children.

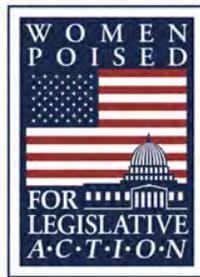
Once a week for six weeks, a Book Fairy delivers a book to a child and becomes the child's penpal. Gently used books and printed books from Raz-kids.com are available. A Book Fairy can either mail the packet or deliver it to their Book Buddy's doorstep. Book Fairies are required to fill out a district's background check form, but we help you with that.

Sign up at [www.teachersbrigade.org](http://www.teachersbrigade.org) to become a Book Fairy today and help our youngest citizens.

*Cindy OMealy, Chi/6*



## FRIDAY AFTERNOON KEYNOTE IS FROM OREGON!



### Hanna Vaandering Executive Committee -- National Education Association

The United States Forum is coming to Portland! At the International Convention, **the U.S. Forum Session is scheduled for Friday July 9, 2021, 2:45-4:45 p.m.** This is a perfect opportunity to learn and participate in discussions. Many of you probably subscribe to their newsletter, the *U.S. Forum Connection*, have participated in recent webinars or have attended a National Legislative Seminar in Washington, DC. The U.S. Forum Session is unique because it is held only during International meetings. This is our opportunity for Oregon members to join in!



We are proud and honored to welcome “our own” **Hanna Vaandering, NEA Executive Committee Member as the keynote speaker.** Hanna is an elementary physical education teacher formerly of Ridgewood Elementary in Beaverton, Oregon, where she taught physical education for 17 years. Hanna was elected to the National Education Association (NEA) Executive Committee in July 2017. She also served two successful terms as President of the 44,000-member Oregon Education Association (OEA).

Hanna was born and raised in Washington County, Oregon, and is a graduate of Pacific University in Forest Grove. She enjoys traveling, but is proud to call Oregon home. She will be speaking on *Legislation and Your Role*. She is committed to the vision of a great public school for every student, for the rights of each and every educator, and for funding necessary to build the schools our students deserve.

The NEA Executive Committee consists of nine members. The committee is responsible for general policy and interests of NEA. The National Education Association is the nation’s largest labor union and professional employee organization, representing more than 3 million elementary and secondary teachers, higher education faculty, education support professionals, school administrators, retired educators, and aspiring educators.

Hoping to see you on the 9<sup>th</sup>.

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*Ideas? Questions? Contact us!*

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# IT'S A GO!

The Oregon Steering Committee received word on May 19 that DKG **WILL HAVE** the July 7-10, 2021, International Conference in person in Portland at the Waterfront Marriott Hotel.

What's been planned?

- 47 workshops
- A fabulous Welcome to Oregon Night
- Keynote speakers
- Tours and places to see
- An Art Gallery
- Vendors and Exhibits
- A super choir under the direction of June Bowers
- Good food
- Terrific fellowship
- Stipends and scholarships were available to those who applied prior to the June 1 deadline.
- And Much, Much, Much MORE!

**2021 International Conference: Portland**  
DKG: A World of Opportunities,  
Contributions, Impact



July 7-10: Attend it all or come for a day (\$80). **Early registration (\$160) ends June 8!!** Register now! It will save you considerable cost (\$240 after June 8).

Register at: [https://www.dkg.org/DKGMember/Events/2021\\_International\\_Conferences/2021\\_International\\_Con\\_Portland.aspx#register](https://www.dkg.org/DKGMember/Events/2021_International_Conferences/2021_International_Con_Portland.aspx#register)

**P.S.** We still have room for volunteers! Call Jean Fairbairn @ 503-656-3688 or e-mail at [jeanf3777@gmail.com](mailto:jeanf3777@gmail.com)

Hope to see you soon! Details on the Oregon website.

**Birthday Trivia #3:**  
How old is our Society?  
Founded on May 11, 1929, DKG was  
92 years old this spring

**Birthday Trivia #5:**  
Are any of the International  
presidents from Oregon?  
Yes! Bernice Conoly/Psi, 1978-80

# KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

## Leigh Wintz, FASAE, CAE, PRP-R



Leigh Wintz is Principal Consultant Emeritus with Tecker International, LLC. A skilled facilitator with an energetic style and sense of humor, Leigh has worked with clients in the USA, Europe, and Asia for more than 30 years. She implements board governance techniques that empower staff and

volunteers to achieve results while keeping boards focused on the future by using strategic decision making.

Leadership and women are among her special interests. By helping associations identify and overcome barriers to organizational effectiveness in governance, staffing, communications, and programs, Leigh's tactics help leaders secure support for significant organizational changes, such as restructuring, fundraising, governance redesign, and strategic planning. Best practices and worst-case scenarios become learning opportunities and foster risk-taking and innovative strategies that invigorate and motivate staff and leaders.

Leigh is a Fellow in the American Society of Association Executives (FASAE), a certified association executive (CAE), and a professional registered parliamentarian (PRP-R). She has numerous publications, is a registered nurse, was an assistant hospital administrator, was a volunteer in Operation Smile where she served missions to Ghana (Africa), Philippines, China, Kenya, and Honduras. Semi-retired, she has more time for traveling with husband Tom and riding her two horses.

## Dr. Gene Sharratt, Senior Research Assc.



A person sometimes walks into your life who is inspiring and visionary. In Washington State, that person is Dr. Gene Sharratt. He is a Vietnam veteran with 45 years in education. His career path includes being an elementary teacher, elementary principal, public school superintendent, Educational Service District superintendent, clinical associate professor at Wash-

ington State University in preparing school superintendents, and an appointment from Washington Governor Inslee as Executive Director of the Washington Student Achievement Council. In that position, he took on the task of coordinating professional development across Washington State.

Currently, Dr. Sharratt is a senior research associate with the Center for Educational Effectiveness. He is a champion of access, equity, and quality education. A builder of relationships and believer in the power in each person—he speaks from the heart with humor and passion. He will inspire you to contribute to DKG. to have a positive impact. and to make a difference in our world.

**Birthday Trivia #4:**  
Which chapters are in Southern Oregon--District 2?  
Omicron, Alpha, & Omega



*A much deserved bouquet for Grace Pitzer, Webmaster and Zoommeister, presented at the 2021 Oregon Convention,*

**Nita R. Scott, CAE,  
DKG Executive Director**



Nita R. Scott joined DKG in 2005 and began work at International Society Headquarters in August 2011, first as membership director and now as executive director. Nita, an experienced educator, taught secondary mathematics and business in Tennessee and Arkansas before moving to

Texas to work with DKG. During her membership, she has conducted workshops at state, regional, and international conventions and has presented as keynote speaker and panelist.

