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## **Slate of Officer Candidates Advised**

The Alpha Delta State Nominations Committee is announcing nominees for State Officers, State Nominations Committee and Trustees of the A. Margaret Boyd Overseas Foundation from the Southwest and Northeast regions. Nominations from the floor of the State Convention in April may be placed if the nominee has given consent in writing.

**President**: Sharyn Sibera, Beta Chi. A retired elementary education/ reading teacher of 38 years, Sharyn currently serves as second vice-president of Alpha Delta State. She currently tutors at a library and Children's Rehab Center. She received her bachelor's degree from Thiel College and her master's degree from Youngstown State as a Reading

Specialist .

Sharyn has held all offices for her chapter, except treasurer. At the state level, Sharyn has been a member of the Bylaws/ Policies & Procedures Committee as well as the Membership Committee



Sharyn Sibera

(two bienniums). She also served as chairman of the Professional Affairs Committee and the Communications Committee. In addition to serving as second vice-president, she is a member of the Leadership Development Team.

Sharyn has attended approximately 30 state conventions, many regional con-

ferences and two international conventions. She is actively involved in her local retired teacher's association, Town Hall Speakers, Civic Music and her church.

**First Vice-President: Meier Bauer, Gamma Phi.** The current Alpha Delta State Corresponding Secretary, Meier retired from 43 years as a speech language pathologist. Her experiences in-

clude several assignments as lead therapist, special evaluator and consultant to Head Start.

Having received her B.S. and master's degrees from the University of Cincinnati, Meier also completed



Meier Bauer

work in Supervision Licensure and Language Pathology.

Meier has served as chapter president and many offices of Gamma Phi. Her state experiences include: corresponding secretary, leadership development chair, finance committee chair and Biennial Seminar Committee.

She has attended ten state conventions, three regional conferences and an international convention. She has also served on Cincinnati Children's Hospital City Wide Board and as Chairman of National Intercollegiate Rowing Championships.

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#### **TOWARD GREATER HORIZONS**

Emily Williams, State President

Happy New Year! I hope everyone had a safe and happy holiday season. It is hard to believe that my biennium as your state president will soon be coming to a close. When I was installed almost two years ago, 2015 seemed far into the future. Now, it is here.

I hope you plan to attend the 2015 Alpha Delta State Convention. The convention will be held April 10, 11 and 12, at the Polaris Hilton Hotel in Columbus. Please review the convention information in this edition of *The Voice of Alpha Delta State* and register to attend.

At the state convention, the Bylaws/ Policies & Procedures Committee will present the proposed revision of the Policies and Procedures for approval; the Finance Committee will present the pro-



posed budget; the Nominations Committee will present the slate of officers for the 2015–2017 biennium; the Scholarships Committee will award scholarships and announce the Esther Strickland Student Teaching Grant recipients; and Gold Key awards will be presented.

A variety of workshops will be offered. A majority of the workshops are designed to increase your knowledge of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. There will be an Info Fair, art show and time to visit with friends from around the state as well as time to make new friends. I am sure you will be glad you attended the convention. After attending convention, I am always reinvigorated. Convention is an invigorating experience and is a reminder to members as to why they agreed to membership.

Chapters are the lifeblood of the Society. To all chapter presidents and chapter officers, thank you for the leadership you provide. To all chapter members, thank you for all of the help and support you give to your chapter leaders and to each other.

It is an honor to serve as your state president. I look forward to seeing you in April.

Enily

# THE REVISED CONSTITUTION IS AVAILABLE AT WWW.DKG.ORG

#### Frequently Asked Question: What form(s) are needed to reinstate a member?

Linda Davenport, Membership Services Supervisor at International Headquarters responds, "If a member was dropped and not on the Form 18, we would need a completed **reinstatement form** to add her back on the chapter. Even if she is listed but was dropped and then paid dues we would need the reinstatement form so we would know to take the drop code off. In addition to the reinstatement form, the treasurer also must send **Form 18 - Report of Member Dues and Fees** and a chapter check for dues and scholarship fee. Send all to the state treasurer as soon as possible."

**Did you know?** As of January 5, there is a short story about Ohio's Edna Hansen on the International website? If you go to www.dkg.org and scroll down the homepage, you will see a section called Member Center. One of the links is Member Stories; click and you will find several names — one is Edna Hansen!

### 2015-2017 Biennium Slate of Officers Presented for Consideration

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Second Vice-President: Diana Kirkpatrick, Alpha Delta. Diana is retired after 25 years serving as a classroom teacher and elementary and high school counselor.

She received her B.S. from Adrian College and her Master's in School Counseling and Supervision from Wright State

University. In 2002, she obtained a funeral director license.

Diana has served her chapter as president (two terms), first vicepresident (three terms) and many committee chair positions.



Diana Kirkpatrick

She has served Alpha Delta State as a member of the World Fellowship, Membership, Scholarship and Bylaws/Policies & Procedures Committees as well as chair of the Communications Committee. In 2011-2013, Diana served as the State Convention Coordinator.

