

KENTUCKY STATE ORGANIZATION



NEWS

International Guest



Connie Rensink has been a member of Theta Chi, Texas since 2006. She is a graduate of the Leadership Management Seminar and has held leadership positions at the chapter and state organization levels. At the international level she has served on the Membership committee, the Scholarship committee, and then chaired the Membership Committee.

She currently serves DKG as Webmaster for Theta Chi, Texas State Parliamentarian, International Member at Large, International Speakers Fund Committee Chair, Strategic Plan Committee Member, and DKG/NGO Representative to the United Nations. She enjoyed being the DKG ambassador for a GoAhead Tour to Costa Rica in January. Her favorite part of the Society is meeting other members and learning about their DKG journey.

Connie has been in education for 16 years. She was an elementary teacher for 12 years and is now a global education consultant supporting educators and schools to integrate global perspectives and competencies into existing curriculum. Through her consulting work, Connie splits time between her Texas home, New York City, and other parts of the world.

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Updates from Beth, Bonnia, and Lucy

Beth's Blog

My first year as KY State president has been exciting -- the type of excitement a teacher fresh out of college has when she gets her first job!? Excited because she has a job after 4 years of preparation. Excited because she now will have her own classroom. Excited because she gets to make the decisions about how her classroom will look and how it will be managed. But this excitement also has an element of trepidation. Where do I begin? Will I make the right decisions? What happens if I make the wrong decision? What happens if I forget something? The balance between excitement and fear is a delicate one and can be tipped in either direction in a fraction of a second or a decision made.

Regardless of which way the balance is tipping, there is another element that is always within reach – help. Help from a teacher with 2, 5, or 20 years' experience. Help from a teacher giving encouraging words or additional solutions. However, sometimes asking for help is the hardest step to take. I am learning to take that step although sometimes it feels like a leap.

This is the KY DKG presidency to me – an exciting journey all-inclusive with anxiety and support. Excitement of travel around Kentucky from chapter to chapter. Excitement of meeting members and learning about the uniqueness of each chapter. Excitement of new ideas – biennium pins. Excitement of making decisions about a convention. However, at the same time wondering – will my ideas be accepted? When to break away from tradition or is this a must do? What if I forget something? Irrespective, DKG support is always within reach. Support from the Tulip Poplars for they have lived this balance. Help from KY members for they truly understand their role in the success of KY DKG. Support from the officers for they will soon experience this balance.

For each of us in Kentucky, involvement in DKG is exciting. Exciting because you get to be a part of great organization. Exciting because you can add your individual uniqueness to the uniqueness of the whole. Exciting because you are a KEY woman educator. Exciting because you are helping Kentucky “Step Up for DKG!”

Bonnia Writes:

Educational Excellence News

Annie Program/Project and EEC Awards deadline extended to February 25.

Bulletin Journal Submissions are due by March 1.

Early Bird Registration for the Philadelphia Convention ends March 6.

The above notices are on our International Website. And though you will no longer find committee news as in the past, you can learn more about educational excellence on the DKG website. First, the

URL is www.dkg.org. Once you have arrived, you must know your membership number. If you do not know this number, it can be found on an old membership card, an old copy of the Bulletin, you can ask your chapter treasurer or membership chair, or you can ask our state treasurer, Shelia Wilkinson. You must change your password once you sign in but to get in the first time, use this password: `dkg2014society`

It is important to change your password as your personal account is on the MyDKG account. For example, that is where you can register for the Philadelphia Convention which is July 7 – 11. More info is on the website. You can also learn about Educational Excellence (EE).

Once you are on the DKG website, click on the tab that says Programs/Projects. There you will find Schools for Africa, Supporting Early-career Educators, Program Spotlight, and Program Ideas for Chapters. The first two are DKG's International Projects. Program Spotlight is where you can find a variety of successful projects that have been submitted by chapters. And if you need program ideas, click on those words and you will find a wealth of program and activity ideas which are listed as to how they relate to the DKG purposes.

Beth is asking all of us to step up for DKG. Some ways to do this include staying abreast of what is on the DKG website, attending the Philadelphia Convention, or submitting an article to the Bulletin Journal. It is also important to keep up with our KSO website. Our new webmaster, Greta Gilbert, keeps everything up to date and if it isn't there, we will assist her in getting it there for you. You can step up by attending our state convention in Lexington, March 20-22. You can step up by attending all your chapter meetings and by bringing potential members to the meetings. You have already stepped up if you helped your chapter submit an Annie or EEC award. You can still step up to do this as we have extended the deadline – again! Many of you could not find the forms and so we have added them to this newsletter. And, you have stepped up if you are reading this article in this KSO newsletter. Thank you for stepping up!

