

# The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

# Florida Rays



Planting, Watering and Growing Our Society

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## Special Guest at Fall Workshop & Board Meeting: DKG International President Dr. Lyn Babb Schmid, Ed.D.

Lyn Schmid is an educator who has a passion for people. She started out in her freshman year at Auburn University to be an architect. But her Freshman advisor pointed out that her small high school in Roanoke, Alabama only allowed the girls to take Home Economics, not the requisite Mechanical Drawing that the boys were directed to study. That glass ceiling experience led the way for Lyn to embark upon a career in education. And she agrees that developing her passion for people, rather than buildings, has been a rewarding choice.



Lyn has taught Secondary English, been a Secondary and Elementary Reading Specialist, a Reading Supervisor, and retired as an Elementary Principal. After 35 years of service in public education, her most recent position was serving as a National Assessment of Educational Progress assessor for the U.S. Department of Education.

After receiving her Bachelors Degree at Auburn, Lyn earned a Masters Degree at Millersville University of Pennsylvania. Her Doctorate in Educational Leadership and Policy Studies was conferred at Temple University, Philadelphia, PA.

Lyn loves to watch college football and basketball. She has been widowed since 2004 and loves spending time with her friends and her two big brothers. Discussing books, movies, and women in leadership over a fabulous meal with a glass of wine is her idea of a great time.

Lyn is positive, reflective, and an enthusiastic leader. She loves humor and its power to change attitudes. As the DKG International President and Administrative Board member, she believes that the Society is truly moving forward and will emerge as a stronger organization in its current technological evolution.

Lyn wants us all to hold fast to our heritage, be creative with our future to realize our purposes, and launch Delta Kappa Gamma as a preeminent professional education organization.



REGISTER  
NOW

Come join your DKG sisters for a fun, relaxing, & informative weekend on September 24-25, 2016, at the Orlando Lake Mary Marriott. Attend Mu State Fall Workshops & the Executive Board Meeting. The Friday Night Social will honor new members.

This is an exciting way to glean information about International, Mu State, and District opportunities and events that are part of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society of Key Women Educators.

Registration forms are available on the Mu State Website ([www.dkgmustateflorida.weebly.com](http://www.dkgmustateflorida.weebly.com)) and in this newsletter. If you have any questions, please contact Pat Eckstein at either [pateckstein@yahoo.com](mailto:pateckstein@yahoo.com) or 407-947-0824.

For hotel reservations, call Marriott reservations at 1-800-380-7724 or the hotel directly at 407-995-1100. Ask for the Delta Kappa Gamma Mu State rate. You can also go to the website and book your group rate for Delta Kappa Gamma Fall Workshop. If you are sharing a room, please list the names of all roommates. Cancellations, no shows, or early departures must give 24 hour advance notice.

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## "Planting, Watering and Growing our Chapters"

### **Greetings from Gerry Hacker, Florida (Mu) State President**

It is happening! I have received information from 14 chapters to date as of May 16, 2016, with 3 Reinstatements, 1 Transfer, and 47 new members!

Congratulations! Thank you Beta Iota, Beta Kappa, Beta Omega, Beta Theta, Delta Beta, Delta Delta, Delta Gamma, Gamma Delta, Kappa, Mu, Phi, and Zeta Chapters!



Let's add your chapter's name in our next ***Florida Rays***. Remember "The Power of One." One new member can be powerful and is an asset to your chapter. We will be sending out invitations to all our new initiates and reinstated members to attend the Florida Night Social at the Sepetmber 23-24, 2016, Fall Workshop and Executive Board Meeting at the Orlando Lake Mary Marriott.

I'd like to share some information with you that really touched my heart this past week. It involved the "Trees of Lebanon"- trees that are 10 feet high, but have 30 feet roots. How does this apply to leadership? To our chapters?

**Highest:** We see first the highest things we feel are important, or have already accomplished.

**Depth:** The roots go down and draw up nourishment, so this is how we reach our goals and find new goals.

Cedar trees last and do not decay. They defy gravity with harvesting on the outside while reaching down into the depths. Florida palm trees flourish in the summer storms. Both trees are strong. What are your strengths? Love, joy, peace, patience, gentleness, self-control, kindness, goodness, faithfulness? We are all different, but we are all important. We all have skills and talents that need to be shared with others.

Research the DKG Seven Purposes which include: Unite in Spiritual Fellowship, Honor Service in any Field of Education, Advance Women in Education, Support Legislation for Women Educators, Endow Scholarships and Fellowships to Women Educators, Stimulate Personal and Professional Growth, and Inform Members of Important Issues.

What touches your heart? Share it with your chapter sisters and possibly add it to your chapter's Strategic Action Plan, but most of all BELIEVE. Believe in yourself, and believe in your Mu State sisters. Provide opportunities for new and current members to be involved and share their talents, so they recognize they are part of a tremendous organization of "Key Women Educators."

**"To love what you do and to feel that it matters-  
how could anything be more fun?"**  
-Katherine Graham

## Moving Forward with Florida (Mu) State DKG...

**Merle Jones,  
Immediate Past  
Mu State President**  
**msjjones95@hotmail.com**

*Let me ask you something,  
what is not art?  
- Author Unknown*



Congratulations to **Kathy Yarbrough, Delta Theta Chapter**, on the selection of her art for the DKG Gallery of Fine Arts. Kathy submitted three (3) entries, "Rosebud-Beauty and Love," "Tiger Lily - Pride and Beauty," and "In Memory of Cecil", which will be featured on the DKG International website's online gallery for six months.



The DKG Arts and Humanities Jury accepts several categories of the arts – Literary Efforts, Performance Arts, Two and Three Dimensional Art, Photography, and Crafts- with sub-categories for each category. Judging rubrics have been developed for each sub-category. Links to submission procedures, judging rubrics, submission periods, application forms, and other helpful question and answer information can be found on the DKG International website's Arts and Humanities Jury link.