With a BBA (Marketing and Management) and a MS in Education with a concentration in Educational Leadership, she often uses data as a tool to enable Society leadership to market the Society and build membership. Nita, as a Certified Association Executive (CAE), provides Society leaders with insight regarding best practices for non-profit association governance. She is a member of the International Administrative Board, DKG Supporting Corporation Board, and the DKG International Educational Foundation Board of Trustees. She serves as liaison for the Editorial Board and the International Leadership Development, Constitution, and Holden Fund Committees. In addition, she manages the 17-member headquarters staff and oversees Society operations. Nita is a member of the American Society of Association Executives (ASAE) and the Texas Society of Association Executives (TSAE).

Nita and husband James live outside Austin with six horses, three dogs, a cat, and a small herd of cattle. They enjoy raising quarter horses and participating in rodeos.

**Becky Sadowski  
2020-2022 International President**



A member of DKG for 31 years, Becky Sadowski is currently International President. Her DKG membership has provided many opportunities for personal and professional growth: she attended the Basic and Advanced Leadership Seminars in Tennessee and is a graduate of the 1999 International Golden Gift

Leadership Management Seminar. Becky is a frequent presenter and speaker at various Society events. She facilitated the Advanced Leadership Seminar four times in her home state of Tennessee. Serving as a Special Education advocate is her passion.

Her career includes being a classroom teacher, a reading specialist, a Lead Teacher for the Memphis City Schools, an Adjunct Professor at the University of Memphis, a Special Education Specialist and Educational Consultant for Shelby County Schools, and head of the School of Education at Lambuth University. Becky served as President of the Tennessee Association for the Gifted and as a keynoter at the Tennessee Legal Education Conference on Special Education. She received the Jo Patterson Award in Gifted Education in Tennessee in 1996.

Married to her college sweetheart for 51 years, Becky has two grown children and enjoys spending time with her four granddaughters. She is active in church and community. A “lifelong learner,” Becky often refers to a quote from C.S. Lewis: “You are never too old to set another goal or to dream a new dream.”

**Birthday Trivia #18:**

When is Oregon DKG’s next in-person event?

Join us April 29 to May 1 at the Oregon Garden Resort for the 2022 Spring Conference.

## WHAT YOUR CHAPTER CAN DO TO HELP!

### Your chapter could:

1. Contribute wine to the Hospitality Room.
2. Participate in the Unique Boutique with a table of craft items to sell. Contact Catie Thurber-Brown for details [cthurberbrown@gmail.com](mailto:cthurberbrown@gmail.com) 503-975-4405.
3. **We are asking that each chapter donate 20 gifts** for the “goody bags” that will be prepared for registrants and guests.
  - What should your chapter plan to give?
    - All 20 gifts do not have to be the same thing.
    - The gifts chosen could represent your area.
    - Nothing needs to be expensive. For example:
      - ❖ A jar of strawberry, blueberry, marionberry, huckleberry jam (commercial).
      - ❖ Oregon native seeds or bulbs.
      - ❖ Coupons from Oregon firms—Bob’s Red Mill, Dutch Bros., etc.
      - ❖ Filberts (hazelnuts) in any form or walnuts, dried fruit, etc. (commercially packed).
      - ❖ Jerky or smoked salmon (commercial).
      - ❖ A fancy bar of soap, perhaps made by a local crafter
      - ❖ Other bath goodies
      - ❖ Something labeled from your town? “Made in Eugene, Oregon, by...”
      - ❖ Clif® bars or the like
      - ❖ Individual packages of something yummy? Whitman® samplers? See’s® lollipops?
      - ❖ Have each member donate one new book by an author she likes?
      - ❖ A gift coupon for a Starbucks® or Dutch Bros®. coffee
      - ❖ A crafter item--small, light, easy to pack
      - ❖ Thinking bigger? **Use your imagination.**
  - **Want to publicize your chapter?** Prepare a “Welcome to Oregon” note to accompany each gift: “This is especially for you from \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter in \_\_\_\_\_, Oregon. Our chapter represents \_\_\_\_\_. This is a \_\_\_\_\_ (name the product, such as a jar of huckleberry jam from ABC Co., located in \_\_\_\_\_.)” I
  - If you have enough energy, you could have every member sign each card.

#### **Birthday Trivia #6:**

Which Oregon chapter is the oldest?

Alpha, founded in November 1941

#### **Birthday Trivia #7:**

Which Oregon chapter is the newest?

Beta Gamma, founded June 1980.

## THE OREGON STATE ORGANIZATION IS 80 YEARS YOUNG!



Oregon members celebrated our 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday via Zoom on May 22, 2021. We began with some enthusiastic greetings of long-time friendships and had over 50 guests join us! That included nine Past Presidents who were special guests for the celebration:

**Pat Howard, 1993-1995**  
**Jean Fairbairn, 1995-1997**  
**Dr. Barbara (Bobbie) Nelson Middaugh, 2001-2003**  
**Madaline Lapp, 2003-2005**  
**Lynn Hughes, 2007-2009**  
**Alice Hartness-Reichle, 2011-2013**  
**Kathy Martell, 2013-2015**  
**Dr. Cindy Ryan, 2015-2017**  
**Dr. Kelly McIntyre, 2017-2019**

**Sharon Hohstadt (1999-2001)** could not join us: Off on a camping trip for her anniversary.

**Janet Walsh (2005-2007)** could not join us: away where there is no Internet.

**Bridget E. Honan (2009-2011)** could not join us. She and her prize-winning dogs were off winning a competition!

A slide show featured all 19 chapters of the Oregon State Organization. It included 8 slides to introduce each of the past decades, all with a personal “live” narrative delivered by our gracious hosts. Many individuals helped us collect the history. Special thanks to Marie Mueller, who was a helpful sleuth collecting photos, dates, and names from decades-old *Oregon Trails* to fill in some of the missing pieces. We were reminded how useful our state newsletter, *The New Oregon Trail*, will continue to be as a historical document for future decades.

President Darlene Cook led us all in the Birthday Song and challenged us with her thoughtfully planned OSO trivia questions! We knew it was a “work in progress” so we welcomed suggestions and edits in the chat column. Marie has already started with the editing. The slide show presentation will be available in July to all chapters. A printed booklet that contains additional information is in the planning stage.

