# KENTUCKY STATE ORGANIZATION



2023 Hall of Fame Award

Kathy Zwanzig



Kathy Zwanzig, Xi, was awarded the 2023 Hall of Fame Award at the State Convention in Louisville, KY. Kathy has been a member for many years, regularly attending State Conferences, as well as, International Conferences and Conventions. She served as Chapter President twice, committee chair at the state level for Membership, EEC, and Leadership Development, served on the 2011 DKG Regional Convention Committee, Co-chaired the Kentucky Night, attended the Golden Gift Seminar and served on the International Golden Gift Fund Committee. Kathy has served in all 5 offices at the state level moving from Corresponding Secretary up to State President from 2017-2019 and is currently the 1st Executive Secretary for KYSO.

Once again, congratulations to Kathy Zwanzig as the Hall of Fame Award winner for 2023!

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# **Bonnia's Beacon Bullets**

Dear KYSO Members and Friends,

• Thank you for a fantabulous state convention! Each of you who attended made it possible and it was great to see one another in-person. A special thank you to our executive secretary, Kathy Zwanzig, who took care of the menu and hotel details. From the initial first time attendees event to the celebration of life on Sunday, all events were well attended, and those in charge are each to be commended for a job well done! And to the officers, committee chairs, and committee members – wow! You did an awesome job these two years! We were an awesome team!

• If you have not already registered, please consider attending one of the International Conferences this summer. You will find more information both in this newsletter and on the international website. I am headed to Phoenix.

• Please plan to attend our 2023 Fall Leadership Conference September 8-9 which will be held at the Clarion Hotel Conference Center North, 1950 Newtown Pike, Lexington. I hope to see you there!

• Finally, I want to thank each and every member in KYSO, from the bottom of my heart, for your confidence in me and for allowing me to lead. It was challenging in the beginning as we were just coming out of the pandemic, but we were able to meet all but a couple of goals planned for 2021-2023, and many high notes were achieved. Serving as KYSO President has been a remarkable milestone in my life, and an opportunity that I shall always remember with gratitude and pride. Each chapter is unique, and I learned something new from each visit along the way. We have grown together, and I can honestly say that Kentucky members in DKG glow with love, compassion, and commitment to one another. You are amazing!

• Please continue to lead the way as beacons of light that grow and glow! I know I am leaving you in good hands because Lucy will be an outstanding president. And even though I become a Tulip Poplar (past state president) in July, I will continue to be available for you and Lucy as

needed. Love in DKG,

Bonnia

# Dr. Teresa Holt Cowan Southeast Regional Director 2022-2024 NC DKG President 2019-2021 Alpha Phi Chapter 26 Wolf Road Asheville, NC 28805 USA my contact future nearsleffer Thanks, 828-230-5034 cowan2019eta@gmail.com KYSO, thank UDIA. de diration to Kyso a and ble Spin 10 40 in the DKG orld as we all shire to revitali with each

Our State Convention Society Representative, Dr. Teresa Cowan, sent KYSO a thank you. She was a wonderful asset to our event!

Teresa was a motivating speaker, and shared quality information. She was friendly, genuine, and she was able to share her heartwarming spirit and friendship.



(Received 3/23) Please accept this card as a small token of thanks. Thank you for your incredible hospitality. Your welcoming spirit made a mountain girl feel right at home. What a joy it was to talk, share, and fellowship with each of you.

Your dedication to DKG & KYSO is palpable and you are to be commended. May we continue to connect in the DKG world as we all strive to revitalize DKG! Love, Teresa



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## **ANNIE AWARDS**

Being nominated for one of our state-wide awards is an honor in itself. The projects, programs, educators and administrators nominated are all very deserving of recognition. The EEC Awards committee had a difficult time choosing winners from the applicants!!

