



NM DKG NewsRunner
New Mexico State Organization
of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
Spring issue February, 2024

NMSO STATE CONVENTION NEAR

International Representative to be the International Achievement Award winner, Becky Sadowski

Get ready for the NM DKG State Convention in Alamogordo., NM April 26-28, 2024

This year’s convention will be held in beautiful Alamogordo! We are looking forward to hosting and seeing our state come together for this wonderful event!

- Our convention hotel is the Fairfield Inn and Suites (300 Panorama Blvd). Please see the article regarding making your reservations as our hotel is undergoing some leadership changes that have changed the way we need to reserve rooms. Check in begins at 3 PM on Friday April 26th.
- Registration will begin at 5:30 on Friday the 26th with a salad supper at 6PM followed by the State Executive Board meeting at 7 PM. This event will take place at First Presbyterian Church (1318 14th Street).
- Saturday’s events will take place at The Hub at Alamogordo Public Schools (1211 Hawaii Ave - look for the two story building) beginning with registration at 7:30AM followed by the General Session Meeting at 8 AM. Our meeting, workshops, vendors and luncheon will all take place here. During the luncheon we will present our Longevity Awards and Educator Recognition Awards. Vendors will wrap things up around 2:30 and there will be time for you to explore some of the wonderful things Alamogordo has to offer. Take some time to visit the Space Museum, one of the beautiful pistachio ranches, or relax back at your hotel!
- At 6:00 PM on Saturday evening, the Banquet will be at Desert Lakes Golf Course 19th Hole Grill (2351 Hamilton Rd). Our International Representative will be the guest speaker. The Theta State Achievement Award will be the highlight of the banquet.
- Sunday morning is the Annual Ceremony of Remembrance for sisters we have lost this year. Please join us at 8:00 AM at the Fairfield Inn and Suites. Join us for this beautiful service before we all head home.



I speak for all of my Kappa sisters when I say that I look forward to seeing you all in Alamogordo!!

Shawna Denney, Kappa
 Past President ,DKG NMSO



SAVE THE DATE:
NM DKG 2024 State Convention
 April 26-28, 2024
 Alamogordo, NM
REGISTER EARLY !!!
Forms in this issue



MESSAGE FROM OUR STATE PRESIDENT

Hola Sisters!

As Valentine’s Day drew near, I was once again reminded of how much love and support is right there for the taking just by being in an organization such as DKG. Where else will you find like-minded women who all share the same or similar goals, struggle through the same or similar trials, and yet strive to become better in all that we do? Throughout my entire career as an educator my personal goals, has been to become better than I was yesterday. At this moment in my journey, that encompasses being a better wife, a better friend, a better leader, and just a better overall person. Each and every one of you whom I have met over the years (and more recently) have, and are, contributing to my growth,. I thank you from the bottom of my heart!



On that same theme, there are so many ways in which each every one of you can grow through DKG. This newsletter has the registration form for our state convention in April which will be in Alamogordo, a city bordered by mountains and glistening white sand. Our sisters have been working diligently to provide growth opportunities as well as a chance to get to know more of our sisters. Becky Sadowski, who helped us jumpstart our membership initiative several years ago, will be our international representative. She comes to us with updates from International and a deep understanding of what we here in NM have been striving towards in building our membership.

Before April, each chapter will have elected their next slate of officers for the 2024-2026 biennium... another amazing opportunity to stretch our leadership skills and mentoring skills as we support the newly elected. As part of that support, we will have an amazing opportunity in June to learn more about each role of the chapter officers at our state leadership workshop in Albuquerque. In July, the International Convention takes place in National Harbor, MD right across the Potomac River from Washington DC. We will exercise our membership rights by speaking to and voting on proposed amendments to the DKG Constitution. There will be opportunities to attend workshops for fun, for edification, and hear several renowned speakers including the author of the book *Hidden Figures*.

Well, I certainly wrote more than I anticipated, but I am excited! I hope you are, too! See you in Alamogordo!!

