



Blue Hen Flyer

Goals for the 2019-2021 biennium

- Reach Out - Increase membership in each chapter
 - Increase involvement in local schools
 - Increase publication of DKG activities
 - Establish a relationship with the collegiate institutions in the state

Build Leaders - Invest in training current officers on DKG protocol

- Support members
- support activities in other chapters
- charter one new chapter
- support 2020 convention with attendance and volunteerism

Send Educational Excellence application out

Promote Early Educators Program

Commit to raising World Fellowship Funds (international organization)

Commit to 100 percent of chapters giving scholarships

New Biennium

Now as we begin the next biennium, I am honored that you have given me a vote of confidence to serve as your state president to help us continue to move forward in a strategic manner to continue: Putting Our HEART into Reaching Out and Building Leaders. We have spent two years building our mindset that simplicity is a key component of international focus. In April we voted and aligned of our state documents with the international focus. Now that we have that in order, we simply need to continue to do what we started two years ago- JUST with a little more HEART.

Help spread the mission of DKG

Each day is a day to do something for DKG

Ask at least one teacher to join each month

Reach Out to members you don't see often.

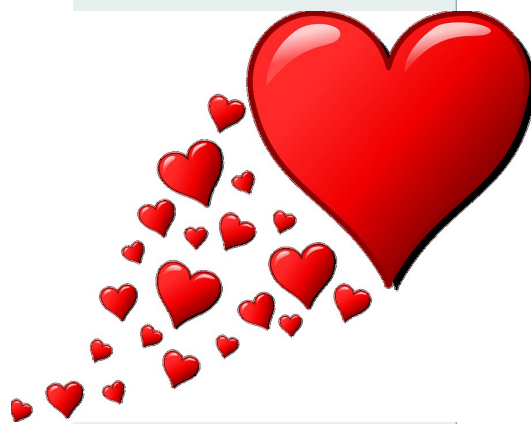
Thank a classroom teacher for her work of heart.

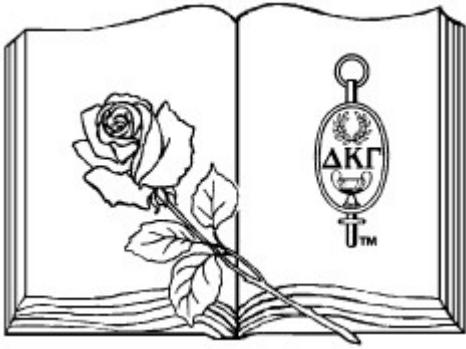
With DKG Love,

Doris E. Person, Ed.D.



Delaware State Executive Board





EPSILON NEWS

Epsilon Chapter celebrated the end of the 2018 – 2019 school year with our annual picnic at the home of Barb Vann. Delaware state organization president Doris Person was our honored guest.

During the 2018 – 2019 school year, Chapter member Brenda Breffitt participated as a “Reading Buddy” for an elementary school student in the Colonial School District. She met with her reading partner at Southern Elementary School regularly throughout the school year. Brenda participated through the Ballard’s Reading Buddies program, a United Way of Delaware reading and mentoring program established in honor of slain Delaware State Police Corporal Stephen Ballard, who was killed April 26, 2017, outside a Wawa in Bear, DE. Brenda and other volunteer reading partners received recognition from The United Way of Delaware, which presented the Ballard Reading Buddies program with its 2019 Volunteer Award of the Year at the annual volunteer reception in May.

Epsilon opened the 2019 – 2020 school year with a back-to-school potluck in September. We also held our annual nut sale, which funds our grant-in-aid for the purchase of books and other materials for two college students preparing for careers in education. The nuts will be delivered in time for some yummy holiday baking!

