

DELTA KAPPA GAMMA  
PROMOTES PROFESSIONAL  
AND PERSONAL GROWTH OF  
WOMEN EDUCATORS AND  
EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION.

# The Voice

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New Officers

## ADS INSTALLS NEW OFFICERS AT ADS CONVENTION 2017



Photo by Kim Lewis, editor

The new officers along with the treasurer had their first official meeting on Sunday March 26, 2017 following the inspirational breakfast.

Pictured Left to Right: Recording Secretary Karen S. Dombrowski—Alpha Nu, Second Vice-President Debby Canter—Delta Epsilon, President Meier Bauer—Gamma Phi, First Vice-President Diana Kirkpatrick—Alpha Delta, Corresponding Secretary Ann M. Todd—Zeta, and Treasurer Diana Haskell—Gamma Phi

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### SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST

- Pat's last president's message
- NE Regional Travel information
- New ADSOEF
- Address changes for Gold Key Chapter Newsletter submissions
- Convention highlights



First VP Meier Bauer, Corresponding Secretary Tammy Schroeder, President Pat Cermak, Second VP Diana Kirkpatrick, Recording Secretary Pat Miles, and Treasurer Diana Haskell

## A MESSAGE FROM YOUR STATE PRESIDENT PAT CERMAK

When I first started this journey, I never realized just how fast two years can pass. First, I wish to thank all of you for your support, good wishes and willingness to participate in DKG.

A special THANK YOU to Nancy Kuder, Convention Coordinator and Peggy Ciolek, Convention Registrar who not only did their respective jobs, but were always willing to listen. To those of you

who accepted the duties of committee chairman and committee members, I extend a huge THANK YOU.

Secondly, I would like to share some of the things I have learned during this journey.

- ◆ I continued to learn that DKG is definitely the best organization for women educators to join.
- ◆ I learned that every chapter is unique and working hard to support their members.
- ◆ I learned that the majority of members are considerate and care about each other.
- ◆ I continue to believe that it is better to be kind than to be right.
- ◆ I learned that you can please some of the people all of the time, can't please some people no matter how hard you try and never can you please all of the people all of the time.
- ◆ I learned that everyone needs to be greeted with a smile and a smile is a wonderful way to improve your looks.
- ◆ I learned that I can do things that I didn't think I could.
- ◆ I learned that some can't stand change and others love it.

On July 1st, after more than 10 years serving as a state officer, I shall lay down the responsibilities of being your president. I pray that the next two years will be blessed with peace and Alpha Delta State moving forward.

I have been privileged to witness many achievements in our members. Understandably proud of this, we must realize that leadership and prestige for ADS and DKG depend, not merely upon our progress and strength, but on how we use our interests and strengths for the betterment of our organization.

Our basic purposes have been to foster progress in the field of education and to enhance the dignity and integrity among women. To strive for less would be unworthy of those who have come before us. Any failure traceable to arrogance, or our lack of comprehension, or readiness to sacrifice our time and abilities, would inflict grievous hurt on this organization.

As future proposals are made, I strongly suggest the hiring of an executive secretary. I have experienced what happens when continuity and consistency is not passed along. I also feel that one of the most important roles of the president should be, and **must** be, to have the time to spend with the officers of individual chapters to help them move forward and to be able to encourage future members to take on the tasks of leadership. Having an executive secretary would help to balance the element of time for our president.

Together we must learn how to compose differences with intellect and decent purpose. As one who has experienced what happens when we do not do this, I confess that I lay down my responsibilities on July 1 with a definite sense of disappointment.

Happily, I can say that steady progress has been made. I am thankful for the many opportunities DKG has given me to be of service. I trust in that service, you have found some things worthy. Soon I will become a private member. I am proud to do so. I look forward to it.

*Thank you and God bless all of you.*



Patricia Cermak and Lady Jane



## MEMBER GENEROSITY !

This year ADS members raised over \$3464 for the BeWISE camp for girls and during the birthday luncheon \$2075 was donated by members/ chapters for the Esther Strickland Teaching Grant.