This year's nominees are:

#### PROJECT

BETA	MORNING JOE AND A BAGEL TO GO
	SUPPORTS E KY FLOOD VIC-
NU	TIMS
NU	CHILDREN'S LIBRARY

#### PROGRAM

ZETA	DINSMORE HOMESTEAD
OMEGA	BEYOND UGANDA
UPSILON	SELF CARE & SELF ADVOCACY
NU	RUM CAKE FOR A CAUSE
MU	WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

#### EDUCATOR

XI	DONNA WHITIS
ZETA	JANET WILLIG
UPSILON	ELIZABETH COLLINS

## ADMINISTRATOR

NU	MARY BETH STILTNER
OMEGA	ANNE COX (NON-MEMBER)
DELTA	BETHANY CROSLIN (NON-MEMBER)

Please congratulate these members and chapters for being nominated!!

#### ANNIE AWARDS

Every year, Kentucky state organization receives applications for the "Annie Awards" named after Annie Webb Blanton, a founder of DKG, known for her dedication to women's equality by helping to "remove the barriers limiting the advancement of women educators."

## This year's Annie Award for Outstanding Projects: Beta Chapter: Morning Joe and a Bagel to Go!!

The Project selected for this year's Annie Award for projects was completed by one of our smallest chapters. But, the members of this chapter saw to it that they were able to complete what they had decided to do. This project's emphasis was on supporting active teachers by delivering to their elementary schools an unexpected coffee, hot chocolate, bagels and cream cheese feast. A card of thanks, a message boldly written on a paper tablecloth and a pamphlet describing who they were completed the array. As was written in the application, "Our school communities have another connection to the outside world that so often seems to have forgotten the work. In one of the schools, a teacher ex-pressed how exciting it was to see educators walking in a building and brighten-ing up as they see the "professional" coffee set up. They laughed and talked about feeling supported as they grabbed a cup and a bagel. And they were still talking about it as the long day ended. We plan to make an "ask" for members at each of the schools later and perhaps they will remember and decide this will be a group they'd like to belong to."

## This year's Annie Award for Outstanding Program: Nu Chapter: "Rum Cakes for a Cause".

Again, the program applications were all worthy of this prestigious award. But, the program chosen focused on women's health and support. The program stressed the importance of woman being more diligent about their own personal health care. The presenter shared her life changing cancer diagnosis and encouraged members to unite in sisterhood to support, encourage and hold each other accountable for their own personal health care by acting and participating in annual health care checkups. As a result of her diagnosis, the presenter quickly realized that others, particularly from Eastern Kentucky did not have the same support group and resources as she. Even in the heat of her battle, she sought to help others by establishing "Rum Cakes for a Cause "project. She began baking rum cakes in her home and selling them with 100 percent proceeds being donated direct to Baptist Health for support in transportation, clothing, food and other needs of female patients undergoing cancer treatments.

As a result of this program, the winning chapter supported "The Rum Cake for a Cause" Project by encouraging each other to seek annual health screenings and selling/buying Rum Cakes. Members purchased rum cakes on a monthly basis- with proceeds going to Baptist Health. During one month each year the partial proceeds are given to the chapter's scholarship fund.

#### OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR AND ADMINISTRATOR AWARDS

Each year we recognize Educators and administrators who exemplify the 7 purposes of DKG. Chapters were tasked with nominating ladies who were outstanding in their positions based on innovation in the classroom or innovation and leadership in the school. Again, all of the applicants were very worthy of these awards and the decision was a hard one to make.

### **Outstanding Educator - Janet Willig, Zeta Chapter.**

The person chosen for Outstanding Educator has been a teacher for 47 years, first in the public school system and after retirement in higher education. In her application it reads: After 47 years of teaching Janet continues to demonstrate her passion, spirit, enthusiasm, and love of teaching with a radiant smile and sparkling eyes that captivate the interest of the listeners immediately! She possesses the wisdom and understanding to motivate, and challenge, while teaching leadership skills and preparing graduate students at the university level to work with gifted and talented students in the primary and middle school programs in present day society.