Many noteworthy arts and crafts were displayed at the Betty Thornton Arts and Crafts Exhibit on April 17-18, 2015, at the Florida (Mu) State Convention. Members of Florida (Mu) State, please consider sharing your art throughout the DKG Community by submitting your art work to the DKG International Gallery of Fine Arts.



## Mu State Emergency Fund: comPASSION at Heart!

**Sharon Wallen, Representative  
Mu State Emergency Fund, 2014-2016  
Mu State Educational Excellence Committee**

### **Renewal and Refocusing**

As Hurricane Season approaches (June 1 through November 30) there is always that unpredictability about weather. Preparation and alertness are always the best format to face summer and fall seasons. Use your time now to renew your emergency kits, update your Family's Emergency Communication Plan, and secure the current contact numbers for emergency services, utilities, service providers, and insurance companies in your county/city of our great state, Florida.

### **Resources for Assistance & Information**

Mu State Sisters, here are websites, statewide sources, and national contacts that are very helpful. [www.ready.gov/alerts](http://www.ready.gov/alerts). America's PrepareAthon has information. [www.nws.noaa.gov/com/weather-readynation/hurricane\\_preparedness.html](http://www.nws.noaa.gov/com/weather-readynation/hurricane_preparedness.html) Pursue information from and adhere to advice from First Alert Service Team and our National Weather Service. They provide data on weather warnings and weather watch.

### **Recommendation**

Is your chapter, council, or district looking for a motivational, inspirational speaker? Dr. Sonayia N. Shepherd (Sony) is a national presenter at conferences. Crisis response, recovery, and support are among her topics of expertise. She also differentiates how to manage disaster and crisis. School safety and emergency management can also be clarified and distinguished.

### **2014-2016 District Donations to Mu State Emergency Fund**

District I - \$ 717.00
District II - \$ 325.01
District III - \$1,231.82
District V - \$ 685.00
District VI - \$ 906.00

***Thank you members & district directors  
for your contribution  
to the Mu State Emergency Fund.***

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## Invitation from Mu State

**Fall Workshop's Friday Night Social begins at 8:00 p.m.  
on September 23, 2016, at the Orlando Lake Mary Marriott.  
Come and join us!**

**We will honor new members who have recently become a part  
of a Mu State DKG chapter at our Friday Night Social.**

**DKG's International President Dr. Lyn Babb Schmid will be our guest  
and available to "Meet and Greet" all Mu State Members.**

**I look forward to seeing all new and current members  
at the Friday Night Social.**

**You are ALL IMPORTANT to our organization and special to DKG.**

**We need you to help welcome our new members and  
enjoy sharing time with your friends. YOU WILL HAVE FUN!**



Blessings,  
*Gerry*  
**Gerry B. Hacker, President  
Florida (Mu) State Organization  
[pianosteel@hotmail.com](mailto:pianosteel@hotmail.com)**



Planting, Watering and Growing our Society  
85 Years and Beyond: Advancing Key Women Educators for Life

**Note: Please send information regarding your attendance,  
including name, chapter, and email to:**

**Gerry B. Hacker, Mu State President  
[pianosteel@hotmail.com](mailto:pianosteel@hotmail.com)**

**Judith Mix, Executive Secretary  
[mixjutom@embarqmail.com](mailto:mixjutom@embarqmail.com)**

**Ann Blosfield, Membership  
[blosda@msn.com](mailto:blosda@msn.com)**

**Debra Graff, Communications/Publicity  
[MuStateCommunicationsCommittee@gmail.com](mailto:MuStateCommunicationsCommittee@gmail.com)**

Many thanks for your help with Registration and Room Reservations.

**NOTE: Registration and Room Reservation forms are available  
on the Mu State Website and in the *Florida Rays*.  
Please make these early.**

The hotel requires that Mu State meet  
a "block" of rooms in order to receive their reduced rate.

**Mu State Fall Workshop/Executive Board Meeting**  
**September 23 -24, 2016, at Orlando Lake Mary Marriott**  
**Registration Form**

Please type or print one name per form.

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

Please 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 Chair (Name committee) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Special dietary needs (Please indicate) \_\_\_\_\_

**Pre-Registration: \$60 includes luncheon Make check payable to Delta Kappa Gamma.**

Check number: \_\_\_\_\_

Send to: Pat Eckstein, 6939 Sylvan Woods Drive, Sanford, FL 32771

Contact Information: 407-947-0824 OR pateckstein@yahoo.com

I will attend the Friday Night Social (8:00 PM) including dessert at no cost.

Note: New members from January 1, 2015 - September 10, 2016, will be recognized at this social. Chapter Presidents, please notify Mu State President Gerry B. Hacker (pianosteel@hotmail.com or 1216 Cordoba Court, Dunedin, FL, 34698) by September 12, 2016.

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, do not use my photo or contact information in the **Florida Rays** or any DKG publication.

**Directions from Turnpike**

**Orlando Marriott Lake Mary, 1501 International Parkway, Lake Mary, FL, 32746**

Take I-4 exit, Exit 259 Orlando/Tampa. Merge onto I-4 East toward Downtown Orlando. Take CR 46A exit, Exit 101A towards Sanford/Heathrow. Turn left onto H.E. Thomas Jr. Parkway, CR46A West. Turn left onto International Parkway. Turn left onto Heathrow Center Lane.

**Group Reservation: The DKG Society International**

**September 23 - 24, 2016**

**Phone: 407-995-1100 or 800-380-7724**

Fall Workshop should be over by 2:00 p.m. on Saturday.

**Rates: Single- \$115    Double- \$115**

**Triple- \$115    Quad- \$115**

Room rates will be add tax. Check in time is 4:00 p.m.

Members are responsible for making their own

reservation. 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.

Refund Policy: Cancellations, no shows, or early departure result in the forfeiture of one night's deposit or a charge of one night's stay to a credit card.