Diana has attended state conventions since 2002, as well as regional conferences and international conventions. She also serves on the Altrusa International Board of Directors, as Make a Difference Day chairman and is a member of Ohio Funeral Directors Association.

**Recording Secretary: Patricia Miles, Alpha Theta**. Patricia retired with 35 years teaching experience as a sixth grade teacher.

She received her B.S. in Elementary Education from Kent State and did graduate work at Ashland University.

Pat has served her chapter as president (two terms), vice-president, parliamentarian, music and membership chair, while having served on Expansion, Schol-

arship and Educational Excellence committees.

She has attended state conventions from 2004, Biennial Seminars and an International Convention.

Patricia is active in the League



Patricia Miles

of Women Voters (served as Board President) and serves as Board President for Friends of Wayne County Library.

**Corresponding Secretary: Eileen McNally, Beta Delta.** Eileen participates actively in her chapter; has served as president, first vice-president and editor of both the website and newsletter.

At the state level, Eileen has served on the Communications Committee, Personal Growth & Services Committee, and

is currently the Alpha Delta State Webmaster. In 2014, Eileen was named a Golden Gift Recipient.

Eileen received her bachelor's degree from The Ohio State University and her master's degree



Eileen McNally

from Ashland University. Eileen is the new president of Licking County Retired Teachers and was also the District IV Director of ORTA.

Nominee for A. Margaret Boyd, Southwest: Joan Ballbach, Delta Chi. Joan retired after teaching 30 years at the middle school and high school levels in the areas of special education, health and

physical education and sports medicine. She coached volleyball, baskettrack ball, and served as athletic director. She was also advisor of National Honor Society and the Leo Club, which she founded, and



Joan Ballbach

served as president of the teacher's association. She earned her degrees from Miami University and University of Dayton.

Joan has served as chapter president, vice-president, and membership chair. She has served on the Alpha Delta State Membership Committee and chaired the World Fellowship Committee. She has received A. Margaret Boyd Fellowships twice for her work in Haitian schools and presented this project at our state convention. Joan received a grant from the Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Foundation for the project called "Higher Ground Haiti: which was to improve mission schools academically, physically and spiritually.

Nominee for A. Margaret Boyd, Northeast: Jan Stewart, Omega. Jan is retired after having taught 35 years as an elementary music teacher for Chardon Schools. She has held several offices in Omega chapter, including president. Jan has been on the committee for the Esther Strickland student teaching grants and has attended many Northeast Regional Conferences and international conventions.

Jan's summer vacations have often been planned around DKG meetings and

events. She enjoys being with fellow women educators, especially at the Biennial Seminars, Leadership Training meeting and at the Esther Strickland Student Teaching Grant meetings. Jan heard about the A. Margaret Boyd



Jan Stewart

Overseas Foundation in Toronto, Canada. She feels it will be interesting to read about all the creative ideas the applicants submit for this award.

Nominations Committee, Central: Sara Hayes, Gamma. Sara currently serves as second vice-president of Gamma chapter. She received her B.S. from Ohio University and Masters in Educational Administration and Superintendent certification from Ashland University.

Employed with Central Ohio Educa-

tional Service Center, Sara belongs to the Ohio Association for Secondary School Administrators and Ohio Association of Pupil Services Administrators. As a district team member, Sara has received training in Universal



Sara Hayes

Design for Learning. Previously, Sara has served as a middle school principal, high school teacher, and special education administrator.

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### Chapters Onboard with "Opportunity Awaits You!"

Chapters are getting onboard already with "Opportunity Awaits You!" Excitement has started with chapters reaching out to the university contacts to let them know their chapter is part of this project. This is a great idea for chapters to follow. Positive thinking and giving it a worthwhile effort are two qualities of Delta Kappa Gamma members. We have nothing to lose and everything to gain. When planning the Meet and Greets, please try to hold them on campus. This may be easier to bring in a larger crowd. Remember to prepare information about your chapter to hand out. A name of a contact person from your chapter is essential. Encourage members of your chapter to attend and bring their best elevator speeches. Have a sign-in sheet for students to give their names, emails, and phone numbers. After they graduate, get them excited about visiting your chapters. Let them know they are eligible for membership after they get their first paid teaching position.

Moving in a new direction is change. We are ready. Keep our Educational Excellence committee informed of any creative ideas to pass on or any questions of concern. We are here to help and keep the excitement going. Please send pictures of your programs which deal with our three goals: Advance Excellence in Education (S.E.E.), Empower Women, and Global Awareness (S.F.A.). They will be displayed at the Info Fair at the state convention. Send all ideas, concerns and pictures to Sharyn Sibera via email shsibera@yahoo.com or 747 Old Wagon Lane, Warren, Ohio 44484.

