

# The Florida State Organization of Delta Kappa Gamma



# Florida Rays



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*Oh, the Places We'll Go With DKG!*

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## Florida's First Collegiate DKG Members

**Nancy Marmesh, Chair**

**2017-2018 Florida State Membership/Expansion Committee**

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**Raquel Serrano** has the honor of being the first collegiate member inducted into DKG in Florida. She was inducted into **Pi Chapter** on October 27, 2018, at the Fall Social organized by the Miami-Dade Coordinating Council and held at the Miami Shores Country Club. The beautiful ceremony was officiated by **Florida State President Carol Ann Casey**. Currently, Raquel is a senior at Florida International University pursuing her bachelor's degree in Elementary Education and Human Development. She was brought into DKG by **Pi Chapter President Alicia Jimenez**. Alicia recognized Raquel's passion and love for education and students. Raquel's mother and father were both teachers, and she expressed the desire to follow in their footsteps. Raquel feels honored to

be a part of Pi, and the chapter is thrilled to have Raquel join at the collegiate level. They hope this will be the beginning of a new trend globally.

**Anna Nesi** was inducted into **Beta Mu Chapter** on December 4, 2018, via Face Time. She is a junior at the University of Central Florida and was not able to attend the induction ceremony due to final exam week. Using technology let Anna participate in the chapter meeting with all the members being present to see her, and she was able to see them. She participated in the induction along with another new member, **Maryjane Kiffmeyer**. The new members were presented with a rose, a certificate, and their Delta Kappa Gamma keypin. **Beta Mu Chapter President Dunia Jean-Baptiste** led the ceremony with **Vice President Shantell Chisom** and **Treasurer Pat Litterick** assisting. **Beta Mu member Peggy Elmore** nominated Anna for Collegiate membership. Peggy nominated Anna's mother, **Jodi Nesi**, to be a member of **Beta Mu** in 2009 and nominated Anna's grandmother, **Pat Litterick**, to be a member in 1993. Anna received a grant-in-aid from Beta Mu in 2017. She is majoring in Communication Disorders and plans to become a Speech and Language Therapist. **Beta Mu Chapter** now has 68 members. Anna's grandmother gave her the rose, certificate, and keypin when she came home for Christmas break.



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## Member Spotlight On...

### Presidential Award for Mathematics and Science Teaching

This past summer **Deeanna Golden**, member of **Phi Chapter** in District 1, received The Presidential Award for Excellence in Mathematics and Science Teaching (MAEMST), the highest honor bestowed by the United States government specifically for K-12 science, technology, engineering, mathematics, and/or computer science teaching. The award recognizes those teachers who have both deep content knowledge of the subjects they teach and the ability to motivate and enable students to be successful in those areas. Deeanna received a trip to Washington D.C. to attend a series of professional development opportunities and events and was awarded a \$10,000. check. She is a 28 year veteran teacher at F.M. Golson Elementary School in Marianna. Previously, she was selected as one of six educators nationwide to spend two weeks attending professional development and developing mathematics lessons for the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics. Deeanna has received multiple awards and presented at an array of conferences.



## Two Florida Members Published in DKG Journal

**Arlene M. Oehler** of **Delta Kappa Chapter** wrote an article entitled "A Program of Action for Purpose #6" that has been selected for inclusion in the 2018, Volume 84-4 issue of the **Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin Collegial Exchange**.

**Carla C. Hozebin** of **Gamma Beta** wrote an article entitled "Structured Post-Observation Conversations and Their Influence on Teacher Self-Reflection and Practice" that has been selected for inclusion in the 2018, Volume 85-1 issue of the **Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin**.

## International DKG Gallery of Fine Arts

**Florida DKG President Carol Ann Casey** and **Florida Arts Chair Carolyn McGowan** are thrilled to announce that 3 members from Florida submitted art renderings and were selected for the Fall DKG Gallery of Fine Arts. Their art is displayed for six months beginning in November on the International DKG Website. **Nancy**



**Brice**, **Beta Chi Chapter**, has three oil paintings- **Seven Mile Bridge**, **Jenna**, and **Golden Spoonbill**. **Beth Werner**, **Omicron Chapter**, has two watercolors- **Sunny Blues** and **Deering Estate**. **Kathy Yarbrough**, **Delta Theta Chapter**, has three graphite and colored pencil drawings- **Lady Slipper Flower**, **A Vet's Side Kick**, and **Florida Panther**. The next submission period is from January 15 - February 15, 2019. There is information under the Visual Arts tab entitled "Helps" which outlines the steps to submit your art. Using the form found on page 13, you may also submit your art to the **Betty Thornton Arts and Crafts Gallery** at the Florida DKG State Convention on April 26, 2019.



## Florida State DKG President's Message



A Happy, Healthy New Year to all of you. Since my last message to you a lot has been happening. We started out with a fabulous Fall Workshop and Executive Board Meeting in September. There was a wonderful turnout. All that attended had a marvelous time. We left in great spirits and ready to start another year. Then October 10, 2018, came and a lot changed for many of our Florida State DKG sisters as Hurricane Michael blew through the Panhandle.

I want to thank all of you who have made donations to the Florida State Emergency Fund. It has been a big help. Please continue to send your support. It is hard to imagine the destruction that Michael did and how it impacted so many of our members in that entire section of the Panhandle from the coast all the way up to the Georgia line. I have received many notes of thanks and gratitude from our members who we have been able to assist. If you sustained damage from Michael and have not applied for emergency relief, please do so. As soon as I hear from members in the schools affected by Michael that need help, I will share that information with you.

We are now looking to a brighter and better new year. Change is in the air as the amendments that were passed at the International Convention start taking affect. We are now Florida State Organization instead of Mu State Organization. How many of you have had your first "induction" ceremony? Just to let you know, Florida is the first state to have inducted its first collegiate member. She is very excited and can't wait to start taking an active part in our society. Dues will have a new deadline date starting this year. It will be June 30th. This is good. You now get it taken care of before you start summer vacation instead of at the end. More is yet to come. Stay tuned.



Regional conferences this year will have different themes and emphasis. The SE Regional Conference is in Asheville, North Carolina from June 27-29, 2019. With all the arts, crafts, and music in the area, its theme is Arts and Humanities. It will emphasize the arts but will still have a well-rounded set of events and workshops. I do hope some of you will send in a proposal to do a workshop there. Let's make Florida State shine! Make plans to attend. Our regional director and NC State members are planning a wonderful time for us. The other regional themes are: NE- Global Awareness, NW- Leadership, SW- Technology, and European (Iceland)- Professional Research.