Nice job everyone!



Photos by Kim Lewis

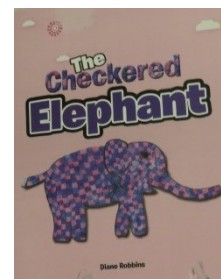
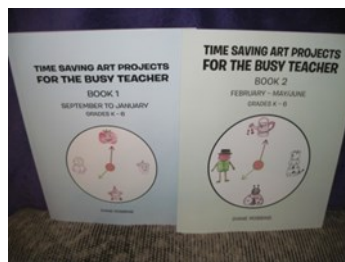
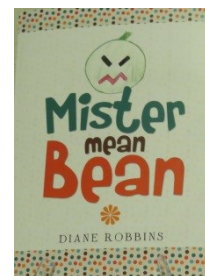
## PSI CHAPTER MEMBER DIANE ROBBINS HAS PUBLISHED FIVE BOOKS.

Diane has two books for teachers: Time Saving Art Projects for the Busy Teacher, Book 1 and Book 2. Each book has more than 20 art projects that use the same patterns. Although teachers will need to make copies of the patterns for each child or group, they only have to be made once! After the patterns are made and labeled they can be used for the projects. There are many ways these can be used in class. Some suggestions: sorting, tracing, following directions, shapes, measurement, learning stations, and in art class.

She also has three children's books: Mister Mean Bean, The Checkered Elephant, and Alice, The Talking Christmas Tree. Mister Mean Bean is about bullying—the characters are unique and abstract so that they do not resemble any child reading the book. Mister Mean Bean learns how to treat others by following the example set by his friends. The Checkered Elephant is a feel good story about friendship. Children follow the adventures of Alex, the checkered elephant and his friends. Her newest book is Alice, The Talking Christmas Tree. This book is based on an actual Christmas decoration that was in a store window in downtown Wheeling, West Virginia, for many years. It tells the story of

how Alice came to Wheeling, her travels, and triumphant return home to Wheeling!

She is active in Psi Chapter. She does their yearbook, newsletter, and makes Christmas stockings for members to fill for a local charity.



Photos submitted by the author, Diane Robbins



## NORTHEAST REGIONAL—GET YOUR PASSPORT READY!

Come to the Northeast Regional Conference July 12-14 at Caesars Resort and Convention Center in Windsor, Ontario.

The Northeast Regional Conference will be one day shorter than the other regionals as International is responding to evaluations that suggested shortening the regionals. The registration fee is \$113 (U.S. dollars) for the three days and \$50 for one day. But the registration form will be listed in Canadian dollars, and, therefore, those living in the U.S. will need to use a credit card to register. The credit card bill will then list the cost in U.S. dollars, which because of the exchange rate is less than Canadian dollars.

Caesars Resort, the conference site located across the river from Detroit, is a lovely facility. Rooms are in the Augustus Tower, and the meetings are on a lower level in the same tower. Reserving a room in late spring, may require you to select lodging in the Forum Tower which requires a short walk through the Casino to the conference. Lodging is \$165 in Canadian dollars per night. Multiply \$165 by .75 to get the approximate cost of the room in U.S. dollars: \$123.75.

### Why do we have regional conferences?

We can get the latest information about the Society, and we can experience professional and personal development through speakers, breakout sessions, and other activities. Plus we see another geographical area.

Earlier in the week (Mon., Tues., and Wed.) preconference training will be provided for state organization presidents and other specific state leaders. International meetings are wonderful places to enjoy "genuine spiritual fellowship" with women from other countries and states in the U.S. So think very seriously about attending the Northeast Regional. Some members from the Northeast have already volunteered to help Ontario's 150 members. Members who are musical and enjoy singing and playing instruments are invited to participate. Susan Young from Illinois will be directing the chorus along with seeking individuals to perform at various sessions.