### Grants issued through World Fellowship

The World Fellowship grant recipients have been selected for the 2014-2015 academic year. Nineteen women received \$4,000 grants to study in the U.S. or Canada. In addition to the new grants, four women have received extensions. The World Fellowship grant recipient brochure may be accessed on the International website. Included are the names and institutions of study for the World Fellowship recipients.

While there are no World Fellowship recipients studying in Ohio this year, Alpha Delta State members are encouraged to consider supporting this worthwhile project. If you are looking for fundraising ideas for your chapter, you will find a list of ideas from Alpha Delta members compiled after the 2013-2014 year in the World Fellowship Committee section of the Alpha Delta State website.

Pam Feick, Alpha Delta, Chairman, World Fellowship Chairman

### **Electing Officers at All Levels**

State Officers are elected in odd numbered years. Both local chapter and international officers are elected in even numbered years. At all three levels the officer candidates are chosen by the members of a nominations committee. At the international level, the nominations committee consists of two members elected from each region. They are elected at the International Convention by the state presidents. At the state level, there is one candidate for each of our state areas. Members of the state nominations committee are elected along with state officers at the state convention by members attending the General Session. A nomination for state officer may be made from the floor with the written consent of the nominee. The nominations committee chairman is chosen from that group by the state president, who is not a member of the committee members and members of the A. Margaret Boyd Board of Trustees. (See Alpha Delta Sate Bylaws for a full description of that Board). The state editor and treasurer are approved, but not elected by the State Executive Board, as paid personnel. The state parliamentarian is appointed by the state president. All three serve without vote.

Dr. Mary Jane Kaufman, Parliamentarian, Alpha Delta State

### **Chapter Treasurers Have a Busy Fall Season**

Alpha Delta State treasurer, Diana Haskell, reports that 100% of Ohio Chapters have paid member dues and fees by the October 31 deadline! Thanks to chapter treasurers for the diligent work in submitting monies in a timely manner.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT OF VACANCY FOR POSITION OF STATE EDITOR

See article below for further information.

### Applications Being Accepted for Editor

The Alpha Delta State Personnel Committee Chairman announces a job vacancy for the positon of state editor.

The editor must be a member of the Society. She is expected to complete duties as detailed in the complete job description for the Alpha Delta State editor.

A limited one-year contract will be issued for the period of July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016. A job performance review is an established procedure for the state editor.

Interested members may download an application from the Alpha Delta State website or request an application form with the job description from the address below. A completed application form, a resume and references must be <u>postmarked no later than March 2, 2015</u>. Interviews will be held March 10–20, 2015.

Nancy Waters, Personnel Committee Chairman, 1690 Nob Hill Road, Zanesville, Ohio 43701.

Statement of financial activity through December 31, 2014. Diana Haskell. State Treasurer State Member Dues ..... \$41,168 (No scholarship funds included) Interest Income ..... \$13 Unrealized Dividends \* ..... \$922 \* cannot access funds until investments are sold Other Payments \*\* ..... \$2,205 \*\* Balance of Beta Theta funds Total Income...... \$44,308 Administrative \*..... \$11,730 \* Officer meetings, chapter visits, payroll, CPA Committees & Coordinators ...... \$417 International Convention ...... \$7,006 Advisory, August \*\* ..... \$499 \*\* mileage, meeting and lunch expenses Executive Board—Fall \*\*\* ...... \$3,083 \*\*\* mileage, meeting and lunch expenses Ohio History Connection ...... \$250 Total Expenses ...... \$22,985 We will be displaying our scrapbook:

Chapter Name

Name of person responsible for the scrapbook:

Phone number and/or email address:

Complete and mail form to: Tammy Schroeder, Box 415, Kalida, OH 45853 or e-mail information to ews@bright.net

### Share Your History With ADS at Convention

It has become a tradition for chapters to share scrapbooks at State Convention. Not only do chapters have an opportunity to display their history and various chapter activities, but other chapters glean ideas for their own chapter programs.

Chapters are once again invited to display their chapter scrapbooks at the State Convention on **Saturday**, **April 11**, **2015**. To insure we have enough table space, chapters are asked to register their scrapbook by March 1, 2015.

To register, use the form above and mail to Tammy Schroeder, Box 415, Kalida, Ohio 45853 or email at ews@bright.net or contact 419-532-3762 or 419-796-8964.

Tammy Schroeder, State Historian

# Voting the Amendment Block

This past summer at the International Convention members voted on amendments to the Constitution of our Society. This monumental task was completed using a process called "voting the block." Amendments were divided into groups according to topic. Then, during the business meetings, each group of amendments was presented to the members for a vote. Members could choose to pull out individual amendments from the group by calling out the number of the amendment. That amendment was then on the floor for discussion, amending and vote. If no member wanted an amendment in the group considered separately, then the group was voted on in its entirety as a block. After the amendments requested by members for separate consideration were voted upon, any remaining amendments were voted on as a group or a block.

Alpha Delta State Bylaws may be amended in odd numbered years by a two thirds vote of the General Session at our State Convention. Proposed amendments, which were due to the Bylaws Committee by June 1, 2014, will be available to the membership at least thirty (30) days prior to the State Convention.