Lucy Writes:

MEMBERSHIP

Do you enjoy talking, laughing, singing and relaxing? If so, then consider attending the state convention in March. I remember the first state event I attended. I was the President of my chapter and felt I HAD to attend. When I got to Ashland, I was immediately welcomed by Mary Cat Flath who made me feel as if I had always belonged!! Then I went to the state convention that next spring and found myself in Shelia Wilkinson's room singing and laughing with Cheryl Slater, Judy Ihrig, Tina Shawler and others. Shelia finally had to kick us out of her room so she could go to sleep!!! Those early meetings gave me a sense of "sisterhood" that I had never experienced before and gave me a greater appreciation for DKG and Kentucky State Organization. Encourage your sisters to join you in Lexington in March!! I guarantee that you'll have a good time!!

Another event that is held at the convention is the annual memorial service on Sunday morning. This service is a way to remember and honor those sisters from Kentucky who have left this earthly life during the past year. We want to honor them all so please be sure to submit the form 6 to me so that they can be recognized. The deadline for inclusion in this year's service is MARCH 1. If you need a copy of the form, let me know and I'll be glad to email it to you.
I HOPE TO SEE YOU IN LEXINGTON!!!!

The Kentucky State Organization
The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

2020 State Convention
Embassy Suites @ Lexington Green
March 20 – 22, 2020
Convention Schedule

“Kentucky is Stepping Up for DKG”

Friday, March 20, 2020

3:00 PM -	Hotel Check-in
4:30 PM – 7:30 PM	Registration
6:30 PM – 8:00 PM	Informal Reception
8:00 PM – 9:00 PM	Executive Board Meeting Officers, Past Presidents, Chapter Presidents

Saturday, March 21, 2020

7:30 AM – 10:00 AM	Registration
7:30 AM – 8:15 AM	Breakfast State Officers & Past-Presidents Informal Meet & Greet International Rep
8:30 AM – 10:30 AM	Business Meeting
10:30 AM – 10:45 AM	Break
10:45 AM – 11:30 AM	Regional/Area Councils Meet
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM	Silent Auction; Venders
12:30 PM – 2:30 PM	Birthday Luncheon
2:30 PM – 3:30 PM	Silent Auction; Venders
3:30 PM – 6:30 PM	Free time for fellowship & shopping
6:30 PM – 9:30 PM	Banquet Past State Presidents & Chapter Presidents line-up at 6:15

Sunday, March 22, 2020

7:30 AM – 8:30 AM	Breakfast Chapter Presidents Informal Meet & Greet International Rep
9:00 AM – 10:30 AM	Ceremony of Remembrance



Kentucky State 2020 Convention

March 20-22, 2020

Embassy Suites @ Lexington Green

245 Lexington Green Circle, Lexington KY 40503

Phone 859.271.4000

\$35 - Registration Fee (must be paid by all attendees) _____

\$27 - Birthday Luncheon - Saturday, March 21 _____

\$34 – Presidents’ Banquet – Saturday, March 21 _____

Total Enclosed _____

Make Checks Payable to: Alpha Alpha Chapter DKG

Mail to: Connie Wason, 109 Crescent Hill Drive, Richmond, KY 40475

email: connie.wason@gmail.com Phone: 859-248-1927

Please Print

Name

Address

City

State

Zip Code

Telephone (Include Area Code)

Email

Chapter

Chapter or State Officer? (Circle One)

Position Held

Dietary Restrictions

Special Needs

First Time to Attend a State Convention? Yes. No (Circle One)



Crayola Marker Project

Collect dried up markers, dry erase, and highlighters.

Bring to KSO Convention.

Chapter Treasurers

Kudos to all my wonderful chapter treasurers for a successful transition in the dues collection. Most everyone felt very encouraged by the ease of submission and I hope this year's process will go just as smoothly. As always, anyone who has questions or concerns about dues or finances can contact me at any time.

Shelia Wilkinson

KAGS Treasurer

270-319-2065

sheliawilk@comcast.net

Attention State Committee Chairs

Committee Reports are due no later than March 5 (Thursday) for inclusion in the book of reports. Email reports to: bethpyle@gmail.com as soon as possible but before then.

Kentucky State Organization Convention
Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
March 30, 2019
Louisville, KY
Executive Board and General Business Session

Call to Order

The Executive Board and General Session of the State Convention of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Kentucky State Organization was called to order on Saturday, March 30, 2019, by Kentucky State President **Kathy Zwanzig**, (XI). An Inspirational thought was given by **Mary Cat Flath**, Corresponding Secretary (Epsilon). The Welcome was given by **Tina Shawler**, KSO Convention Chair (XI). Response to the Welcome was given by **Bonnia Cook Fouts**, 2nd Vice President (Alpha). Introductions of the Head Table were given by President **Kathy Zwanzig** (XI) and included **KSO Officers and Elaine Warwick**, International Guest.