## From the Desk of



**Judith Mix**  
**Executive Secretary**  
mixjutom@embarqmail.com

We have had six excellent district meetings this spring. Each was different and special in its own way while all still had training for presidents and treasurers. I recognized many members who have attended the First Timers meeting at the State level. I wondered if some of them were inspired by something said or done at the meeting. They were taking steps toward the next level of leadership in our Society. I was especially pleased at one of the district meetings to see these newer members taking leadership roles in many capacities. Some were in charge of decorating, raffles, or lunch; while others served as hostesses. They seemed to be everywhere, and I am sure we will see more of these young members.

Look at your chapter and see if you are investing in the future. Are you including your new members in the planning of the chapter meetings and committee work? Are you then letting them have leadership roles where they have the support of the chapter to help them? Are you helping to set them up for success in the chapter? Are you encouraging them to attend meetings beyond the chapter level? These new members are keeping our chapters alive and will be our state leaders in the future!

The Mu State Fall Workshop/

Executive Board Meeting will be here soon. Send your registration forms in now. The chapter presidents will be attending and escorting their new members at a reception Friday evening. Do your part to make them welcome by attending also. Let me know if you need help.

## Florida DKG Educational Foundation Touches the Future

The criteria, deadline, and application forms for Florida educators to apply for Foundation funding will soon be available! Professional Development Awards of up to \$1,500 each will be presented to at least two Florida educators at the Mu State (Florida) DKG Convention in April 2017. Members and non-members who are actively employed may apply for the funds which may be used for professional seminars, workshops, conferences, lecture series, on-line courses, and other non-degree (and non-DKG) program opportunities. Awards may be used to pay for registration fees, materials, travel, lodging, food, and expenses related to the activity.

By September 1, 2016, detailed information, including the application, criteria, application process, deadlines, etc., will be available on the Florida DKG Foundation website at [www.fldkgf.org](http://www.fldkgf.org). You may also contact **Dr. Elsie Gross**, Chair, at [elsiedgross@gmail.com](mailto:elsiedgross@gmail.com) for information and details regarding the process.

At the annual Foundation meeting scheduled for Friday evening, September 23, 2016, materials will also be available. This meeting is in conjunction with the Mu State Fall Executive Board/Workshop in Lake Mary. All DKG members are

members of the Florida DKG Educational Foundation and should plan to attend its first annual meeting. The deadline for applications is January 3, 2017.

## Mu State Scholarship Winners

**Beverly Kelley, Chair**  
[beverly.kelley@mchsi.com](mailto:beverly.kelley@mchsi.com)

Mu State has awarded two scholarships this year to:

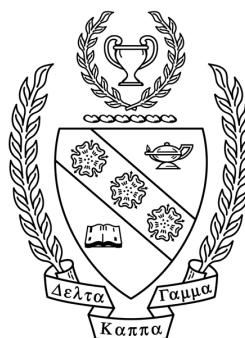
1. **April Fleetwood** from **Gamma Iota Chapter** in Archer, FL, is working on her Doctorate degree and



2. **Laura King** of Eastpoint, FL, from **Delta Kappa Chapter** in Apalachicola working on a Masters in Educational Leadership.



Both Mu State sisters have been advised to apply next February for a DKG International Scholarship. Hopefully, they will be able to attend the Mu State Fall Workshop/Executive Board Meeting to be recognized.



## Members/Chapters Sharing Their Vision

At their May 15th meeting, **Beta Chapter President Kathie Hammer** gave a short tribute to Annie Web Blanton with a quote indicating how Annie felt back in the 1930's. "Women should look to the future boldly but not forget about the values of the past." A **Journey for Life** brochure was distributed indicating the values of DKG. Kathie asked each member to take two, write a short message on the back, and give it to an educator who might consider joining **Beta Chapter**.



**Carrie Frye, Beta Chi Chapter**, presents 138 new children's books to four happy, first-year teachers at Bentley Elementary School in Seminole County. She is joined by school principal and assistant principal.



Recently, **Julie Otto**, pictured above with **Mu State President Gerry Hacker**, was installed as **Chapter President of Beta Iota**. Julie's mom was a DKG member.



On April 14, 2016, **Beta Phi Chapter** provided a pre-finals supper for the residents of the Lastinger

Scholarship House on FSU's campus. Good food and good conversation were enjoyed by all.



On April 11, 2016, **Gamma Delta Chapter** held a banquet to honor members for their accomplishments, initiate seven new members, install new officers, and recognize outgoing chapter presidents. Pictured above, **Past Mu State Presidents Carrie Frye and Merle Jones** presented outgoing **Delta Gamma Presidents, Diana Brown and Sandy Reaves**, with a Past Chapter President's pin. Under their leadership, the chapter initiated fourteen new members.



At **Gamma Delta's** annual banquet, two founding members, **Cynthia Schumacher** and **Nina Shuman**, were celebrated for their role in establishing the chapter and actively supporting educators.

**Gamma Theta Chapter** provided treats to the teachers, staff, and para-professionals of each of the eight schools in Madison County. Punch and themed cupcakes appropriate to the season were shared. Members from the chapter were at each school to socialize and mingle with the school staff.

On behalf of the students, members expressed their appreciation of the school's efforts and informed them about the DKG.



On April 11, 2016, **Gamma Theta Chapter** inducted eight new members and reinstated one former member. Pictured from left to right are **Brigitte Gudz, Ruth Ann Latner, Andrea Krell, Glyndell Presley, Nancy Varn, Channah Galbraith, Jessica Webb, and Janet Bailey**. Each new member was given a DKG cookbook and a personal note from the chapter president welcoming them.



Members of **Pi Chapter** sorted shoes and socks donated to the children at Chapman Partnership. DKG has delivered hundreds of socks and shoes for the past five years! Pictured above are **Linda Thweatt** and **Carmen Cleveaux**.



**Phi Chapter** honored **Josephine McGlamery** with a 60 year member pin at their Founder Day Celebration. Jo is a charter member and very proud to have been a part of Phi's initial founding in 1956.

