

# THE NEW OREGON TRAIL

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Oregon State Organization



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

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*Life-Long Learning, Knowledge, Exploration, Discovery, Experience,*



*Confidence, Self-Improvement, Unlimited Horizons, Accomplishment.*

## SEE YOU IN SILVERTON!

The Oregon State Organization of Delta Kappa Gamma presents the  
**2022 Spring Conference** at The Oregon Garden Resort  
on **April 29 - May 1, 2022.**

Mark your calendars for learning and fun.

## Watch your email for an upcoming (about February 10-15) CONFERENCE-ONLY TRAIL!

It will include the schedule of events, the workshops and their descriptions, conference registration form(s), key-note speakers' biographies and photos, menu options, directions (in case you don't have a GPS), entertainment options, Tips for Newcomers, things to see in the area, and much more.

- Do you have prospective members? Invite them as guest(s) of your chapter.
- Are there former chapter members who might like to attend? Invite them to come and provide a copy of the Conference Trail!
- Is an older chapter member reluctant to drive? Offer to carpool.
- Let the schools in your area know about the conference.

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Sign up to present  
a workshop

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Register for a  
room at The  
Oregon Garden  
Resort

**OREGON STATE ORGANIZATION**



**2021-23 PRESIDENT  
Brenda Jensen / Alpha 2**



**Happy New Year!** I hope you had a wonderful time celebrating with family and friends.

As I look forward to 2022, the conference steering committee is busy planning a successful and informative conference April 29 – May 1 at The Oregon Garden Resort in Silverton, Oregon. This will be an opportunity to gather with our sisters face-to-face where we will be able to exchange ideas, share our energies, and enjoy each other's company.

You might be asking, "What are my plans for 2022?" Let me tell you.

This spring, chapters will elect new officers for the 2022-24 biennium. I encourage all members to consider taking on a leadership role in their chapters. It's important to move DKG and the Oregon State Organization into the future. There are continual changes occurring in Oregon and in the world. By accepting a leadership role in your chapter, you can be part of those

changes and make sure that DKG and OSO will continue to grow and thrive in the future.

Besides the OSO conference, there are other exciting events coming during 2022. How about a Leadership Retreat in June? I am considering beautiful Diamond Lake Resort as perfect backdrop for leadership training, transition of materials to the new officers, and bonding experiences among sisters. I will keep you posted.

The DKG International Convention will be held in New Orleans on July 12-16. Why don't you consider attending and enjoy Southern hospitality? The convention is followed by a river tour from New Orleans to Memphis if that interests you. Check out their itinerary on Go-Ahead Tours and on the DKG website.

The Oregon Fall Conference will be in September. I contacted Seven Feathers in Canyonville, just south of Roseburg, as the venue. I toured the site, and it has several rooms

suitable for workshops. Don't worry! You do not have to go through the casino to attend the meetings, as there are doors leading directly into the conference complex from the parking lot. They have beautiful, updated hotel rooms for the stay.

President-to-President meetings will continue throughout the year. In fact, the next meeting is set for January 22, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. on Zoom. Watch your email for an invitation.

I am excited about seeing each of you sometime during the year. I do appreciate every one of you for your energies and the passion you give to DKG and Oregon State Organization.

Here's to making more cherished memories in 2022!

**Brenda**

## HEAR YE! HEAR YE!

The Membership & Expansion Committee would like to highlight DKG Oregon members who have been recognized for their achievements and accomplishments in their districts, schools, colleges, personal educational endeavors (a new degree? a promotion?), and community or personal activities (elected to city council, as club president, new baby). Each DKG member is important!

When a member of your chapter receives an award, recommendation, recognition, or commendation, send a brief description of the accomplishment to Darlene Cook at [dcook.dkg@gmail.com](mailto:dcook.dkg@gmail.com). A picture of the member would also be helpful. Let's recognize our members and share the good news in *The New Oregon Trail*!

