



# Alpha Chapter News

THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL  
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THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL  
PROMOTES PROFESSIONAL AND PERSONAL GROWTH OF  
WOMEN EDUCATORS AND EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION  
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## Save These Dates Upcoming Events!

- June 19** 11:30 AM **Alpha Picnic**  
Monday Crest Park  
3801 Hillyard Ave.
- June 23-25** **International Leadership Training**  
Irving, Texas
- July 11-16** **International Conference**  
Westin Book Cadillac Hotel  
Detroit Michigan
- July 18-22** **International Conference**  
Sheraton at Wild Horse  
Pass  
Phoenix Arizona
- July 26-29** **International Conference**  
Tampere Hall  
Tampere, Finland



## PRESIDENT CHATTER

Whether we're working or retired, spring is a busy season. It's a time when all our hard work comes to completion and our students advance or graduate and special projects we have started, we rush to finish up before the play days of summer. This spring will always be special for me because of the Convention we planned and produced in Independence. Not only did we have a wonderful art experience with our trifecta project, but we got to meet some lovely ladies who were original Rosie the Riveters during World War II. To me, that was the highlight of the convention. I have often wondered if we were forced into a world war today if we could step up and support our soldiers like they did in 1941. When six million women entered the work force to do the jobs their men left behind to make sure they had the armaments, war machines, planes, tanks, etc. and the food to win the war, that was amazing and a major reason we won the war. They also worked to keep food on the tables at home. They did it because they were united in their love of their soldiers, their belief in democracy and their similar beliefs and backgrounds. Everyone, even children did their part to help the war effort. Sacrifices given freely in that day are rare in today's world. These ladies just did what they thought was necessary and didn't realize how they were changing the world for women and what was seen as women's work. Change is always inevitable, and it happens rapidly in our world. Our challenge is to grow with the good parts and avoid the bad. Evaluations of what is valuable and good is how we choose to support the ideas, movements, and organizations that vie for our time. My hope is to present DKG in general and our Alpha Chapter as an organization worthy of your investment of time and effort. Women supporting women in education and in life is a worthy cause. I hope to see you at our end of the year picnic on Monday, June 19th at 11:30 a.m. at Crest Park. Bring a salad or a dessert and a frisbee! See you soon!

Bonita

## 2022-2024 Officers



**President: Bonita Fillmore**



**V. President: Heather Crowder**



**Secretary: Katrina Myers**



**Treasurer: Judy Brimmer**

## Highlights of far of 2023

### FEBRUARY

Judy hosted our social get together where we played Bunco with members and guests. We all had a great time!

### APRIL

OSO State Convention “**Empowering Independence**” was held at the Independence Hotel in Independence, OR. Valuable and enlightening information was shared during the convention through workshops and keynote speakers. Elections were held and awards were given to chapters and members. The following pictures should tell the story.



2023 marks the **82<sup>nd</sup> anniversary**  
DKG Oregon State Organization



Baskets, Baskets Every Where!  
Which sack will you put a ticket  
in and hopefully win the basket you want



**Dana Murphy** (Beta Beta) with her Artsy Trifecta idea. The trifecta canvasses were initially sent to chapters wishing to participate. Different chapters each completed one portion of the canvas (top, middle, bottom). The previous work was hidden. Judy, Bonita and Brenda of Alpha completed the bottom part on two canvasses.



Even Dolly stopped by visit with a promoting the Imagination Library. **Kathy Martell** (Alpha Epsilon) presented information promoting a bill in the Oregon State Legislature to establish funding the project.

## KEYNOTE SPEAKERS



**Eden Rose Brown** was the Saturday morning Keynote Speaker. She is an attorney and counselor at law, Estate And Legacy Planning. She provided valuable information regarding planning and retaining control one's estate for family.



**Daphne Cagle** was Saturday evening Keynote Speaker. Daphne is the Chair of the California State Expansion Committee. Here she is with Darlene Cook getting prepared to have dinner. Daphne presented strategies to grow and maintain membership.



**Yvonne Fasold** (Lambda) was the keynote speaker during the salad luncheon. Yvonne's mother was welder in Tacoma as a Rosie during World War II.



Two original Rosie Riveters, Nita and Clarice told us their experiences, many humorous, helping the war effort.

*Did you know that over 6,000,000 women joined our work force to help win World War II?*



Our **Bonita** as a Rosie

**Saturday evening** brought on a wonderful dinner with Oregon Bay Shrimp Salad, Garlic & Rosemary Buttered Roasted Prime Rib, Lemon Thyme Oven Roasted Turkey Breast, Potatoes Au Gratin, Farmhouse Green Beans, Dinner Roll & Honey Butter.

The following state awards were presented:



Left to Right: **Kate Kelleher**                      **Service to Education**  
**Bonita Fillmore**                      **Service to Community**  
**Vickie Jackson**                      **Service to Society**



Saturday afternoon election of officers were held for the 2023-25 biennium. They were installed Saturday Evening during the dinner.

Your new state officers are:

Left to Right: **Wendy Hacke**                      **Vice President**  
**Darlene Cook**                      **President**  
**Judy Brimmer**                      **Secretary**  
**Vickie Jackson was reappointed as State Treasurer. (Treasurers are appointed)**

## MAY

Our May social meeting was held at Nana's Tea Room in downtown Klamath Falls. Longevity pins and certificates were presented to members for their involvement in DKG. Awards for Education Excellence were also presented to those who have given their time and support to the education of Klamath County students.