## Mu State Communications and Publicity Committee

**Deb Graff, Chair**  
**mustatecommunicationscommittee@gmail.com**

The Florida Mu State Communications and Publicity Committee encourages all chapters to apply for the "Florida Mu State Communications Award." The "Communications Award" is designed to recognize chapters that strive to improve communication with their chapter members and work to increase visibility for the chapter within their local community.

Chapters are urged to use the communications criteria checklist as a tool to incorporate techniques that will increase member knowledge of the Society and the benefits of membership. Does your chapter want to develop strategies to attract new members and increase visibility? Then contact us to begin the journey to your chapter revitalization!



### Chapter Communications Award 2015 – 2017 Criteria Checklist

The Chapter Communications Award is presented to chapters who improve communication techniques within their chapter and promote their chapter within their local community. All chapters are eligible for this award. Chapter documentation must include copies of submissions to **Florida Rays**, local newspapers or magazines, and the newsletters sent to members. Communication criteria should be current and documented during the 2015-2017 biennium from July 1, 2015 to March 15, 2017. The checklist and chapter documentation may be submitted either electronically or via U.S. Mail to the chapter's respective District Communications and Publicity Committee representative found below.

District I:	Geraldine DeFelix	gpdefelix@baptistcollege.edu
District II:	Dunia Jean-Baptiste	teachaka@aol.com
District III:	Jackie Guthrie	Jg6879@yahoo.com
District IV:	Kris Sternberg	kris.sternberg@news-jrnl.com
District IV:	Peggy DuBose	dubosep@comcast.net
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Chair:	Debra Graff	mustatecommunicationscommittee@gmail.com

All chapters earning 70 or more points will be recognized at Mu State Convention in the spring of 2017. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to contact your District Communications Committee Representative or **Debra Graff, Mu State Communications Committee Chair**.

**Deadline: Submissions are due on or before March 15, 2017, for award eligibility.  
 Submit the checklist along with documentation to your C&P District Representative  
 Communications & Publicity Committee Members**

**or**

**Regular mail: Florida Mu State Communications Committee, 239 Deer Cove Lane, Lutz, FL 33548**



## Chapter Communications Award 2015 – 2017 Criteria Checklist



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

Chapter Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Chapter has a website. (15 points) Website address: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter website has been certified by the International representative. (5 additional points)  
Current DKG certification seal is displayed on website. Website is linked with DKG International. (DKG.org)

Chapter has a social media information page. (Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, etc.) (max. 10 points)  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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.

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, US Mail, etc.) (10 points)

Methods of Communication \_\_\_\_\_

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.

Chapter submits a minimum of one (1) article to the Florida Rays during the biennium. (max. 5 points)  
Attach article, or date of publication.

Chapter submits a minimum of one (1) news release to newspaper or magazine. (max. 10 points)  
Attach article with date of publication.

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)

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 C&P District Representative or:**  
**mustatecommunicationscommittee@gmail.com**

**Regular mail: Florida Mu State Communications Committee, 239 Deer Cove Lane, Lutz, FL 33548**

## Membership Opportunities Through DKG

**Ann Blosfield, DKG Education Foundation**  
**blosda@msn.com**

**Sometimes members forget how many opportunities our Society provides to educators. Here is a brief synopsis:**

### **LEADERSHIP**

Leadership Management Seminar  
 Holden Leadership Fund Committee  
 Leadership growth opportunities sponsored by the Eunah Temple



### **Travel & Networking**

International Speakers Fund  
 International Convention (2016 Nashville)  
 Regional Conference (2017 SE Myrtle Beach)  
 State Organization Convention  
 Area Workshops

### **Financial Assistance**

Scholarships  
 Emergency Fund  
 Educational Foundation Grants

### **Discounts**

Insurance  
 Amazon Smile  
 GoodSearch  
 GoAhead Tours  
 Capella

### **Activism**

Forums (Canada, Europe,  
 Latin America, U.S.)  
 UNICEF Projects  
 World Fellowship grant

### **Publishing**

The Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin  
 Professional Journal published 3 times/year  
 Collegial Magazine published 2 times/year  
 Fine Arts Gallery



### **Recognitions**

Educators Award of \$2,500.00 presented annually to a woman author or to joint authors whose book influences educational direction

Achievement Award  
 Doctoral recipients  
 Continuing education credits

***Every DKG member is considered a leader –  
 a woman who wants to make a difference.  
 How you choose to lead is up to you,  
 but DKG offers support for that leadership in many different ways.***



## Florida State Organization Shines at U.S. Forum National Legislative Seminar in D.C.

**Carrie Frye, Delta Kappa Gamma  
U.S. Forum, SE Regional Representative  
cfrye@att.net**

On Sunday, March 13, twelve DKG FL State Organization members arrived in Arlington, VA for the U. S. Forum National Legislative Seminar. The evening opened with an outstanding performance by Kate Stevenson setting the tone for the seminar. Through songs and dramatic transformations, Kate brought to life Lucy Stone, Rose Crabtree and Eleanor Roosevelt in a program entitled "Women Working to Form a Better Union".

Monday was a full day devoted to very knowledgeable speakers addressing the topics that attendees would address with their respective Congressmen/women on the Hill on Tuesday. The high-energy opening speaker whose topic was Bullying/Cyberbullying Prevention set the tone for the remainder of the day. Following were outstanding speakers on the topics of Pay Equity, Mental Health, Gun Violence Prevention, High Stakes Testing with references to the new ESSA bill. After a session on "Lobbying 101", we prepared our talking points to deliver to each legislator during our Tuesday visits.

On Tuesday morning, we arrived at Hart Senate Building for a briefing with a senior policy advisor followed by a member of the Education Counsel and Majority Education Policy Office. Then we were off at a brisk pace for our appointments with seven Congressmen/women. In late afternoon, we made a visit to our FL "State" House where we enjoyed orange juice and the million-dollar view of the Capitol from the living room. (FL is the only state with an "Embassy" house.) Refueled, we were off to Senator Bill Nelson's office where we were greeted most graciously and given an extended audience with Senator Nelson. We returned to our hotel at about 9:00 PM having logged seven miles of walking with no one complaining about blisters, hurting feet, throbbing legs or aching backs. What a successful day!



