



Theta State News

New Mexico State Organization of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International



August 2021

FALL MEETING DATE CHANGE

Fall Meeting Date Changed to Nov. 13

IMPORTANT! Due to scheduling issues resulting from Covid cancellations and postponements, **the New Mexico (Theta State) DKG Fall Meeting has been moved to Saturday, Nov. 13, 2021.**

Thanks to the Central Coordinating Council and the state's Executive Board for working through these issues and resolving them quickly.

We hope as many members as possible will try to attend this event! It will be great to be back together face-to-face.

The event will be held **IN PERSON** at the Courtyard by Marriott Journal Center in Albuquerque on Nov. 13. Registration will open at 7:30 am. After the morning program, we'll celebrate the annual birthday lunch and the days' activities will conclude around 2:30 pm. We have good rates for the hotel. and encourage Please make reservations soon.

More details about the 2021 Fall Meeting are included in this newsletter, including specific program offerings, registration forms, hotel room info, vendors opportunities, and more.

Hotel Reservation Link for Fall Meeting from the Courtyard by Marriott Journal Center, ABQ

From the Courtyard by Marriott Journal Center 5151 Journal Center Blvd NE
Here's the reservation link guests can use to make reservations: or call our toll free number at 844-322-1476.

DKG Theta State Conference

Start Date: Friday, November 12, 2021

End Date: Sunday, November 14, 2021

Last Day to Book: Monday, November 1, 2021 *(Space Available)*

Hotel offering Theta State special group rate:

- Courtyard Albuquerque for \$99 USD plus tax per night

Book your group rate for **DKG Theta State Conference**

<https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1628871227452&key=GRP&app=resvlink>

NMSO DKG IMPORTANT CALENDAR DATES

Tuesday, Aug. 24, 6 p.m.- Executive Committee (officers) Meeting via Zoom

Thursday, Aug. 26, 5 p.m.- Committee Chair Training via Zoom

Monday, Aug. 30, 6 p.m.- Chapter Presidents Meeting via Zoom

Wednesday, Sept. 8, 7 p.m.- New Member Roundtable via Zoom

Tuesday, Sept. 14, 4 p.m.- Central Coordinating Council Meeting via Zoom

Thursday, Sept. 30- FINAL DEADLINE to pay dues at DKG International for 2021-2022

Friday, Oct. 1- Officer and Committee Chair Reports Due to Corresponding Secretary Jane Williams

October DATE TBD- Chapter Presidents Meeting via Zoom

Monday, Oct. 25- Registration Deadline for NM DKG Fall Meeting and Exhibitors

(Late Fee of \$10 applies after this date)

Monday, Nov. 1- Deadline to reserve hotel room for Fall Meeting at Courtyard by Marriott Journal Center

Friday, Nov. 12- NM DKG Member Social, Time and Place TBD

Saturday, Nov. 13, 7:30 a.m.- 2:30 p.m.- NM DKG Fall Meeting at Courtyard by Marriott Journal Center

Monday, Nov. 15- Chapter Treasurer IRS Form 990 Due

Saturday, Nov. 20- Theta State News Deadline

December DATE TBD- Chapter Presidents Meeting via Zoom

MESSAGE FROM OUR 2021-2023 STATE PRESIDENT



A wise principal of mine shared a powerful attitude with me years ago. After a weekend full of high school student shenanigans and troubles, I was expressing concern about the problems she was facing. Her response? She smiled and said, "These

are not problems. These are challenges I get to solve!" Great words, right?

The past 18 months have definitely presented many of us with immense problems, difficult circumstances, and much social isolation. We are beginning to emerge, hopefully, from the pandemic darkness and struggles, and we have high hopes of bringing our chapter and state members back to some form of normalcy.

It won't be easy, but it will be wonderfully delightful!

Some of us haven't been with NM DKG members in person for more than a year. Because of variants of the virus, some of us still need to shelter at home for our safety. When we finally get to be back together face to face, some of us will continue to wear masks and avoid those great hugs with our DKG sisters. There is always a chance that some of the Covid restrictions we experienced recently may be put back in place for the health and welfare of our communities. We will deal with each situation as it comes.