Dr. Mary Jane Kaufman, Parliamentarian, Alpha Delta State

#### **Emergency Fund Info Available at Spring Convention**

Under the sponsorship of the Alpha Delta State Educational Excellence Committee (ECC), brochures presenting the support provided by the DKG Emergency Fund will be available at the ADS 2015 convention and will be featured as part of the committee's workshop at the convention. Visit the EEC table early to obtain a copy of the brochure. Our supply is limited.

As a society, Delta Kappa Gamma has been responding to disasters affecting their members since 1948. Form 84 is available online for any member who needs to apply for support. Chapters or individuals may contribute to the Emergency Fund by using Form 43 online through their chapter treasurer or state organization. Individuals may also contribute directly by sending contributions directly to: The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, P.O. Box 1589, Austin, TX 78767-1589.

Becky Leighty, Gamma Xi, Member, ADS Excellence in Education Committee

### Do Not Delay: Apply for ∆KΓ Educational Foundation Awards

The Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Foundation is now accepting applications for Project Awards as well as Lucile Cornetet Professional Development Awards. Project Award applications are due electronically by January 3, 2015, while the deadline to apply electronically for Lucile Cornetet Professional Development Awards is February 1, 2015. Both Individual Awards and Seminar Awards are available through the Lucile Cornetet Professional Development Awards. Applications and instructions for applying may be found on the Society's website at www.dkgef.org. Alpha Delta State hopes to recognize several award recipients at its 77th State Convention April 10-12, 2015, at the Polaris Hilton in Columbus. Virginia Koch, Liaison

### Release Forms: A One-Time Signature Required of Members

All Alpha Delta State members must sign a Release Form. Personal information of any sort cannot be put in a chapter newsletter/website without permission. The Release Form gives that permission.

The state webmaster is making an extra effort to get the remaining release forms signed. Access the form from http://alphadeltastate.weebly.com/release-form.html. If you choose, you can sign an online version, which is found at the very bottom of the same page.

Chapters may collect forms and send via USPS mail to: Eileen McNally, 2535 Martinsburg Rd., Newark, OH 43055. Individuals may send to the same address.

Have you already signed a form? There is no need to do it again. It only has to be done once....period.

We know your time is valuable, and we appreciate your effort to get this done. If you have ANY questions regarding the form, please contact the webmaster at emcnally2535@windstream.net or call 740-345-6625.

Eileen McNally, State Webmaster

## **Newsletter Guidelines Revised**

In November, the Communications Committee revised the newsletter guidelines that were presented at the Fall Executive Board Meeting in October. All chapter presidents received an email in November with the new document and it is also posted on the state website. The guidelines list the six required elements and also suggested items to include in chapter newsletters. It is understood that each chapter communicates with its members in the method that works for them. It is still important to edit and proofread any publication for correct information, spelling and grammar. Once again, please be mindful of copyright laws.

For Gold Key credit, any two chapter newsletters from February 2014–January 2015 must be submitted by U.S. Mail or email to Ann Todd and Peggy Ciolek by February 1, 2015. For a state recognition certificate, the two newsletters will only be reviewed for the required elements and must also be submitted to Ann and Peggy by February 1<sup>st</sup>. They will not be scored or rated.

Before including any member's name or information in a newsletter or on a website, a release form must be completed and submitted to the state webmaster. This is required by Alpha Delta State and DKG International. The forms can be found on the state website. Please note: this is a one-time signature.

The Communications/Publicity Committee will have a display at the State Convention Info Fair concerning publicity of DKG. How does your chapter spread the word of DKG? Email ideas to pciolek@cox.net.

The Communications/Publicity Committee: Ellen Anglim, Delta Theta; Sydney Baker, Chi; Lacy Cox, Alpha Xi; Becky Maggard, Delta Omega; Eileen McNally, Beta Delta, Webmaster; Ann Todd, Zeta, Editor; Peggy Ciolek, Gamma Rho, Chairman.

# Scholarship and Grants Committee: Frequently Asked Questions

**Does Alpha Delta State offer scholarship or grant funds?** Yes! We offer student teaching grants to selected pre-service candidates AND scholarships are awarded to members that are selected from those that apply and meet the criteria.

What are the basic requirements?

- Must be Delta Kappa Gamma members in good standing who have held membership in an Ohio chapter for at least three years.
- Must be pursuing graduate work in education in an approved university and must meet entrance and grade point requirements of the graduate school.
- Must meet reasonable standards as far as personality, scholarship, professional services, and other evidences of potentialities for future service to the Society and the educational profession are concerned.

What scholarships are available?

- The Margaret L. White Scholarship Is awarded to a member studying at the Ohio State University.
- The Ruth Grimes Scholarship Is awarded to a member for studies at Miami University of Ohio.
- The Annie Webb Blanton Scholarship This scholarship provides stipends for graduate study in education at any accredited university. Amount of awards vary, depending on the length of the period of study, the degree and university costs.