On Wednesday morning, we heard from two Congresswomen and Joan Wages, President/CEO of the National Women's History Museum. Our closing high-spirited speaker's topic of "When the Fight is Right" was a perfect send-off message on the importance of our voices on education issues and rights of women and children and earned her an invitation to speak at the U.S. Forum in Nashville. Hope you will be there!



**Top row:** Deanie DeFelix, Merle Jones, Carrie Frye, Ginny Hunter, and Jan Stevens  
**Bottom row:** Kim Baggs, Connie Kostyra, Nancy Bentz, Nancy Henning, Diane Scheuerer, Carleen Spano, and Evelyn Kelly



Ginny Hunter meets with her Congress woman Ileana Ros-Lehtinen.



## Application for 2015-2017 World Fellowship Awards

Please submit to:

**Myrna J. Santos, 3600 NW 82nd Dr., Coral Springs, FL, 33065  
or send electronically to: ESLCARE@aol.com**

**The Deadline for receipt of this application is April 1, 2017.**

**Chapter or Individual Name and Location:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

**Dates Donations Sent to International Headquarters  
and Amounts of Donations:**

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

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

### World Fellowship Award Criteria

**Gold Award: \$100 in donations sent to International Headquarters and contact with  
one or more World Fellowship Scholarship Recipients**

**Silver Award: \$50 in donations sent to International Headquarters and contact with  
one or more World Fellowship Recipients.**

**Please note that all monies collected at District Meetings are being sent to Interna-  
tional collectively by Myrna Santos, World Fellowship Committee Chair.**



## PARTY WITH THE INTERNATIONAL EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

***DKG Educational Foundation - Giving to Educate the World.***

**Ann Blosfield, DKG Education Foundation**  
**blosda@msn.com**

If you are planning to attend the International DKG Convention this summer you won't want to miss the Thursday, July 7 evening Call Me Country event at the famous Wildhorse Saloon. Join your friends and /or reserve a table. The \$165.00 ticket includes transportation to and from the saloon, access to all levels and activities, entertainment (DJ, live band and line dance instruction), buffet dinner, cash bars and a tax deductible donation to DKG. This is a great opportunity to let your hair down and enjoy a fun-filled evening while helping the International Educational Foundation at the same time.



The DKG Educational Foundation has adopted the Legacy of Leadership Program at its February meeting. Any gift to the Legacy Program will be used for the purpose specified by the donor. One third of all undesignated gifts will be allocated to the DKG Foundation. Contributions may still be made directly to the Foundation as well.

If you or an educator you know would like financial assistance to attend a professional meeting next school year, the next application for a Cornetet Professional Development Grant is due September 1. Applications are available on line at [www.dkgef.org](http://www.dkgef.org). Applications for Project Awards and Seminar Awards are also available at this site. Project Awards are available for any employed educator, male or female, DKG member or nonmember.

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**In the Home of Purple Irises and Country Music,  
Florida DKG Members Are Invited  
Thursday, July 7, 2016  
4:30 – 5:45 PM  
Gaylord Opryland Hotel  
Nashville, TN**

**Join President Gerry Hacker and fellow state members  
for light hors d'oeuvres and libations  
(After arrival at convention,  
you will receive a personal note of exact location.)**

## Reflections From District I Meeting Missy Cumbie, Mu State District I Director, 2014-2016

*This article is written in memory of Carol Davis (1952-2016), DKG member 1985-2004.*

Some District I DKG members traveled as far as 165 miles to attend their meeting held at the Apalachicola Bay Charter School in Apalachicola on April 30. State officers and committee members traveled even further to present training workshops for upcoming 2016-2018 chapter officers and committee members. The General session was held in historic Chapman Auditorium, built during the Great Depression by WPA workers. Many of the original sculptured walls depict artistry of the '30's.



Presiding for 2014-2016 District I Director Missy Cumbie was past **2002-2004 District I Director Beverly Kelley**, both members of Delta Kappa Chapter. Even though Missy was absent, all went well thanks to her excellent planning and leadership. After the usual introductions, parade of chapters' outgoing and incoming presidents, Mu State President Gerry Hacker's comments, and committee reports, the audience was treated to an inspirational talk from former Florida Highway Patrolman, now Budget Director for the Florida Supreme Court, Marshall Dawson, who praised Delta Kappa Gamma for its leadership programs, and encouraged those present, and all women, to continue their efforts to strive for and assume leadership positions in today's workplace. Pictured at on the left is **Beverly Kelley** who graciously presided over the Friday night and Saturday events. On her right is **Delta Kappa Chapter's Incoming President Lydia Countryman**.

No one was nominated for 2016-18 District I Director. **Merle Jones, Ann Lumsden, Sandra Smith, and Geraldine DeFelix, all past District I Directors**, volunteered to be Co-2016-2018 District I Directors with the intent to search further for a District I Director. **Sandy Byars, Gamma Eta Chapter**, was unanimously elected 2016-2018 District I Nominating Committee member. After the April 30 meeting, **Beta Phi member Donna Heald**, who had been out of the country traveling, was elected by District I Chapter Presidents as 2016-18 District I Director.

The rest of the morning was very busy with training as well as personal and professional growth workshops. The workshops, the buffet lunch prepared and served by Franklin County School's Culinary class, the basket raffle, and entertainment by **Beta Lambda Chapter** were all held in the ABC school's classrooms and cafeteria. **Basket Chairman Sandy Byars** reported \$717 in sales which have been donated to the recently formed Florida Delta Kappa Gamma Educational Foundation.



## Reflections from District II Meeting Carolynne Fooshee, Mu State District II Director, 2014-2016

### ***Theme: Make Footprints in the Sand***

DKG Mu State Sisters definitely "made footprints in the sand" at the District II meeting held in Neptune Beach on March 5th. Wow...100+ members attended! **Martha "Sam" Wright** was elected our new District II Director, and Wanda Beck was elected to represent District II on the MU State Nomination Committee.