Love,
Joe Clarkson, NBCT
President NMSO DKG



Thank you, Psi chapter, for welcoming me into your close-knit group last month! It really is amazing to see a



group of sisters who so obviously care for one another and support each other. Alisha, the plaque you made me will always have a place of honor and will always remind me of time spent with all of you. I am sorry you were sick, Connie, but it gave me chance to see Patty, your amazing first VP in action. Ina Jean, you are an amazing host! Thank you for giving me a place to stay.
-Joe



NMSO SPECIAL NEWS

PROGRAM

Barbara, NMSO 1st VP, has been busy over the last couple of months sending to chapter presidents the EEC newsletter that our DKG International organization creates. She hopes that chapters have been able to use this newsletter while finding new ways to conduct meetings, recruit new members, etc.

In January, she and former Immediate Past State President Pat Graff traveled to Alamogordo to meet with Kappa Chapter's President Judy Pingel and her Kappa members, who are helping to organize this Spring's State Convention. They had a lovely visit sharing ideas and seeing where the meetings would be held.

In March, she and Pat Graff will attend the DKG US Forum National Legislative Seminar that will be held in Washington DC from the 9th through the 13th. One of the most exciting activities of the seminar will be the opportunity to meet with our federal legislators. They will also be able to hear from various speakers, including Gwen Graham (Assistant Secretary for Legislative and Congressional Affairs for the US Department of Education), Brad Thomas (Deputy Director of Education and Human Services Policy for the House Committee on Education and the Workforce), Rob Weil (Director of Field Programs in the Educational Issues Department of the American Federation of Teachers), who will be talking about the role of AI systems in today's classroom, and Lisa Maatz (former Vice President of Government Relations and Advocacy for the AAUW), who will be talking about women and education issues in the upcoming legislative landscape.

Please be sure to register for this spring's State Convention in Alamogordo. There will be interesting speakers and workshops that you can attend.

Barbara Shirrod
1st Vice-President
Education Excellence Committee Chairma



MEMBERSHIP



It is not too late to think about earning the rose gold key for this year's membership retention challenge. I am including the requirements for the key again for your information. Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have any questions about the details.

1. Retain 100% of your membership

Exceptions to that are:

- a. relocation of member
- b. death of member

(It is your number at the beginning of April that will determine the fulfillment of this requirement. If you lose a member, you must gain a member to balance out the loss)

2. Use multiple medium for meeting presentation

Use at least two of the following:

- a. Regular face to face meeting with program
- b. Zoom meeting or hybrid zoom/face to face
- c. Outdoor activity/meeting
- d. Service type meeting

Some possible activities are but are certainly not limited to:

- i. Christmas caroling at nursing home
- ii. Activity at a children's home (Assurance Home)
- iii. Stuffing backpacks for Back-to-School event

3. **Assign a mentor member to each new member (last year inductee or newer).** This mentor is responsible for checking in with the member on a regular basis and encourage them to attend chapter meetings and activities.
4. **At least one member attend Fall meeting and/or State Convention who has never attended these meetings before.**

As part of the membership/retention challenge, using different medium of presentation is a requirement. Any of the above mentioned activities would count for this. Also, don't forget that zoom presentations are a viable way to allow your members to attend meetings when they otherwise would not be able to. See, there are some good things that came from the Pandemic!!!

I look forward to seeing many chapters completing this retention challenge.

Cheryl Martinez, NBCT
NMSO 2nd Vice-President
Membership Committee Chairman

Treasurer

Treasurer Tips:

Being a chapter treasurer is probably the most difficult and important position in a DKG chapter. With that recognition, you are entitled to some encouragement and love. Be sure to come to the treasurer's workshop in Alamogordo at the NMSO state convention. I'll have some new information from the International Finance Committee and a special treat for you! (Not to mention forms and website information)

When you log into DKG.org, and sign in, click on your name. You will see information for dues collection. DKG has some cute ways to remind members that their dues are due. You might go into the *Chapter Connect* and see that your members' contact information is up to date. Please try to send in your NMSO dues by June 15.