### INSTALLATION OF 2021- 2023 OREGON OFFICERS

The grand finale of the celebration was the installation of our state officers for 2021-2023. Congratulations to **Brenda Jensen, President** & **Bonita Fillmore, Vice President** & **Kate Kelleher, Secretary**

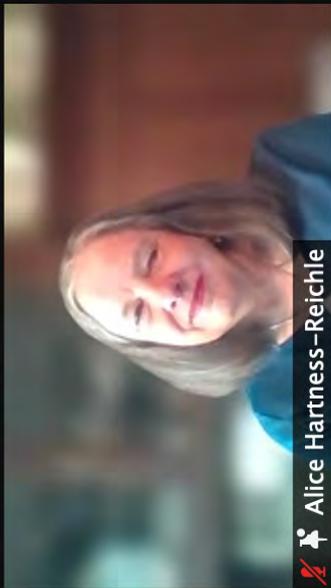
**Lise Van Brunt**, Nominations Committee Chair, was the Installing Officer. Special thanks to **Grace Pitzer** for assistance with Zoom. Once again, she carried us through to the finish line! Her technological skills, insights, and patience are greatly appreciated.

*Submitted by Dana Murphy*

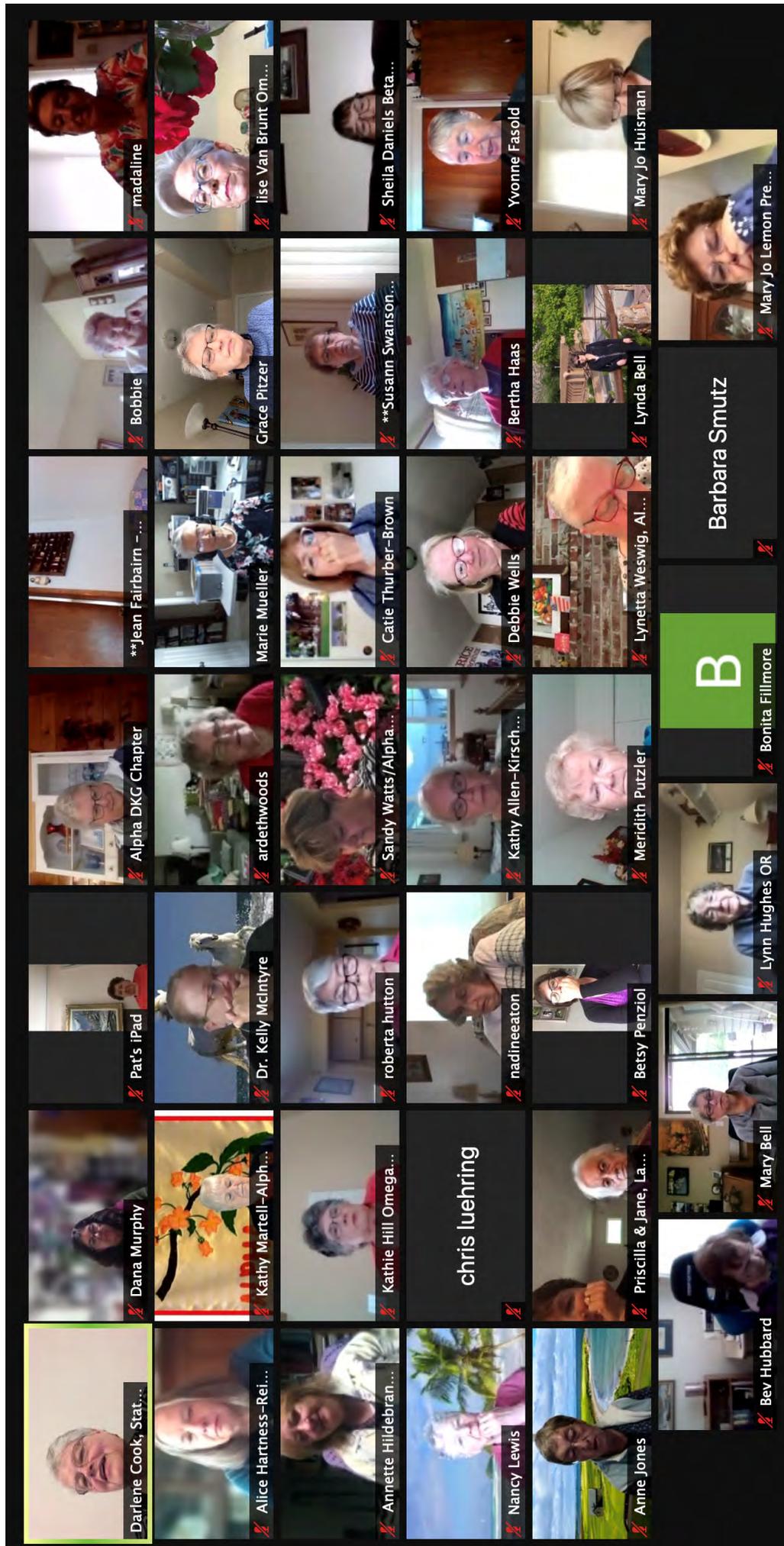
*(Who also deserves applause for designing the PowerPoint<sup>(R)</sup> slides for the birthday party.)*

**NINE PAST OREGON PRESIDENTS**

**Registered, Attended, & Participated,** along with members and the current president, Darlene Cook, and incoming president, Brenda Jensen.



**Birthday Trivia #8:**  
 Who are the new Oregon officers for 2021-23?  
 President  
 Brenda Jensen  
 Vice Pres.  
 Bonita Fillmore  
 Secretary  
 Kate Kelleher



**HAPPY  
80<sup>TH</sup>  
BIRTHDAY,  
OREGON**

**May 23, 1941  
to  
May 23, 2021**

*Both screen shots  
of the 80th Birthday  
Party are courtesy of  
Zoom-meister Grace  
Pitzer.*

*Thank you, Grace!*

**Birthday Trivia  
#9:**

When do the new  
state officers  
begin work?

July 1, 2021

# OREGON 2021 CONVENTION REPORTS

## OREGON CONVENTION RECAP

Thank you for attending our virtual Oregon convention. We hope you found it informative and a lot of fun! It was great to see so many smiling faces even if we were still in the virtual world! **Next year, we're back to in-person April 29 - May 1 at the Oregon Garden Resort.**

### A few statistics:

We welcomed 71 members representing 17 of our 19 chapters! Joining us were 4 guests: International Representative Candace Martin, SE Regional Director from Arkansas; Dr. Beverly Hall, Tennessee State President; Amber Roberts, DKG member from Tennessee, and Lacey Guest, then a prospective member of Lambda/3.