Roll call was read by State Recording Secretary **Lucy Riffle** (Zeta)-seven state officers; five past state presidents; and seventeen chapter presidents or their representatives were present constituting a quorum.

Minutes of the 2018 Alpha Gamma State Convention were presented in the Convention Book of Reports. They will stand approved as read.

The Treasurer's Report was presented and discussed by State Treasurer, **Shelia Wilkinson** (Mu), as it appeared in the Convention Book of Reports. It will be filed for audit.

Correspondence: A thank you was read from Carolyn Pittman, International President for KSO's donation to World Fellowship. A sympathy card was received from the President of Alabama State Organization for the death of Jane Thompson. A thank you was read from A Shot For Life for our donation as last year's convention.

Committee Reports

Society Business Committees

Communications – **Karen Martin** (Upsilon), submitted a committee report to the Convention Book of Reports.

Finance – **Karin Edgington** (Upsilon) presented the proposed budget that was printed in the Convention Book of Reports. The 2019-2020 proposed budget was approved by both the executive board and the general membership.

Leadership Development – **Priscilla Roberts** (Upsilon) submitted a committee report printed in the Convention Book of Reports.

Membership – **Bonnia Cook Fouts** (Alpha) [submitted a committee report printed in the Convention Book of Reports.](#)

Nominations – **Jonna Smith** (Delta) submitted the proposed slate of officers. They are:

Beth Pyle (Delta) – President
Bonnia Cook Fouts (Alpha) – 1st VP
Lucy Riffle (Zeta) – 2nd VP
Mary Cat Flath (Epsilon) – Recording Secretary
Cheryl Slater (Nu) – Corresponding Secretary

It was moved by Susan Cross and seconded by Charlotte Benton to vote on the slate as a whole. All ayes – motion carried. The slate was then voted on, all ayes, motion carried.

Society Mission and Purpose

Educational Excellence – **Beth Pyle** (Delta) submitted committee report printed in the Convention Book of Reports.

Rules – **Judy Lester** (NU) gave a proposal for guidelines for the executive secretary. The rules committee reported that the by-laws need to be updated to correspond with the changes in the International by-laws. The recommendation for the executive secretary duties came from a committee. The executive board and membership voted to approve this recommendation.

Other Committees

Strategic Action Plan – **Patsy Young** (Mu) submitted a committee report printed in the Convention Book of Reports.

Hall of Fame – **Melanie VanTassel** (Mu) submitted a committee report printed in the Convention Book of Reports.

Order of the Tulip Poplar – **Pascal Bailey** (Mu) submitted a committee report printed in the Convention Book of Reports.

Non-Dues Revenue – **Bridget Murphy** (Epsilon) gave an explanation of monies that will be collected from the grab bags, vendors and basket auction.

Social Media– **Lucy Riffle** (Zeta) submitted a committee report printed in the Convention Book of Reports. She advised that we are currently in need of a new webmaster.

Music – **Beth Donnelly** (Theta) and **Judy Ihrig** (Upsilon) [submitted a committee report printed in the Convention Book of Reports.](#)

Individual Reports

U.S. Forum Report – **Karen Clark** (Alpha Gamma) submitted a committee report printed in the Convention Book of Reports.

State President’s Report – **Kathy Zwanzig** (Xi) submitted committee report printed in the Convention Book of Reports.

BREAK – A Musical Interlude – **Judy Ihrig** (Upsilon) led the group in song.

Introduction of International Guest – **Beth Pyle** (Delta)

Elaine Warwick Southeast Regional Director from Franklin, Tennessee greeted KSO members with a presentation about DKG. She invited everyone to the international conference June 27-29 in Ashville.

Unfinished Business

No unfinished business

VI. New Business

There was no new business

VII. Call for Invitations

2019 International Conference (Southeast Regional)	June 27-29	Ashville, NC – Elaine Warwick
2019 Fall Leadership Workshop Roberts extended the invitation	Sept 6-7	Lexington, KY – Priscilla
2020 KSO State Convention	March 20-22	Lexington, KY
2020 International Convention	July	Philadelphia, PA
2020 Fall Leadership Workshop	September 11-12	Lexington, KY
2021 State Convention	TBA	Bowling Green, KY
2021 Fall Leadership Workshop	TBA	Lexington, KY

VIII. Announcements

Tina Shawler (XI) – gave general conference announcements.