We look forward to honoring the achievements of our Oregon members and would like our entire state organization to celebrate with you!

### Membership/Expansion Committee

*Darlene Cook, Chair, Alpha/2*

*Audrey Cant, Zeta/1*

*Dr. Wendy Hacke, Beta Beta/5*

*Anne Jones, Beta Gamma/6*

*Nancy Lewis, Beta Beta/5*

*Cindy O'Mealy, Chi/6*

## PAC BRUNCH 2022

District 6 is looking forward to hosting the Spring Brunch in 2022.

**When:** Saturday, March 5, 2022

**Time:** 10 a.m. to Noon

**Where:** Monarch Hotel & Conference Center << NEW site  
12566 S.E. 93<sup>rd</sup> Ave. Use **Exit 14 from I-205**

Clackamas, OR 97015

Off I-205 near the Clackamas Mall

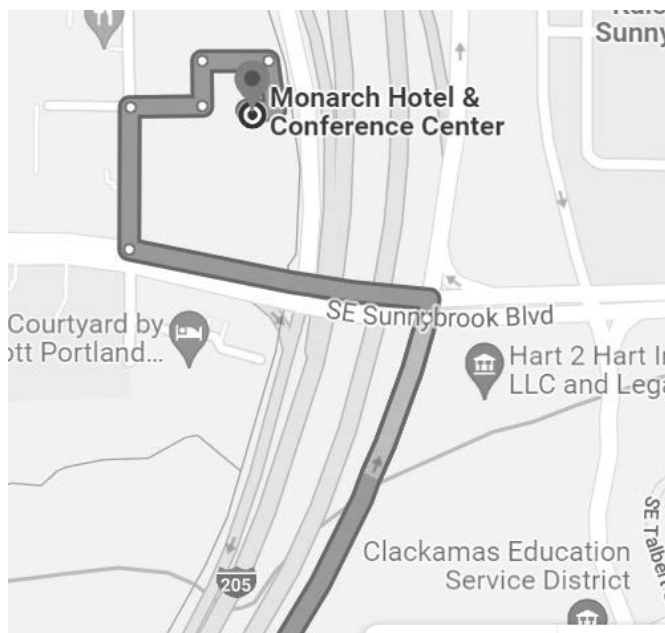
**Cost:** \$30, includes gratuity

We have considered diet diversity in the menu. Local chapters will provide table assistance for members who find a buffet line difficult.

The new site lends itself to easy freeway access, flat surfaces, a large parking lot, and an elevator immediately inside the entrance door that leads to the first floor and the banquet room. Guests are encouraged to arrive any time after 9:30 for visiting and renewing friendships.

District 6 is excited about a spring event and hopes that better weather, easier access, and better health conditions will entice guests to the event. If we have to cancel or reschedule this event for any reason, we will make every effort to notify everyone.

To purchase your tickets, or if you have any questions or concerns, please contact Jean at [jeanf3777@gmail.com](mailto:jeanf3777@gmail.com) We hope to see you in March!!



# Red Roses--Welcome new and reinstated members!

April 2020 to January 2022



## RED ROSES

Welcome, all of you, to DKG.  
Enjoy belonging to a group of key  
women educators! We are so glad  
you are here.

Alpha/2

**Breanna Apostol**

Lambda/3

**Lacey Guest**

Sigma/3

**Diane Lindeleaf** - Reinstated

Alpha Epsilon/5

**Lark Abrahamson**

Beta Beta/5

**Marlene Wallingford** –

Reinstated; former member of

Alpha Pi

Psi/5

- **Janelle Robinson**
- **Erin Sands** - Transfer from  
Texas

Beta Gamma/6

**Kay Huston**

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# White Roses--A fond farewell

April 2020 to January 2022 (and a couple that were missed earlier)

## WHITE ROSES

Mourning our friends from years  
past, we hope that Chapter Eternal  
allows them to continue learning  
and loving.