The meeting, sessions and program emphasized "Planting, Watering and Growing our Society" which is our State President's theme. Participants took part in the New Presidents and Treasurers workshops or sessions on Leadership, Communication, Membership, Move-it with Dee, Earth Works/Plant Specialist, Master Gardner/Herbs, Linda's Baskets, Beekeeping, Creative Journals, Author/Artist, Christmas In March, a Field Trip to the Jacksonville Beach Museum of History, or just took a walk on the beach.



Great breakfast foods, many wonderful "take-home" goodies, and outstanding decorations provided by District II Chapters Members, all contributed to make our meeting a great success. The "over-the-top" Chapter

Baskets raised \$1,000! Five hundred dollars was donated to the Florida DKG Educational Foundation and five hundred dollars was donated to the McBride Leadership Seminar Fund in memory of **Marilyn Russell, former District II Director**. Many members came the day before the meeting to enjoy the unforgettable beach atmosphere, beach dining, and the Beaches Town Center for shopping. An invitation is always extended to all DKG Sisters to come and "Make Footprints in the Sand."



### Reflections From District III Meeting Bonnie Ignacio, Mu State District III Director, 2014-2016

*Theme: Let our sisterhood be a beacon of light  
for other educators to see.*

We had a wonderful weekend with 119 DKG sisters in attendance. The weather and the Plantation on Crystal River were a beautiful setting for the District III Meeting. We had 91 registered for the Friday night Nature and Sunset Cruises which was the perfect way to relax and end the day. My goal was to make it most enjoyable and convenient for our guests. By thinking this way we created a lot of "firsts." We were the first district meeting to:

- \*To be held in Citrus County,
- \*Hold all events at one location that provided hotel rooms, a restaurant, cruises, a district meeting, and a golf course,
- \*Offer a Sunset Cruise,
- \*Hold an early registration Friday night,
- \*Had a Twitter account, and
- \*Gave out handmade wooden roses that will last a life time to all State Past Presidents, State Officers, and Incoming/Outgoing District III Presidents.



Throughout the meeting time we were introduced to women who are beacons of light in their field of expertise. Thank you to these women who helped make the District III Meeting such a success! The workshop sessions included:



- Union and Today's Education System** presented by Victoria Smith, Union President
- Better Health through Better Posture** presented by Lace Blue-McLean and Monica Berberich
- Do We Have a Book for You** presented by Rose Ann Verheyen, Delta Gamma Chapter
- Gratitude Improves Your Health** presented by Dr. Peg Dunn-Snow, Beta Alpha Chapter
- Resources for Chapter Communication** presented by Debra Graff, Beta Theta Chapter
- Bloodhound and Scent Preservation** presented by Linda Boles
- Membership: The lifeblood of the Society** presented by Ann Blosfield, Beta Theta Chapter
- Hula for Fun and Fitness** presented by Ellie Esler, Mu Chapter

To round out the day, **Superintendent of Citrus County Sandra Himmel** was a very entertaining guest speaker. She received a cut crystal bell as her appreciation gift. We want to congratulate **Janet Tolson** as our new **District III Director** and **Emily Mistretta** as our new **Nominations Committee Representative**. Overall, the District III Meeting was well received and memorable due to the sisterhood teamwork contributed by District III Presidents and their members! Thank you to everyone who attended!

### Reflections From District IV Meeting Beth Dewey, Mu State District IV Director, 2014-2016

On January 29, 2016, District IV members and visitors escaped the boundaries of earth's atmosphere and began their journey to find their space— in outer space, inner space, and their space within Delta Kappa Gamma. Exploration began at the Center for Space Education at the Kennedy Space Center where members were briefed by Dr. Leslie Fletcher about the resources available to teachers through the Center. Then DKG members toured the Space Center including the incredible production known as



"Atlantis." More members and visitors joined the cadre for dinner at Bonefish Grill in Viera where socializing and reconnecting was the agenda for the evening. On the previous page, **Renee Bernhard** and **Barbara Wilcox**, **Co-Incoming Presidents for Gamma Kappa**, are dual Princess Leias.

Saturday, January 30, began with an assortment of breakfast goodies supplied by **Gamma Kappa, Alpha Theta, and Delta Eta** at Viera High School. The repast was enjoyed by humans and a contingent of aliens who dropped by for the festivities. Following introductions of our International, State, and District past and present dignitaries by the District Director, **Mu State President Gerry Hacker** welcomed the group. **Keynote speaker Dr. Beverly Helms**, pictured on the right, described the many possibilities for participation in Delta Kappa Gamma and then gave a sobering explanation of why it is so important to do so.



The Parade of Presidents was hosted by **Past State Presidents Merle Jones and Carrie Frye**. **Carrie Frye** was elected unanimously as our next **District IV Nominations Committee Member**. After election to the position of next **District IV Director**, **Linda Vaughn** was pinned by **Beta Nu member Lonnie Kirsch**, **Past District IV Director**. Musical entertainment was provided by the talents of **Katrina McMenamy** and her **co-chapter member Joann Kinder**. They successfully captured the essence of the Star Wars cantina.

After the general session, the ladies trekked to an assortment of workshops which reflected the triangular theme of "Finding Your Space." **Lynn Dotson from the NASA Public Engagement Center** held a workshop on **Space Exploration** and also hosted a question and answer session during lunch. For those members who wished to delve into their inner space, there were workshops on **Tai Chi, Developing a Growth Mindset**, and **Caring for the Caregiver**. For those who were curious about her space in DKG, workshops for incoming presidents and treasurers were offered as well as **Membership, Leadership, Educational Excellence**, and **Communication**.