Porter Airlines offers a discount from major cities and Canada to Toronto where going through customs is required, and then it's only a 20-minute flight to Windsor. On other airlines through Detroit, it is only about 30 minutes by shuttle to arrive at Windsor after going through customs. You do need a passport! No one gets in to Canada with a gun--not even one that a husband or friend may have left in the trunk of your car. When passing through customs, if you are asked why you are entering Canada, say you are attending a teachers' conference.

Come to Windsor in July and we will share a variety of experiences and have a good time!!

Two pre-conference sessions—The Underground Railway which ended at Windsor and Indigenous Peoples in the 21st Century--will be offered on Wednesday, July 12. Professional development hours will be available.

## NE REGIONAL CONVENTION INSERT: TRAVEL PLANS FOR THE NORTHEAST REGIONAL CONFERENCE

As we are into the new year, you may now be thinking seriously about those travel plans to attend the Northeast Regional Conference in Windsor on July 12-14. Perhaps you have already decided to come a day early.

**How are you traveling?** If by auto or air from the US, remember to bring your passport. If flying Porter Airlines from Canada or one of these cities in the US—Boston, MA; Burlington, VT; Chicago (Midway); Newark, NJ; Pittsburgh, PA; Washington DC (Dulles)—Porter is offering a 15 per cent discount to those going to the Northeast Regional Conference and returning between July 7 and July 17. Book online at: <https://flyporter.com/Flight?culture=en-CA&promocode=NRC017>. If booking through a travel agent the Code is **NRC017**. From US, you will clear immigration on Toronto Island (aka Billy Bishop) rather than Toronto Pearson. Turnaround time is about 20 minutes and then you will fly on to Windsor.



CREATIVE COMMONS ATTRIBUTION

**Do you wish to reserve a room now in the Augustus Tower of Caesars Resort and Convention Center?** Call the hotel's Reservation Department at 1-800-991-8888 and identify yourself as being part of Delta Kappa Gamma with the group code of ADE0708. The online booking link is: [http://www.totalrewards.com/hotel-reservations?](http://www.totalrewards.com/hotel-reservations?propCode=WCL&groupCode=ADE0708)

The room rate of \$165 in Canadian dollars (about \$123 in US dollars) is good from July 8 to July 16.

**If coming early to Windsor, you might enjoy attending one of the pre-conference seminars**, which will be held in the morning and afternoon of July 12. **The Underground Railway** features Elise Harding-Davis, an author and a descendant of slaves who escaped to Canada. Windsor was one of the destination cities in the underground railway. In the afternoon participants in this seminar will be taken to the sights outside of Windsor from those days in the mid-1800's.

**The other seminar, Indigenous Peoples of the 21st Century**, will focus on the history of the residential schools that were founded years ago to teach Indigenous students. Unfortunately, these children were taken miles away from their families and suffered many problems that remain with them today. Charlene Bearhead, a survivor of one of those schools and now the education officer for the Truth and Reconciliation Commission, will share her past experiences and ways Indigenous students are being helped today. Ontario member

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Lovingly missed	Gamma Nu

**The March/April NEWS will have a four-page spread** on the Northeast Regional and pre-conference leadership opportunities and information will be posted on the website. If you have questions, feel free to contact (chughes@mtco.com) if you have any questions or go to the DKG Regional Convention site [Click here](#).



**HEAR YE! HEAR YE!**

Approve the proposed election amendments to the governing documents!

As a Convention Attendee in 2020 you would be able to cast YOUR vote for international officers.

As a result of a motion at the Nashville International Convention, President Carolyn Pittman appointed an ad hoc committee to review the work of the 2012-2014

Ad Hoc Election Process Committee and propose amendments to the Constitution and International Standing Rules to enable convention attendees to vote for officers.

In order for attendees to vote for the officers in 2020, the governing documents must be amended at the upcoming 2018 convention in Austin, Texas.

Attend a workshop about the election process at your regional conference!

Learn the difference between Delegate, General Election and Convention Election options.