In October, chapter president Nancy Meade attended the Colonial School District’s annual Teacher of the Year dinner and presented the 15 Colonial school Teachers of the Year with gift cards to be used at Staples to purchase classroom materials. Epsilon Chapter also provided information about DKG to the eligible teachers in the group, and invited them to attend a meeting to learn more about our organization. Among the recipients was Rebecca Louise Vitelli, a preschool special education teacher at the Colwyck Center, where she works with students with autism and various health and cognitive needs. Rebecca was later chosen as the 2020 Teacher of the Year for the State of Delaware!

Funds for Grant-in-aid

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DELTA CHAPTER NEWS

Delta's October's meeting featured member Bonnie Lane as the speaker, and she gave a very interesting and well-researched presentation on "Women of the Revolutionary War."

Bonnie started by introducing the group to Kitty Green, a well-known "camp follower." Camp followers were women who served and traveled with the Continental Army; they made up five to ten percent of the camp.

The presentation then covered women who fought in battle and were well-known heroines. One woman, Deborah Sampson, received a military pension and was part of the "Special Forces" for George Washington. In 1982, the Massachusetts Legislature declared Sampson the official state heroine and declared May 23 "Deborah Sampson Day."

Another woman of the Revolutionary War was Nancy Morgan Hart, who fought in the mountains of Georgia. In 1997, Hart was inducted into Georgia Women of Achievement, a statewide organization dedicated to publicizing, researching, and providing educational materials about the accomplishments of outstanding women in Georgia.

Bonnie closed the presentation with "Molly Pitcher" – a story about a woman who stepped up in battle. History recognizes her to be Mary Hayes, but more recently, it has been suggested that Margaret Corbin is the real Molly Pitcher. Regardless, Margaret Corbin was an officer in the Continental Army and was buried with full military honors at West Point.

Our September meeting featured an informative and eye-opening presentation by a pharmacist from the organization Attack Addiction. He spoke to us about the dangers of students vaping and using marijuana and other drugs.

This month's guest speaker will be Representative Kim Williams, who will address issues in education.

SERVICE

PROJECT

Delta's service projects for this school year are supporting the Friendship House and Family Promise, organizations that help the homeless.

2020 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION JULY 7-11, 2020

Getting to Convention in Philly is Easy

The easiest and most economical way to get to the Downtown Marriott in Philadelphia for the DKG 2020 International Convention this summer is to travel by the SEPTA train from the Wilmington train station to Jefferson Station in Center City Philadelphia. A one-way ticket, which can only be purchased at the ticket window and/or kiosks in train stations that serve SEPTA regional rail lines, is \$6.75. The walk from the Jefferson Station to the Marriott is one city block. Take the Filbert Street exit and walk along the tunnel across from the Reading Market Terminal. Parking is available at the Wilmington Train Station for \$12 daily. Grab a buddy and travel to the convention by rail!



OPENING GENERAL MEETING | 6PM | JW MARRIOTT

Tuesday's opening session Will begin at 6:00 p.m. with the biennial procession of the flags representing the many countries and cultures of members in our Society. Welcomes delivered by such U.S. historical personages as Ben Franklin and Betsy Ross will set the tone for a week devoted to historical sights just outside the doors of the Marriott Downtown Hotel, site of the convention.

MARKET EVENT | 7PM |

READING TERMINAL MARKET

Shortly after 7 p.m. the ticketed event at the Reading Terminal Market begins. The 2020 DKG International Convention features the first ticketed event to follow an Opening General Session! Members will exit the Marriott Downtown Hotel's Grand Ballroom following our Chinese Dragon Dance performers and wind their way to the Reading Terminal Market just across the street from the hotel.