There are three levels of dues for NMSO: Active dues are \$25; Reserve dues are \$16; and Collegiate dues are \$8. Please do not fail to send Death of a Member forms to the State Treasurer and to International, should one of your beloved members pass away. Then send an article to this newsletter at NewsrunnerDKGNM@gmail.com .

Editor

Officers and committee chairmen are requested to send in articles about committee actions, requests, or suggestions by May 10, 2024, for the Summer issue of the newsletter. **Members are welcome to submit ideas, suggestions, or interesting pieces of information to share with our state members.**

ART NOOK

Our sisters added beauty to the NewsRunner's new section. These New Mexican artists are so talented! Please send a photo of your marvelous art piece to share with our members.

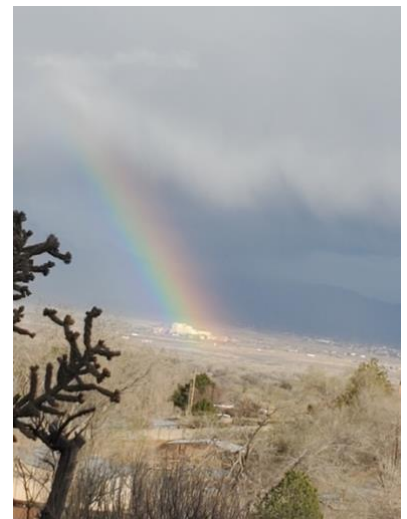


Watching for the Storm
(century plant)
Artist: Joe Clarkson



Prayer Blanket
{crochet}
Artist: Connie Holden

Casino Luck at the End of a Rainbow
(Sandia Casino)
Diana Valdez



NMSO COMMITTEE FEATURED NEWS



LEADERSHIP SEMINAR

Save the date for NMSO 2024 Leadership Seminar for the 2024-2026 biennium chapter presidents (& other chapter members) and current NMSO chairs.

The chapter is the heart and soul of Delta Kappa Gamma. NMSO wants and needs the strongest and healthiest chapters possible. Chapter presidents—as leaders in your chapter and the state, the leadership seminar will prime you with as much information and confidence as we can to help you be the best leaders possible. It is a great idea to have as many of your chapter team leaders (VP's, Secy.,Treas.) come with you. Any chapter member who wishes to come is welcome to join us. There will be something for everyone to help you get a strong start to your biennium. A solid foundation makes for a terrific, confident team.

State chairs, you each have much to offer to the state and chapter leadership. Exchange of ideas always spurs new ideas and challenges into action. You have a year left in this biennium to continue to work toward your goals for you committees and the goals of NMSO.

All are invited to come and collaborate with others to help make our NMSO better and stronger. We are looking forward to lots of exchange of ideas, setting some goals, finding a means to put all in place, and best of all, the camaraderie of a very special DKG sisterhood.

Following is information for the 2024 Leadership Seminar site, dates and times:

Site: St Luke Lutheran Church
9100 Menaul Blvd. NE Albuquerque

Dates: June 7 and 8, 2024

Time: Friday, June 3rd 3:30 pm-7:30 pm
Saturday, June 4th 8:00 am-2:00 pm

A registration sheet with the proposed schedule, will be available at the State Convention in Alamogordo (April 26, 27 and 28).

Submitted by Ina Jean Barnes, Leadership Chairman 2024

RESEARCH

To have our current scrapbook up-to-date and available for viewing, chapter scrapbook pages are due to Gay Simpkins by April 1. NMSO-Research Committee is working to convert our scrapbooks (past and present) into a digital, eco- and storage-friendly format. Send your scrapbook pages to, gls_4@yahoo.com. Chapter presidents in a few weeks to remind them.