**Jan Stevens, Past District IV Director and current Mu State Corresponding Secretary**, coordinated the chapter basket auction. Due to the combined efforts of all fifteen chapters and the attendees at the meeting, District IV was able to make a sizeable donation to the U.S. Forum Committee and to the Florida DKG Educational Foundation. Thank you to everyone associated with our meeting as you made it possible. Thank you to **Peggy DuBose** for taking photographs. Unfortunately, there was not enough space in this article to include all of them. A very special thank you to the ladies of **Delta Eta Chapter** who were a great support team!

Lunch was catered by Carrabbas, owned by Dave McMillan, whose adorable family helped as servers. The Moon Pies for dessert were homemade by **Susie Fogarty of Beta Nu Chapter**. One of the frequent comments on the evaluations was that so many ladies valued most the opportunity to meet and reconnect with their sisters from other districts. See you again in two years! "**Go forth and prosper!**"

### Reflections on District V Meeting Nancy Marmesh, Mu State District V Director, 2014-2016



Delta Kappa Gamma members made a big splash as they "Dove into Success" on February 27, 2016, at the District V Meeting in Ft. Lauderdale. When the 113 participants arrived at the First Baptist Church, they were greeted by helpful hostesses and then ushered into the continental breakfast room decorated with starfish, seashells, and beach life scenes.

At the morning session the incoming and outgoing chapter presidents were introduced. **Mu State President Gerry Hacker** shared an important message reminding everyone to continue to **Plant, Water and Grow the Society**. Mu State committee

chairmen and members gave reports and shared up-to-date information with the group. **Linda Petuch from Beta Xi Chapter** was elected as the next **District V Director**, and **Carmen Morales-Jones from Alpha Omega Chapter** was elected as the **District V Representative to the Mu State Nominations Committee**.

Following the general session, members attended workshops which included training for the new District V presidents and treasurers, as well as workshops on science, chapter website building, membership, personal growth, travel, and leadership.

Members enjoyed a delicious luncheon catered by Lenore Nolan-Ryan Catering. The meal was topped off with custom DKG cookies designed by Shar. After lunch the group was treated to musical entertainment provided by the fabulous Florida Singing Sons. They were also inspired by the guest speaker, **Dr. Phyllis Omilak from Kappa Chapter** who presented ideas for developing DKG-Girl Scout connections at the chapter level. This exciting day closed with basket raffles and reflections as DKG sisters prepared to "set sail" for home. Thanks to all of those who helped make this event so successful!



### Reflections on District VI Meeting Norma Bond, Mu State District VI Director, 2014-2016

**Theme:  
"DKG Has a Passion  
for Fashion"**

On March 12, 2016, the meeting room at the I-TECH Center in Immokalee was transformed into a spectacular form of fashion. Tables were beautifully decorated with black tablecloths, black chairbacks with red ribbons, and dress forms with lace, netting, and jewels. As the 85 DKG sisters entered the room, with their fancy hats and fashionable dress, the room came a buzz with greetings from friends and meeting new friends. Special guest **Kay Clawson, the Northeast Regional Director** from West Virginia, was the featured speaker. The Immokalee Beta Club members provided entertainment, assisted with serving, and made everyone feel welcome. All ten chapters were represented.



Twelve workshops were available to the members. From the responses we received, everyone enjoyed them. One particular workshop was led by a guest from Georgia. Leslie Giraldo, an Immokalee native and former Gamma Phi member who now lives in Georgia and a member of Tau Chapter in Georgia, presented **Transforming DKG Through Metaphors, Macaroons, and Movement**. This workshop was well attended and enjoyed. Other workshops were on **Cupcake Decorating, Card Embroidery, Membership, Leadership, Communication, and a Healthier You**. The chapter presidents and treasurers met with the state officers to prepare themselves for their role in the next biennium.

**Sam King from Gamma Nu Chapter** was elected as the **District VI Director** for the 2016-2018 biennium. **Lou Burns from Gamma Upsilon** was chosen to be on the Nominations Committee. Congratulations to both of these ladies! District VI is alive and thriving and will continue to do so under Sam's leadership.

A delicious lunch was served and enjoyed by all. For dessert, cupcakes used as part of the decorations were served along with ice cream. Nine beautifully decorated baskets were raffled, and the money contributed to the Mu State Emergency Fund.

## DKGEF Cornetet Award Recipient from Florida

**Lynna Gene Cook, Chair  
The Delta Kappa Gamma  
Educational Foundation**

**Dr. Margaret (Peg) Dunn-Snow** of Florida's Beta Alpha Chapter has received a Cornetet Individual Professional Development Award in the amount of \$1200. She plans to use her award to attend the Accelerated Traumatology Course which is a week long training session with art therapy colleague, Dr. Linda Gantt, and her staff during the week of September 4 -10, 2016, at the Instinctual Trauma Response (ITR) Training Institute LLC in Morgantown, WV. The in-depth training will include specific clinical methods, including an art therapy component, that are effective in treating Post Traumatic Symptoms Disorder and Dissociative Disorders resulting from a traumatic event.



Mu State is proud that a member from Florida received assistance to enhance her professional expertise. Encourage all educators, members and non-members, who need professional development assistance to check the Foundation website for the Cornetet Individual Professional Development Award information and application. Encourage them to apply as did Dr. Peg Dunn-Snow. Join members from across the state of Florida to congratulate and recognize Peg at the Mu State Fall Workshop/Executive Board Meeting.

## In Memoriam



**Thelma B. Heath  
Beta Kappa Chapter  
District VI  
April 2, 2016**

**Thelma Heath** was born on January 22, 1913, in Reynoldsburg, Pennsylvania. In 1925, she moved with her parents to Florida. In 1935, she moved to Everglades City with her husband. Thelma became a good friend of Deaconess Bedell, teaching Sunday School with her and helping with her unique position with the Seminole Indians. In 1936, Thelma began teaching third and fourth grades in Collier County.

During World War II, she helped form the local American Red Cross and taught her female fourth grade students and most of the older girls in school how to knit, knitting hundreds of sweaters for the troops and veterans hospitals.