Sooner and closer to home is our own Florida State Spring Convention, April 26-28, 2019, at the Orlando Marriott Lake Mary. Your state leadership team is planning a fantastic time for all of you. Start making plans now to come and help celebrate. We will be electing our new state officers and voting on amendments to our state bylaws. The Membership Committee is planning a beautiful and moving Celebration of Life service on Sunday morning, April 28th. Our international representative will be our own Helen Popovich and our keynote speaker will be the nationally known Susan Scanlan. The theme for our birthday luncheon will be "Roots and Wings." We will be celebrating the birthdays of our 50, 60, and 80 year chapters. Be on hand to help them celebrate their milestones. The Presidents' Banquet promises to be spectacular. Don't forget to share your talents and expertise by singing in the chorus, displaying something in the Arts and Crafts Gallery, or presenting a workshop. Come see what surprises we have in store for you. Registration is now open.

OH, THE PLACES WE'LL GO WITH DKG!

*Carol Ann Casey*  
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**The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International  
Florida State Convention  
April 26-28, 2019  
Orlando Marriott Lake Mary**



**Workshop Proposal**

**Each workshop will be 50 minutes in length. There will be three sessions.**

**Session 1 - Friday, April 26, 2019, 7:00 – 7:50 p.m.**

**Session 2 - Saturday, April 27, 2019, 10:15 – 11:05 a.m.**

**Session 3 - Saturday, April 27, 2019, 11:15 a.m. – 12:05 p.m.**

**Presenter(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_**

**Address: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Phone: \_\_\_\_\_**

**E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Best time to reach: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Workshop Title: \_\_\_\_\_**

**Brief description or outline of your workshop (2 sentence maximum): \_\_\_\_\_**

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**Equipment needed: Presenters must provide their own laptop and appropriate cables for hooking to our projectors. We have a limited number of projectors of which state committees have priority use. You may wish to bring your own.**

**Room Setup:**    **Classroom Style (with tables)**                       **Theater**  
 **WiFi Access**                       **LCD Projector**                       **Screen**

**Note: Internet service is limited.**

**Availability for Presenting:**    **Friday**                       **Saturday**                       **Either**

**Deadline for submitting proposal: Friday, February 15, 2019**

**Send proposal to: Dr. Nancy Henning  
2903 Cross Creek Circle  
Tallahassee, Florida 32301-3638  
the\_hennings@yahoo.com**



## State Convention Keynote Speaker

**Susan Scanlan** will be the keynote speaker for the 2019 Florida DKG State Convention. Susan is an accomplished, articulate, and humorous woman's woman. Do not miss this opportunity to hear her.

In 1977, Susan Scanlan helped found the Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues and its policy arm- the Women's Research & Education Institute (WREI). At that time, there were 17 women in the House of Representatives and one woman in the Senate. In the upcoming 116th Congress, the House will include a record 120 Congresswomen and the Senate a record 24 female Senators- from 4 percent to nearly 27 percent of the Legislative Branch.

Ms. Scanlan served as director of the Caucus for five years before becoming director of WREI's Congressional Fellowships on Women & Public Policy. Since 1980, this program has placed over 350 talented scholars on Capitol Hill to learn how public policy is really made. Alums of the program have gone on to leadership positions in business, law, academia, medicine, non-profit work, and lobbying. They also serve in several state legislatures and many hold positions of power in the legislative branch.

Ms. Scanlan began her career on Capitol Hill as legislative director for Representative Charles Wilson, where she helped author legislation that admitted women to the U. S. military academies and established Women's History Month in March. For seven years, from 1991-1998, Ms. Scanlan pursued career opportunities in Asia with her husband, Jared Cameron. These included editing, teaching, and writing a monthly magazine column in Taiwan. She returned to the WREI staff in January of 1999 and became president of the organization in 2000.

From 2005-2013, Ms. Scanlan was elected chair of the National Council of Women's Organizations, a coalition of over 200 progressive women's groups representing more than 12 million American women. A frequent speaker on issues affecting women and their families, Ms. Scanlan has appeared on ABC, CNN, and PBS as well as in *The Washington Post*, *New York Times*, and other major media outlets to talk about health care, Title IX, and women in combat. In recent years, she has traveled to Swaziland, Kuwait, and Uzbekistan as a Visiting Scholar for the U.S. State Department. Her objective? Convincing women in and around national parliaments to run for

office and to advocate for legislation that promotes gender equality, particularly in education.

Ms. Scanlan is a Phi Beta Kappa graduate of Sweet Briar College and holds a master's degree in modern languages from Tulane University. In 2009, she was elected to the board of the National Women's History Museum that works to bring awareness of American women's contributions to our country by depicting them at the National Mall in Washington, D.C.



## Legislative Report

**Nancy Bentz, Chair**  
nbentz@aol.com

On January 30, 2018, twenty educators attended the Rally in Tally. We met with 12 elected

officials in a conference room at the Capitol building for 4 hours. We split up to meet with another 10-15 officials in their offices. We also sent a group to listen in on the Education Appropriations subcommittee hearings. Our issues included gun safety, FRS, human trafficking, standards & curriculum, and public education support. Our points and positions on these issues were discussed during our 15-minute sessions with each official.

The U.S. Forum took place on March 18, 2018. Ten Florida DKG educators attended. This was the second highest number of attendees at the seminar. Thanks to **Carrie Frye** for spearheading this successful event. Our issues at this event were school safety and human trafficking. Seven legislators were visited to discuss these issues.

Our next Rally in Tally will be on January 28, 2019. Contact **Nancy Bentz** at nbentz@aol.com if you'd like to be put on the list to join us at the Rally. We promise you will have an eye-opening experience at the State House while also having the pleasure of dining with your fellow sisters at a Tallahassee restaurant. Each year we've increased the number of attendees and certainly plan to do it again!

Are you receiving the legislative updates? If not, and you'd like to be on our list of 300+ educators receiving updated news pertaining to state and national issues concerning women, children, and education, email me. I'll be happy to add you to the list, so you may receive regular updates including information on the Rally in Tally and U.S. Forum.

DKG Key Women Educators are making a difference in Tallahassee and in Washington D.C. We are no longer following our officials, we are leading the way.



## Parliamentary Moment: Bylaws Update

Oh, the Places We'll Go;  
Oh, the Changes We've Made!