Instructions:

- Email gls_4@yahoo.com
- \Portrait layout
- Microsoft Word or PDF file attachment
- Two pages with chapter name on top
- Deadline—April 1

Gay Simpkins, President of Upsilon, Research Committee Chair



NMSO COMMITTEE QUICK BITS



AWARDS

Begin to prepare award nominations according to NMSO Standing Rules: **ARTICLE XI. ACTIVITIES, Section 3. Special Awards**

2. Certificate of Merit

- (1) The chapter presidents and state president are responsible for submitting names to recognize individuals and/or groups of members for distinctive service to the NMSO.
- (2) There is no restriction on length of membership in the Society and no restriction on the number of recipients.
- (3) Individuals and groups are to be nominated on forms provided by the Awards Committee chairman.

3. Longevity Awards

- (1) Awards shall be given at State Convention.
- (2) Awards shall be given at 40 years of membership and subsequently for every 5 years membership.

State Standing Rules –The deadline for these awards and the NMSO **Achievement Award** is March 15.

Educator Recognition Award deadline for nominations is April 1st. Send nominations and photos to Diana Valdez. Forms are on the website for nominations and chapter announcement to awardees. Chapters are responsible for awardees' lunches, travel and lodging. No refunds will be distributed this year.

COMMUNICATIONS - WEBMASTER

It's that time of year again. It is time to post committee reports and other leadership documents on the NMSO website. Webmaster Connie will work on making those documents easier to access. **Online registration for State Convention is still not available.** We are still working on the capability. The form will include the transaction fees that PayPal and credit card companies charge when the credit card capability does become available..

NOMINATIONS

Chapter officers will be elected this year. Fill in the New Officers form on the International website. New officers must be reported, so that no important communications are missed.

Find ways to encourage and mentor members to step up to leadership. Many chapters fold because no one will attempt to lead their chapter, or because they've already "taken their turn". Ina Jean Barnes, NMSO Leadership Chairman, can provide strategies for making this part of the chapter strategic plan.

PROFESSIONAL AFFAIRS

B. June West information and application form can be found on the state website.

FINANCE

Committees and any member should be considering possible budget requests to send to this committee early in the new year.



PERSONAL GROWTH AND SERVICES

This committee will collect donations for the International Emergency Fund with a Pass the Basket at the State Convention in Alamogordo. It is tax deductible; your check is your receipt.

CHAPTER NEWS

UPSILON CHAPTER



In December, Upsilon joined with others in showing appreciation for one of our Gallup elementary schools. Chief Manuelito Elementary received appreciation gifts for their teachers. Pictured on the right are the many gifts, including the decorated white gift bags that had apples, pencils, fudge, and brochures inviting the teachers to come to one of our meetings.

PSI CHAPTER

Psi's first meeting began with excited chatter at being together again. Our program offers new experiences as well as varied meeting times. Our Grant in Aid chair Marlene Toivanen awarded recipient Angel Valdez her certificate. She thanked the other committee members Dolly Bassett and Mary Savacheck for promoting the award and for serving on the committee. Angel is eager to teach and coach young children upon earning her master's degree.



Psi President Connie Holden received her personalized retirement gift created by Psi member Alicia Gallegos. Connie served at Bluewater and Mesa View Elementaries. She works tirelessly as Psi Chapter's President. She has redesigned and updated the chapter and NMSO's websites to be interesting and easy to navigate.



Our second year of Blankets, Bears and Pillows was a big success. Martina Marquez, Dorothy Pouges and Dolly Bassett led the Christmas caroling while we packaged the gifts that were given to young preschoolers in a local daycare.



ALPHA DELTA



On January 20, 2024, Alpha Delta Chapter inducted four new members at the January chapter meeting held at Kimberly Woodley's home followed by a potluck luncheon. The beautiful ceremony was conducted by Nina Begay, Barbara Thomson, and Kimberly Woodley. The new members are Janalyn Maes, Candace Carruthers, Carol Head, and Rowan Wymark.

DONATIONS TO SAFE HOUSE AND HAVEN HOUSE
After a Christmas lunch at The Range in Bernalillo, members met at Jutta Soeder's for dessert and to pack up the gifts for delivery.



ALPHA EPSILON CHAPTER

Erica Davis received scholarship funds from Alpha Epsilon Chapter during their a recent meeting. Erica is pursuing a Masters in Political Science. Erica received NMSO Educator Recognition Award in 2022 and she joined AE in fall of 2022.