Let's not forget the lessons we learned during this difficult time.

- We became much more adept at virtual meetings and communication. We can certainly use these skills as we do some important NM DKG committee work virtually to minimize travel and expense.

- We learned to smile BIG behind our masks so people could see our smiles reflected in our eyes and posture. Nothing wrong with big smiles!

- We all became more aware of hand washing and personal care. Cold and flu rates were MUCH lower last year, a true blessing.

- The rest of our communities learned what we had always known- that the educators in our schools are true heroes/ heroines!

This fall, students are returning to in-person classes, albeit with masks and safety rules. And our NM DKG is planning its first in-person meeting for this fall, Nov. 13, 2021, in Albuquerque. This is progress we can celebrate! I hope many of you will make the effort to get to this exciting event.

My theme this biennium is "Be A Light." I'm hoping each of us, in our daily lives and our DKG activities, can become "lights" for others in our world. It might be reaching out to a member who is sick, helping provide a service to a school group, or participating in one of the many amazing chapter and state projects we have planned for the next two years. Every day, I want to "be a light" for someone else. Think how much illumination we can provide!



Now as we negotiate our new normal, we will continue to face problems that might seem too difficult to handle. **I prefer, like my wise principal, to see these problems as challenges I am privileged to solve, along with all my wonderful NM DKG sisters!** I look forward to a wonderful biennium with all of you.



President's Calendar

Sept. 11- Gamma Chapter Meeting, ABQ

Sept. 14- CCC Meeting, ABQ

Sept. 18- National Teacher Hall of Fame Induction Dinner (Speaker), Emporia, Kansas

Oct. 2- Omega & Epsilon Chapter Meeting, Las Cruces

Oct. 9- Gamma Chapter Meeting, ABQ

Nov. 13- NM DKG Fall Meeting & Birthday Luncheon, Albuquerque

Dec. 4- DKG International Educational Excellence Committee Meeting, Zoom

Dec. 11- Holiday Brunch with CCC Chapters, ABQ

MEMBERSHIP NEWS

I had the privilege of attending the International Convention in San Antonio this past month as well as an Officers' Training Conference in Austin at the end of July. During these two fascinating events, I soon learned that the driving message was DKG's need to retain and expand membership in the chapters. So, further in this article, you will learn of my challenge to each New Mexico chapter.



Interesting Facts and Membership Tips:

- Do you know where your International dues go? 47% goes to Membership concerns; 21% to Convention and Conferences; 16% to Publications and Media; 15% to General Administrative concerns and 1% to Fundraising.
- Have you set up your profile yet on the DKG website? It's quite easy to do. Just log in with your member number. (Don't know yours? Ask your chapter's treasurer.) Then you can set up your own password and create your own profile. Next, "surf" the site so that you can learn how to easily find new information/tips for membership/forms for various things/upcoming events/etc.
- The four C's that are indicative of a thriving chapter: Communication, Collaboration, Connections, and Commitment to move forward.
- Developing leaders in your chapter: remember that there's often a quiet member who is just waiting to be asked to move into a leadership role. They need to hear that they are worthy of being a leader and that their opinions are valued.
- I learned in Atlanta that there were a number of our New Mexico Chapters who had not yet posted their members' dues' payments. I would like to encourage all chapter treasurers to make sure that they have sent in all of the information to the International Office in Austin on time so that chapter members are not unnecessarily dropped from membership. Please remember that the date for this to be sent is no later than June 30th each year, but late dues can be posted up to Sept. 30th.

- Ask yourself – "If my chapter were to close tomorrow, would anyone notice? Would they care?" We need to continue to grow and encourage new, younger members. Ask your chapter members to contribute just one new name whom they will invite to a chapter meeting. Just think – if each member brings in one new member, we will have doubled our membership in one year!

Chapter Challenge: I am challenging each chapter to add at least one new member or ten percent of members as of 4/21 which ever is larger this 2021-2022 year. Reach out to the schools in your area; to friends who know other educators; talk to educators in non-traditional roles (nurses, yoga instructors, college students, former educators, former members, etc.); coordinate an event during professional development days; use your imagination and think "outside the box".