Omega/2

**Dr. Barbara (Bobbie) Nelson  
Middaugh**

Omicron/2

**Madaline Lapp**  
January 3, 2022



Kappa/3

- **Bobbie Holsberry**
- **Margie Parker**

Lambda/3

**Sally Bethel**

Alpha Omicron/4

**Annette Louise McCoy**

Psi/5

- **Marcelline MacDonald**
- **Barbara Peck** (2014)

Chi/6

**Barbara Immroth**

State Member

**Shirley Gintz**

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*Both reports above are from the Membership & Expansion Committee. If we missed a member from your chapter, please let Darlene Cook know. [dcook.dkg@gmail.com](mailto:dcook.dkg@gmail.com)*

# STATE SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

The State Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce recipients of awards:

Hazel Fishwood Scholarships were awarded this fall to **Trudi Sang**, Beta Beta, and **Lacey Guest**, Lambda. Each received \$1,000.

- Trudi is attending Multnomah Biblical Seminary while working toward a degree as Doctor of Ministry in Cultural Engagement. She expects to complete this degree June 2023. Trudi has been a member of Beta Beta since April 2016.



- Lacey was inducted into Lambda Chapter in May 2021 and quickly began to take advantage of opportunities available to all DKG members, including applying for a State scholarship. She will use this award toward her Master of Counseling in School Counseling. She is currently the college and career coordinator at Cottage Grove High School.



**Karren Timmermans**, Lambda, was awarded a Personal Enrichment Commemorative scholarship for \$2,500. Karren has been invited to present on the topic of Vision and Reading Readiness at the Athens Institute for Education and Research Conference in May 2022 in Athens, Greece. She is excited about sharing her interest and passion for the impact vision has on children's literacy acquisition at an International level. She is expected to give a 10-15 minute oral presentation, during which she may use PowerPoint™. Karren became a member of Lambda in December 2016 and is a professor at Pacific University, Eugene Campus.



**Donna Rhinevault** received a Personal Enrichment Commemorative scholarship for \$2,000. Donna will be going on a Grand Circle tour called "Cruising Burgundy and Provence to Cote d'Azure" in May 2022. She considers this a way to check off several things on her "bucket list." It will allow her to visit France (including Paris), take a river cruise, and "stick a toe into the Mediterranean Sea." She says she's "most eager to take an optional excursion to the Chavet Cave in Southern France and see the cave paintings discovered in 1994 (now replicas)." Upon her return, she will share her experiences. Donna joined Beta Beta in May 2009.



When you meet these ladies, be sure to congratulate them and wish them your best on their chosen projects. At our spring conference, you may donate to scholarships, so bring your checkbook.

## INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION July 12 - 16, 2022 New Orleans, Louisiana

Already posed on the DKG International Website:

1. A "Welcome" Video
2. Sheraton New Orleans Hotel Reservations
3. Keynote Speakers and brief biographies
4. 2022 Schedule-at-a-Glance
5. Nominees for 2022-2024 Officers
6. Call for Presentation Programs: **Due by 11:59 p.m. CST (9:59 p.m. PST), January 7, 2022**
7. Call for Vendors and Exhibitors. **Register and Pay by April 15, 2022.**
8. Reservations for the Go Ahead tour from New Orleans to Memphis is open. Travel the Mississippi River in style!

## RECOGNIZING A MEMBER

Past Oregon DKG President Dr. Cindy Ryan recently submitted an article to the *Oregon Journal of the Social Studies* (Vol. 9 No. 1). It is titled "Toddlers in Action: Social Studies with our Youngest Children." Yay, Cindy!



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## OREGON'S NEW 501(C)(3) OPPORTUNITY ALPHA RHO FOUNDATION (ARF)

### 2019 - 21 Status Report

During 2019-2021, Oregon DKG members established the 501(c)(3) tax-deductible **Alpha Rho Foundation (ARF)** to serve the Oregon State Organization (OSO) of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. Authorization from the Internal Revenue Service, which made ARF compliant with the Internal Revenue Code, arrived on October 20, 2020.