ALPHA THETA CHAPTER

Alpha Theta chapter has inducted 5 new members to date with one remaining to be inducted this year. Each member has been assigned a mentor. The chapter is trying new methods to help keep the interest of new members and current members. The February meeting will be held at Bitter Lakes Wildlife Refuge. After a business meeting, members will be invited to hike on a trail or take a tour of the Refuge in an automobile tour. We are hoping for a nice day free of wind

Our April meeting will be part of a campout at the BLM stables campground at Ft. Stanton. Members are invited to camp out one or two nights or simply join for a campfire cooked meal on Saturday evening. Members have been encouraged to think of positions they would be willing to fill for the next biennium. We are looking for new, exciting leaders.

February's service project is with the Assurance Home. The chapter gives \$100 gift card to Walmart to purchase necessary supplies for the ski trip that the youth take on President's Day weekend. Our continued service project with the ENMMC has been a great success. Many books have been donated for the children who stay at the hospital.

Alpha Theta looks forward to having 2-3 members attend the State Convention who have never attended before!! Exciting things are happening in our chapter.

ALPHA IOTA CHAPTER

In December Alpha Iota had a festive and delicious potluck lunch and meeting at the beautifully decorated home of Diane Bonnell. This was followed by a business meeting.



In January, the chapter did a service project at the Ronald McDonald House. Ronald McDonald House Charities of New Mexico provides comfort, care and a “home-away-from-home” for families whose children are in medical treatment. Seven Alpha Iota members served as “guest chefs”, and provided for and cooked a meal for the families who are being served at the house.



Having way too much fun! 😊



Our speaker for February was Dr. Cheryl Torrez, PhD, chair of the Department of Teacher Education, Educational Leadership & Policy and a Professor of Elementary Education at UNM's College of Education and Human Sciences. She talked about the different teacher preparation programs currently available at UNM, and also informed us about how the college is addressing teaching the Science of Reading and Structured Literacy.

ALPHA LAMBDA CHAPTER

The months of December and January were a whirlwind with wrapping up the year and getting ready for the new. Time flies! In December, Lambda Chapter hosted a Christmas brunch. It's always so nice to enjoy fellowship with other groups.



We did a craft and an ornament exchange and had some entertainment.

In January, we got together and made Valentine sacks for senior citizens. Reba Kennedy organized the activity, and we all decorated a few sacks to get ready for February delivery. We will stuff them at our next meeting.



WHITE ROSES

The sisters who have passed are gone, but not forgotten.



RED ROSES



Gamma Chapter's Katy Hammel received the award
for Meg on the Rocks.

Look on Amazon for her latest publication –
Mrs. Wise Meets a Pigeon.



DKG INTERNATIONAL NEWS

TAKE THE TIME TO EDIT AND UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION ON THE DKG WEBSITE.

PUBLICATIONS

DKG News Published Bi-Monthly at www.dkg.org

You are reminded that the *DKG News* is published every other month by DKG International and is full of important information and ideas for members.

This publication is now ONLY published electronically at www.dkg.org. Members need to log on to the website, and the *DKG News* can be found under the Publications Tab.

Chapter presidents, please inform your members and make hard copies for those members who do not have email. A suggested chapter program will inform members on how to access this— and other— publications on their own for up-to-the minute news from DKG International.

FUNDING OPPORTUNITIES

NM DKG members have the opportunity to apply for several funding programs in the next few months:

- DKGIEF Cornetet Individual Professional Development Grants for DKG members looking for support for professional development, conference attendance, and other activities. (Deadline is always Nov. 1st. Prepare for next year)
- DKGIEF Projects, for chapters working on specific projects that have community outreach and support community needs (Deadline is always March 1st).

Information on ALL of these programs are found at the DKG International website, www.dkg.org, under the tab for DKGIEF. Make the most of your DKG membership and consider applying today!