By Barb Shirrod –NMDKG 2nd Vice President

Quote for Inspiration:

**"It's impossible," said Pride,
"It's risky," said Experience,
"It's pointless," said Reason,
"Give it a try," whispered the Heart.**

Author Unknown

Membership Numbers Report

Currently, NM DKG has 288 members. This is only 3 short of the members we had in April, and it does not reflect nearly 30 members in various chapters who will be paying dues in the next few weeks!

Our state membership goal this year will be to increase our numbers 10% by April 2022. That means **we are trying to recruit and retain 320 total members**, which will be an amazing accomplishment. This number is infinitely achievable!

In a recent leadership training done by DKG International, New Mexico was one of the few state organizations in the nation that saw an INCREASE in our total membership in 2020-2021. Of course, we had suffered major decreases in the past six years, but we are slowly improving. Meeting this membership goal will help us build even stronger programs for leading women educators in our state.

Since May 2021, we have inducted 14 new members, which is outstanding! Congratulations to the following chapters for inducting new members, even during the pandemic: Omega (5 new members); Alpha Iota (4 new members); Gamma and Alpha Lambda (2 new members each), and Epsilon (1 new member). **All those new members will be invited soon to a statewide Zoom at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Sept. 8, with Pat Graff, NM DKG President, to share their ideas about NM DKG potential.**

And, please remember that here in NM DKG we value EVERY member we have for her wonderful qualities in leadership, service, and education. We are indeed an amazing group!

NOTE: Information on this year's Membership Initiative Challenge for each chapter is found on page 3 in this newsletter.



2022 STATE CONVENTION



NMSO DKG State Convention Date

Save the date:

2022 NMSO State Convention is coming!

April 22-24, 2022

Silver City, NM

See you there!!!

DKG SUMMER REPORT

Three different events were offered by DKG International for members and state leaders, and numerous NM DKG members attended.

Portland, Oregon, was the site of the first summer conference, July 7-10. **Joe Clarkson, Shawna Denney, and Pat Graff** attended. Graff presented three different workshops and did one EEC Takeaway (15 minute presentation). She also attended a full-day workshop on revitalizing chapters. The program featured many outstanding speakers and provided valuable information for members.

San Antonio, Texas, hosted the second DKG conference, July 22-24. The following NM DKG members attended: **Debbie Benton, Pat Graff, Kay Hannum, Stephanie Swope Moon, Yvette Moore, Barbara Shirrod, Farabe Smith, and Susan Swope**. Graff presented a workshop and did a fast break with the Education Excellence Committee. Offerings included a special event to fund the DKG International Education Fund, outstanding speakers, and good workshops.

As a pilot program this year, DKG offered a three-day training July 30-Aug. 1 for newly elected state officers in Atlanta, Georgia. NM DKG President **Pat Graff** and Second Vice-President **Barbara Shirrod** attended in person, while First Vice-President **Joe Clarkson** and Treasurer **Yvette Moore** attended virtually. The group was able to have a planning session via Zoom during the event.

“I took over 30 pages of notes at these events and came back with so many good ideas,” said Graff. “I also learned about several tools available to us in NM to build and strengthen our chapters and state programs.”



NM 1st Vice President Joe Clarkson wins the “Meet The Block” door prize in Portland, Oregon.

NM president Pat Graff with her EEC (Educational Excellence Committee) sisters: **Beverly Smith, EEC Chair. TN,** and **Yvonne Garley, WY** in Atlanta at the DKG International Leadership training.



CHAPTER PRESIDENT ZOOM MEETINGS

Chapter presidents this biennium are being asked to attend bi-monthly Zoom meetings so the state can support their work with their important local chapters.

THE FIRST NM DKG CHAPTER PRESIDENT ZOOM MEETING WILL BE MONDAY, AUG. 30, AT 6 P.M. VIA ZOOM.

All chapter presidents will be sent the Zoom link a few days before the meeting, but are asked to put this in their calendars now. Presidents are free to invite additional chapter leaders to attend as well.

NM DKG President Pat Graff said she plans to keep these meetings to one hour or less with specific information provided on upcoming deadlines, programs, and opportunities. She will bring in “resource” people as needed but also wants there to be time for presidents to ask questions and share ideas.