**Dr. Helen Popovich, PRP  
Florida State Parliamentarian**

The 2018 International Convention moved DKG forward by ridding it of many of its sorority trappings and by giving chapters and state organizations more autonomy. A complete list of the amendments that were adopted are available on the DKG website, but here is a summary of the ones that are most pertinent to chapters:

- Chapters can now invite and induct collegiate members. Collegiate members shall be women who are graduate or upper-level undergraduate students preparing to enter the education profession. They will have the same rights as active members, except for the right to hold office, and they will pay the same dues as reserve members.
- Chapters can invite and induct women who are or who have been professional educators. This amendment opens membership to women who have left but are not retired from the profession.
- Chapters now can select their new members by whatever method the chapter desires. They are no longer required to vote on new members at a chapter meeting.
- A woman becomes a member when she pays her dues.
- Chapter treasurers are responsible for maintaining an accurate and current membership roster.
- Chapters shall record in the chapter minutes the names of members whose membership is terminated, including the reason and date of termination.
- Beginning in 2019, members shall pay their annual dues and fees by June 30, rather than by October 30. Members inducted on or after January 1 shall pay one-half of the international dues and the scholarship fee for the current year. States and chapters may pro-rate dues as they wish. Members who have not completed payment of their international dues by October 1 shall be dropped from membership.
- Chapters will now retain \$7.50, rather than \$2.50, of each new member's initiation fee.
- Chapters can meet face-to-face, through electronic communications, or by a combination of the two, as long as members present can simultaneously hear one another and participate in the meeting. Chapters may also vote by postal and/or electronic mail between meetings, subject to ratification of the vote(s) at the next face-to-face meeting.

These convention actions will require chapters to update their chapter rules in order to bring them into compliance with the DKG Constitution and International Standing Rules. Other convention actions will require the Florida State Organization to update the state organization bylaws. If you have questions about these changes, feel free to contact me (hpopovich@mac.com) or **Barbara VanDiepen**, chair of the Florida State Organization Bylaws Committee (vandiepen61@bellsouth.net).

## Florida State Personnel Committee



**Gerry Hacker,  
Chair**

At the 2018 Fall Workshop, **Immediate Past Florida State President Gerry Hacker** presented the members of the Personnel Committee and its state DKG employees. Since its introduction at the 2007 Florida State Convention, the Florida State Personnel Committee has been dedicated to providing the very best staff for our Society. We have four terrific members who work 24/7 to make Florida State Organization successful.

**Gerry Hacker, Chair  
Carrie Frye  
Merle Jones, and  
Carol Ann Casey.**

They are always available to answer questions, give information, and serve Florida State DKG in an extremely positive manner.

The Personnel Committee oversees the work of our state employees. I'd like to recognize them for their commitment to helping each of us whenever we need them and for the assistance and information they provide throughout our organization. They are...

**Executive Secretary  
Carrie Frye**

**Treasurer  
Beverly Stagg**

**Editor of the Florida Rays  
Bonnie Kelley**

**Webmaster  
Missy Jones**

We thank them for their dedication and assistance as they continue to help Florida State shine as a tremendous and powerful organization!



## Calling All Chapters

**Neena Grosvenor, Chair**  
**DKG Florida's Communications & Marketing**  
**mustatecommunicationscommittee@gmail.com**

The time is drawing near to complete the criterion for the **Chapter Communication Award**. Please review the award criteria sheet included on the next page to ensure that your chapter is in contention for this great award. Eighty points are all that are needed to earn the award. Last year only 16 chapters earned the award. Hopefully, this year many more chapters will be able to add the badge to their chapter website and hold the certificate for photo opportunities at district and chapter meetings. I look forward to presenting your chapter with the Communication Award at this year's state convention. Will your chapter's name be called?

### From the Treasurer...

**Beverly Stagg**  
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The Jesslyn McBride Leadership Seminar Fund gratefully acknowledges the following contributions to the Fund during the 2017-2018 fiscal year:

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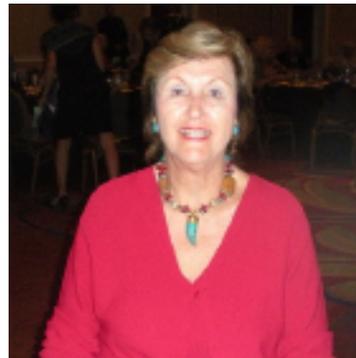
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### Southeast Regional Conference



Make plans now to attend the Southeast Regional Conference held from Thursday, June 27 - Saturday, June 29, in Asheville, North Carolina. The theme of this event is "Arts & the Humanities."



Make your flight reservations in advance to get the best rate. Or arrange for a group of friends to carpool for a drive to the mountains of North Carolina. The following carriers fly out of the Asheville Regional Airport:

Allegiant  
 American  
 Delta  
 Elite  
 Spirit  
 United

Watch the DKG International website at [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org) for the latest information under "Event." When available, book your lodging at the Crowne Plaza Resort Asheville. Join the Florida group!

## Chapter Communications Award 2017–2019 Criteria Checklist



Chapter Name: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Chapter Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Select the communication criteria from the list. Include documentation where requested.

1. Chapter has a website. (15 points)
2. Chapter website has a compliance seal issued by the International representative. (5 additional points)
3. Chapter has a social media information page. (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.) (max. 10 points)
4. Chapter communicates a minimum of five (5) times a year with members via newsletters, email blasts, or websites updates. (20 points) Attach documentation. Chapters who have submitted at least five (5) copies of their newsletters this biennium to the Communications Committee do not need to attach copies.
5. Chapter documents the way it maintains communication with members in the “digital divide” for those who do not use electronic means of communication. (Examples: telephone tree, newsletter, U.S. Mail, etc.) (10 points)  
 Methods of communication:
6. Chapter has an information board, a multi-media presentation, a collage, or other creative display depicting chapter events, involvement in the community, and information about the Society. The display may be presented at district meetings, in a school setting, in a district school board office, or other setting appropriate for communicating with non-members about the chapter/Society within the local community. (10 points for local setting or 10 points for district meeting. Max. 10 points). Attach documentation. Include photo of display/board with date.
7. Chapter submits a minimum of one (1) article to the *Florida Rays* or the Collegial Exchange during the biennium. (max. 5 points) Attach article, or date of publication.
8. Chapter submits a minimum of one (1) news release to newspaper or magazine. (max. 10 points) Attach article with date of publication.
9. Chapter has a communication chair or contact person (may be the chapter president) who attends the Communications and Publicity Fall Workshop training or the District Meeting and submits completed documentation for the Communication Award by the deadline date. (5 points)
10. Chapter communicates meeting dates and other events to the respective district contact for posting on the state-shared calendar. (10 points)

Total Points: \_\_\_\_\_

Submit checklist along with documentation to your Communication & Publicity District Representative or [mustatecommunicationscommittee@gmail.com](mailto:mustatecommunicationscommittee@gmail.com).