IX. Meeting Adjourned

Meeting was adjourned by President **Kathy Zwanzig (XI)**.

Respectively Submitted,
Lucy Riffle (Zeta)
Recording Secretary (2017-2019)

To: Members of Kentucky State Organization
From: 2019 – 2021 Rules Committee
Re: Amendments to the Kentucky State Organization By-Laws
Date: February 4, 2020

The Rules Committee met through email and in person making the changes requested by International to bring our By-Laws in line with the recent changes at that level. In doing so, it was noticed that there are several updates needed that were not requested. The committee recommends the follow amendments be approved at the Kentucky State Organization Convention, March 20 – 21, 2020, in Lexington, KY. They are as follows:

Insertion of responsibilities of the recording secretary and corresponding secretary.

Streamlining the number of committees and their responsibilities, including the Communications, Technology, and Social Media Committees and the History Archives Committees.

Amendments are in a separate document that is being sent with the State Convention Issue of the NEWS.

Educational Excellence in the Classroom Award Application

Kentucky State Organization
The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

Submitted by EEC Chair _____

Chapter _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Email _____

Phone _____

Chapter Winner _____

Member or Non Member (Circle One) *Note: The nominee should currently be a teacher in a classroom.*

Which of the Seven Purposes does this person exhibit. **Give examples in recommendation**

- Presents an image of genuine spiritual fellowship
- Honors others in the field of education
- Works to advance professional interest and position of women
- Supports educational legislation
- Supports higher education for educators
- Supports personal and professional growth for educators
- Stays informed and involved in issues essential to a world society

Recommendation: **Describe why this candidate was selected as winner of the EEC Award and give specific examples.**

"ANNIE" AWARD APPLICATION
FOR OUTSTANDING **PROGRAMS**
KENTUCKY STATE ORGANIZATION (KSO)
THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL

Information is printed on form, typed on form, or computer generated.
The Chapter EEC Chairman should complete the application.
The completed application is limited to three pages. Send no pictures with the application.

Submitted by _____
EEC Chairman

Chapter: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Program Title: _____

Program Category: Professional Personal Societal Fellowship

Date of Program: _____

Complete the following:

_____ Number of members in Chapter on Nov. 1 _____ Number of members present

_____ Number of members involved in presenting the program

_____ Length, in minutes, of program

5. Write a description of the program, including the following information:

Relationship to Society Purposes: (20 Points)

1. List one or more of the Delta Kappa Gamma Purposes that inspired this program.
2. Describe how this program relates to the above purpose(s).

Involvement of Members: (20 Points)

1. Briefly describe how you planned your program.
2. Briefly summarize the program.

Impact of the Program: (30 Points)

1. Was there a project that supported this program, or that the program supported? If so, describe the relationship.
2. What impact did this program have on...?
 - a. The chapter
 - b. The community
 - c. The profession
3. Evaluate the effectiveness of this program.

Total Possible Points: 70 Points

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FOR OUTSTANDING **PROJECTS**
KENTUCKY STATE ORGANIZATION (KSO)
THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL

Information is printed on form, typed on form, or computer generated.
The Chapter EEC Chairman should complete the application.
The completed application is limited to three pages. Send no pictures with the application.

Submitted by: _____
ECC Chair

Chapter _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

1. Project Title: _____

2. Project Category: Professional Personal Societal Fellowship

3. Summarize the project, including the following information:

Relationship to Society Purposes: (20 Points)

1. List one or more of the Delta Kappa Gamma Purposes that inspired this project.
2. Describe how this project relates to the above purpose(s).

Involvement of Members: (20 Points)

1. Briefly describe how you planned and implemented the project.
2. Estimate how many members/portion of members were directly involved in implementing and completing this project.

Impact of the Program: (30 Points)

1. Was there a program connected to this project? If so, describe the relationship.
2. What impact did this program have on...?
 - a. The chapter,
 - b. The community,
 - c. The profession.
3. Evaluate the effectiveness of this project.

Total Possible Points: 70 Points

Biennium

Pins

The biennium pins will be available at State Convention. These pins reflect my biennium theme – Step Up for DKG --- and can be worn on your DKG ribbon nametag.

They would make good “door prizes” at chapter meetings or perhaps a welcome to DKG gift for new members – a good way to introduce a new member to the 2-year committee/officers organization of our chapter, state, and international society.

The pins are \$5.00 each and all proceeds go into our non-dues revenue budget item.

If you would like to buy some pins or have any questions about them, please contact me through my email (bethpyle@gmail.com).