Future chapter presidents’ meetings are planned for October, December, January, March, and May, dates TBD.

COMMITTEE CHAIR TRAINING

Thursday, Aug. 26, 5-6 p.m., NM DKG will host a brief training for all Committee Chairs who will be working during this biennium.

This training will be done virtually on Zoom and all committee chairs will receive an email invitation and the Zoom link in the next week.

Chairs will be given the latest on NM DKG initiatives, expectations and requirements for the committee work, and guidelines on recruiting committee members to help with the work.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

The NM DKG Executive Committee met on July 1 to begin planning for the 2021-2023 biennium, and will meet again on **Aug. 24 at 6 p.m.** via Zoom.

The Executive Committee is comprised of the elected officers (president, first vice-president, second vice-president, recording secretary, and corresponding secretary) and appointed officers (treasurer, parliamentarian, and newsletter editor). The webmaster is also included in the group, per the request of the president.

President Pat Graff opened the meeting by saying, “Let’s assume all of us in NM DKG have the best intentions, and remember that as we work together in this biennium.”

Plans for work in the state programs, membership, and communication were discussed. In addition, the group agreed to investigate moving to a new website with more functions needed by leaders and officers.

PRESIDENT’S GOLDEN ROSE PIN

President’s Golden Rose Pin Program Established

To support outstanding work of the local chapter presidents in New Mexico, NM DKG President Pat Graff is establishing the “President’s Golden Rose” program.

Chapter presidents who complete a certain number of activities between August 2021 and April 2022 will be able to earn a special pin that recognizes their hard work and leadership.

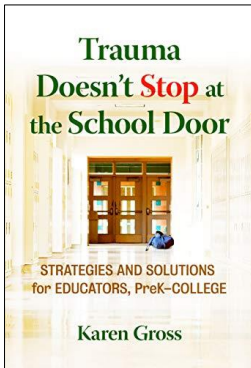
Specifics requirements for this program will be shared with the chapter presidents at the first Chapter President Zoom on **Monday, August 30, at 6 p.m.**

“Our chapter presidents are key to everything we do in New Mexico Delta Kappa Gamma,” said Graff. “I wanted to build a program that would reward those chapter presidents’ hard work and perhaps encourage them to grow their own leadership and program skills.”

BOOK STUDY GROUP FORMING

Interested in a unique professional development opportunity? NM DKG is organizing a statewide Book Study program for this year.

At least 10 participants will get copies of the book, meet twice virtually, and plan a workshop on the topic to be presented at the 2022 NM DKG Convention in Silver City. Plans are also being made for participants to do a virtual Q & A session with the actual author.



Trauma Doesn't Stop at the School Doors: Strategies and Solutions for Educators Pre-K to College is the title of the book recently awarded the 2021 Book Award by DKG International. It was written by Dr. Karen Gross, a DKG member in the Washington, DC, area, and it deals with issues educators face as students deal with many different levels of trauma. It also provides many concrete strategies educators can take to support students facing trauma.

The original outreach for the Book Study is to NM DKG members who are currently working in the schools, although all members are welcome to participate. A limited number of the books will be provided FREE to members accepted into this book study group.

If members wish to participate, they should email Pat Graff at PGraff@aol.com with their name, chapter, and current education assignment/ job by Oct. 1, 2021. More details will then be sent. The group will start meeting in late 2021.

NMSO (TS) EDUCATOR RECOGNITION AWARD

START EARLY ON EDUCATOR RECOGNITION AWARDS

Next spring, New Mexico's Delta Kappa Gamma State Organization will celebrate the 6th group of educators to be honored with an Educator Recognition Award. The DKG purpose # 2 charges us: To honor women who have given or who evidence a potential for distinctive service in any field of education. By bestowing this award, we are meeting the Founders' charge.

Chapters are asked to nominate two awardees per chapter (one member and one non-member or two non-members). Certificates, medals, and a booklet of awardees' bios are presented at the State Convention, along with other Theta State Awards.

Now that chapters are planning for the year and setting their budgets, it is a good time to ask the chapter to commit to honoring two worthy educators from their area (preferably non-members, since we already know that our members are outstanding educators).