The name is a tribute to the many years (5/23/1941 – 6/30/2019) that Oregon DKG was known as “Alpha Rho State.” The Foundation Board of Directors is developing processes and procedures. The Foundation Board of Directors is partially complete. Members and positions are:

1. Brenda Jensen, OSO President<sup>1</sup> and President of the ARF board
2. Darlene Cook, Member-at-Large
3. Vickie Jackson, OSO Treasurer and Foundation Treasurer
4. Kate Kelleher, OSO Secretary and Foundation Secretary
5. Priscilla Ing, Member-at-Large
6. Kelly McIntyre, ARF Past OSO President

<sup>1</sup> The current president of the Oregon State Organization is always the President of the Alpha Rho Foundation. Likewise, the OSO Treasurer and Secretary serve in those positions for the Foundation.

Two more members will be elected to the board at the 2023 state convention.

January 2022 work will add these components:

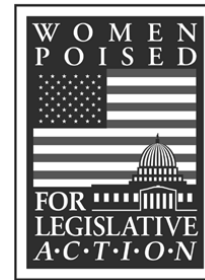
1. Bylaws clarification to include qualifications and numbers of board members, terms of office, and job descriptions.
2. Forms and procedures details.
3. Tax-deductible donations to ARF are now possible as the Foundation has been authorized by the IRS Code Compliance Office.

However, forms for requesting and donating funds are in progress will be available soon.

Stay tuned for further progress reports as the board completes necessary work. Watch for information from ARF via email updates. Expect to see brochures for members and others; for example, tailored to financial planners to share with their clients, a “home” on the Oregon DKG website, and new opportunities for you to donate to assist with projects and activities funded by the Foundation.

Meanwhile, make checks out to “ARF” and send contributions and inquiries to:

**Vickie Jackson, OSO Treasurer**  
235 S.E. C St.  
Madras, OR 97441-1732



### NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE SEMINAR: US Forum

March 6 - 8, 2022, Washington, DC

Join key women educators who are interested in advocating for women, children, and education. Spend three days participating in a seminar that features knowledgeable speakers and legislative updates. Spend a day on Capitol Hill, meeting with your congressional representatives and touring Washington, D.C.

**Sunday, March 6**, features a national speaker discussing advocacy.

**Monday, March 7** deals with key legislative issues and provides knowledgeable speakers. Participants strengthen their advocacy skills and prepare to visit their legislators. Participants are encouraged to make appointments with their legislators in advance.

**Tuesday, March 8:** Participants visit their legislators on Capitol Hill. The event concludes with a celebration dinner.

Full registration is \$210. This allows the participant to attend all events and speakers, materials, transportation to the Hill, and some meals: March 6 dinner, March 7 lunch, and March 8 dinner (all buffet style). **Questions?** Contact Dana Murphy ([mudspud1@gmail.com](mailto:mudspud1@gmail.com)) or Kate Kelleher ([kate-kelleher4@gmail.com](mailto:kate-kelleher4@gmail.com))

**Registration is now open! at**

<https://www.dkgusforum.com>

### **ARE YOU A LEADER?** These are all related sources.

- <https://hbr.org/2015/10/the-best-leaders-are-constant-learners>
- <https://www.audible.com/pd/The-Best-Leaders-Are-Constant-Learners-Audiobook/B016IT0IJ4>
- <https://qaspire.com/2015/10/26/leadership-learning-and-personal-knowledge-mastery/>

## CHAPTER CHATTER 2021 - 2022



### District 1:

**Zeta (Union Co.):** Zeta Chapter has been busy! In September, Zeta member, Audrey Cant, shared her new career adventure. After teaching for 14 years, Audrey has joined Vivayic™, a company which states that their area of expertise as, “We craft insightful learning solutions. Vivayic offers learning solutions that strike a balance between solid research and lived experience. We offer learner-centered programs based on great ideas and strong fundamentals. (website)” Audrey is developing curriculum to assist with that purpose.