## **Outstanding Administrator - Mary Beth Stiltner, Nu Chapter**

The application for the person chosen for Outstanding Administrator reads in part: This applicant has been working in the educational field for more than 36 years. She has been a teacher and a principal, and now is currently the Chief Academic Officer of her School System. Throughout her career she has been an advocate for professional growth which allows for building women up to their fullest potential.

This applicant is a cofounder of East Ky Strong which is an all-girls confidence and inspirational program targeted at 11th grade girls, who spend a full day of targeted learning sessions while receiving gifts and having fun meeting other junior girls during the day. This applicant's commitment to the teaching and learning of the teachers and students of her county can be seen daily. She truly represents a "key woman educator" who constantly advances those around her and helps to prepare young women for the future.

## **KYSO Scholarship Committee News**

The KSO Scholarship Committee is happy to announce that they awarded one college scholarship and two classroom grants during the 2022-23 year. Sarah Staggs, a member of Upsilon Chapter and a preschool teacher, was awarded a \$1,000 tuition scholarship. She is pursuing her graduate degree in Interdisciplinary Early Childhood Education at the University of The Cumberlands. Donna Whitis, a member of Xi Chapter and a teacher at the Walden School in Louisville, used her grant money to create a Mini Math Monster program with the purpose of putting fun back into math for K-3 students experiencing math anxiety. Juliana Comerford, a member of Zeta Chapter, is a music teacher at River Ridge Elementary in Kenton County. Her grant money was used to purchase a special classroom rug which provides personal spaces for her pre-k through 1<sup>st</sup> grade students. The rug greatly improves the ability for young students to be successful learners during music lessons that daily involve movement and interaction. Congratulations to Sarah, Donna, and Juliana!

Pam Thomas Scholarship Committee Chair



Sarah Staggs



Donna Whitis



Juliana Comerford

# **Milestone Pin Recipients**

The more a member is engaged in the activities of her chapter and DKG, the more likely she will retain her membership. During our KYSO 2023 Convention we were able to celebrate Kentucky Chapter members who celebrated milestone memberships of 40 years and 50 years. The following are members who have retained their membership for these milestones.

#### 40-year members

ALPHA	Lynne Hewson
РНІ	Elizabeth VanArsdall
RHO	Norma Jean Chapman
	Linda Payne
TAU	Joyce Ann Watson
XI	Sandra Smith
ALPHA ALPHA	Linna Coyle
ΑΙΡΗΑ ΒΕΤΑ	Marybelle Duff
	Janet Chase
ALPHA DELTA	Joyce Miller
	Shirley Jones
	Elizabeth Richardson
<u>50-year members</u>	
GAMMA	Mary Humphries
MU	Betty McFarland
	Linda Burks
	Patsy Young
	Sue Story
SIGMA	JoAnn Mosier
TAU	Delphia Hicks
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UPSILON	Lois Foutch

XIJeanette WorthamALPHA ALPHAPam AdamsALPHA BETAPatricia Wilhelm

## In Memoriam

DKG holds a special place in our hearts. One reason is our members' genuine spiritual fellowship and lifelong friendships that are made. During our KYSO 2023 Convention we set aside a time to remember those who are no longer with us. We honored their lives and service in KYSO and DKG with our Celebration of Life. Many thanks go to Mu Chapter member Debby Couch for providing the beautiful and respectful music for our ceremony. Debby played both the Harp and the Native American Flute. The following sisters were honored during this remembrance.