**How do I apply?** Please review scholarship information and obtain the application on our society's web site http://alphadeltastate.weebly.com.

**When is the application due?** Apply now! Your application must be postmarked by February 1, 2015.

Where do I send my completed application? Send to: Dr. Nancy Russell-Fry, Chairman, 217 Oak Ridge Road, Wellston, Ohio 45692.

The Scholarship and Grants Committee: Peggy Brooks, Sigma; Linda Overstreet, Alpha Zeta; Mary Jane Schlairet, Alpha Pi; Barbara Smith, Zeta; Marlene Vorherr, Beta Nu; and Dr. Nancy Russell-Fry, Delta Epsilon, Chairman.



# **Celebrate the Arts!**

Visual and performing arts are a big part of events at the Alpha Delta State Convention. One of the many ways we celebrate the arts involves memberparticipation in our Visual Arts Display. Members are cordially invited to participate in this display which attracts both convention attendees and hotel guests. We invite members who are involved in continuous artistic production as well as the one-time/first-time artist. Consider showcasing fine, decorative, functional and literary works of art.

The Personal Growth and Services Committee is hosting and organizing this event. Member artists are cordially invited to register their intent to participate in the display so we can organize a secure site and gather materials to display the works. See the directions on the state website and in this issue of *The Voice*. Contact Jane Meese, PG&S Chairman, by March 15, 2015, at 740-385-3499 or janee.meese@gmail.com.

Arrangements by the Personal Growth & Services Committee: Doris Chamberlin, Alpha Beta; Charlene Greene, Delta Mu; Donna Myers, Kappa; Dr. Mary Kay Pieski, Gamma Upsilon; and Jane Meese, Alpha Xi, Chairman.

### Pre-Convention Tour Planned

The Alpha Delta State Pre-Convention State House Tour will take place on Friday, April 10, 2015.

The tour will take place at 1:00 p.m. Registered guests will meet in front of the State House Museum on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the State House. Plan to arrive approximately 15 minutes before the tour.

Those of you that would like to have lunch prior to the tour, may arrive by 11:30 a.m. and eat at the State House Cafeteria, also located on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor.

If you have previously been on the Pre-Convention State House Tour, you are encouraged to come again. There is always something new to learn about our great state of Ohio.

Stephanie Chatwood, Alpha Delta State Legislative Advocate

Alpha Delta State	ALPHA DELTA STATE CHORUS
<b>Convention at a Glance*</b>	Calling all who enjoy singing!
riday, April 10, 2015	Name Chapter
:30 a.m Lunch at State House	Address
00 p.m Pre-convention State House Tour (registration page 7)	Phone E-mail
00 – 9:00 p.m Registration	Voice Part: Soprano Soprano 2 Alto Alto 2
00 p.m Hotel check-in begins 00 – 7:00 p.m Leadership Dinner (by invitation) 00 p.m Welcome Reception	Send registration via e-mail to: cdquay@wcoil.com or mail to: Cheryl Quay, 2521 Elmview Drive, Lima, OH 45806-1611 Phone: (419) 991-4886
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ception.	Alpha Delta State Convention Agora 2015
turday, April 11, 2015	Intent to Participate
00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m Registration	
00 – 8:30 a.m Continental Brkfst	Chapter name:
5 a.m Executive Board Meeting	Contact:
15 a.m General Session :40 a.m 4:00 p.m Info Fair,	Address:
Agora, Keepsake Shop, Art Display	E-mail address:
:40 – 11:25 a.m.	Phone: Table space needed:
Workshop Session I	Please send your AGORA registration form to:
:35 a.m. – 12:20 p.m. Workshop Session II	Judy McClanahan, Convention Coordinator
:45 Birthday Luncheon	159 South Huron Avenue, Columbus, OH 43204-2533
30 p.m Chapter President Line-up	OR e-mail information to: jamkdg@aol.com
0 p.mPresidents/Founders Banquet	Deadline to register — March 16, 2015
ınday, April 12, 2015	ALPHA DELTA STATE — OHIO STATE HOUSE
00 a.m Necrology Service	Pre-Convention Tour 2015
15 a.m Inspirational Breakfast	Friday, April 10, 2015 — 1:00 p.m.
Times subject to change	
	RETURN RESERVATION FORM BY WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8, 2015
SCAN FOR CONVENTION	Name Chapter
REGISTRATION FORM	Address
	City Zip
	Phone Cell Phone
	E-mail
「液体なく」	I plan to arrive by 11:30 AM to have lunch at the State House Café.
	Send registration to: Stephanie Chatwood 2743 Covina Drive Springfield, OH 45504
	Or E-Mail: sainty00@hotmail.com
	Contact Stephanie with questions: (h) 937-399-2153 or (c) 740-971-7764