October brought Teacher Appreciation activities. Chapter members contributed special items chosen to let Union County teachers know how much we appreciate all that they do. These included things such as special pens or pencils, “sticky” notes, wrapped treats, and coffee cards. The items were divided among foil pans and then delivered to the county schools with (1) a special card signed by all of us and (2) several Zeta Chapter brochures. Everyone had fun working on the pans and, from the feedback, it is safe to say they were popular with school staff.

Kelsey Duby, La Grande High School ASPIRE coordinator, was our November guest. [ASPIRE is a mentoring program for high school juniors and seniors to help prepare them for their careers in life.]

Zeta Chapter is preparing for a resourceful 2022. We are looking forward to a new type of activity for us.

## INDIVIDUAL STATE ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS — THE OREGON SERVICE AWARDS

*Kathy Martell and Sandy Watts*

Do you remember who our three State Achievement Award winners were for 2021? If you don't, check the state website under the Fall 2021 Issue of the *Trail* to find out how the following people excelled in Service to Education: **Bertha Hass**—Psi Chapter; Service to Community: **Dana Murphy**—Beta Beta Chapter; and Service to Society: **Priscilla Ing**—Lambda Chapter. It's time to be thinking about nominations for these three awards for 2022.

Do you know someone who excels in these areas of service? If you do, now is the time to nominate her for one of Oregon State Organization's three service awards. Check out the state website first to see all the excellent women who have won in the past and nominate a new, very deserving person. This member might be in your chapter or another chapter around the state. All you need to do is find the nomination form on the state website, [www.dkgoregon.weebly.com](http://www.dkgoregon.weebly.com) under Resources, fill it out, and send it to **Kathy Martell**, [kkm4dkg@gmail.com](mailto:kkm4dkg@gmail.com) or 1115 Chestnut St. NW Salem, OR 97304, by **March 15, 2022**.

### CHAPTER AWARDS

#### ROSETTE AND ORDER OF THE ROSE

*Sandy Watts and Kathy Martell*

**Chapter Presidents**, have you downloaded your Chapter Award Form from the state website, [www.dkgoregon.weebly.com](http://www.dkgoregon.weebly.com) yet? Have you been keeping track of all your chapter accomplishments? If so, record them on this form. Go to the state website, look under, Resources and then click on State and Chapter Forms. Scroll down till you find *Rosette and Order of the Rose Requirements and Form* in the left-hand column, print the form, fill it out, and send the completed form to **Sandy Watts**, [sandywatts269@comcast.net](mailto:sandywatts269@comcast.net) or 33815 E Columbia Ave, Scappoose, OR 97056, by **March 15, 2022**.



Some members are reading *Unveiled Truth* by Gail Goolsby in preparation for a panel discussion.

<<<< *Zeta members preparing gift bags to thrill teachers*

## CHAPTER CHATTER 2021 - 2022



### District 2

**Alpha (Klamath County):** Alpha started the year with a push to contact past members, inviting them to reinstate. Three attended our patio pizza meeting and we had a wonderful time reconnecting. We continue to work on our BEAR project and our Little Free Libraries. With our BEAR project, we support students in Mills and Stearns Elementary Schools and at IYS. The *Herald and News* donated old newspaper street display/selling cases to use for our Little Free Libraries. We plan to decorate them, fill them with books and place them in areas without a Little Free Library.

**October:** We traveled to Dorris, CA, (about 20 miles south of Klamath Falls) to encourage teachers there to join Alpha. Only one teacher came, but we heard a wonderful program about the museum in Dorris. It was a fun road trip.

**November:** Alpha awarded 7 grants to educators who have been working less than 10 years. Five were able to attend our meeting to receive their checks. Two filled out membership applications, to our delight!