Regular mail: Florida State Communications Committee, 9460 N.W. 18th Dr., Plantation, FL 33322.

## Florida DKG Educational Foundation

**Ann Tikka**  
**AnnMT@leeschools.net**

The Florida DKG Educational Foundation Board of Directors had a full agenda during its meeting on September 21, 2018, at the Fall Workshop/Executive Board meeting in Lake Mary. It reviewed all the activities related to the work of the board and ratified the electronically approved mission statement: The Foundation provides opportunities for educators in Florida to pursue professional and personal growth and supports educational excellence worldwide.



Reports from each board committee were shared and approved with the nominations committee recommending the approval of **Dr. Connie Besco** and **Dr. Kay Clawson** as new directors effective the 2018-2022 term. This recommendation was presented to the state executive board and approved.

Your Educational Foundation Board of Directors updated the brochure designed by **Debra Graff** with the assistance of **Carrie Frye**, Chair of the Board's Public Relations Committee. This committee also publishes the **Educator Express**, which is available on the Foundation's website.

The Florida DKG Educational Foundation has begun accepting applications for professional development awards for activities that take place between the period of April 1, 2019, and March 31, 2020. If you need funds to attend a professional development activity during this period of time, you should apply. Your application must be submitted electronically by February 1, 2019. All information pertaining to the application process, the application itself, as well as the rubric used to evaluate the application are available at <http://FLDKGEF.org>.



The professional development award is a great opportunity for a working teacher to attend a conference or seminar that will contribute to the educator's own professional development. The award will pay for registration fees and conference related materials, travel, lodging, guest teacher or substitute if not provided by the district, and other expenses with the exception of food. For specifics, see the application information.

Amazon Smile is a great way for members to give back to the Foundation at no additional cost to themselves. It is simple to set up an account at <http://smile.amazon.com>. After assigning the FLDKG Educational Foundation as your preferred charity, your purchases at Amazon Smile earn dividends for the Foundation. A percentage of your purchase is returned to the FLDKG Educational Foundation.

In addition to attending the annual meeting of the Foundation and using Amazon Smile, there are other ways members can support it. There is a donation form on the Foundation website and contributions may be made in honor or memory of someone, a chapter or group. In all cases, appropriate letters of acknowledgement are sent and individuals who contribute receive a letter required as a receipt for IRS purposes. The Foundation is a 501(c)(3) entity and all contributions from individuals are eligible as tax deductions.

Your Florida DKG Educational Foundation Board wishes you and your family a Happy New Year!



INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS  
**DELTA KAPPA GAMMA™**

**Application for World Fellowship Awards 2017-2019**

**Please submit to: Myrna J. Santos,  
DKG International World Fellowship Committee Member,  
3600 NW 82nd Dr., Coral Springs, FL 33065 or  
Send electronically to: ESLCARE@aol.com  
Deadline: March 1, 2019**

**Chapter or Individual Name and Location:**

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**Name of Individual Submitting Application & Chapter Position:**

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**Dates Donations Sent to International Headquarters  
or WF Chair and Amounts of Donations:**

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**Name and Institution of World Fellowship Scholarship Recipient who benefited  
from Chapter or Individual Outreach (if more than one, list all that apply):**

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**Describe Chapter or Individual Outreach to the World Fellowship  
Recipient and provide dates of Outreach:**

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**World Fellowship Award Criteria:**

- NEW Platinum Award:** \$150 in donations sent to International Headquarters or WF Chair and contact with one or more World Fellowship Scholarship Recipients
- Gold Award:** \$100 in donations sent to International Headquarters or WF Chair and contact with one or more World Fellowship Scholarship Recipients
- Silver Award:** \$50 in donations sent to International Headquarters or WF Chair and contact with one or more World Fellowship Recipients.

## DKG Florida State Organization Biennial Convention

April 26-28, 2019  
Orlando Marriott Lake Mary  
**Registration Form**

*"Oh, the Places We'll Go with DKG!"*

**Print or type one name per form:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter: \_\_\_\_\_ District: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Check all that apply:**

- Member  First time attending a state meeting  Current Chapter President  District Director  
 State Officer or Related Personnel: \_\_\_\_\_  Past State President  
 State Committee Chairman: (Name of committee) \_\_\_\_\_

**Dietary restrictions: (list specifics)** \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Deadline: Postmarked on or before April 10, 2019**

<b>Member Registration</b>	<b>\$60.00</b> _____	Make check payable to: <b>Delta Kappa Gamma</b>
(Includes Materials, Fri. Social & Sat. Lunch)		<b>Check #</b> _____
<b>Guest Friday night social</b>	<b>\$25.00</b> _____	
<b>Guest Saturday luncheon</b>	<b>\$30.00</b> _____	
<b>Member Saturday night banquet</b>	<b>\$50.00</b> _____	Send to: <b>Pat Eckstein</b>
<b>Guest Saturday night banquet</b>	<b>\$50.00</b> _____	<b>6939 Sylvan Woods Drive</b>
<b>Late registration fee (After 04/10)</b>	<b>\$40.00</b> _____	<b>Sanford, FL 32771</b>
<b>Total Included</b>	_____	<b>Phone: 407-947-0824</b>
		<b>Email: <a href="mailto:pateckstein@yahoo.com">pateckstein@yahoo.com</a></b>

**No refunds after April 18, 2019**

- Will attend Fri. night Social (Member)  
 Will attend Sunday Celebration of Life

Check on line for Convention Schedule/Agenda. ([dkgmustateflorida.weebly.org](http://dkgmustateflorida.weebly.org))

**Please Note:** Unless you indicate below, your attendance at this meeting gives permission for your photo and contact information, (if needed) to be used in the *Florida Rays* or any DKG publication.

- No, I do not want my photo or contact information used in the *Florida Rays* or any DKG publication.

### Orlando Marriott Lake Mary

1501 International Parkway  
Lake Mary, Florida 32746  
Phone: 407-995-1100 or 800-380-7724

On-line booking link: [Book your group rate for Delta Kappa Gamma State Convention 2019](#)

**Rates: Single-\$121.00 Double- \$121.00 Triple - \$121.00 Quad - \$121.00**  
(Room rates will also include tax)

*Each reservation must be guaranteed with a first night's deposit or major credit card. Please specify the group name to receive your group rate.*

**Reservation cut-off date is: April 2, 2019**

Any reservations after this date will be subject to availability.