DKG INTERNATIONAL DEADLINES

Opportunities galore exist for DKG members through International Programs. Here are some upcoming deadlines for applications:

Information on ALL opportunities, as well as the application forms and submission guidelines, are all at www.dkg.org. Some programs are under the DKGIEF tab on the home page

2024 INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION NATIONAL HARBOR, MD | July 9-13, 2024

Prices increase after June 9th, 2024.

Registration fees include all convention events (general meetings, breakout sessions, meal events, and other events such as Marketplace access) on the days purchased.

Days can be purchased individually or as a full package with a discount reflected in the package price. There will be no registrations sold after **July 2, 2024**

Hotel information:

Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center - The discounted group rate cut-off is **June 17, 2024**

NMSO LEADERSHIP

Officers

President- Joe Clarkson
1st Vice President- Barbara Shirrod
2nd Vice President- Cheryl Martinez
Recording Secretary- Mignon Simitz
Corresponding Secretary-
Jane Williams
Immediate Past President- Pat Graff
Treasurer- Yvette Moore
Parliamentarian- Kay Hannum
Editor- Diana Valdez

Committee Chairs

Awards- Lori Alexander
Bylaws- Kelly Raye Williams
Communications- Jeannette Vigil
Editorial Board- Carmen Tapia
Expansion- Yvette Moore
Finance- Susan Swope
Leadership Development-
Ina Jean Barnes
Membership- Cheryl Martinez
Nominations- Terry Garvey
Non-Dues Revenue- Barbara Jewett
Personal Growth & Services-
Stacy Watkins
Professional Affairs-
Kimberly Woodley
Program- Barbara Shirrod
Public Relations/Red Chili-
Pat Burnett
Webmaster- Connie Holden
Technology- Dani Gutierrez
Rituals/Ceremonies-
Priscilla Brower
Research- Gay Simpkins
US Forum/Legislative –
Lissa Crombie
Music - Linda Cauthen
Scholarship- Ella Kelly
Special Projects- Shawna Denney
World Fellowship- Linda Donwerth
President's Advisory-
Ina Jean Barnes



FYI

CORNETET GRANT GROUP

Trauma Grant on Hold

Due to unfortunate extenuating circumstances, work on the NM DKG Trauma Grant has been temporarily suspended. A Cornetet Professional Development Seminar Grant of \$8,000 was awarded to the state for work in 2023, and a request to extend the grant to 2024 has been made with the DKG International Educational Foundation. No word on this request has been received. More information will be provided when available.

CORRECTION CORNER

With sincere apologies:

Email addresses:

Finance Committee chair: **Susan Swope** –

INCORRECT: sswope01@gmail.com

CORRECT: sswop01@gmail.com

Personal Growth and Services Committee chair - **Stacy Watkins**

INCORRECT: blank

CORRECT: sswope@silver.schools.org

President's Resource: **Ina Jean Barnes** –

INCORRECT: anbarnes@gmail.com

CORRECT: inajeambarnes@gmail.org

Webmaster: **Connie Holden** –

INCORRECT: bluepanthers@yahoo.com

CORRECT: blupanthers@yahoo.com

EDITOR'S TIPS

Before sending an article, picture, etc., save it, click on it, go to File and GET INFO. If the file is over 1 MB, it's too large.

Send pictures as jpegs. Do not send articles in pdf format. Use Times New Roman for the font.

Use the **TOOLS** tab on your word processor to check the length of an article using **WORD COUNT** before sending the article to the NewsRunner. Try to keep the count under 500 words.