<b>Convention Registration Form</b> The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International	REGISTRATION RECEIPT Keep for your records
Alpha Delta State Convention April 10, 11, 12, 2015	Alpha Delta State Convention April 10, 11, 12, 2015
PLEASE PRINT:	Registration \$25
Name for badge:	
Chapter:	
Address:	
City: Zip Code:	
E-mail: Phone:	Luncheon \$33
PLEASE CHECK AS APPROPRIATE:	Banquet \$36
State Officer Past State President	
State Committee Chairman Current Chapter Pre	
State Committee Member Guest	Sunday Breakfast \$27
First Alpha Delta State Convention	Total \$
Registration, postmarked by March 14 \$25.00	Please remember to check
Late Registration, postmarked March 17 – April 6 \$40.00	
Reception, Friday, April 10 \$ 10.00	your registration form!
Continental Breakfast, Saturday, April 11 \$ 18.00	
Birthday Luncheon, Saturday, April 11 \$33.00	HOTEL RESERVATION
Presidents & Founders Banquet, Saturday, April 11 \$36.00	
Inspirational Breakfast, Sunday, April 12 \$ 27.00	
Sub Total:	
Corsage for Saturday's Banquet — Please check desired size:	8700 Lyra Drive Columbus, Ohio 43240
1 large rose \$10.003 sweetheart roses \$12.00	
Grand Total:	Riton R
<b>*</b> REGISTRATION MUST BE POSTMARKED BY MARCH 14, 20	015 *
Please send completed registration form and check payable to	
Alpha Delta State to:	CALL: 614-885-1600 for reservations
Linda Diltz, Convention Registrar 315 Sunset Drive, Circleville, Ohio 43113-1339	All reservations must be
Call: 740-474-6360 or e-mail: lindadiltz1@gmail.com for assistance	
WORKSHOP CHOICES: Please print letter of your workshop choice on the second sec	he line. Check in: after 3:00 PM. Check out: 12:00 PM
Workshop Session I Workshop Session II	The nightly rate is \$142.00 plus tax; if reserved before March 11, 2015.

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### Member Voices Requested in Revision Process

Recommendations for the revision of *the 2006 Manual of Policies and Procedures of Alpha Delta State* are included in this issue of *The Voice of Alpha Delta State* (as an additional attachment) and will also be in convention packets. Since the Bylaws and Policies and Procedures Committee is seeking items in need of clarification, convention packets will also include a notecard with directions asking members to list the item and question. With over 70 recommendations, the committee is pursuing the most efficient and fair method of dealing with the volume of recommendations, as well as being respectful of member voices.

Bylaws/Polices and Procedures Committee: Edna Hansen, Alpha Zeta; Shirley Harper, Delta Tau; Diana Kirkpatrick, Alpha Delta; Annie Roegner, Beta Lambda; and Dr. Lois Harkins, Alpha Lambda, Chairman.



Members to receive copy by March 31, 2015

PLEASE NOTE: THE COPY OF THE RECOMMENDATIONS FOR CHANGES IN THE *MANUAL OF POLICIES AND PROCEDURES OF ALPHA DELTA STATE* ARE INCLUDED AS AN ATTACHMENT ALONG WITH THIS ISSUE OF *THE VOICE*.

### **Use Recommendations Form for Questions and Clarifications to Changes**

Directions: Please locate the green recommendations for *Manual of Policies and Procedures of Alpha Delta State Ohio* document in convention packets, noting formatting information listed in the first two paragraphs. After reading the document, please list an item and question you wish to have clarified. Cards will be collected at the beginning of the Executive Board Saturday morning.

Your name:			Chapter:	
Page Heading First 5 words Your		Your	Question:	
SAMPLE 3	State Commit- tees Pages 6-9 General Proce- dures 8	In odd-numbered years the	Whate	ever your questions is

#### **Slate of Officers Presented for Consideration**

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Nominations Committee, Northwest: Louise Birkhold, Delta Lambda. Louise participates actively in her chapter. She served as president for two bienniums, vice-president and newsletter editor for several years. She currently serves on her chapter's Bylaws/Policies & Procedures Committee and is chairman of the Communications/Publicity Committee. Louise has attended an international convention, Alpha Delta State conventions and two regional conferences.

Louise received her B.A. in Music Education from Capital University and taught elementary music for 31 years at Huron City Schools. Louise was a member of the Ohio Music Education Association, Huron



Louise Birkhold

Local Education Association, serving as president for two years, and also served on the NEOEA Travel and Public Relations Committee.

Nominations Committee, Southeast: Barbara Zirke, Alpha Psi. Barb has served as Alpha Psi chapter president, vice-president and chairman of various committees. She is currently Chair-

man of the Professional Affairs Committee. Barb is a biology teacher in the Maysville Local School District in Muskingum County where she has taught for 39 years.



Barbara is a graduate of Baldwin Wallace University

Barbara Zirke

with a Master's degree in Biological Sciences from Purdue University. She was awarded the 2012 Muskingum Valley Educational Service Center's Exemplary Educator Award.