In 1949, her husband became principal of Naples Elementary, and Thelma taught third and fourth grades and served as the school nurse. She was a pioneer teacher who developed the first three elementary school libraries in Naples. She helped to start Scouting in Naples with Brownies, Girl Scout and Boy Scout troops.

At 103 years old, Thelma was a long time member of Beta Kappa Chapter. She faithfully attended meeting and served on many chapter committees.



**Nancy Camp Ingram  
Beta Phi Chapter  
District I  
January 26, 2016**

**Nancy C. Ingram** passed away on January 26, 2016, in Tallahassee, Florida. She was born in Fort Payne, Alabama, on May 14, 1942. She graduated from Peabody College of Vanderbilt University and from FSU with a master's degree in speech therapy as a member of the first graduating class in that program.

Nancy served as chapter treasurer and on chapter committees. She loved gardening and flowers (especially roses), decorating, sewing, singing, and dancing to live music.



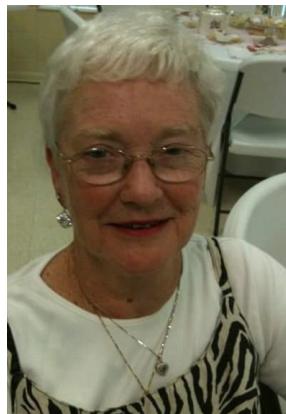
**Martha Roach McPherson Plant  
Delta Kappa Chapter  
District 1  
May 1, 2016**

**Martha Plant**, 94, died May 1, 2016, in Tallahassee, Florida.

A graveside service was held at Eastern Cemetery in Quincy, Florida, only a few city blocks from the house where she was born in 1921.

Since childhood, Martha wanted to be a teacher. At the age of 19, she fulfilled her dream, receiving a two-year teaching degree from what was then known as the Florida State College for Women, now as Florida State University. Later, Martha went on to earn her Bachelor of Education degree at FSU. She taught for more than 40 years, specializing in teaching disabled and homebound students.

Having been initiated on April 1, 1956, Martha was a DKG member for 60 years. Martha will always be remembered for the way she and her husband cared for their severely disabled son.



**Martha Pugh Sanborn**  
**Beta Beta Chapter**  
**District**  
**April 1, 2016**

**Martha Sanborn**, 80, of Port St. Joe, FL, passed away on April 1, 2016. She was born December 17, 1935, in Athens, Alabama. Mrs. Sanborn graduated with Honors from Florence University in 1954 and received her First Florida teaching certificate in 1959. She began her teaching career in Carrabelle, FL, and was initiated into **Beta Beta** on March 27, 1965

She was a teacher at PSJ Elementary and became an icon at PSJ High School. She taught many subjects over the years, but she was best known for her expertise in Home Economics, with English a close second. She sponsored FHA, Homecoming Committee, and was the Varsity Cheerleading Coach from 1981 until she retired in 1994. She received Gulf County's "Teacher of the Year" award in 1983, and "The Pride of the Shark" award in 1994.

Martha Sanborn was a continuous and dedicated DKG member for 51 years. DKG has lost a powerhouse member.

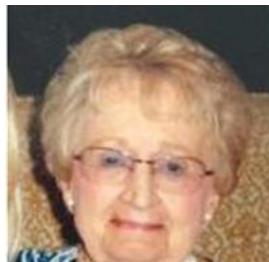


**Sharon Elaine Wirick Wilson**  
**Beta Kappa Chapter**  
**District VI**  
**March 6, 2016**

**Sharon Wilson**, 80, peacefully passed away on March 6, 2016, in Naples, Florida. Born on June 21, 1935 in Zanesville, OH, she was an only child. In 1953, Sharon graduated from Hopewell High School where she was a cheerleader, majorette and played the trumpet in the band. She received her Bachelor's degree from Ohio University in Elementary Education and later earned her Masters Degree from Florida Atlantic University in Early Childhood Development. Sharon was a beloved teacher for over 40 years touching many lives.

Sharon was initiated into DKG on September 1, 1984. She served as chapter secretary for a long

time, sent cards for every occasion, and filled baskets for district meetings.



**Mary Elizabeth Truka**  
**Beta Zeta Chapter**  
**District V**  
**May 22, 2016**

**Mary Elizabeth Truka**, 93, passed away on May 22, 2016, after suffering a stroke. She was born on July 23, 1922, in Meadville, Pennsylvania. Mary spent her childhood in both Meadville and Oil City, Pennsylvania. She attended Bethany College where she graduated with a degree in psychology.

After graduation, Mary moved to Marion, Ohio to join her family who had relocated to Ohio after the start of World War II. Mary began a career in social work before finding her true calling- teaching. Mary's teaching career spanned fifty-four years starting in Marion. While in Marion, Mary taught at St. Mary's Catholic School, Vernon Street Elementary, and Pleasant Elementary. Mary also taught psychology at the Marion Correctional Institute where she endeared herself to the corrections officers and her pupils as a caring and no-nonsense instructor.

In 1986, Mary moved to Miami, Florida, where her daughter and family lived. In Miami, Mary began a twenty-five year relationship with Epiphany Catholic School where she served as a reading specialist. Initiated into DKG in 2009, Mary was a dedicated chapter member who was proud to be part of such an outstanding group of educators. In 2010, Mary retired from Epiphany at the age of 88.

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### **Future Meeting Dates**

**The Jesslyn McBride  
 Leadership Seminar**  
 June 26 - 29, 2016  
 Orlando Marriott Lake Mary  
 Lake Mary, Florida

**DKG International  
 Convention**  
 July 5 - July 9, 2016  
 Gaylord Opryland Resort  
 and Convention Center  
 Nashville, Tennessee

**Mu State Fall Workshop/  
 Executive Board Meeting**  
 September 23 - 24, 2016  
 Orlando Marriott Lake Mary  
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**Mu State Convention**  
 April 27 - 30, 2017  
 Orlando Marriott Lake Mary  
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