MEET KHARA DELAWARE'S SECOND VICE PRESIDENT

Khara Bauer is a member of Beta Chapter serving as Second Vice President of Delaware State DKG for the current biennium. She is currently in her thirteenth year teaching. Bauer taught kindergarten and third grade for the first five years of her career, then became certified in English as a Second Language (ESL). She was an ESL coordinator and teacher with the Cape Henlopen School District for seven years and is now teaching ESL with the Indian River School District. She is a mother of two children, Noah (6) and Leah Claire (3) and is supported by her husband, Ben. As a teacher, an active member of the PTO, facilitator of the Latino Family Literacy Project, and membership chair for Delaware State DKG, she is busy recruiting and sharing DKG's support for schools and teachers. Article for the Blue Hen Flyer: Over the summer, Beta Chapter hosted World Fellow, María Dugo, for a beach weekend! María Dugo is attending American University in Washington D.C. studying to become a lawyer. From Argentina, María is able to study in the U.S. with the help of the DKG World Fellowship Scholarship. She was thrilled to enjoy a weekend at the beach accompanied by Sue Lore, State President Doris Person, Susan Kirsch, and Khara Bauer. After a fun weekend on the beach, a brief rain storm gave way to a gorgeous double rainbow, giving the weekend a magical feel. Beta Chapter plans to continue communication with María during the remainder of her studies. The weekend gave Maria extra support and love when studying so far from her home and family. Everyone enjoyed the time spent together! We are hopeful that this connection with nearby World Fellow Scholars was the first of many more to come.

Beta Members Support SEE Project

In October 2019 Beta members collected school supplies and gift cards and distributed small baskets of goodies to 30 early educators in the Cape, Indian River, Milford, and Seaford School Districts as a part of the international SEE project. Support for Early Educators (0-3 years) gives encouragement to teachers who have begun their careers in education. Gift cards were generously donated by chapter member Jan Parsons and her husband and gift cards were also purchased from a generous community donation by Irish Eyes Restaurants.



Standing behind the 30 SEE baskets are (l-r) Beta members Tangy Cordrey, Peg Wilson, Susan Kirsch, Sue Lore, Doris Person, Dawn LeKites, and Sarah Ross.

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BETA CHAPTER HOSTS WORLD FELLOWSHIP RECIPIENT

An oceanfront view, a glorious double rainbow on the ocean, surf fishing on the beach, sunbathing, and local fare at dinner. These were the highlight for Maria Dugo, a DKG World Fellowship recipient, as she visited Beta Chapter members in Fenwick Island in June 2019. Maria, who lives in Argentina, is a student at American University enrolled in the climate law program. She has worked as a lawyer in Buenos Aires and decided to branch out into a

different area of study. Khara Bauer, former state World Fellowship Committee Chairman, contacted two WF recipients in the DC area, and Ms. Dugo enthusiastically replied. The short weekend was an international success.

World Fellowship is a DKG International program that offers scholarships to women, who are not residents of member countries, seeking further education in the United States and Canada. Contributions and be-

quests determine the number of World Fellowship Awards given each year by the committee. Dr. Doris Person, Delaware State Organization President, currently serves on the International World Fellowship Committee. Since 1960 975 women in 122 countries have received awards totaling \$3,531,600.



DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL DELA-
WARE STATE ORGANIZATION



WOMEN WITH HEART 2020 CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, MARCH 21

MAPLE DALE COUNTRY CLUB DOVER

**100th Anniversary of the Women's Suffrage
Movement** Guest Speaker Kaitlyn Dykes

Delaware Historical and Cultural Affairs

The cost is \$40 and includes continental breakfast and lunch.

President's Training 8:30 am

Registration & Breakfast 9:30 am Conference Begins 10:00 am

The registration deadline is Friday, March 13.

Please mail this form to Nancy Vaughan at 509 Dyke Branch Rd. Dover, DE 19901-1548 with a \$40 check made payable to Delaware State Organization of DKG Society International.

Name _____

Chapter _____

E-Mail _____

Phone # _____

The lunch entrée will be Chicken Piccata. Please list any special dietary needs:

Meeting Agenda:

8:30-9:30 Presidents Training

8:30-10:00 Registration

10:00-10:15 Greeting from Dr. Doris Person

10:15-11:15 100th Anniversary of Women's Suffrage Movement

11:30-12:30 Chapter tune Up, The Importance of 2020 Census,

The Art of Speaking

10 minute Break

12:30-2:00 Procession, Grace, Lunch, Birthday and Skit