KENTUCKY ALPHA GAMMA STATE
FORM TO BE USED IN MAKING A MOTION

Name of Person Making Motion _____

Chapter _____

Committee _____

Name of Person Seconding Motion _____

Chapter _____

Motion _____

Signed _____

Resolution of Motion: _____ Passed _____ Failed

Reservations can be made at the Embassy Suites Louisville East

The link to make reservations is:

<http://embassysuites.hilton.com/en/es/groups/personalized/S/SDFEMES-DKG-20190329/index.jhtml>. I

The convention block will be held until February 28, 2019, or when filled.

Cost per room is \$149.00 per night before taxes.

Rates include: self parking, two room suite, wifi, cook to order breakfast & evening reception.

Hotel's room rates are subject to applicable state and local taxes (currently 16.07%) in effect at the time of check-out.

Please make your reservations as soon as possible.



Vendor Application
KENTUCKY STATE CONVENTION
March 21, 2020

Embassy Suites by Hilton at Lexington Green
 245 Lexington Green Circle, Lexington KY 40503

Vendor or Chapter Name _____
 Point of Contact _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Phone _____ Email _____

Basic Description of items needed in the Vendor Area: (Please use the back side of this application, if necessary.)

Vendor Fee for Non-Members: \$25.00

Vendor Fee for Members: \$20.00

Setup for all vendors will begin on Saturday, March 21 at 7:00 a.m.

All vendors will remain open until approximately 3:30 p.m.

The Vendor Fee includes the use of one 3 X 6-foot covered table and 2 chairs. Additional tables may be rented for the above referenced fee. Vendors are responsible for items during the day. DKG/KAGS and the Embassy Suites are not responsible for any lost or damaged items.

Checks should be made payable to Kentucky State DKG and mail with this application to:

Debbie Duffy dd0459@aol.com

4104 Willow Reed Place

Louisville, KY 40299-5087

Applications and checks must be **received by Friday, March 6, 2020** to reserve space.

Questions or concerns should be addressed to dd0459@aol.com using the subject "2020 Vendor Application" or by calling or texting (502) 297-8417

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Kentucky State

Hall of Fame Nomination Form

Due Date Friday, March 3, 2020

The Kentucky State Hall of Fame Committee invites you to make a nomination of a fellow Kentucky State member to the Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame recognizes and honors members who have given distinguished service at the Kentucky State level. Please consider the following when making your nominations to the Hall of Fame:

The member may be living or deceased. The member may be an active member (or a reserve member who was once active). The member is to be recognized for her service to Kentucky State primarily. The member must have a minimum of ten years of service to the Society. The member is to be recognized for her service to the Society primarily.

These accepted guidelines do not indicate that every chapter will have a representative in the Hall of Fame.

Please send Nomination Form via email or USPS to:

Priscilla Roberts

efficous@aol.com

10924 Alexandria Pike

Alexandria, KY 41001-7550

NAME OF HONOREE: (Miss, Ms., Mrs.) _____

ACTIVE MEMBER: _____ RESERVED MEMBER: _____ DECEASED: _____

Based on your personal knowledge of the nominee, please list the specific involvement at the Alpha Gamma State level for which she is nominated. (Please limit to 50 – 100 words).

Compilation of Due Dates for State Convention	
Annie Program PPROJECT/PROGRAM and EEC Classroom Teacher	February 25
Hotel Reservations	February 28
Names and Information for Memorial Service	March 1
Hall of Fame Nomination	March 3
State Committee Chair Reports for Convention	March 5
Vendor Applications	March 6
Women of Vision Nominations	March 8
Registration for KSO Convention to Registrar	March 10

KEY Women of Vision

We are recognizing **KEY Women of Vision** again this year at the State Convention. The Women of Vision Award is given to members, living or deceased, who have encouraged other DKG members over the years. These members have not necessarily held an office or served in a leadership role; but have been instrumental in making other members' DKG experience a glorious one because of their encouragement. Women may be nominated by any member of the Society. Chapters are encouraged to nominate members for this recognition. There is no limit on the number of people that can be nominated by an individual or a chapter.

A donation of \$5 for each nominee must accompany the nomination. Checks should be made payable to KENTUCKY STATE ORGANZIATION.

Please complete the following form and return it to:

Karen Martin
10630 Lower River Road
Union, KY 41091-9794

Nominations must be received no later than March 8, 2020

Nominee Name _____ Chapter _____

How this member is KEY to KSO _____

2. Nominee Name _____ Chapter _____

How this member is KEY to KSO _____

3. Nominee Name _____ Chapter _____

How this member is KEY to KSO _____

4. Nominee Name _____ Chapter _____

How this member is KEY to KSO _____

5. Nominee Name _____ Chapter _____

How this member is KEY to KSO _____