*President Bonita Fillmore (2<sup>nd</sup> from left) poses with 5 of the 7 early educators who received an Alpha grant.*

**December:** At our Christmas Energizer, we inducted Breanna Apostol. Bre works at Lost River Jr./Sr. High in Merrill.



**Bridget Honan (L) helps induct Breanna Apostol** She is the Spanish/ELD teacher with experience in the Peace Corps where she used her degree in International Studies. We are proud to add her to our chapter. Also at our Christmas Energizer, the Klamath Basin Flute Choir, directed by Valli Lonner, a former member, was our entertainment. The six students presented a bubbly program of Christmas music and were much appreciated.



### Omega (Josephine Co.):

**November:** Omega member Michelle Gallas, owner of Imagine That! Creative Children's Centers, updated us on early childhood education and challenges facing educators during the pandemic.

Omega members did a fast switcheroo on **December 4**. Sara Kinstler was to be our hostess for a potluck brunch. Alas, all her planning was disrupted when multiple students in her Evergreen Elementary class tested positive for COVID. The party moved seamlessly to President Van Brunt's home. Luckily, DKG members are flexible! Unfortunately, COVID struck again. Tawyna Campbell had five students test positive for the virus on Friday (12/3)! Four other ladies had colds they did not wish to share, so that resulted in a small party: Lise, Lynn

Hughes, Kathie Hill (visiting from S. Carolina!), and a prospective member.

### District 3

**Lambda (Lane Co.):** December was social time! Fun, not business. Some ladies gathered at the home of Marj Maxwell, while others joined on Zoom. Under the direction of Cecelia Brands and Darby Tracy, members had a Purse Scavenger Hunt and played Christmas Jingle Bingo. As a service project, we donated gift items to be used as a Secret Santa activity for the girls at St. Vincent's Youth House. Jodi Emmons suggested the girls be able to select items to give to each other. She collected the donations and delivered them.

**Grant Distribution:** In November, recent Jeppeson Grant recipient Mandi Wadley and chapter grant recipients, Gabie Mbenza-Ngoma and Lauren Flick, shared experiences as in-training educators:

1. Mandi expected to continue working as an Instructional Assistant at Thurston Elementary School while completing her teaching credential. Instead, due to a teacher not being vaccinated, she was asked in October to become the "teacher of record" for a 3<sup>rd</sup> grade class. Her teaching applies to her practicum, and her Pacific University supervisor continues to be her mentor.
2. Gabie, in her fourth year of teaching 6<sup>th</sup> grade at Malabon Elementary, continues work on her master's at the University of Oregon. This year is particularly challenging. Because of the pandemic, students were not at school in person for 18 months. As a result, they are behind both academically and in social skills. Two teachers at her school resigned because it is simply too hard. Gabie is interested in developing curriculum and hopes to design social studies curricula that stimulate complex, sometimes



difficult, conversations.

3. Lauren is teaching 9<sup>th</sup> grade algebra at South Eugene High while completing her master's at the University of Oregon. She noticed the extremely wide range of math abilities among her students. With on-line school last year, some students were unable to learn skills that normally prepare them for algebra. She is working to engage those students, using fun activities and music to help them learn and remember mathematical facts and processes. Lauren is passionate about stimulating gender equity in math.

**October:** KIDSPORTS was the program topic, with Bev Smith, their executive director, providing information. Begun in 1954, the mission of KIDSPORTS is to provide all children the opportunity to sample different sports each season, to play, and to have a positive experience. Participants gain physical skills as well as social and emotional skills. Bev explained, "We learn from both wins and losses."

**Lambda Chapter Scholarships** of \$100 have been given to four members in recent months.

- Julie Voelker-Morris bought copies of *This Is My America* for Lambda's summer book talk.
- Lacey Guest purchased textbooks for her master's degree work in counseling.
- Noriko Baldwin bought books for her 2<sup>nd</sup> grade classroom at Whiteaker ECSE (Early Childhood Special Education).
- Cecelia Brands purchased books for classrooms at the Arts and Technology Academy. And matched the amount! The pandemic had a negative effect on student reading skills, so 6<sup>th</sup> to 8<sup>th</sup> grade teachers need to update class libraries with simpler books.