Alpha	Valerie Adele Sikkenga
Beta	Bertha Hoover
lota	Shirley Ann Dick Wolf
Mu	Mabel "Frances" McCoy
Nu	Sharon Pearl Huffman Rosa W. Wolfe
Omega	June B. Buchanan Candice Griffin
Xi	Alice Brandon Eva "Grace" Hall Kleinschmidt
Alpha Beta	Mary Louise Winges Lyda "Kathleen" Babb
Alpha Delta	Debra L. Hardesty
KSO Only	Agnes Blane



KYSO 2023 – 2025 Officers. From left: Kathy Zwanzig (Xi), Executive Secretary; Donna Smith-Goodin (Xi), Parliamentarian; Shelia Wilkinson (Mu), Treasurer; Loretta Bednar (Alpha Delta), Secretary; Patricia Hackworth (Tau), 2nd Vice-President; Cherie Mingus (Mu), 1st Vice-President; Lucy Riffle (Zeta), President; Dr. Bonnia Cook Fouts (Alpha), Outgoing President



Nu Chapter "Rum Cakes for a Cause" Annie Award Program



Beta Chapter Morning Joe and a Bagel to Go!! Annie Award Project

**Delta Chapter** met at the Warren County Public Library Bob Kirby Branch on Saturday, April 22. This was the chapter's annual tea and Virginia Mutchler Young Woman Educator award presentation. Members brought out their antique china place settings and silver flatware for the refreshment buffet along with a cherished tea pot collection filled with different flavored teas, all of which was served on a white lace-covered table.



After a quick recap of the state convention, two \$500.00 scholarship awards were presented—one to Bethany Heming, a math teacher and academic coach at South Warren Middle School, and one to Sarah Angelle, a math teacher at

Left to right: Deb Cox, Vice-President; Donna Forsythe, Scholarship Chair; Bethany Heming, new member inductee; Marion Napier, President.

Bowling Green High School. Both award winners will use the scholarship money to help them pursue postgraduate degrees. Bethany was then inducted as a member of Delta Chap-

ter. Sarah was not able to accept her award in person, so it will be presented to her at a later date and she will also be inducted as a member at Delta's chapter meeting in August.



President Marion Napier with Sarah Angelle

Juanita Hire was presented a mentorship rose at the meeting. Juanita has been a member of Delta Chapter for 47 years and, at 88 years old, is the oldest member of the chapter. She started teaching in 1956 at the age of 18 with an associate degree. She later became a guidance counselor at North Warren High School (now North Warren Elementary) before beginning her tenure as a professor in the Elementary Education and Guidance departments at Western Kentucky University in 1963. She retired from WKU in 1985. Juanita is a past president of Delta Chapter. When Juanita became Delta Chapter President, the chapter had 75 members. Because of its size, the chapter divided and Alpha Epsilon Chapter was formed. Juanita is a valued member and an inspiration to Delta Chapter.



DKG **Epsilon Chapter** celebrated the induction of three new sisters, Julie Goodman, Tonia Parker, and Nannette Stevens on April 22, and we enjoyed fellowship while bidding on the delicious baked goods for our GIA

scholarship recipient, Riley Goodman (the auction brought in \$244). Lauren Skaggs delivered the inspirational and Honorary sister, Senator Robin Webb, enlightened us with news of the recent legislative session. Dear Ninette Amis was back in our arms for the first time in quite some time! And BIG THANKS go out to our amazing and gracious Russell sisters, for being BEST hostesses ever! I love this beautiful group of KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS! God truly blessed us!



This year has also blessed us (**Epsilon Chapter**) with welcoming back sisters Debbie Salyer, Terri McConda, and Susan Conley! We are so thrilled to have you back! Thank you for your consideration!

**Zeta Chapter** had a wonderful meeting on November 19th at the Ft. Mitchell Country Club. We were greeted at the door by sisters, Colleen McCabe and Julianne Comerford, and we also inducted a new sister, Stephanie Rottman. Many informative reports were made for our programs Books, Bibs, and Beyond and our partnership with Lincoln Grant Scholar House. We also celebrated the success of our cheese board fundraiser for Schools for Africa/World Fellowship. We thoroughly enjoyed the program presented by Dr. Cathy Collopy about the Dinsmore Homestead Museum. It was fascinating to hear about the history and artifacts as well as the educational programs offered for students of all ages. We look forward to being together again in March!