The nomination form and sample letters for this year's group of awardees will be available by the Fall November meeting. However, it is good to start the search process for your chapter's nominations as early as possible. The State Awards Committee looks forward to having 100% of our chapters participate in this worthwhile recognition.

Recognition Awards Breakfast will be held at the 2022 convention in Silver City!



NMSO (TS) EDITOR REPORT

Theta State News Deadlines

November 10th

February 20th

May 10th



Please send your article(s) to Jeannette Vigil leahvigil14@gmail.com as a **WORD** document. Make sure that pictures have names and captions for what is being shown. Also, focus on faces, not shoes. Send photos as jpeg attachments. **Do not** send them in pdf format.

Remember to send the Editor your chapter newsletters. The scoring guide for the Editor's Award can be found on the state website. This is only a suggestion guide and not a requirement for every item to be included in your newsletters.

The chapter news articles that are submitted are always a highlight of the newsletter. Please send them to the Editor about two weeks before the deadline, if possible, in case we need to communicate for any clarifications.

NMSO (TS) WEBMASTER REPORT

As the Webmaster, I am ultimately responsible for ensuring that the website is **easy to navigate** and that it addresses the needs of the TS New Mexico State Organization. This is a work in progress, but it is my hope that it will stay mostly like it is now.

In order to reduce "clutter" on the Home Page, I have updated the page links at the top of the page to help make navigation more user-friendly. For example, if you need a particular form, you can click on the NMSO Forms link. I will update these forms as I get them. If there are forms or documents that I have not added, please let me know so that I can acquire and add them. There is also an archive page to view past reports, newsletters, etc. There is also a "Search" box to assist in finding things easier.



If at any time you have pictures or event information you would like to share with sisters from around the state, do not hesitate to send them to our president, Pat Graff (pgraff@aol.com). Chapter newsletters would probably make a great addition to our site as well as Theta State Newsletters. It is required that any and all information posted on the website be approved by State President Pat Graff. She will then forward the information to me. 😊

Connie Holden, Psi Chapter, Grants
NMSO Webmaster

Check out our NM State website at <https://thetastatenmdkg.weebly.com/>

And our DKG International website at <https://www.dkg.org/>

**NMSO
(THETA STATE)
OFFICERS & COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN
2021-2023 Biennium**

President- Pat Graff, NBCT, Gamma

First Vice-President (EEC Chair)- Joe Clarkson, NBCT, Alpha Lambda

Second Vice-President (Membership Chair)- Barbara Shirrod, Alpha Iota

Recording Secretary-Mignon Simitz, Alpha Theta

Corresponding Secretary- Jane Williams, Psi

Parliamentarian- Kay Hannum, Alpha Lambda

Treasurer- Yvette Moore, Omega

Newsletter Editor- Jeannette Vigil, Gamma

Webmaster-Connie Holden, Psi

Past President & State Convention Committee- Shawna Denney, Kappa

Finance Committee (elected)

Finance, Southwest (2025)- Susie Swope, Epsilon

Finance, Northwest (2023)- Lavon Hamblin, Alpha Epsilon

Finance, Southeast (2023)- Dr. Cheryl Martinez, NBCT, Alpha Theta

Finance, Central (2025)- Mary Fugate, Gamma

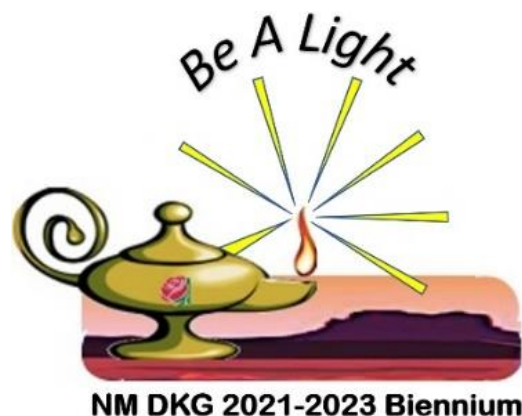
Nominations Committee (elected)