Many people worked to make this a great convention, but special thanks go to our State Vice President Brenda Jensen, Alpha/2, who chaired the Convention Steering Committee; Webmaster Grace Pitzer, Alpha Nu/5, the "Wizard Behind the Curtain" who pulled it all together with her amazing Zoom technology skills; and the many Beta Beta Chapter members from District 5 who were the backbone of the planning process! Many thanks to all workshop presenters! A special welcome and thanks for joining us to all our first-time convention attendees: **Jo Ann Brinkman, Kim Brown, Heidi Gorka, Carol Griest, Dr. Wendy Hacke, and Susan Scharf** of Beta Beta/5; **Audrey Cant, Laurie Graves, and Mary West** of Zeta/1; **Melissa High**, Alpha/2; **Sara Kinstler**, Omega/2; **Cindy O'Mealy**, Chi/6; and **Lacey Guest**, prospective member of Lambda/3. We look forward to seeing you again soon!

**Games**, games, and more games! What fun we had, enjoying each other's company, and playing games Friday evening!

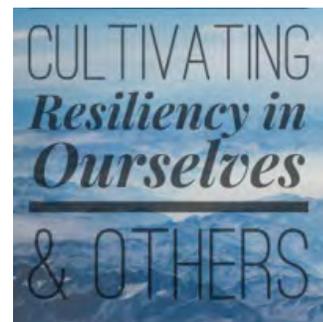
- **Chat Scat** a fun time chatting and answering Scatertory® questions.
- **Rubber Bridge** Eloise Gibson was able to organize and connect us to an "online" bridge game.
- **Pinochle** Eloise was able to organize and connect us to an "online" Pinochle game.
- **Bunco** Who doesn't like Bunco? How about Bunco online?

All who participated seemed to enjoy all the different games.

## Workshops for Resiliency!

- **Candace Martin, Southeast Regional Director (Arkansas) was our International Guest.** She provided information and tactics for leadership to use when sharing the benefits of membership of DKG with prospective members.
- **Nancy Lewis (Beta Beta/5)** discussed opportunities for members to get away from stress through travel.
- **Jo Ann Brinkman (Beta Beta/5)** demonstrated and instructed members in relaxation techniques with Tai Chi Chih.
- **Priscilla Ing (Lambda/3)** moderated a panel on challenges and blessings that were experienced during the "new normal" of the pandemic. Those that participated in the panel were **Elaine Hall, Kappa/3; Marilyn Williams, Lambda/3; Jill Snyder, Alpha Epsilon/5; Dana Musgrove, Zeta/1, and Lacey Guest**, prospective member of **Lambda/3**.
- A new member, **Melissa High (Alpha/2)**, presented ways of developing resiliency through self-awareness techniques to help members move forward during challenging times.
- **Bertha Haas (Psi/5)** provided history of her ongoing special project in Tanzania. She discussed how she positively impacted the lives of children with disabilities, the parents, and the instructors of Huruma School for Disadvantaged Children.
- **Kim Brown (Beta Beta/5)** used techniques and instruction using yoga to relieve stress and relieve mental stress as needed.
- Guest **Amber Roberts (Tennessee)** helped with Zoom woes. She provided information and tactics to get the best use from Zoom for meetings or having fun playing games with others.

Thank you to all who stepped up and provided much needed information. Thank you to those who attended the workshops and made them such a success.



# PHOTOS FROM THE PAST

Used in 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Slides. Prepared by Dana Murphy.



*Mother - Daughter Duo*  
*Dr. Helen Hartness (1983-85)*  
*Alice Hartness-Reichle (2011-13)*  
*Both were president.*  
*of Oregon DKG.*



BERNICE CONOLY

*Bernice Conoly*  
*President, DKG International*  
*1977-79*  
*Oregon's only Int'l president!*



*Eta Chapter's trip to the beach in*  
*1949*



*Imagine the thrill of being installed*  
*as the 22<sup>nd</sup> DKG chapter in Oregon*  
*during the Oregon Education Asso-*  
*ciation's annual convention of over*  
*200 attendees: March 17, 1953.*

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## *Gallery of Past Presidents* *2019 & 2021*

*(Back, L to R)* Dr. Cindy Ryan, Madaline Lapp, Bridget E. Honan, Lynn Hughes, Kathy Martell, Jean Fairbairn  
*(Front, L to R)* Alice Hartness-Reichle, Dr. Barbara Nelson Middaugh, Sharon Hohstadt, Pat Howard  
*(Right column)* Dr. Kelly McIntyre (top)  
 Darlene Cook (bottom)



# OREGON 2021 CONVENTION REPORTS

## AWARDS COMMITTEE

### 2021 Oregon State Organization Convention Awards

#### LONGEVITY AWARDS

**Congratulations to our sisters who are celebrating milestone years in Delta Kappa Gamma!**

##### 25 Years in DKG

Mary Tabitha Snodgrass, Pi Chapter/6  
Helen Cunha, Kappa Chapter/3  
Charlene Counsell, Zeta Chapter/1  
Linda McCoy, Alpha Omicron Chapter/4  
Barbara Pennell, Beta Beta Chapter/5  
Sandra Bartnik, Beta Beta Chapter/5  
Mary Ann Brown, Beta Gamma Chapter/6

##### 50 Years in DKG

Roberta Hutton, Psi Chapter/5  
Barbara Middleton, Alpha Nu Chapter/5  
Shirley McDaniel, State Member

#### CHAPTER AWARDS

We are proud of the chapters in the Oregon State Organization. All are doing great work and your communities are benefiting! Those who receive awards for 2021 are listed below.

**Rosette Award** – Chapters completed a chapter brochure and yearbook, listed at least three quality programs they had presented, sent out at least four chapter newsletters, and filled out and sent the Awards Form to their District Coordinator by March 15, 2021. In 2020 – 21, all who qualified for a Rosette had also completed the requirements for an Order of the Rose, so no Rosettes were given!