Door greeters, Julianne Comerford and Colleen McCabe. Stephanie Rottman, new Zeta sister, being inducted with 2nd Vice President, Debbie Morris. Dr. Cathy Collopy presenting about the Dinsmore Homestead. Submitted by Miranda Kaye Tieman

**Zeta Chapter's** programs have been outstanding this year: "Safety in Kentucky's Schools" by Lucy Riffle and Jimmy Pointer, "Dinsmore Homestead Museum" by Dr. Cathy Collopy, "Writing Children's Books" by Jessica Pass (author of Willy Woolly Winglewish Wonders Where He Is), and "Immanuel School of Music" by Ellen Stephens with music provided for our Founders' Day celebration by the Youth String Quartet, all thanks to Karen Woodward, 1st Vice President / Programs.

One of our president's goals this year was to help members get to know one another by using greeters at the entrance to our meeting space and by taking a few minutes at the beginning of a meeting to play "Which Sister," sharing bits of information and letting members identify the sister.

We've also had great success this year with our Books, Bibs, and Beyond program with many events in the area sharing the importance of reading to children. This program has continued to grow after 28 years, and this semester has reached out to over 300 parents.

Our May 20th meeting was loaded with positives and fun as it focused on our Women of Vision; the State EEC Classroom Teacher of the Year, Janet Willig; our new state president, Lucy Riffle; and "Our Pearls and Golden Girls," 19 sisters who have shown loyalty and devotion for 30-59 years!

For the Pearls and Golden Girls there were lovely wrist corsages, a display board with old photos of each one, Roll Call stating their number of years a member, five interesting facts presented about each one for their very special "Which Sister," lovely certificates for each, and especially for the members of 56, 58, and 59 years, the song "Thank You for Being a Friend," sung and played on a ukulele by Miranda Tieman. After the luncheon we all enjoyed our delicious and beautiful celebration cake made by Gina Wulfeck and listened to the exceptional Youth String Quartet. The Top Secret Team who planned this event with our president, Sally Nimmo were: Marinell Brown, Mary Kinsella, Diane Nutini, Debbie Onkst, Karen Woodward, and Debbie Morris.



Image 1 - "Pearls & Golden Girls" celebration for Zeta sisters that have been members of DKG for 30-59 years.

Image 2 - Zeta's Women of Vision recipients; the State EEC Teacher of the Year, Janet Willig; and new KSO President, Lucy Riffle, with her DKG logo.



Image 3 - Our Zeta sisters at Book, Bibs, and Beyond events sharing the importance of reading to children.

Image 4 - Zeta's programs: "Dinsmore Homestead Museum" by Dr. Cathy Collopy (top), "Writing Children's Books" by Jessica Pass (bottom left), and "Immanuel School of Music" by Ellen Stephens and her students (right). Miranda Kaye Tieman





**Mu Chapter** has met two times since the last KYSO newsletter. Our February 18, 2023 meeting was held at the First Christian Church in Elizabethtown. We had 10 members and one guest attending. Tony Bishop, husband of Mu member Becky Bishop, presented the program Tai Chi to members. Tai Chi is a "soft style" martial art that trains the brain to help with healing the body. It combines exercise, breathing, and balance. Mr. Bishop demonstrated ways that Tai Chi can be done in a seated position and invited us to join him. He emphasized that these movements help release endorphins and serotonin in the brain and can be done in a small area without any equipment.



Our guest was Deborah Murrell, who was invited by Ramona Jeffries. We voted to submit Joyce Miller's program on the history of the women's suffrage movement and how Hardin County played a part of that movement as an Annie Award nomination.