Nominations, Northwest (2023)- Debi Miller, Psi

Nominations, Central (2023)- Dorothy Wilkinson, Gamma

Nominations, Southwest (2025)- Bertha Cantu, Omega

Nominations, Southeast (2025)- Terri Garvey, NBCT, Alpha Theta



President's Resource Team- Ina Jean Barnes, Psi

Leadership- Carmen Tapia, Alpha Delta

Communications Committee- TBD

Technology Committee- TBD

PR/ Red Chili- Pat Burnett, Alpha Theta

Rituals & Ceremonies- Priscilla Brower, Alpha Delta

Personal Growth & Services- Amy Reece, NBCT, Gamma

Professional Affairs- Tammy Roe, Alpha Theta

ByLaws Committee- Dr. Cheryl Martinez, NBCT, Alpha Theta

Non-Dues Revenue- TBD

Research- TBD

Music- Linda Cauthen, Lambda

U.S. Forum- Lissa Crombie, Alpha Lambda

Awards- TBD

Scholarship- Katy Hammel, NBCT, Gamma

World Fellowship- Patty Evan, Alpha Theta

Special Projects- TBD

Service Project (Ad Hoc)- Debbie Benton, Alpha Iota

Expansion- Diana Valdez, Gamma

Editorial Board, Theta State News- Carmen Tapia, Alpha Delta



CHAPTER NEWS

GAMMA CHAPTER

Gamma chapter inducted two new members in May. Welcome to **Dani Gutierrez**, a middle school teacher in Albuquerque, and **Rose Maria Escalante**, a retired bilingual teacher from California who has moved to Albuquerque.

Treasurer **Diana Valdez** worked diligently to gather dues from most Gamma members and submit the chapter's dues on time.



President **Katy Hammel** called a leadership planning meeting in early August to set plans for the year. Vice-President **Amy Reece** hosted a wonderful brunch for the group. The theme for this next year is “*ReBuilding Community*,” with a focus on architecture and how it supports and enhances our professional and personal lives.

Gamma Chapter sisters Jeannette Vigil, Diana Valdez, Pat Graff, Katy Hammel, and Amy Reece (photographer) met to construct 2021-2022 budget and plan programs. Mary Fugate joined in online (She is on Katy Hammel's laptop.).

At least two potential new members have been approved by the chapter and an induction is planned for October. The chapter is also establishing a “Rose Buddies” program to mentor the new members in the chapter.

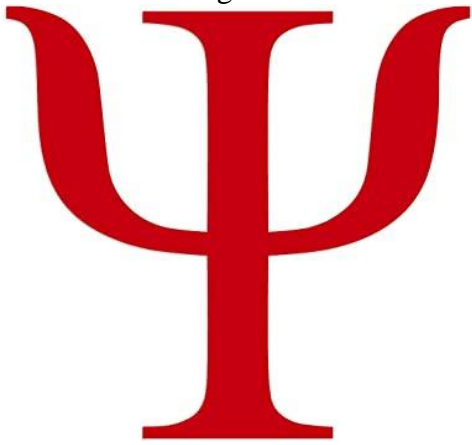
ALPHA THETA CHAPTER

Alpha Theta Sisters had a wonderful in person meeting in May! It was exciting to see everyone talking and laughing. They look forward to inducting 4 or 5 sisters in September. Plans for the year may include the following: programs on early childhood education, autism, current issues in the education of college students, and sitting yoga. Other plans include a literacy program, support for local teachers, and assisting a local home for teens. Sisters in Alpha Theta love service projects and always have a lot of participation in their projects.



PSI CHAPTER

The Executive Board of Psi Chapter Grants, New Mexico met at the lovely home of President Debi Miller on August 7, 2021. The yearly planning meeting was very productive. Among the many accomplishments were: Audit of Kim Fogle's treasurer books. She had everything in order and always does a professional job overseeing the money entrusted to her. The new budget was discussed and agreed upon and is ready for our September approval. The yearbook was reviewed, edited, and Connie Holden first vice-president will put the final touches on and complete the reformat of the pages so it will be ready for approval in October. The monthly meetings were discussed and a great deal of planning went into developing a year of worthwhile and exciting programs for Psi Chapter meetings. Everyone enjoyed brunch and a lively interaction time with each other about the many summertime events we all enjoyed. We will try to find a new place to hold our meeting this year. We discussed going back to 8:30 a.m. on the second Saturday of every month. We will try to have meetings in person and via zoom for those who prefer that type of meeting. Everyone is excited about what is to come in 2021!