Chapter News should be half a page or less with pictures

RESOURCE LINKS

			
NMSO WEBSITE	NMSO FORMS	DKG INTERNATIONAL	2024 DKG INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

2024 NEW MEXICO DKG STATE CONVENTION

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

APRIL 26-28, 2024 Alamogordo, New Mexico

LODGING RESERVATION DEADLINE: March 26th, 2024

Schedule:

FRIDAY, April 26, 2024

- 3:00 Hotel check in:
- 5:30 Registration check in
- 6:00 Salad Supper
- 7:00 Executive Board meeting

SATURDAY, April 27, 2024

- 7:30 Registration check in
- 8:00 General Session Meeting
- 10:00 Round 1 Workshops
- 11:00 Round 2 Workshops
- 12:30 Luncheon – Greetings; Guest Speaker; Longevity, Merit, ERA Awards
- 2:30 Exhibitor break down
- 5:30 Rehearsal for Presentation of Chapter Presidents, Corsage pick up
- 6:00 Banquet - Greeting; Int'l Rep; Achievement Award, Chapter Presidents Presentation

SUNDAY, April 28

- 8:00 Necrology Celebration of Life
- 9:00 Breakfast to go bags; Happy Trails

LUNCHEON GUEST SPEAKER: **Bethany Jarrell, NEA NM Vice President**

Bethany is a member of Kappa Chapter and is the Vice President of NEA - New Mexico. Throughout her career, Bethany has advocated for all educators in Alamogordo and New Mexico through her roles as NEA Alamogordo Vice President and bargaining chair as well as her NEA NM positions. In 2025 Bethany plans to run for NEA NM President to continue supporting and advocating for educators.

BANQUET GUEST SPEAKER: **Becky Sadowski, International Representative**

Becky is a Past President of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International and currently serves on the International Executive Board. A member since 1989, she previously served in leadership positions at all levels, including Tennessee State President, Southeast Regional Director, and International Second Vice President.

WORKSHOP CHOICES:

R O U N D 1	Title: <i>Health and Wellness at APS - Joanne Gronewold</i> Joanne will highlight amazing things that APS is doing to help the students and families in our community.	Title: <i>Treasurer -Yvette Moore</i> Yvette Moore will meet with all chapter treasurers to bring them up to speed with the latest and greatest updates from International.	Title: <i>Advocacy and Legislative Interaction-Barb Shirrod/Pat Graff</i> Barb and Pat will be discussing the US Forum and how EEC can help with chapter growth and chapter retention.
10:00-1:45	SHOPPING and NETWORKING TIME		
11:15-11:30	Title: <i>Greetings from International- Becky Sadowski</i> Our International Representative will bring us greetings and give updates on all things taking place at the International level.	Title: <i>100% Otero-Peg Crim</i> Peg Crim is one of the founding members of 100% Otero, an organization in Otero County that works to eliminate childhood trauma by ensuring that all residents have access to needed services.	Title: <i>Belly Dancing.-Dani Gutierrez</i> Do you enjoy moving to music? Have you ever wanted to try belly dancing? Wait no more because Dani Gutierrez is going to show you how to hone our natural rhythm & build neural pathways while having fun in a low pressure belly dance class!
11:00-11:45			

2024 NMSO STATE CONVENTION

REGISTRATION FORM

Friday - Sunday, April 26-28, 2024

Alamogordo, NM

ROOM RESERVATIONS: (see article for instructions to reserve)

1 King or 2 Queen Beds \$120.00, plus tax, per night (total of \$135.60 per night)

reservation DEADLINE – March 26th, 2024

Name: _____ Chapter _____

Address: _____ Chapter Office: _____

City, State, Zip: _____ State Position: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email Address: _____

Guest (s) _____

* A personal working e-mail address is required on the registration form. Confirmation of registration will be sent via email by Apr. 15, 2024. If you do not receive confirmation by this date, contact Shawna Denney 575-442-9324 or shawnadenney34@gmail.com

Your attendance at this meeting gives permission for use of your photo/name in NM NewsRunner, Website and any DKG publication.

_____ Initial if you understand this agreement. It is your responsibility to remove yourself from photographs.

REGISTRATIONS:

Conv Registration Fee - \$25 – **DEADLINE April 12, 2024**

Conv Registration Fee (Late) - \$35 **April 13 - April 22** (stated menus may not be available if you register late)

MENUS: All service is Buffet style.