Nominations Committee, Northeast: Sally Gillmore, Sigma. Sally was a school librarian for 39 years and an adjunct professor of Library Science at Kent State University for 23 years. She has been president of Sigma chapter four different times and has held other offices. Sally has been on several ADS committees and is currently an A. Margaret

Boyd trustee and chairman of the Finance Committee. She has attended many Northeast Regional Conferences and international conventions.

As chairman of the Finance Committee, Sally has helped ADS take the



Sally Gillmore

final steps toward initiating an Educational Foundation (501c3) that encompasses fund raising and charitable (educational) spending for our entire organization. As she knows many of the state leaders, Sally will bring knowledge of their expertise to the table. Sally is constantly trying to recruit new members who will be as enthusiastic about DKG as she is.

Nominations Committee, Southwest: Janet Stewart, Delta Chi. Janet is a retired primary teacher who continues to substitute. She received her Bachelor's from Wilmington College and did addi-

tional work at University of Cincinnati and Miami University.

Janet was president of her chapter and currently chairs the nomination committee and serves on several other chapter committees. She has



Janet Stewart

attended several state conventions and last year attended the International Convention. Janet is a member of Batavia Presbyterian Church where she has held positions of elder, deacon and trustee.

Nominations Committee: Cindy Norman, Delta Lambda; Melody Newman, Delta Chi; Cindy Lawyer, Alpha Psi; Nancy Custead, Alpha Alpha; and Willa Mullins, Gamma, Chairman.



#### DATES TO REMEMBER

<u>February 28, 2015</u> Advisory Committee Meeting Columbus, Ohio — 10:00 AM

April 10, 2015 Ohio State House Pre-Convention Tour — 1:00 PM

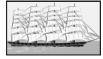
<u>April 10-12, 2015</u> Alpha Delta State Convention Hilton at Polaris; Columbus, Ohio

<u>May 18, 2015</u> A. Margaret Boyd Overseas Foundation Meeting

<u>May 20, 2015</u> Legislative Day at OSBA Columbus — 9:00 AM

June 16 - 18, 2015 Soaring to New Horizons Biennial Seminar — Dayton, Ohio

<u>July 8-11, 2015</u> Northeast Regional Conference Baltimore, Maryland



The International Northeast Regional Director, Dr. Kay Clawson and the

members of Maryland State Organization, invite you to join them at the DKG Northeast Regional Conference in Baltimore, MD between July 8-11, 2015.

The Hyatt Regency Inner Harbor is waiting for your arrival with excellent accommodations, fine food and a great location.

- Empower your future
- Experience the conference changes
- Mentor and network with friends
- Enjoy educational speakers and breakout sessions,
- Participate in the interactive Info Fair and visit the DKG Marketplace.
- Explore the unique activities in the area

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# **Going For The Gold**

We are in the home stretch for 2014-2015 Gold Key Awards. All but two deadlines have come and gone. Most of you have met the challenge so far, now come the last two hurdles. First—February 1: all reports must be in to the respective chairmen. Second — March 1: the Gold Key application must be sent to the Gold Key Coordinator. DO NOT WAIT UNTIL THE LAST MINUTE! Time is of the essence.

Pam Toon, Gold Key Coordinator

### Chapter Treasurers Earn An A+

Thank you to each Ohio chapter treasurer. Because of the diligent work of this office, 100% of Ohio's chapters have filed IRS Form 990n as required.

Diana Haskell, State Treasurer

# **2015 Convention Workshop Descriptions**

Record your choice for each session in the designated area on the convention registration form.

#### WORKSHOP SESSION I 10:40-11:25 AM

**A. Finding Balance.** Join the Finance Committee if your chapter is looking for budget strategies to establish the amount of member dues to charge so programs, projects and chapter expenses are balanced. Ideas will also be presented for fundraising and non-dues revenue.

B. "At Risk" Adult and Children Learners. "Mathing Without Fear" by Touching, Talking and Discovering Math as they observe, question, compare and draw conclusions mathematically in new ways. Experience strategies and concepts; "mathing" tools and manipulatives; strategies that support and assist the "At Risk" adult and child. Preview the math literacy programs at the ABLE/ACE and the Dowd Education Center in Columbus, Ohio, which promotes and encourages inter-cultural understanding improvement and selfconfidence in the student mathematical processes. This is a double session.

C. Frilly Scarves. Learn how to make a knitted frilly scarf. For this workshop, you will need to bring the following: one skein of Red Heart Boutique Shashay yarn in your favorite color, size nine knitting needles and end cover, and an empty paper towel roll. You will learn the secret to make this easy project and begin making your scarf. Instructions will be given on how to finish them at home. Limit 15 - 20. **D. Build Your Chapter Website NOW!** Use Weebly now to build your chapter website. Weebly is not only easy, the revised standards are **FAR** less restrictive and are more concise. A *double session* will allow you to get your new website well underway. Bring your computer (iPads are not good for this task) and a thumb drive with the following: numerous photos of officers and/or meeting activities, your chapter's calendar, several newsletters (PDF or MS Word) and a description of your chapter's projects.