**Order of the Rose Awards** – These are chapters who completed all the Rosette requirements, and who also inducted, reinstated, or transferred at least one additional member, filled out the Awards Form, sent it to their District Coordinator by March 15, 2021, and scored at least ten (10) points from a list of activities:

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|----------------------------|---|
| 1. Alpha Chapter/2         | President: Bonita Fillmore                      |
| 2. Lambda Chapter/3        | Co-Presidents: Priscilla Ing & Darby Tracy      |
| 3. Zeta Chapter/1          | President: Mary Jo Lemon                        |
| 4. Alpha Epsilon Chapter/5 | President: Kathy Martell                        |
| 5. Alpha Nu Chapter/5      | Co-Presidents: Lynetta Weswig & Melanie Morris  |
| 6. Alpha Omicron Chapter/4 | Co-Presidents: Sandy Watts & Annette McCoy      |
| 7. Omega Chapter/2         | President: Lise Van Brunt                       |
| 8. Psi Chapter/5           | Co-Presidents: Meridith Putzler & Janet Schultz |
| 9. Beta Beta Chapter/5     | Co-Presidents: Kim Brown & Barbara King         |

#### STATE AWARDS

- |                         |                                  |
|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. Service to Education | Bertha Haas, Psi Chapter/5       |
| 2. Service to Community | Dana Murphy, Beta Beta Chapter/5 |
| 3. Service to Society   | Priscilla Ing, Lambda Chapter/3  |

Plan now to see YOUR chapter featured among the winners. Criteria are on the Oregon website under Resources.

## OREGON'S UNIQUE BOUTIQUE IS NOW ON-LINE!



*The Unique Boutique* is not only on-line, but it's easy to find, too. Go to the home page of *DKG Oregon State Organization* <https://dkgoregon.weebly.com/> and scroll down to our green graphic. Then just click on the link <https://the-unique-boutique-100675.weebly.com> and you are there!

Remember you are supporting the *Boutique Treasure Stipend* with your purchases. That program offers money to first-time participants at Oregon State Organization and International Conventions/Conferences. What a fun way to support our sisters' increased participation in DKG. Find the application on the *OSO* website under *Scholarships*.

### YOU ARE INVITED!

#### The Portland Area Chapters' (PAC) Brunch

November 6 (Saturday)  
Multnomah Athletic Club

Time: TBA  
Cost: TBA



## WHAT ARE WOMEN DOING AT THE U.N. IN 2021?



By Dana Murphy

Women are changing approaches to diplomacy, hunger and food production, the refugee crisis, and more. They are creating policies and partnerships to confront complex issues. The **Committee on Teaching About the United Nations** invited DKG members to a webinar featuring dynamic women who are shaping responses to global issues. The webinar was **June 6, 2021**, at 11 a.m., PDT. If you missed it, [watch the recording on the CTAUN website.](#)

Speakers included the following: **Michelle Bachelet**, High Commissioner for Human Rights, UN: A woman of several firsts, Bachelet was the first woman President of Chile for two terms and was named as first director of UN Women, which advocates for economic empowerment and ending violence against females. She has a medical degree (surgery) and studied military strategy.

**Melissa Fleming**, Under-Secretary-General for Global Communications, UN: A media expert, author of *A Hope More Powerful than the Sea*, and host of a podcast, *Awake at Night*, Fleming served UNHCR as Head of Global Communications, designing a multimedia news service to provide stories to generate empathy for refugees.

**Gillian Sorensen**, Former UN Assistant Secretary General: Currently serving on the Board of the International Rescue Committee, she is also on the Council on Foreign Relations. She served as Assistant Secretary-General and was responsible for outreach to all. Sorensen served as NYC Commissioner for the UN and was a Teaching Fellow at Harvard University.

Other speakers included: **Perveen Ali**, UN High Commission for Refugees; **Ismahane Elouafi**, Food and Agriculture Organization; and **Amy Wu**, Farms to Incubators.

# PRESIDENTIAL AWARDS

(To the Chapters for their support) - small \$5.00 monetary award

## Participation at International

- Iota/1 - Karen Shelton, Attended 2019 International Leadership Conference in Des Moines; International Golden Gift Committee, 2019-2021
- Alpha/2 - Jennifer Cole, Attended 2020 CTAUN
- Kappa/3 - Kaye Jones, Attended 2019 International Technology Conference in Costa Mesa
- Sigma/3 - Vickie Jackson, Attended 2019 International Leadership Conference in Des Moines
- Beta Beta/5 - Dana Murphy, Attended 2020 CTAUN
- Psi/5 - Dr. Kelly McIntyre, Attended 2019 International Research Conference in Iceland; International Leadership Development Committee, 2021-2023
- Beta Gamma/6 - Ardeth Woods, Attended 2019 International Leadership Conference in Des Moines
- Alpha Phi/6 - Marguerite Fitzpatrick, Featured in the 2020 DKG Fall Fine Arts Gallery

## Communication

Chapter information/article submitted to *The New Oregon Trail* for each of the seven issues this past biennium

- Omega/2
- Lambda/3
- Alpha Epsilon/5
- Psi/5

## Membership

Longest Serving and Most Recent Inductee Attending Convention

- Longest Serving (50 years) - Robert Hutton, Psi/5; inducted 4/1/1971
- Most Recent Inductee (under 1 year) - Melissa High, Alpha/2; inducted 7/31/2020

Special Note: Psi Chapter earned all three awards! Alpha Chapter earned two!

### Birthday Trivia #10:

What chapters are nearest to Eugene?

- Lambda--Lane County & Eugene
- Kappa--Benton County

## FUNDRAISING FUN

### GREAT IDEAS FOR VIRTUAL PROJECTS

Members of DKG are known for their generosity. The past year has altered the manner in which chapters and state organizations meet, but it has not altered the altruism of DKG members. The following projects are suggestions of what can be accomplished in a virtual setting of Zoom, GoToMeetings, etc. In some instances, the beneficiary of the funds is noted. In others, chapters are encouraged to choose beneficiaries of their choice based community needs.

- **Supporting Early-career Educators (SEE)** has a local flair when chapters include new teachers in a discussion of common struggles and possible problem-solving solutions. Veteran teachers offer advice and mentoring as appropriate. SEE teachers who participate are sent gift cards to provide support in purchasing necessary teaching supplies.
- Determine which **social services** in your area need assistance. Some examples are homeless shelters in need of clothing; women's shelters in need of personal hygiene items; foster children in need of bags to carry their belongings. A chapter sends a list to members and at the following virtual meeting, members show what they have collected--either purchases or donations. One member gathers and delivers the much-needed items to the organization or recipient.
- **Auctions** are a great way to involve members and gather monetary donations. Members can determine the best way to exchange items.
  - ❖ **Purse auction** – Each member chooses a purse they no longer want. In the virtual setting, these purses are displayed and the bidding begins.
  - ❖ **Book auction** – Book covers and a short summary are shared. Members bid on their desired titles.
  - ❖ **Gift card auction** – Most of us have a gift card we won't use. Why not put it up for auction?
  - ❖ **Jewelry auction** – Bracelets, necklaces, earrings, and rings for each finger would be available in a jewelry auction.
- "Change" for **Schools for Africa (SFA)** could be an on-going project to last the year. At each virtual meeting, members would have three minutes to gather all the change they can find in their home. They would save that change from meeting to meeting. At the end of the year, the change would be collected and a total announced with a donation to the SFA. To kick-off this project, members could watch a SFA video (virtually) to set the stage and provide an interesting and informative program for the chapter.