**Refund Policy:** Cancellations, no shows, or early departures without 48 hour advance notice will result in forfeiture of one night's deposit or a charge of one night's stay to a credit card.

### Group Reservation

Delta Kappa Gamma or DKG  
April 26-28, 2019

#### Directions from turnpike:

Take I-4 exit, EXIT 259 Orlando/Tampa  
Merge onto I-4E toward Downtown  
Orlando  
Take CR-46A exit, EXIT 101A toward  
Sanford/Heathrow  
Turn left onto H.E. Thomas Jr. Pky.  
CR-46A W  
Turn left onto International Pky.  
Turn left onto Heathrow Center Lane  
Destination ahead

#### Directions from I-95:

Take I-95 to exit 223 (Sanford/Mims)  
Head west on Rt. 46  
Turn left onto International Pky.  
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## Keeping the Boat Afloat!

**Marla Cannon**  
Finance  
Committee  
Chair



The above title is a challenge to all of us at home, business, etc. This task confronts the present and future Finance Committees. As I reported last fall, the fluctuation of membership may cause adjustments in the structure of Florida State Organization. Chapter presidents have been informed of our new membership classification, "Collegiate." However, please be aware of the rules relating to the "induction" of these members and any assessment of fees.

An amendment was proposed and passed at the International Convention this past August. This amendment changes the date that all annual dues are to be paid. This new date is June 30 of each year. This will commence as of June 30, 2019. Thus, the new membership year will be from July 1–June 30. If a member fails to complete payment by the above date, they shall be dropped as of October 1.

There is also another change. A motion was made and passed at the Fall Executive Board Meeting & Workshops to continue publishing the **Florida Rays** four times each year, BUT it will only be sent by electronic means. This change will save Florida State Organization \$9,500. per biennium. Those members not having an email address would receive a printed copy provided by their chapter.



In preparation for the 2019 Mu State "Betty Thornton" Arts & Crafts Gallery, the Florida Rays will be featuring arts and crafts from the 2017 Mu State's Betty Thornton Arts & Crafts Exhibit. The first artist to be featured is **Carolynne Fooshee** who chaired the exhibit in 2011. As Chair, she expanded the exhibit to include poetry, music, and literature.

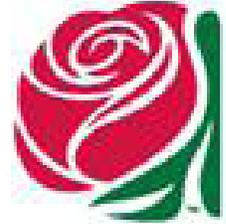
### Carolynne Fooshee

**Carolynne Fooshee** received her Master's degree from the University of Mississippi with a dual major in Home Economics Education and Art. She taught 35 years in Jacksonville including adult education, community college, high school, and middle school in the areas of home economics, art, and TV production. Carolynne received the Distinguished Service Award at the state and national level. She was also honored as the State Teacher of the Year in Home Economics.



Carolynne served as an art teacher and President of the Duval Art Teachers Association encouraging students to enter exhibits and competitions at local and state levels. Joining DKG during her final year of teaching, she quickly became a vice-president and then president of **Beta Pi Chapter**. Later, Carolynne served as the District II Director for the 2014-2016 biennium. The apple and water pot paintings pictured above were part of Carolynne's presentation to her chapter to interest them in presenting items for the 2017 Mu State Exhibit. Carolynne's daughter Susan is also a member of DKG.

**Betty Thornton Arts & Crafts Gallery  
Florida DKG Spring Convention at Lake Mary Marriott Hotel  
April 26 - 28, 2019**



**Carolyn McGowan, Chair, mmcdm1@aol.com**

The biennial celebration of the Betty Thornton Arts & Crafts Gallery will take place during the Spring Convention held at the Lake Mary Marriott from April 26-28, 2019. This is the time for all participating members to display their gifts and talents in the areas of Art, Music, Drama, Writing, and Crafting categories including Needlework, Crocheting, Quilting and Sculpting.

The Educational Excellence Committee would like to give members enough time to SHARE this information with all applicants, so they will have plenty of time to PREPARE their exhibits, and REGISTER for this grand event using the form below. Chapters should encourage members to share their arts and crafts at a meeting, too! The registration form is to be mailed to **Carolyn McGowan** (who coordinates this event) by April 1, 2019. Please remind applicants that IF there is a category that is not mentioned on the form to please fill in the appropriate category and complete the registration form below. We want to make this an exciting and fun exhibition, so please consider attending and bring your PASSION!

Also, encourage other members of your chapter who may not have participated in the Arts & Crafts Exhibition in the past to bring their wonderful talents to display in the Gallery at this convention. Additionally, if a member or members are musically talented, a live performance or a recorded performance would enhance the Gallery and add another dimension to celebrate all talents at this event. The Educational Excellence Committee would like to promote Florida State members in celebrating their talents, accomplishments, and personal growth.

**REGISTRATION FORM**

Please print or type one name per form.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Chapter \_\_\_\_\_ District \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

I plan to enter the following item(s) in the Arts and Crafts Gallery: (Check all that apply)

Painting(s):      \_\_\_oil \_\_\_watercolor \_\_\_photography \_\_\_other (specify)\_\_\_\_\_

Needlework(s):      \_\_\_knitting \_\_\_crochet \_\_\_crewel \_\_\_embroidery \_\_\_sewing  
                             \_\_\_other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

Literary work(s):      \_\_\_poetry \_\_\_short story \_\_\_novel \_\_\_other (specify)\_\_\_\_\_

Miscellaneous arts, crafts and / or musical arrangements: \_\_\_(specify)\_\_\_\_\_

Recordings may be used to demonstrate musical expertise or live performance. We are encouraging all members who have musical talent to perform either live, or bring a taped recording (DVD) to be played during the Arts and Crafts Gallery.

**SEND COMPLETED FORM TO: Carolyn McGowan at mmcdm1@aol.com**

or

**230 Overlook Drive  
Clermont, Florida 34711-2428**

**DEADLINE FOR APPLICATIONS: April 1, 2019**

**An acceptance email and directions will be sent upon receipt of this form.**

## Chapters Share Their Vision

### Alpha Beta Chapter



**Gigi Parker** served as hostess of **Alpha Beta's** first chapter meeting on October 25, 2018. We had quite a robust turnout as members delighted in the spooktacular elegant décor and each other. Some of the members donned costumes and attire fitting of the season. We began with inspirational readings from **Jeannette Laney** giving us fruit for the spirit. DKG door prizes for two games were provided by our hostess.