Lunch - \$15 - *Green Chile Chicken served with Pasta, Garlic Bread, Salad includes Ice Tea, Lemonade and Dessert

* Gluten Free Option - Grilled Chicken Salad

Banquet - \$20 - Spinach Salad, Brisket, Rolls, Scalloped Potatoes, California Blend Vegetables, Green Beans includes

Tea, Water, Coffee, and Cherry Cobbler for Dessert

_____ Pasta Lunch _____ x \$15.00 = \$ _____

_____ Gluten Free Lunch _____ x \$15.00 = \$ _____

_____ Banquet _____ x \$20.00 = \$ _____

Please list dietary restrictions: _____

CORSAGES: _____ x \$17.00 ea. = \$ _____

Registration and Meal fees:

\$ _____ Registration Fee total
\$ _____ Individual Meal Choices total
\$ _____ Late Fee: \$10 ea. postmarked after April 12, 2024
\$ _____ Corsage Total
\$ _____ **TOTAL**

**Make Checks payable to--
DKG Kappa and mail to:**

Shawna Denney
2380 Saguaro Loop
Alamogordo, NM 88310

NM (THETA STATE) CONVENTION
VENDOR/EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION FORM

Saturday, April 27, 2024
The HUB - Alamogordo Public Schools

LODGING RESERVATION DEADLINE: \$120.00, plus tax, per night (total of \$135.60 per night).
reservation DEADLINE – March 26, 2024

EXHIBITORS ARE ASKED TO PROVIDE A DOOR PRIZE FOR THE LUNCHEON
\$30 Rental Fee for one six-foot table

Table Rental Reservations due by April 5, 2024

PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY REGISTRATION FORM.

TABLES WILL BE ASSIGNED ON A FIRST COME/FIRST SERVED BASIS.

Sales: \$30 rental fee for one 6 foot table.

Exhibitors must provide their own table covering. Exhibitors wishing to sell at this State Convention are invited to contact Priscilla Brower for exhibit details at browerpr@gmail.com

See the State website for more detailed information about the Event @ <https://thetastatenmdkg.weebly.com/>

Set-up time: 9:00 am @ The Hub - APS District Office---Exhibit Time: 9:30 am – 2:30 pm

Company _____

Contact Name _____

Materials to be sold _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Rental Fee _____ (\$30.00 per space/table)

Exhibitors are welcome to purchase any or all meals or to register for the Convention, but that is not required for vendors to reserve meals. Please complete the meal reservation form in the Convention Registration Form.

MEAL RESERVATION deadline: April 12, 2024.

Menu: See registration form.

Meal numbers and fees: _____ x \$ _____ = \$ _____

Total \$ _____

Make checks payable to DKG Kappa and mail this form to:
Priscilla Brower, Exhibitor Chair 3520 Jal Place NW Albuquerque, NM 87120

Hotel Reservation Information for NM DKG State Convention April 26-28, 2024

The convention hotel for the NM DKG State Convention April 26-28, 2024, is the Fairfield Inn and Suites, 300 Panorama Blvd, Alamogordo.

We have a block of rooms reserved for this event which include rooms with a king bed and rooms with two queen beds. Cost for the rooms is \$120.00, plus tax, per night (total of \$135.60 per night). Rooms are available for both Friday, April 26, and Saturday, April 27.

Deadline to reserve the rooms is Tuesday, March 26, 2024. After that date, rooms may still be available but possibly at a higher rate. Be sure to reserve rooms early to insure availability.

To reserve a room, **please follow these instructions.** Do NOT call the hotel or try to book online, as the hotel is going through bookkeeping changes and these special rates will NOT be available except through this procedure:

Email the hotel's manager, Michala Dubay, at mdubay@dhmhotels.com. In your email tell her you are part of the NM DKG Convention block April 26-28, 2024, and tell her how many rooms you wish to reserve for which nights and which kind (1 king or 2 queen). You MUST leave a phone number for yourself, and she will call you back to confirm the registration and get your credit card number to hold your room(s). She does NOT want people sending credit card numbers over email.

Again, members are encouraged to follow this procedure. This rate cannot be guaranteed if you try to reserve any other way. Thank you!!