*DKGSI 20 Apr 2021*

#### Birthday Trivia #11:

What chapters are nearest to Portland?

- Alpha Nu, Washington Co. & Peaverton
- Beta Beta: Tigard, Tualatin, Sherwood, Washington Co.
- Psi: Washington Co., Tillamook
- Chi: Clackamas Co., Oregon City, Lake Oswego, West Linn
- Eta: Portland
- Alpha Phi: Clackamas Co.

### 2019 – 2021 WHITE ROSES Chapter Eternal



#### District 2

Judy Smith-Clifton, Alpha  
Patricia Hayes, Omega

#### District 3

Jule Crume, Lambda

#### District 5

Betty McChesney Haus, Alpha  
Epsilon  
Renee Kirtley, Alpha Epsilon  
Marian Paulsen, Alpha Epsilon  
Helen Fohl, Alpha Nu  
Jean Haldorson, Beta Beta  
Peg Hewlett, Beta Beta  
Carolyn Saxe, Beta Beta  
Dr. Norma Wetzell, Beta Beta

#### District 6

Margaret Anderson, Alpha Phi  
Patricia Maple, Chi  
Betty Jean Dawkins, Eta  
Helen Kappler, Eta  
Jeurine Marshall, Eta

**State Honorary Member**  
Dr. Hester Turner

# CHAPTER CHATTER



## NEWS FLASH!

### LAMBDA ANNOUNCES A UNIVERSITY OF OREGON PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLAR!

**Karen Olsen**, Lambda/3, recently shared that one of the talented young people she has been working with in theater has been awarded a Presidential Scholarship in the amount of \$36,000 from the University of Oregon. Matthew Michaels is a 15-yr.-old senior at Springfield High School (yes, he skipped three grades). He entered high school at age 11. He excels in math and physics, having accumulated 46 credit hours at LCC, and has taken several advanced physics and calculus classes at the University of Oregon. *Matthew (L) below with Karen Olsen.*



Karen describes Matthew as a “sweet, kind, and rounded” individual, the youngest of seven children. He is talented in music as well as academics. She said his special skill is tap dancing, although he is also a great singer. In April, Matthew performed as one of The Non-Stop Players, who presented “Singin’ in the Rain” at Upstart Crow Theater in Eugene. He played the role that Gene Kelly originally had. This small group of ten actors gave an outstanding, dynamic, energy-filled show to wind up their season.

Karen said she has worked with Matthew for three years, casting him as the second lead in “Newsies,” as Snoopy in “You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown,” and most recently as Gene Kelly’s character in “Singin’ in the Rain.” Karen has served as the director of the shows, with **Jeanette Engel**, also from Lambda as the vocal director.

Matthew’s comments in the play’s program: “My favorite part of doing this show is the amount of fun we have had while also accomplishing something meaningful. For every rehearsal, the atmosphere was so amazing to be in. We truly have become a family over the past few months, and I am so grateful for all the jokes and good times that this show has brought us.

While maintaining this atmosphere, we were also able to create something special and bigger than ourselves. Everyone can feel down about the abnormal time that has been forced upon us because of this pandemic. So, it makes the little moments all the more special and worthy of celebration, such as when I finally figured out harmonies, perfected tap sections, and when we finished our first run-through.

This show has given us the gift to have fun together and to celebrate each other. It’s one of the best experiences I’ve had doing any show.”

#### Birthday Trivia #13:

Which chapters serve the Salem area?

Alpha Epsilon, which serves Marion and Polk Counties, with Beta Gamma which serves Canby and some of Marion and Clackamas Counties.

**Special thanks to our faithful  
and eagle-eyed proofreaders!**

**Christine Luehring, Lambda/3  
Darlene Cook, Alpha/2  
Kathie Hill, Omega/2**



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March 22, 2021

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HONORED--**  
for good writing on a timely topic!

**Congratulations, Julie!**

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Julie Voelker-Morris  
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Dear Dr. Voelker-Morris:

Congratulations! Your article "*Some Atypical (and Charmingly Oddball) Suggestions for Creating Belonging and Community in the Remote Classroom*" has been selected for inclusion in the 2021, Volume 87-3 issue of *The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin*.

Because published writers often need extra copies for professional records, we are sending you complimentary copies of the *Bulletin*. We are also enclosing a media release for your use. If you prefer an electronic copy of the media release please email Taylor Osborn, [tayloro@dkg.org](mailto:tayloro@dkg.org).

A copy of this letter will be forwarded to your state president, state editor, and state webmaster if applicable.

Your cooperation in sharing your manuscript with the Society in this meaningful way is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely yours,

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Executive Director

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## District 1

**Zeta (Union County):** We are all so glad that spring has finally arrived in the Grande Ronde Valley. It is beautiful with each of the colors enhancing others. Zeta's activities have been similar with several activities leading us off in new directions.

Learning about Zeta Chapter's history has been one fascinating direction. Gathering information for the birthday celebration led to chapter history questions that required research and elicited memories shared by others. We learned about women who were instrumental in starting Zeta Chapter. Many were names we were familiar with, especially those connected to the university.

We have a new transfer member, **Karen Spencer.** Karen moved from the Bend area where she was active in Sigma, to Baker City. Since Baker City does not have a chapter, Karen transferred her membership to Zeta. We are very glad to have her. This also led to another connection, as Karen's mother had belonged to Zeta.

Zeta's Virtual Tea Party earned money for our scholarship program. This path was represented by a recipient from last year, who was a guest at the April meeting. It was nice to actually get acquainted with this young lady and hear about her plans after graduating. One of our new members, **Audrey Cant,** is starting down her own new path. She was awarded \$2,500 from the Hazel Fishwood Scholarship to begin her studies for an administrative degree. It will be interesting to see how all of these paths merge in Zeta's future.

## District 2

**Alpha (Klamath Co.):** Alpha proudly supported one of our new members this year who presented a workshop for our virtual Convention in April.

**Melissa High's** workshop, *Just One More Thing*, encouraged participants to take the time and make the effort to build resilience in their thought patterns and self-talk. Melissa has been a joy to have in our chapter. She spearheaded our first Little Free Library project. Melissa was recently chosen to be City Manager for Doris, California, a small nearby town. She adds spice to our group.