#### District 4

**Alpha Omicron (St. Helens):** In October, Alpha Omicron met outdoors for a final time this year at a park. Following our business meeting, members crafted fall greeting cards. Shirley Mann >> is holding some.

For the chilly, dark November and December meetings, we met indoors at Caples House Museum.



After the November business meeting, caramel-apple kits were assembled for gifting to new teachers in the district. DKG and chapter contact information was attached to each kit. After our December meeting, we enjoyed our annual Secret Santa gift exchange. It has been delightful to meet face to face, eventhough our faces are covered with COVID masks, as necessary.

#### *Betsy and Debbie & Gift Bags*



#### District 5

**Alpha Epsilon (Salem & Polk Cos.)** Alpha Epsilon succeeded with our second try for a social. The first effort was cancelled by 109 degrees! We met on Sept. 11 at Legacy Vineyards, for a picnic and a glass of wine. Perfect day, acorns dropping from the oaks, sunny,

brisk breezes—outside and distanced. Each of us brought a lunch; Kathy Martell brought yummy cookies to share; Cindy Ryan provided scrumptious chocolates; the winery cheerfully sold some bottles of wine—all good. Ten attended ( L to R) Dr. Cindy Ryan, Shirley House, Kathy Martell, Jill Snyder, Sue Nelson; Marie Mueller; and too many yellowjackets. Kathy shared DKG Int'l and chapter brochures with the guests, with the



owners of the vineyard, who are also teachers, and with one of Cindy's co-workers who stopped by. Lots of stories were told. Ask Jill and Cindy what the differences are among a puddle, a pond, and a lake.

We inducted Lark Abrahamson into our chapter in October. Most of Lark's teaching career was at MacLaren



Youth Correctional Facility in Woodburn. She retired last spring and we are glad she accepted our invitation to join DKG.. She adds a new perspective to our chapter.

Our Holiday Social in December was at The Yard in Salem. Shirley House (L), Lark Abrahamson (2<sup>nd</sup> from left), Shawnie Murphy (C), Kathy Martell 2<sup>nd</sup> from R) and Marie Mueller (R) enjoyed meals from various food trucks, exchanged gifts (Shirley, a talented artisan, had made exqui-



site wooden ornaments), news, and brought new books to contribute to Salem Hospital's Neonatal Intensive Care Unit.

**Alpha Nu (Hillsboro, Beaverton & Washington Co.):**

Alpha Nu Chapter marked its 59<sup>th</sup> anniversary on November 16<sup>th</sup>. In 1962, Xi and Alpha Beta Chapters of Washington County sponsored the new chapter because more women qualified for membership than their two chapters could accommodate.

Our fall programs have been Zoom meetings. In **October**, Darlene Cook, immediate past president of the Oregon State Organization, did a slide show presentation about how the DKG Emergency Fund was formed in May of 1948 at the time of the Vanport Flood. The fund was set up to assist members affected by any natural disaster.

In **November**, Beaverton Resource Center, Co-Executive Director and Co-Founder, Lisa Mentasana, shared the ways the BRC helps connect members of our community struggling with hunger, housing, and poverty to local resources. Alpha Nu's community outreach focus has for years been Be-

averton Schools' Homeless Education Liaison Program (H.E.L.P.), which is now part of BRC. Once again, we donated money, food, and personal hygiene items. Our **December** program: Game Night.

**District 6**

**Psi (Hillsboro, Beaverton & Washington Co.):**

**August:** Psi met at member Roberta Hutton's new house in Lincoln City for lunch and enjoyed glorious weather. Member Janice Anderson's daughter, Hilary Story, who is teaching at a school in Egypt, joined us. We welcomed Erin Sands, a transfer member from Texas into our chapter. We are excited to have her join us. Erin currently teaches in Forest Grove.