The first game was a self-introduction along with a favorite nursery rhyme. **Theresa Sheridan** was the first to come up with "Peter, Peter Pumpkin Eater" one of the three secret words. The second game was DKG Trivia won by **Terrye Mosley**.

We had fun, but we also got down to the business of setting the agenda, paying dues, discussing service projects, and deciding on the funding sources for our charities. We were especially delighted that **District II Director Terry Stanilonis** accepted the invitation. Her words of information, encouragement, and inspiration were heartfelt! So many treats- among them being- the beautiful décor, the delicious dishes, the warm feeling of sisterhood, and the stimulating environment of creative teamwork for a greater good!

### Alpha Pi Chapter

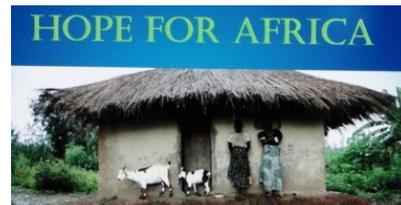
**Marlisa Santos, President of Alpha Pi Chapter**, shares an exciting announcement about **Myrna Santos**, a member of our chapter. She recently published a new book and was a featured author from her press, Cambridge Scholars Publishing, this month. Here is the link for this feature, which includes a substantial discount offer for the book:

<https://www.cambridgescholars.com/meet-our-authors-myrna-santos-november-2018>.

### Beta Alpha Chapter

On September 29, 2018, the DKG chapters located in Broward County held their Joint Induction Breakfast hosted by Gamma Beta. This year's theme was **Roots & Wings**. It was held at the Plantation Preserve Golf Course and Club. Beta Alpha Chapter welcomes our new members Caryl, Racquel, Denise, and Lisa.

### Delta Eta



Our African Encounter started with **Delta Eta's Vice President Linda Garrett** having known Nancy Donahue for twenty years. Nancy met a Malawian teacher whom we call "Tina" on Facebook. The first Facebook encounter was taken as a joke by the African teacher as Nancy mentioned that she had 20 plus students in her class. Tina's response, "You must be kidding. I have 268 third graders."

This began a dialogue in which Nancy found that Tina's students walked miles to get to school, sat on the ground, and shared thirteen books among them. The

list of needs for these students is lengthy. The means to get items to the students is costly. Mailing a 20 pound box is approximately \$100. Then there is the problem of retrieving the boxes once they arrive in Malawi. It costs the teacher \$3 to arrange transportation for herself and her cargo. Three dollars is a high percentage of her salary.

On September 27, 2018, Delta Eta Chapter was made aware of these conditions as Nancy Donahue shared what she had learned about Tina and her students. Most of us were stricken with culture shock followed by an immediate "What can we do to help?" Collecting six boxes of items was the result of the meeting, three of which have been sent. We foresee more



fund raising in our future. Pictured above from left to right are **Susan Siemer, Delta Eta President; Nancy Donahue, speaker; and Linda Garrett, Delta Eta Vice President**.

### Delta Xi Chapter



**Delta Xi**, the chapter of retired women in The Villages, was chartered on May 26, 2018 with 16 women. This fall 12 more village

## Chapters Share Their Vision (continued)

ladies have joined this very busy group. The Membership Committee of Delta Xi with **Dr. Sheila Drake, Chair; Jane Bakke, Board Liaison; Marlene Lacy, and Judie Maderos** inducted the new members pictured below, alongside



**Delta Xi Chapter President Marilyn Freeman** who later enjoyed beignets. The Delta Xi Chapter is currently collecting and providing books for all school age children whose families receive food from the six food pantries located near The Villages.

### Eta Chapter

**Eta Chapter** has been busy thus far this biennium. First, a \$500 grant-in-aid was presented to a student in the College of Education at Northwest Florida College (NWFSC) this semester. Eta member **Charla Cotton** and recipient **Rachel Heermance** attended the NWFSC Scholars and Donors luncheon on November 2. The second project called "Supporting Schools and Teachers" began in October. Eta members were challenged to adopt a school or a teacher to volunteer for or perform acts that show support for that school or teacher. At this time, a total of 17 hours have been logged. Eta will have a Christmas Auction in December to raise money for other projects including a donation to World Fellowship.

### Gamma Nu Chapter



**Gamma Nu Chapter** held the 2nd Annual Coffee, Donuts, and Literacy on September 29, 2018. This event celebrates literacy in our community. It was open to parents, Pre-K teachers, K-12 teachers, college students, community members, retired educators, and area DKG members. DKG members with an expertise in literacy offered their services to community members and local educators. In addition, teachers were able to receive inservice points and hours. Sessions were held on the topics of teacher poetry and literacy, writing and literacy, and creative ways to experience books for both students and yourself. Participants



were able to choose from a variety of free books to take home. It was an energizing morning full of useful information.

### Palm Beach Chapters

On Saturday, October 6, 2018, the Palm Beach Chapters, **Alpha Omega, Beta Xi, and Gamma Lambda** sponsored an inaugural fundraiser for the organization, Dress for Success Palm Beaches. Dress for Success is an international organization that economically empowers women around the globe. Check out their website at <https://dressforsuccess.org>. DKG members of all ages par-

ticipated in a fashion show with garments that dazzled 75 members and guests. The Palm Beach National Golf and Country Club served a buffet dinner and Hispanic music was provided by a talented, local musician and school district teacher. Over 30 items were donated ranging from unique jewelry made by a Russian female artist to show tickets at the popular Kravis Center for the Performing Arts in downtown West Palm Beach.



The committee of 13 took charge to ensure the event was a success. As a result, the Palm Beach chapters raised \$900. to donate to Dress for Success Palm Beaches. In the words quoted by a leader at Dress for Success, "There is real power in women supporting women." That certainly is true, and these women proved the potential of such power!



### Xi Chapter

On November 7, 2018, **Neena Grosvenor** was officially appointed as the new District Curriculum Supervisor of Library Media for Broward County. Her responsibilities include overseeing all school media centers, media specialists, and media clerks. Currently, Neena serves along with a renovation team as an advisor on upcoming media center renovations. Other duties include designing professional development opportunities. **Xi Chapter** is proud to announce this district level promotion for its member, Neena!