The following were presented the Education Excellence Awards:



**Sylvia Cox** for received the **Early Childhood Education Award**. She started out as a parent at Head Start worked her way up and now is the Director of Klamath Head Start.

**Oma Laura Brasses** received the **Exemplary Volunteer Award**. She volunteers several days a week at Ferguson Elementary School.

Those Alpha members receiving longevity pins and certificates are the following:

Judy Brimmer	24 years
Marilyn Dyrud	35 years
Bonita Fillmore	28 years
Nancy Gilder	34 years
Bridget Honan	39 years
Brenda Jensen	40 years
Maxine Krowen	26 years
Cindy Landrum	16 years
Renee Misso	31 years
Katrina Myers	5 years
Roberta Porter	42 years
Joanne Skinner	37 years
Lisa Swartz	16 years

Heather Crowder has been with Alpha 1 year, Melissa High has been with Alpha 3 years, and Bethany Osborn has been with Alpha 3 years.

## STATE AND INTERNATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES!

Remember! Members of Delta Kappa Gamma are lifelong learners! Get involved in State activities and committees. Check with Darlene Cook, Bonita or Brenda how you can help through committees and state appointments.

The following are the state committees that you could become involved during the 2023-24 biennium.

- **Bylaws and Standing Rules**
- **Communications/Technology**
- **Education Excellence:**(includes US Forum, NGO/UN, Legislature, International Projects & World Fellowship)
- **General Awards/Scholarship**
- **Leadership**
- **Membership/Expansion**

Scholarships for various classes, seminars and workshops are available through the International and Oregon State Organization websites. You can check with Bonita or Brenda if you are interested grants and scholarships. The forms may be found on the following websites:

International: <https://www.dkg.org>

Oregon State Organization: <https://www.dkgoregon.com/>

Alpha Website: <http://www.alphachapterdeltakappagamma.com/>

You might ask yourself: “What is there for me? I’m retired?” You can apply for the **Personal Enrichment Commemorative Scholarship**. This scholarship is to assist all members in endeavors to increase your knowledge and abilities in your interests that isn’t necessarily involve in the education field.

Also remember you can apply for part reimbursement for your first-time attendance to a state or international event through the **Boutique Treasure Stipend**.

### Awards

Due Dates: August 1, December 1, March 1

- **Hazel Fishwood Scholarship** - Candidates for this scholarship will show evidence of acceptance into their program of choice and will be given preference in the following order: pursuit of a postdoctoral degree, pursuit of a doctoral degree, pursuit of a master's degree, a postdoctoral study, a doctoral study, a master's study, a general graduate study. Due Dates: August 1, December 1, March 1
- **Emma Henkle Scholarship** - This scholarship is available for graduate study, preferably in the field of language arts and possibly including multiple languages. Due Dates: August 1, December 1, March 1
- **State Founders and State Presidents Scholarship** - This fund is for candidates pursuing graduate studies. (One of the selected awards will be designated in the name of Bernice Conoly). Due Dates: August 1, December 1, March 1
- **Isabel Huston Commemorative Scholarship** - This award is available for graduate studies, special certification, and studies or projects advancing educational excellence. Due Dates: August 1, December 1, March 1
- **Personal Enrichment Commemorative Scholarship** - This fund is for short-term programs such as Roads Scholars or similar study groups, workshops, seminars, conferences, and non-credit courses that will aid in personal growth. Due Dates: August 1, December 1, March 1

Check the Oregon website <https://www.dkgoregon.com/> For criteria and application form

- **Dagmar Jeppeson Grant** - Dagmar Jeppeson, a charter member of Psi Chapter, taught in Portland for 42 years. Her sister established the grant in her memory, with the stipulation that it be given to a female of at least junior standing who is pursuing a career in early childhood/elementary through grade eight education. Please return this application to the sponsoring chapter by **February 1** so they can send your completed application and a chapter nomination letter to the State Financial Awards Chair prior to March 1.
- **Edith Green Grant** - Edith Green served as an Oregon Congresswoman for many years and was an International honorary member of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. In her honor, the Edith Green Grant has been established to provide funds to a female of at least junior standing pursuing a career in secondary education. Please return this application to the sponsoring chapter by **February 1** so they can send your completed application and a chapter nomination letter to the State Financial Awards Chair prior to March 1.

### Boutique Treasure Stipend

Criteria and Form: [Blank .doc](#) and [Blank PDF](#)

Due Date: Before June 30

This stipend is for:

1. A potential “first timer” at a State, Regional or International Convention or Conference. OR
2. A potential participant in a DKG International Workshop/Training.
3. **International**

[The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International](#) also gives scholarships each year. Check out the official website for Scholarship Opportunities. You must be logged into your My DKG Account to be able to download the forms.

International also has three (2) different Professional Development opportunities. For these, you do NOT have to be logged in.

1. Leadership Development for State Presidents and Exec. Sec.
2. DKG: Ignite: Leaders Empowering Leaders Program: (Also known a Golden Gift) (An excellent leadership training in Austin Texas)