Cast your vote for the proposed amendments! (2018 in Austin)

*Ad Hoc Election Committee Members: Evelyn Barron, Beverly Helms, J-Jay Pechta, Aurora Vignau, Sigrun Klara Hannesdottir, Carolyn Pittman, and Carolyn Rants-chair of the Ad Hoc Election Committee*

**CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE**

Alpha Delta State celebrated the lives of its members, their accomplishments and the impact of their lives during the Celebration of Life service at the State Convention. Although all have been important to the educational community and to Delta Kappa Gamma, it is particularly noteworthy that Bernice Kohler, Alpha Lambda, had been a member for 70 years and that Irene Koval, Beta Lambda, and Addie Lamb, Gamma Alpha, had been members for 60 years. 50 year members Winona Schafer, Alpha Zeta, Alana Bitner, Alpha Iota, Wanda Tacy, Beta Rho, and Ruth Ward, Gamma Iota were also recognized. Both Ruth Ward and Addie Lamb were charter members of their chapters.

This year's Celebration of Life service began and ended with beautiful harp solos played by Jody Guin. The vocal music directed by Cheryl Quay added to the tribute to our departed members. Thank you to the Membership Committee for providing this service. It was a fitting reminder that the memory of a good person is a blessing.

*Submitted by Meier Bauer*

See the list on page 7



*Dr. Lyn Schmid and Meier Bauer at ADS Convention 2017*

*Photo by Kim Lewis*

# REMEMBERING OUR SISTERS

## Lambda

Patricia Ellis Oct 6, 2016  
Peggy Morgan Dec 29, 2016

## Phi

Helen Conrad May 12, 2016  
Susie Sparhawk Oct 18, 2016

## Psi

Mary Webber May 22, 2016

## Omega

Cheryl Proctor Aug 4, 2016

## Alpha Gamma

Eleanor Chenoweth Dec 11, 2016  
Karen Hunter May 19, 2016

## Alpha Delta

Jane Foster Feb 29, 2016

## Alpha Zeta

Winona Schafer \* Mar 18, 2016

## Alpha Iota

Gretchen Baldwin Apr 17, 2016  
Alana Bittner\* Dec 30, 2016  
Vera Hauer Dec 13, 2015

## Alpha Lambda

Bernice Koehler \*\*\* Jan 14, 2017

## Alpha Mu

Carolyn Lee Barrett Mar 6, 2016  
Ruth Farmer Oct 28, 2016

## Alpha Xi

Sheila Nott Nov, 2016

## Alpha Sigma

Virginia Poignan Dec 23, 2016

## Alpha Chi

Tommie Stout Sep 15, 2016

## Beta Alpha

Wanda Willis Feb 7, 2016

## Beta Gamma

Dorothy Rucker Jul 1, 2016

## Beta Delta

Edee Kolb Nov 30, 2016  
Ruth Krumlauf Jan 19, 2017  
Nadyne Meldahl Nov 13, 2016  
Thelma Shriner Sep 30, 2016

## Beta Zeta

Eileen Chaney Jul 4, 2016  
Carol Ann Sonnenberg Apr 16, 2016  
Nancy Jo Sunday Aug 21, 2016

## Beta Lambda

Linda Bland Jefferson Feb 13, 2016  
Irene Koval\*\* Mar 18, 2016  
Karen Kurapkat May 24, 2016

## Beta Xi

Mildred Gerak Apr 7, 2016

## Beta Rho

Jean Mills Dec 13, 2016  
Wanda Tacy \* Aug 31, 2016

## Beta Upsilon

Mary Alice Settle Apr 16, 2016  
Kay Teeters Dec 23, 2016

## Beta Psi

Judy Ellis Jun 13, 2016  
Donna Jones Jun 11, 2016  
Florence Krahling Jan 14, 2017