ALPHA IOTA CHAPTER

Happy smiles, lively conversation and hugs! Alpha Iota members were so happy to see each other in person after such a long time. Sixteen people gathered for our July meeting at the home of Diane Bonnell.

We were delighted to induct three new members, Liz Hausenfleck, Claudia Craft and Debbie Benton! The new members were warmly greeted by all, and we know they will be exciting additions to our membership. The induction was facilitated by President Barbara Shirrod, 2nd Vice President Jane Kight, Parliamentarian Ann Calderwood and Judy Allman.



Liz Hausenfleck, ↑ Barbara Shirrod, ↑ Claudia Craft ↑ and Debbie Benton ↑

We had a business meeting where we discussed our responsibilities for the upcoming Fall Conference, upcoming meetings, presenters and hostesses. Diane Bonnell reported on the Bridge Marathon. Audrey Colwell reported on progress on the Alpha Iota website. Barbara handed out gold rose pins given to us by DKG State President Pat Graff for our increase in membership.



A rollicking auction completed the afternoon. Items auctioned were brought by members. Over \$200 was raised.

<<<<<- State 2nd Vice President Barbara Shirrod with other state VP's from South Carolina, Vermont, Iowa, and Mexico

New Mexico DKG members in San Antonio at the DKG International Conference July 22-24, 2021:

Front Row: Barbara Shirrod, Apha Iota; Stephanie Swope, Kappa; and Farabe Smith, Alpha Delta

Back Row: Kay Hannum, Alpha Lambda; Pat Graff, Gamma, Susie Swope, Epsilon, Yvette Moore, Omega, and Debbie Benton, Alpha Iota.



WHITE ROSE



Omega Chapter Imogene Kaker Campbell, 93 of Las Cruces, passed away on July 11, 2021, in Las Cruces. Imogene was born in Bridgeport, Texas to Eugene and Willie Kaker on November 26, 1927. She attended school at Eunice, New Mexico. She married Donald Eugene Campbell on November 23, 1949, in Eunice, New Mexico. She graduated from Texas State College for Women (now Texas Women's University)

with a degree in Business Education. She taught as a Business teacher at Las Cruces High School for 35 years.

She was involved in Delta Kappa Gamma and Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. Imogene was inducted into Omega Chapter on January 1, 1961. During her 60 years as an Omega member she served as a yearly hostess at her home as well as serving on several chapter committees.



2022 DKG INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION

Plan now to attend the 2022 DKG International Convention!

July 12-16, 2022

New Orleans Marriott 555 Canal St, New Orleans, LA 70130, USA

DKG INTERNATIONAL DEADLINES

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

Sept. 15- Arts and Humanities Gallery Submissions

Sept. 15- International Speakers Fund Applications

Sept. 15- Nominations for DKG International Officers

Oct. 1- *Bulletin* Journal Deadline (academic articles)

Oct. 1- Amendments to Constitution and Standing Rules

Nov. 1- Cornet Grants for INDIVIDUAL Professional Development Applications Deadline

Nov. 1- Cornet Grants for Professional Seminars Applications Deadline

Dec. 15- *Collegial Exchange* Deadline (variety of writing)

Feb. 1- Scholarship Deadline (post-graduate work)

Information on ALL these 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.





NEW MEXICO (THETA STATE) FALL EVENT

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BIRTHDAY LUNCHEON INFORMATION

NOVEMBER 13, 2021

Courtyard by Marriott Hotel

5151 Journal Center Blvd. N.E., Albuquerque, NM 87109

For room reservations (1 king or 2 queens-\$99+ tax) by Nov. 1, 2021: Individuals need to call (844) 322-1476 and identify with Delta Kappa Gamma Theta State Fall Meeting.