At the Convention, Alpha Secretary **Brenda Jensen** was elected State President. Our President, **Bonita Fillmore,** was elected State Vice President. With our retiring State President, **Darlene Cook,** also a member of Alpha Chapter, we are strongly represented at the state level. The next biennium promises to be energetic and— we hope— cohesive.

The unique Birthday Celebration and Installation of Officers was a special experience. Thanks all who worked on it. Oregon is lucky to have members with the technical expertise and flexibility to step out of their comfort zones and create new events and memories. Go Oregon DKG!

**Omega (Josephine & Jackson Cos.):**

## BEAR RE-STARTED



**Sara Kinstler** (above), BEAR chair, re-launched the Building Early Academic Readiness (BEAR) reading program at Evergreen Elementary School, Cave Junction, Oregon, in early April. We couldn't hold an

assembly under COVID guidelines, but teachers helped Sara get the word out. BEAR served nine families this year with backpacks, bears, books, and reading logs. Pictured is one student whose family signed the DKG media permission form. Sara says, "Thanks for the opportunity to coordinate this awesome program!"



Omega members plan to attend the Portland International Conference in July. We enjoyed the 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Party and look forward to using the slide show at a future meeting. Our June session is a party, planning for 2021-22, and recognition of members, Omega's charter members, and DKG's founding members. Food, Fun, and Festivities.

## District 3

**Lambda (Lane Co.):** See articles on the previous pages.

Our May meeting took place in the backyard of **Bev and Jodi Emmons.** There were 19 attendees, including 3 on Zoom. Special guests included State President **Darlene Cook** and Awards Committee chair **Kathy Martell.** They presented the Service to the Society award to Priscilla Ing and the Order of the Rose to the chapter.

**Lacey Guest** was inducted into DKG prior to the business meeting. She is the college and career transition specialist at Cottage Grove High School. Lacey was a member of the State Convention panel that talked

about challenges of teaching during the pandemic. **Marilyn Williams** also participated on that panel. She is now the principal at Centennial Elementary School in Springfield.



*Lacey Guest (L) with Priscilla Ing*

A \$2,500 Hazel Fishwood scholarship was awarded to **Ana de la Paz Martinez**, who plans to earn a Master of Education with a Reading Intervention Endorsement. She is an ELD teacher at Prairie Mountain School in Eugene. The chapter's nominee for a Dagmar Jeppeson grant, Amanda (Mandi) Wadley will receive \$1,500. Mandi is an EA at Thurston Elementary School and a student at Pacific University.

**Clair Wiles**, a social studies teacher at North Eugene High School, was nominated by the League of Women Voters of Lane County to participate in the Case Method for Teaching Civics workshop through Harvard University this summer. This online program will be based upon 19 case studies in Professor David A. Moss's book, Democracy - A Case Study.

On a sad note, members learned of the passing of reserve member **Sally Bethel** in early May. She had transferred to Lambda when Alpha Sigma dissolved in 2014. She had taught at Edgewood and Harris Elementary schools in Eugene from 1962 until her retirement. Sally had been a DKG member for 49 years.

#### District 4

**Alpha Omicron (St. Helens):** Alpha Omicron's final chapter meeting was held outdoors and in person at Scappoose's newest city park. State President **Darlene Cook** joined our meeting. There were many smiles and much conversation before and after the meeting; the pandemic has kept us all apart far too long. Our newest member, **Barb Shriver**, inducted in April, was in attendance. She received a warm welcome, and a red rose as she signed the Chapter Register.



*Barb Shriver, Alpha Omicron*

After the business meeting, members shared trivia about themselves as a large "ball of questions" was tossed about. Which famous person did you have a teenage crush on? Ricky Nelson, Donny Osmond, Elvis? We heard some interesting answers!

#### District 5

**Alpha Epsilon (Salem & Polk County)** The April program was on the Neonatal Unit at Salem Health. Presenters were Kacy Bradshaw, Lead Neonatal Nurse Practitioner at Salem Health, and Shannan Murphy-Barlow, Unit OT, who also heads their reading program.

The Neonatal Unit provides the best medical service for premature newborns in the surrounding area along with offering best practice parenting classes. Parents attend classes on

Brain Development, Connections between parents and infants, Parenting Skills, Explaining baby milestones and breast feeding. Within one hour after the birth, parents are introduced to the importance of Skin-to-Skin relationships with the baby.

The skin-to-skin reading time with a premature infant in the NICU exposes the baby to more language and more vocalization before being discharged from the NICU. This leads to higher scores on tests of language abilities in early childhood. As former and present teachers, we were impressed with the help given to families with premature infants.

**Psi (Hillsboro, Beaverton & Washington Co.):** Psi Chapter thanks those who contributed to our Taste of Tanzania Huruma School fundraiser in March. With your help we raised enough money to support the school for another year!

Congratulations to **Bertha Haas** on receiving the DKG Outstanding Achievement Award in Education for her support of Huruma School since 2004. Her dedication to the education of handicapped children is beyond measure.

Our next meeting will be an in-person meeting (yeah!!!) at the home of member **Freda Boyles**. We are all staying COVID vigilant, meeting outside, and bringing our own lunches. It will be wonderful seeing each other in person again and having a chance to visit!!! Our guests will be **Kathy Martell and Sandy Watts** who will be bringing Bertha her award.

**Beta Beta (Tigard/Tualatin/Sherwood):**

#### CHECK OUT OUR NEW BETA BETA HISTORY!

To celebrate our Oregon State Organization's 80<sup>th</sup> birthday this spring, your Historian and several long-time BB

members put together a “History of Beta Beta Chapter.” Our chapter had a chance to recount things we are especially proud of and show some photos of our chapter over the years. Our own **Dana Murphy** was in charge of putting this presentation together for the presentation at the state celebration.

This history has been uploaded onto our BB Google Drive and a link to it will appear on the migrated BB Members Only page of the website. If you’d like to read it now, the link below will take you there.

<https://docs.google.com/document/d/1hohomjj12yQtnG-3z2A-TvqwGZz9vX1f8Cw4N2sxId-zo/edit>

### AWARDS FOR BETA BETA MEMBERS

At the Oregon State Convention last month, **Dana Murphy** received the Service to Community Award! Dana is involved in many organizations that help our community: Bethlehem House of Bread, Just Compassion, & CTUAN (Council for Teaching About the United Nations), just to name a FEW.