## Reflections of 2018 Fall Executive Board Meeting

**Roxanne Berger**  
**Second Vice-President**  
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The place to be in 2018 was the Fall Executive Board Meeting at the Orlando Marriott Lake Mary on September 21-22, 2018. The 250 members, including first-timers, District Directors, Chapter Presidents, Committee members, State Officers, and everyone in between, had a wonderful 24 hours.

The new District Directors served as greeters for the event, welcoming members as they entered the hotel and headed to registration. Each District held a meeting to plan the 2020 district meeting and other activities.

Three workshop sessions included eighteen opportunities for professional, personal, and chapter growth. **JoAnn Anderson** presented *Dr. Seuss for My Life* where participants guessed the source of famous passages of Dr. Seuss, related them to their life, and matched quotes to their personality.

**Nancy Bentz** provided a *Legislative Update* explaining what happened at the Rally in Tally and National Legislative Forum and what is next on the agenda.

In *Need Money?*, **Dr. Elsie Gross** showed participants how to get free money from the Florida DKG Educational Foundation for conferences, workshops, travel, and more.

In *Let's Get Social!*, **Neena Grosvenor** explored social media platforms for Personalized Professional Development and how to connect with educators worldwide to gain new pedagogical strategies.

In *Teach Them and Keep Them #Inspire the Desire to Teach*, **Beth Hess** introduced the new high school academy in Polk County to inspire students to major in education.

In *Marketing DKG*, **Susan Jones** facilitated an exchange of creative ways to market DKG and maximize your scholarship and grant funding.

In *Geneology Research*, **Lonnie Kirsch** informed participants of their eligibility to become a member of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

In *Membership Bridging the Gap*, **Nancy Marmesh**

facilitated problem solving teams to compare the interests and goals of newly inducted DKG members with those of established members.

In *FUNd Your Project*, **Linda Petuch** provided insight into the grant writing process, what's most important when writing your application, and a list of ongoing and current grant opportunities.

During *Teaching English in Poland*, **Dr. Mary Kay Pieski** explained how American participants became acquainted with the people, history, language, culture, and educational system of Poland.

In *How to Have a Great Meeting*, **Dr. Helen Popovich** informed chapter leaders of parliamentary procedures to plan and run an effective meeting, make and handle motions, and take minutes.

**DeeDee Rice, Sarah Watters, and Angie Wright-Nash**, who were participants in the Jesslyn McBride Leadership Seminar, presented an overview and a sampling of topics explored.

In *A Whole New World*, **Myra Santos** acquainted attendees with the role, goals, and application process of The World Fellowship Program.

**Barbara Van Diepen** presented *Easy, Effective Chapter Rules* and an update on changes to the International Constitution.

In *Fabric Roses*, **Karen Whiteside** taught participants how to create fabric roses.

Other titles included *Chapter President Training 102* and *Update for Chapter Treasurers*. The State Committees met on Friday night to discuss their respective Society responsibilities and each chairperson presented a two-minute report to the Executive Board on Saturday morning.

Speakers included Dr. Kara Colangelo, Global Core Learning Program Manager for Siemens; **Isabel Parrado** and **Paula Nelson-Shokar**, Florida Jesslyn McBride Leadership Seminar attendees; and **Gail Feind** and **Darlene Laird**, first time attendees at the DKG International Convention held in Austin, Texas, birthplace of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.

The highlight of the meeting was the Friday night social. The food was delectable and members had plenty of time to meet new friends and reconnect with long-time friends. Tables were set up outside on the patio.



## Membership: Exploring New Options



**Nancy Marmesh, Chair  
Membership/Expansion**  
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I traveled to Fall Workshop with some solid plans in my pocket. I wanted to support new members with our “DKG Women to Watch” recognition program, and I wanted to bring together longtime members and millennials to have a real conversation about what we need to do to attract and engage younger, working educators.

By the end of the weekend I realized I was the student who was taking notes and gathering ideas from new and seasoned members alike. During the First Timers’ Welcome Session, the membership break-out session, and committee discussions, the following suggestions (and many more) surfaced:

- **Set up “Meet and Greet” socials at restaurants after work. Chapter members bring colleagues for a happy hour or dinner.**
- **Provide new members with opportunities for leadership during the first year.**
- **Hold a Literacy Conference with chapter presenters. Open up to schools and provide professional development credit.**
- **Allow members to register and pay online for state events.**
- **Put together a digital chapter yearbook using online templates.**

Members are expressing the need to explore new options in order to become a more dynamic, diverse organization while taking the time to celebrate our Delta Kappa Gamma heritage. Join your DKG sisters and take the leap! ***Oh, the Places We Can Go with DKG!***

## Leadership Committee

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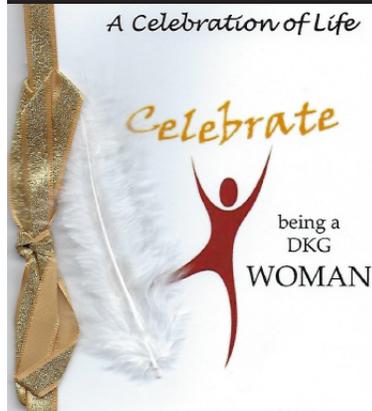


The Leadership Committee is committed to providing members information and opportunities for continued growth in leadership. The committee was well represented at the International Convention held in Austin, Texas. **Carleen Spano, Pat Litterick, Kay Clawson** and **Terry Stanilonis** attended several break-out sessions covering a variety of topics such as fear of public speaking.

A breakout session entitled “Fearless Public Speaking” addressed the overwhelming fear individuals experience at the thought of speaking before a group, presenting a motion or presiding over a meeting. Presenters provided practical techniques and calming strategies to help conquer the fear and instill confidence. First and foremost, remember to breathe. A couple of deep breaths before speaking to the group will send much needed oxygen to the brain thereby allowing the speaker to focus on the task at hand.

Secondly, preparing written notes or narrative is perfectly acceptable. Enlarging the font will enable the speaker to easily track thereby allowing the eyes to scan the audience (eye contact). If the fear of presenting a motion is keeping you from committing to a leadership position within your chapter, you are not alone. Enlist the aid of a chapter member to call on should the need arise. As DKG members, we appreciate our Chapter Presidents and will certainly come to their aide should confusion reign over rules of order. Last minute preparation equals added stress which results in nervous tension. Effectively presiding over a meeting includes preparing an agenda. Agendas range from formal to informal.

Chapters are filled with members for whom serving as an officer or committee chair affords a risk-free environment to practice leadership skills. We grow as leaders when we open ourselves to new experiences. Don’t let your fear keep your chapter from experiencing your positive attitude, creative ideas, and commitment to our organization.