## Gamma Alpha

Addie Lamb # \*\* Apr 11, 2016

## Gamma Delta

JoAnn Bean Mar 8, 2016

## Gamma Iota

Katherine Melari Feb 28, 2016  
Ruth Waid # \* Jul 23, 2016

## Gamma Mu

Bertha Whitmore Aug 31, 2016

## Gamma Xi

Carolyn Jones Dec 13, 2016

## Gamma Pi

Judy Kata-Robinson Febr 9, 2016

## Gamma Rho

Mary Kilbane Jan 22, 2017  
Ruth Schochet Aug, 2016

## Gamma Phi

Ann Cress Dec 4, 2016  
Martha Steigerwald Mar 12, 2016

## Delta Iota

Debbie Reichelderfer Jun 1, 2016

## Delta Lambda

Louise Birkhold Aug 9, 2016  
Susan Carpenter Apr 13, 2016

# Charter Member

\* Fifty Year Member

\*\* Sixty Year Member

\*\*\* Seventy Year Member

## TREASURER ANNUAL REPORTS

Chapter Treasurers note the due date July 15, 2017

### **Annual Report of Chapter Treasurer for Fiscal Year July 1, 2016—June 30, 2017**

Send or email completed forms to  
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Cincinnati, OH 45249-2317  
Dianahaskell1@gmail.com

## CHAPTER BUDGET PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS

Chapter elected officers and committees will soon identify chapter priorities as budgeted expenses. As budget forecasting begins, chapter leaders are encouraged to consider:

- 1) Int'l/State active member dues rate of \$53.00
- 2) Int'l/State reserve member dues rate of \$26.00
- 3) Mileage reimbursement to chapter president to attend fall and spring Executive Board meetings
- 4) Expense reimbursement to chapter president, chapter leaders and members to attend state convention in April, 2018
- 5) Expense reimbursement to chapter president and officers to attend Chapter Officers' Training in June, 2018
- 6) Chapter initiatives supporting membership retention through relationship building and engagement
- 7) Chapter initiatives to reconnect with former members encouraging her to reinstate membership
- 8) Chapter initiatives to attract active educators to membership
- 9) Chapter programs supporting and encouraging lifelong learning
- 10) Chapter initiatives to be more visible and active in your community

*Submitted by: Diana Haskell, ADS Treasurer*



## ADS AVAILABLE FUND BUDGET 2017-2018

Delta Kappa Gamma Society International  
Alpha Delta State Available Fund Budget

	Budget 2017 - 2018	
REVENUE		
Convention	28,750	Hilton Polaris; motion approved to raise registration to \$35.00
Dues & Initiation Fees	196,500	3500 active x \$53.00; 400 reserve x \$26.00; 120 initiates x \$2.50 motion approved to raise dues \$3.00/active and \$1.00/reserve
Interest	40	US Bank Money Market Account
Investment		stock and financial market driven
June 2018 Chapter Officers	5,250	150 chapter leaders x \$35.00 registration fee
Visa Rewards/Other income	600	
Total Available Revenue	231,140	
EXPENSES		
Administrative	14,509	CPA, Insurance, Payroll, Honorariums, Gold Key
Committees	3,000	
Convention	33,000	expenses + reimbursements per Reimbursement Policy
Dues & Initiate Fees	155,000	Dues to International; \$40.00/active and \$20.00/reserve 120 initiate fees x \$2.50
Ohio History Connection	50	Donation for use of archival space for state records
International Convention Guest	50	Gift of appreciation
Northeast Regional Conference	6,500	Officers' Training and Regional Conference Windsor, Canada
June 2018 Chapter Officers' Training	4,500	2018-2020 elected chapter officer training
August, 2017 Committee Leaders	4,500	2017 - 2019 state committee goal setting meetings
Advisory Meeting	500	Past presidents, officers and related personnel
State Officers' Meetings	2,000	Officers and related personnel meetings
October Executive Board	3,500	mileage, food and beverage, meeting expenses
Spring Executive Board Meeting	1,500	mileage
<i>The Voice of ADS</i>	700	Constant Contact distribution fee to chapter members
Publications	600	Alpha Delta State and International
Website fee	100	Weebly and web hosting fee
Total Expenses	230,009	
Total Revenue	231,140	
Net Revenue	1,131	
		Approved by Executive Board March 25, 2017
Scholarship fees and distributions are not part of the Available Fund Budget		
Scholarship Fee sent by chapters	2542	Scholarship fee of \$0.40 or \$1.00/member
Scholarship Fee paid	800	Scholarship fee to International \$0.20/member
	1742	Scholarship amount transferred to Annie Webb Blanton Fund

## Gold Key Chapter Newsletter submissions:

Over the past two years you have sent your chapter newsletters to Becky Maggard, communications chair and Kim Lewis, ADS editor, now it is time for the new committee members to take over.