**E. Just Ask.** Wondering how to get new members and retain members? Come and receive many ideas.

**F.** Out of the Box. Let's take some ideas "out of the box" to enhance leadership for yourself and your chapter.

#### WORKSHOP SESSION II 11:35 AM – 12:20 PM

**G. STRS Update.** Back by popular demand: the State Teacher's Retirement workshop presented by Mr. Nick Treneff, Director of Communications for STRS. Mr. Treneff will give members updates on current STRS information. He will also be available to answer ADS members' questions regarding current legislation with STRS. Hand-outs will be given to those in attendance to take back to your local chapters. Make this one of your convention workshop opportunities.



INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS

H. Starting a Robotics Club for Elementary Students – It's Easy! In this session, your will learn how to start a Robotics Club at your elementary school. It is easier than you think and the benefits to your students are tremendous! Learn how one un-techie teacher in a Title 1 school is teaching STEM Education in a way that is hands on and fun!

**I.** Everyone Leads. If everyone is a leader, why do DKG chapters have such a hard time getting women to step forward and lead? This workshop time will be used to discuss what is happening in chapters and strategies for getting women to take leadership responsibilities.

J. "Opportunity Awaits All of Us." The workshop will be filled with an abundance of information on all three goals of the Educational Excellence Committee. The audience will be given details about the new project "Opportunity Awaits You" which focuses on Supporting Early Educators. If you want to increase your membership, we look forward to seeing you.

K. The ABC's of Letterboxing. Would you like to learn about an interesting activity you could do with family and friends? Letterboxing is a multigenerational activity that began in 1854. It combines puzzle solving, stamp artistry and orienteering. The quest will take you to beautiful scenic places and you will learn new things. Join us to learn more about this world wide treasure hunt.

L. Namaste. Nepal: Experience a virtual trek through Nepal, land of the world's largest peaks, sweeping hillsides, pristine valleys, lush jungles, and home to gentle, beautiful and generous people.

### **Soaring To New Horizons in Dayton**

The year 2015 is well underway and the fourteenth biennial seminar, Soaring to New Horizons on June 16-18, 2015, is awaiting registrants. This seminar will be using the Hope Hotel on Wright Patterson's Air Force Base, in Dayton, Ohio, as its headquarters. The coordinators have planned a seminar that offers historical knowledge, personal growth and time for genuine fellowship.

The seminar is not only for DKG members but non-members as well. Therefore, bring a friend and share in this interesting experience. The registration form is in this issue of *The Voice* and on Alpha Delta State's website. The magic number of registrants is one hundred, please fill out the registration form and secure your spot now! Deadline for registration is April 30, 2015.

Marilyn Slusser, Seminar Cocoordinator



Carol Christian, Chi, was named 2014 Teacher of the Year at Hamilton City Schools.

Barbara Ade, Gamma Pi, was recognized as the YWCA of Youngstown's Volunteer of the Year during their yearly business meeting last May.

Roselyn Gadd, Beta Chi, was awarded the Shepherd of the Valley Legacy Award for her dedication to elderly and retirees programs in the Warren area.

Sandra Sutherland, Zeta, serves as Superintendent of the Richland Academy School of Excellence in Mansfield, who in December, made history with the firstever Skype session with the U.S. Capital. A story with details will be available in a later issue of The Voice.

ALPHA DELTA STATE — SOARING TO NEW HORIZONS
JUNE 16-18, 2015 — DAYTON, OHIO
BIENNIAL SEMINAR REGISTRATION FORM

Name:

Name on Badge: Chapter:

Address:

E-mail:

Cell No.:

Special Dietary Needs:

COST: \$125 (payable to Alpha Delta State)

Send registration form and check to:

**REGISTRATION DUE:** April 30, 2015 Marilyn Slusser 2721 Pine Valley Court



### **BIENNIAL SEMINAR HOTEL RESERVATIONS**

Dayton, OH 45414

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Hope Hotel and Richard C. Holbrook Conference Center 10823 Chidlaw Road, Area A • Wright-Patterson Air Force Base • Dayton, OH 45433 Phone: 937.879.2696 + Fax: 937.879.3467

#### Room Rate — \$99.00



### Alpha Chi Celebrates 75th Anniversary

Alpha Chi chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International met on Saturday, October 18, 2014, at the First Presbyterian Church in Williamsburg to celebrate its 75th anniversary. A catered brunch was served, followed by the business meeting and initiation and Founders' Day ceremony.

Alpha Chi honored the original founders of Delta Kappa Gamma as well as the charter members of the local chapter. Two former members, who attended as visitors, were welcomed. All members dressed in red to commemorate this special occasion. Following the ceremonies, the celebration was ended with cake. Co-president Ruth Scott presented some historical events that occurred around the time Alpha Chi chapter was founded, October 28, 1939.