Our next meeting occurred April 27, 2023. We

had 12 members in attendance. During this meeting Deborah Couch received our member scholarship to attend a workshop this summer that will enhance her musical techniques with the harp. We had a report on the 2023 KYSO Convention. Mu Chapter had five members attend the state convention. We had four ladies who received 50-year Milestone pins. They are Betty Jane (BJ) McFarland, Linda Burks, Patsy Young, and Sue Story. We also



had three members receive a certificate as a "Key Woman of Vision." They are Becky Bishop, Cherie Mingus, and Patsy Young. Cherie Mingus was installed as KYSO 1st Vice President and will begin her term July 1, 2023. Our guest from our April Meeting, Deborah Murrell, was inducted as the newest member of Mu Chapter. Deborah (Debby) Murrell is a retired music educator who first began her career in Hardin County. We finished our meeting by having a "Celebration of Life" for three of our de-



ceased sisters. Deborah (Debby) Couch provided the beautiful music by playing a number using a lap harp and another number using the Native American flute. Debby Couch also provided the music during the "Celebration of Life" during the 2022 and the 2023 KYSO Conventions. The three sisters we honored were Iva Barratt, Norma Settles, and Frances McCoy. After the memorial session, members enjoyed social time and a dinner at Mi Jalisco Mexican Restaurant. Our next meeting will be a summer social with the date to be determined.

Cherie Mingus, Mu Chapter President

**Rho Chapter** - Owensboro - got together Saturday, April 22nd to work on reviving the chapter. The group discussed effective methods for communication, ways to recruit new members and engage former members and programming ideas. The group generated wonderful ideas and Rho hopes to be back up and running full force next year.

#### Jana Beth Slibeck Francis

**Psi Chapter** of Delta Kappa Gamma met on May 20, 2023, at All Seasons Café in Morehead, KY. In addition to the regular agenda items, members brought donations for DOVES (Domestic Violence Emergency Services), which is the local shelter for woman and children who are victims of domestic violence. Psi Chapter donates each year to this worthwhile organization, which provides safe shelter and services free of charge to victims from a five-county area.

Psi Chapter also welcomed new member Deborah Ishmael to our group. Deborah was a recipient of one of our THAT Grant awards and expressed an interest in joining us.



**Omega Chapter**-Omega chapter president, Charlotte Benton called the meeting to order, February 25, 2023, at 10:00 A.M., gave the welcome and introduced guest speaker, Judy Yetter. Her topic was "Embracing the Aged." Charlotte Benton followed Mrs. Yetter's informational remarks with the devotion and blessing. Following lunch which was provided by Texas Roadhouse, Lynn Werner read the minutes and Bonnye Roof presented the treasurer's report.

KSO convention was discussed with Charlotte Benton announcing nominations for

Annie Award and EEC Administrator award. Silent auction item was also discussed for convention and details were worked out.

Bonny Roof gave details of May 20th meeting at CASA office and details of their program. Grant-in-aid applications have been mailed and should be returned by April 15, 2023.

Dolly Parton Imagination Library was discussed, and chapter voted to donate \$100 to the Imagination Library in memory of June Buchanan. Following the business session, "Celebration of Life" was held. The ceremony was presented by Charlotte Benton, Lynn Werner, and Bonnye Roof for June Buchanan who passed in November 2022.

Adjournment followed the celebration.

**Omega Chapter** members heard a powerful presentation by Stephanie Moss about CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) May 20, 2023 at Child Watch and CASA center. At 10:00 AM president Charlotte Benton called the meeting to order, gave the welcome and devotional. After the CASA

presentation, Omega held a Celebration of Life for deceased member, Candice Griffin. Those participating in the ceremony were Charlotte Benton, Bonnye Roof, Lynn Werner and Sandy Anderson. Minutes were approved and treasurer's report filed for audit. Dues were collected, grant-in-aid and KYSO convention were discussed. Program suggestions and places to meet were discussed to assist executive board in planning meetings for 2023-2024.