She also sewed hundreds of masks for those in need during the early part of the pandemic. Beta Beta and the Oregon State Organization are proud of Dana and her accomplishments. The real winners of course are all the people she has helped over the years in Tigard. Well Done Dana!!

Awards also went to **Sandy Bartnik** and **Barb Pennell** who celebrate their 25<sup>th</sup> years as Beta Beta members. Thanks for serving Beta Beta all these years ladies!

### BETA BETA INDUCTS SIX NEW MEMBERS

The membership committee inducted six members at our chapter meeting in April. New 2021 members are: **Carol Duncan, Ginny Goddard,**

**and Eileen MacPherson.** In 2020, we gained three new members, **Jerre Ann Pappelis, Sheila Kleinheinz and Kelly Mohr**, who were part of our induction ceremony as well. We can’t wait to meet them in person!

**District 6: No chatter submitted by District 6 chapters.**

CHAPTERS: **PLEASE SEND INFORMATION FOR THE TRAIL.** IT IS THE HISTORY OF OREGON DKG.

When chapters don’t submit articles, the history of their good work, fellowship, and community contributions cannot be recorded. In 20 years, when Oregon DKG turns 100, how will we be able to report about your chapter without information?

Presidents, **please** appoint someone to regularly send a few sentences about your chapters for the *Trail*. We miss hearing about you! Tell us what you are doing, what is planned, and which members deserve kudos!

### Birthday Trivia #16:

Where can I learn about my own chapter’s history?  
Ask your Chapter Program Chair to schedule a showing of the 80<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration slides.

### WHAT TO DO IN 21-22!

#### 2021

1. Thursday, **July 1** - Beginning of 2021-2023 Biennium
2. Wednesday, **July 7** - Saturday, July 10 - Portland International Conference (Hybrid)
3. Thursday, **July 22** - Saturday, July 24 - San Antonio International Conference ((Hybrid)
4. Thursday, **July 30** - Saturday, August 1 - International Leadership Training, Atlanta, Georgia (Hybrid)

#### 2022

1. Friday, **April 29** - Sunday, May 1 - Oregon State Convention, The Oregon Garden Resort, Silverton, OR
2. Tuesday, **July 12** - Saturday, July 16 - International Convention, New Orleans, Louisiana

### Birthday Trivia #15:

Which chapters are in District 4 on the NW Coast?  
Alpha Omega: Astoria & Clatsop County  
Alpha Omicron: Columbia County

# TAKE A CRUISE THIS SUMMER!

Wouldn't it be fun if we got DKG members from all over the state to share a ship on a river cruise in France? We can do this in the spring of 2022. Come with us. Bring your spouse or family and friends or come alone. Let's go somewhere after staying home for over a year.

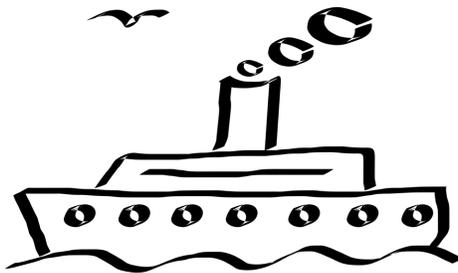
## CRUISING BURGUNDY & PROVENCE TO THE COTE D'AZUR

**May 10-22. Thirteen (yes, 13!) days with almost all meals.** Cost depends on cabin choice: \$4,495-\$4,895, plus \$1,200 airfare. Deposit \$599 due by 6-30-21 when the cabins they are holding for us will be released. After that date it is first come, first served so don't wait. Sign up now.



**Arrive in Paris** and meet your tour guide for a leisurely orientation walk around the hotel and a welcome drink and then dinner on your own. In the morning you will have a panoramic bus tour that includes the Champs-Elysees, Eiffel Tower, and Notre Dame, followed by a walk in a typical French neighborhood. The afternoon is yours to

pursue your own interests. That evening, enjoy a welcome dinner and marvel at the lights of Paris, the capital of romance.



The next day start your journey to cruise through gently sloping hills and vineyards aboard the latest river ship added to our privately owned fleet—the luxurious **M/S River Chanson**. Along the way, you will witness the lovely landscapes and enchanting villages that inspired the great artists of the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> centuries. You will visit a local market in **Lyon** and the WWII Resistance Museum. Get close to ancient history in **Vienne**—a city known for its impressive Roman amphitheater and Corinthian columns and enjoy a home visit. In **Avignon** visit the ornate papal palace and a Gothic cathedral, and medieval fortifications. **Relax on the ship and enjoy the view and the people.**

On Day 11 we leave the ship for a nice drive through the beautiful countryside and arrive at **Cote d'Azur's premier Riviera destination—elegant Nice**. Day 12 is a walking tour of Nice and an afternoon to relax on the beach or whatever you choose. Day 13 we fly home if we choose not to stay longer.

**Activity Level 1.** Easy walking and a few stairs is all that is expected of you.

### Notes:

1. Total cost is per person, double occupancy and includes airfare from Portland, rooms, guides, transfers and most meals.
2. Grand Circle offer an incentive reduction in cost for early full payment.
3. There is always time for exploring on your own
4. Extra days can be added, either at the beginning or at the end at your own expense, but no additional cost in airfare.
5. We encourage you to purchase the travel insurance offered.
6. Day 1 is the day you leave Portland and the last day listed is the trip home.

**For more information**, call DKG member Nancy Lewis at 503-352-4453. Ask her to speak at a chapter meeting to promote this idea of traveling together.

### Reservations or information:

- Go to: <http://www.gct.com/RON22>.
- To reserve, call 1-800-221-2610 and mention **Code G2-29054**.
- Also, **mention TABC 139 for a \$500 discount** before 12/31/2021.

**Birthday Trivia #17:**  
How old is DKG in Oregon?  
Oregon turned 80 on May 23, 2021!

**RETURN ADDRESS**

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<b>Darlene's Travels</b>		
6/5	Psi Meeting	Forest Grove
6/6	CTAUN Webinar	Computer
6/10	Beta Gamma Meeting	Canby
6/21	Beta Beta Meeting	Tigard
6/22	Alpha Rho Foundation Meeting	Zoom
6/23	International Conference Steering Committee Mtg.	Zoom
6/29	State Leadership Transition Meeting	Zoom
7/7-10	International Conference	Portland, OR

**Birthday Trivia #12:**

Who is the 2021 International President of DKG?  
Becky Sadowski of Tennessee

**Birthday Trivia #14:**

Is there a DKG chapter in the Columbia River Gorge?  
Yes, Pi, serving The Dalles and Wasco County