Instead of sending items to Becky Maggard (past Communications chair), chapters will now send those items to Ann Todd (see below).

Kim Lewis (resigning editor) will transfer her ADS email to the new editor Margaret Archangel so that chapters can continue to send electronic submissions to the same email address. As far as sending items in the mail, just send both copies to Ann for now.

Please send your chapter newsletters to the following for now:

Corresponding Secretary/  
Communications Chair

Ann M. Todd  
3621 Butler Road  
Wakeman, OH 44889  
atodd@western-reserve.org



## Upcoming Dates

### June 14, 2017

Deadline for articles for the summer issue of *The Voice*—  
Send to Meier Bauer

### June 20-22, 2017

Biennial Seminar

### July 15, 2017

Treasurer Reports Due

### 2017 Regional Conferences

#### **Northwest – June 28-July 1**

Spearfish, South Dakota

#### **Southwest – July 4-7**

Honolulu, Hawaii

#### **Northeast – July 12-14**

Windsor, Ontario, Canada

#### **Southeast – July 19-22**

Myrtle Beach, S. Carolina

#### **Europe – July 26-29**

Tallinn, Estonia

## Alpha Delta State Ohio Educational Foundation

Seven directors for the Alpha Delta State Ohio Educational Foundation were elected during the General Session at the 2017 ADS Convention.

The elected directors include Dr. Norma Kirby, Kathy (Mary Kathryn) McClendon, Jane Meese, Betty Monahan, Donna Myers, Marilyn Slusser, and Jackie Thase-Burch. Also serving are Meier Bauer, incoming ADS President; Patricia Cermak, current ADS President; and Diana Haskell, ADS Treasurer. All directors are active chapter members.

The following officers were elected at the initial ADSOEF meeting held in April: Dr. Norma Kirby, chairman; Betty Monahan, vice-chairman; and Donna Myers, secretary. The ADS treasurer Diana Haskell will serve as ADSOEF treasurer

Watch for more information about the work of ADSOEF in subsequent issues of *The Voice* and on the ADS website. Directors are available for presentations at chapter meetings to share the exciting news and work of ADSOEF!

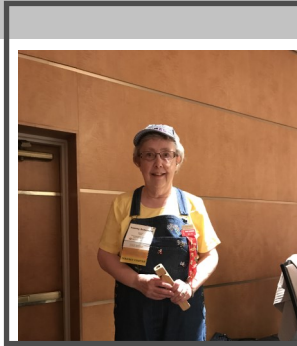
*Submitted by Norma Kirby, ADSOEF Chair*

## ADS State Convention Finances

Convention Revenue	
Registration/Reservations	25,260
Sales/Keepsake Shoppe	356
Revenue Total	25,616
Convention Expenses	
Coordinator	2,811
Hotel/Food and Beverage	16,807
Refunds	549
Reimbursements	4,403
Workshops	295
Expense Total	24,865
Convention Net	1,751

ADS CONVENTION

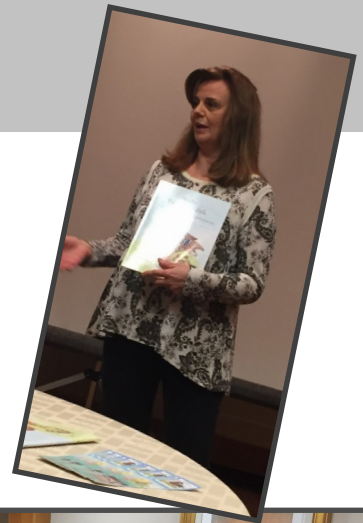
2017 PHOTOS



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