**October:** Hilary, our August guest, met with us via Zoom and shared her experiences traveling and teaching in Japan and Egypt. Kathy Martell and another member of Alpha Epsilon joined us for her presentation.

**November:** Our chapter had the opportunity to visit with a teacher and Executive Assistant from Adelente Mujeres in Forest Grove. Their mission is to provide educational opportunities and training so Latina women and their families can be leaders in their community.

**December:** We welcomed and inducted PSU graduate student Janelle Robinson from South Africa into our chapter. We look forward to helping her learn about DKG and sharing DKG with fellow educators when she goes back home next spring.

See Psi photo, next page.

**Dst. 3: Sigma (Madras, Bend):** Sigma is meeting via internet. We did take a ladies' day in January

**Chi (Clackamas):** Chi Chapter celebrated Christmas with a Mayan dinner, lots of desserts, 11 members and 1 guest at the home of Jean Fairbairn. Cookie boxes, cards and homemade ornaments were sent to 7 members who were not able to come. There was much catching up to do, stories to tell,



and a great deal of laughter.

Jo Lane led chapter members in several theatrical activities which caused even more laughter. Jo's biggest challenge was trying to lead Chi members in a Gregorian Chant (below). The evening was unique, fun, and one that will be long remembered.



before the COVID numbers spiked, d watched the movie "King Richard," and ate lunch together. We are gathering books that can be used for testing the reading levels of students at Warm Springs.



*Psi Chapter members at their Christmas Tea 2021.*

**District 6, continued:**

**Beta Gamma (Canby/Molalla):** We met four times this fall in person. September featured a “bring your own lunch” reunion gathering in a lovely backyard. In October, we met for an evening Oktoberfest potluck. We were excited to do an induction ceremony to welcome our new member, **Kay Huston. Kay (at left in the photo>>>)** taught at the middle school level most of her career. She worked in the Fern Ridge School District as a full-time English teacher and half-time in the library (creative small district organization). She also began a chess club and took students to state-level competitions. After her induction, she became our guest presenter with



*Abigail Adams in person*

of Abigail Adams from Abigail’s point of view! Kay is trained and experienced in doing several early American figures. In November we had a potluck lunch in a beautiful county home. Our guest speaker, Eileen Wende from the OEA-Retired Board of Directors, shared information about Social Justice, White Privilege, and Discrimination. Our December meeting was a lunchtime social, but we donated to help needy families.

**District 2:**

**Oregon State Organization & Omicron (Roseburg, Douglas Co.):**



Oregon State Oregon DKG grieves the unexpected recent death of Madaline Dee Lapp. Madaline died on Jan. 3, 2022, after a short, 3-week diagnosis of pancreatic cancer. She is survived by her husband, Bill of 56 years; sons Kevin and Joe; eight grandchildren and two great grandchildren. Madaline and her brother spent a nomadic childhood accompanying their bomber pilot father and mother around the country. This lifestyle alter led Madaline to be welcoming and accepting and a natural leader.

Madaline taught for 36 years in the Winston-Dillard and Roseburg School Districts, instructing Math, P.E.,

Health, and Computers. She received numerous awards for teaching math. She was known for her ability to inspire, challenge, and encourage local students to learn, extend themselves, and believe in their ability to succeed.

Madaline served Omicron Chapter, Oregon, in many capacities and, at the state level, served on the Finance Committee, was state secretary, served Oregon as State President from 2003-05, and from 2006-18 was state treasurer. At International, she attended the 2008 Golden Gift seminar, was on the Finance Committee from 2008-12 and chaired that body from 2010-12. As retirees, Madaline and Bill traveled

extensively, visited their family in Tennessee and created a business and hobby of collecting and selling antique pressing irons. Madaline loved to golf, create origami novelties, and serve at the local Emergency Food Pantry.

**Oregon was fortunate to benefit from Madaline’s talent for leadership, love of people, and commitment to doing things well.**



**RETURN ADDRESS**

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