**Alpha Beta Chapter** continues to work to grow in numbers. We are proud to have gained three new members at the end of the 2022 program year. Susan Froedge, Laura Moore and Aileen O'Brien were inducted into our chapter this year and we welcome them. It is so important to attract the younger generation to carry on the great work Alpha Beta members have done for some 45 years and adding new members is one of our major goals. We have the final report on our Fall Gift Basket Auction which

was held at our November meeting and yielded over \$1100 for scholarship funding that supports teachers who are furthering their education or those preparing to teach. Current or prospective teachers can apply for grants up to \$500. Members donate the baskets of items which support our silent auction. This is our main way of making money for supporting our budget and our outreach efforts. Our treasurer Valerie Conti shared that we donated \$100 to Middletown Christian Church that graciously allows us to meet in that facility. Emily Pruett handles the monthly food details for our meetings. She plans a mix of purchasing food some months when the members pay for their meals, but at other times we have a "pitch in" when members bring a dish which everyone also enjoys. Judy Reeves keeps us updated on special events and birthdays, as well as teaching us how to connect to DKG.org. And our secretary Diana Motsch does a wonderful job of keeping a scrapbook of our chapter's history. Our meetings are a great mix of learning and having fun. For example, Santa Claus visited our December meeting and had a present for everyone- a present that matched each person's person-

ality. But, in came the lot of trouble but addment to the evening as he bantered with a Valentine activity at and members brought cards that were doat Family Scholar our main outreach nate items all year



Grinch who caused a ed even more enjoywith his personality Santa. Kathy Fries led our February meeting packets of Valentine nated to the children House which remains organization. We doand some members

work directly with the families who are housed there. You can see we have a lot of fun at meetings but we mix fun with a focus on learning. At our February meeting, our President Vicki Lete presented the program on the topic Strong Women: Be One, Know One, Teach One. In addition to sharing several books that have impacted her, one being Dare to Lead by Brene Brown, she asked each member to think of the person who most impacted each of us positively at different stages of our lives.....from a child, to a teenager, to an adult, to a mature adult. Members first shared an impact story from their days of teaching and then reasons for naming the people who influenced their lives, a very thoughtprovoking activity. We have so many members who do amazing things in our schools every day. But our focus in this article is on Samantha McDowell for being the recipient of the Outstanding Undergraduate Student in Elementary Education Award, which was given to her by the University of Louisville! We are so very proud of her accomplishments and congratulate her. In March, our chapter was in charge of the Friday evening Hospitality Room and Welcome Reception at the annual KSO State Convention which was held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel here in Louisville. Many members contributed their time but also contributed items including beautiful "Comfort Baskets" for the silent auction. Hats off to three members President Vicki Lete, 1st Vice President Kathy Fries, and 2nd Vice President Judy Reeves who were



present for that evening event, brought in delicious food for the attendees, and entertained DKG members from all over the state, as well as from North Carolina. Other Alpha Beta members attended the weekend events also. We are particularly proud of Vicki and Kathy who have been selected to present at the International DKG Conference to be held in Phoenix this coming summer. Their topic is "Ignite Your Chapter" and

they have certainly done that for Alpha Beta. As we end this year of meetings, we want to wish for all DKG sisters much success as we work to support the current teachers and administrators who work tirelessly to serve our children. Brenda Logan, Alpha Beta Communications Committee.



Alpha Epsilon Chapter enjoyed an informative program on the impact of BRACAC (Barren River Area Child Advocacy Center). This organization services Allen, Barren, Butler, Edmonson, Hart, Logan, Metcalfe, Monroe, Simpson, and Warren Counties. The round-table discussion was led by one of our members Paula Clark who is also on the BRACAC Board. This board is charged with caring for children and young adults that are victims of abuse. Our chapter voted to donate \$200 to BRACAC and another \$200

to our local sheriff's department for children who are abused. In addition, our members brought snack-type items and stuffed animals to our meeting, and these were donated to BRACAC to be given to children when they are brought to the facility.

Our new officers were installed by member Carole Sindorf. President: Doris Carver; 1st Vice-President: Paula Clark; 2nd Vice-President: Jackie Powell; Recording Secretary: Marisa Hopkins; Corresponding Secretaries: Karen Grosnik and Ann Seidler; Treasurer: Becky Page; Parliamentarian: Sarah Flowers.

Submitted by Doris Carver



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Scholarship Award Recipients List

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