**Faye Arodt-Beyer**  
**Lambda Chapter**  
**November 17, 2018**  
**Lakeland, FL**

**Faye Arodt-Beyer** was initiated on November 6, 2000, into DKG with Lambda Chapter. In addition to serving on various committees, Faye served as Past Chapter President. She taught in the Polk County Schools and as an adjunct professor with Southeast University at the Lakeland Campus.

**Mary Louise Morris Cook**  
**Delta Chapter**  
**May 26, 2018**  
**Gainesville, FL**

**Mary** was an active member of **Delta Chapter**, since induction into DKG on April 1, 1971. She received her bachelors from Florida State University and her Masters of Art from the University of Miami. Mary taught sixth grade in Miami. She gave back to her community as an active member of various organizations supporting women and fellow educators. She loved children.

**June Theresa Day**  
**Omicron Chapter**  
**August 5, 2018**  
**Miami, Florida**

**June Theresa Day** was born in Staten Island on May 3, 1929.

In 1935, she moved with her family to Miami. June graduated from Florida State University and received her Masters degree in Education from the University of Miami. She was an elementary school principal in the Dade County school system for 45 years. Education was her life. June taught all children to love education and to be prepared for all aspects of life.

In 1965, June was inducted into DKG. She served as **Omicron Chapter** President and Treasurer. She was an outstanding member, woman, and educator.

**Dr. Cecilia "Ceil" H. Hack**  
**Beta Alpha Chapter**



**October 22, 2018**  
**Tallahassee, FL**

Dr. Cecilia (Ceil) Horsting Hack, 92, passed away on October 22, 2018, at St. Augustine Plantation in Tallahassee, FL. She was born May 8, 1926, in New York City. She received a Bachelor's degree from Queens College, a Master's degree from Northern Arizona University, and a Doctorate of Education from University of Arizona.

Dr. Hack spent most of her career in South Florida. She developed and taught the "Time for School" program for kindergarten students on the local public television station in Miami. She was the Director of Educational Programs for the Head Start program in Mi-

ami-Dade County and the principal of two elementary schools. In the Panhandle area, she was an educational consultant working with the Florida Academy of School Leaders and the Panhandle Area Educational Consortium.

Inducted into DKG on May 1, 1981, Ceil was an active member of both **Beta Zeta** in Miami and **Alpha Kappa** in Tallahassee. She held several positions in each chapter including Chapter President of **Beta Zeta** and Parliamentarian for **Alpha Kappa**. She served on several state committees.

**Kathleen G. Henderson**  
**Beta Alpha Chapter**  
**August 28, 2018**  
**Ft. Lauderdale**

**Kathleen Gowen Henderson** was born on May 27, 1949, and passed away on August 23, 2018, at 69 years of age. She was a resident of Fort Lauderdale, Florida, at the time of her passing.

**Dr. Marie Stubel Land**  
**Alpha Kappa Chapter**  
**November 7, 2018**  
**Tallahassee, FL**

**Dr. Marie Strubel Land**, 77, of Tallahassee, passed away on November 7, 2018. She was born on August 10, 1941, in Laurel, Mississippi. Marie was a graduate of Florida State University earning her master's degree. Dr. Land taught in several elementary schools in Leon County, but she spent most of her years as a teacher at Killearn Lakes Elementary School in Tallahassee. Marie was inducted into DKG on November 1, 1991, and she was a faithful member of **Alpha Kappa Chapter** serving as Recording Secretary for two terms.

**Betty McCall**  
**Beta Upsilon Chapter**  
**2014**  
**Madison, FL**

**Betty McCall** was born on November 13, 1917, and inducted into DKG on April 1, 1966. She held PTA offices at both the county and state levels. Betty was one of only two honorary members of **Beta Upsilon Chapter**. When she passed away in 2014, Betty was living in Madison, Florida.



Springs, South Carolina. Dorothy graduated from Carson-Newman College. Since 1962, she resided in St. Augustine and was a teacher for 33 years in St. Johns County Public Schools.

On April 1, 1973, Dorothy was inducted into The Florida State Organization of DKG. She was a loyal and supportive member of **Gamma Gamma** for 45 years. Dorothy was a devoted mother and grandmother who loved the Lord and spending time with her family and friends.

**Dr. Alberta C. Silveira**  
**Beta Omega Chapter**  
**November 1, 2018**  
**St. Petersburg, FL**



At age 86, **Dr. Alberto "Birdie" Silveira** passed away on November 1, 2018, in St. Petersburg, Florida. In 1975, she was inducted into DKG and was a strong supporter, not only in District III's **Beta Omega Chapter**, but in her previous **Psi Chapter** in Massachusetts. Dr. Silveira taught secondary Math.

**Dr. Dorothy Powers Taylor**  
**Gamma Gamma Chapter**  
**August 14, 2018**  
**St. Augustine, FL**

**Dr. Dorothy P. Taylor**, 84, passed away on August 14, 2018, at the Bailey Center with her loving family and friends by her side. She was born and grew up in Heath

**Dr. Eleanore Burtis Warner**  
**Beta Kappa Chapter**  
**October 25, 2018**  
**Naples, FL**



**Dr. Eleanore Warner** was born on January 14, 1923, in Allentown, New Jersey. She graduated with an Ed.D. from Rutgers University. She served on the faculty of the College of New Jersey for many years and took her teaching to both the UK and Brazil. In Brazil, she was quickly named principal of the school where she was teaching. On May 1, 1982, she was inducted into DKG and served as **Beta Kappa's Chapter**

President. After retirement she was named professor emeritus at Rutgers University, one of many awards showered on her during her career. She enjoyed traveling the world with People to People International.

**Photos from Fall**  
**Executive Board &**  
**Workshops**



"It was a very good Fall Workshop. Thank you so much to all those who planned, organized and presented," said **JoAnn Wilson** from **Beta Omega Chapter**.



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**Chapter President**

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**Upcoming Meeting Dates**

**2019 DKG Florida Convention**  
**April 26-28, 2019**  
**Orlando Marriott Lake Mary**

**Southeast Regional Conference**  
**Theme: Arts and Humanities**  
**June 27-29, 2019**  
**Crowne Plaza Asheville, NC**

**Florida State Fall Workshop & Executive Board Meeting**  
**September 20-21, 2019**  
**Orlando Marriott Lake Mary**

**The Florida Jesslyn McBride Leadership Seminar**  
**June 14-17, 2020**  
**Orlando Marriott Lake Mary**