<https://www.marriott.com/event-reservations/reservation-link.mi?id=1628871227452&key=GRP&app=resvlink>

Schedule: 8:00-10:00 NM DKG Executive Board Meeting	10:00-10:30 Shopping and Networking
10:30-11:15 Round 1 Workshops	11:30-12:15 Round 2 Workshops
12:15 Luncheon Check In	12:30 TS Birthday Luncheon

LUNCHEON GUEST SPEAKER:

“FINDING THE LIGHT WITHIN”

Diane Harrison Ogawa is the Chief Community Partnerships & Systems Officer at Central New Mexico Community College. Ms. Ogawa is also a certified professional coach who helps people pursue lives of passion, gratitude and purpose.

Ms. Ogawa previously served as a community relations executive with specialties in corporate philanthropy, volunteerism, foundation management and employee engagement. Diane practiced corporate law in Wisconsin, New York and New Mexico. She serves on numerous community boards including Albuquerque Academy, La Tierra Sagrada Society and the Jennifer Riordan Foundation from the University of New Mexico.



WORKSHOP CHOICES:

R O U N D 1 10:30- 11:15		1. Room- Kokopelli -C Title: “My Lovington” Video Project During Pandemic Presenter: Linda Cauthen Join Linda as she shares how she, her chapter, and her community joined together to boost morale for the entire town.	2. Room: Pecos Title: Leadership Roundtable Presenters: Carmen Tapia & Pat Graff Chapter presidents and their officers are welcome to attend this roundtable session to learn about NM DKG programs and share ideas for chapters
11:15- 11:30	SHOPPING and NETWORKING TIME		
R O U N D 2 11:30- 12:15	LUNCH SET-UP	3. Room- Kokopelli – C Title: Journaling for Reflection and Fun Presenters: Amy & Caitlin Reece Learn many different ways to use journaling to reflect and learn and have fun!	4. Room: Pecos Title: Program & Membership Ideas Presenter: Joe Clarkson & Barbara Shirrod Gain valuable and unique ideas on ways for members to learn and grow!

Vendor/Exhibitor Registration

Vendor/Exhibitor Registration forms are available in this newsletter and at <https://thetastatenmdkg.weebly.com>

Table Reservations due by October 25, 2021.

EXHIBITORS ARE ASKED TO PROVIDE A DOOR PRIZE FOR THE LUNCHEON.

Limited space...First come, first served!

Exhibitors wishing to sell at the Fall Event are invited to contact Priscilla Brower for exhibit details at browerpr@gmail.com.



**NEW MEXICO (THETA STATE) FALL EVENT
REGISTRATION FORM**

**Saturday, November 13, 2021
Courtyard by Marriott Hotel**



**WE WILL CELEBRATE BEING TOGETHER . . . face-to-face
WE WILL CELEBRATE . . . with members AND non-members
WE WILL CELEBRATE OUR STATE'S 87th BIRTHDAY!**

RESERVATION DEADLINE - OCTOBER 25, 2021.

See the event information page in this newsletter for more details, workshop descriptions, etc.

Name: _____ **Chapter** _____

Circle your personal space preference: **Red**= Wave Only, **Yellow**= Elbow/Hip Bump, **Green**= Hugs Allowed

Address: _____ **Chapter Office:** _____

City, State, Zip: _____ **TS Position:** _____

Phone Number: _____ **Email Address:** _____

Guest (s) _____

Circle guest personal space preference: **Red**= Wave Only, **Yellow**= Elbow/Hip Bump, **Green**= Hugs Allowed

* A personal working e-mail address is required on the registration form. Confirmation of registration will be sent via email by October 31, 2021. If you do not receive confirmation by this date, contact Diana Valdez, (505) 328-3669 or valdez8844@gmail.com .

Your attendance at this meeting gives permission for use of your photo/name in Theta State Newsletter, Website and any DKG publication. _____ Initial if you understand this agreement. It is your responsibility to remove yourself from photographs.

Cost: \$23.00 Including tax and gratuity

Menu: For all meals: Dinner Rolls, Butter, Fresh Brewed Coffee, and Iced Tea, Dessert, Fresh Garden Salad, Vegetable, an appropriate Starch

Select Entrée:

- _____ Grilled Steak - Mixed Green Salad with Assorted Dressings with a Shallot & Wine Reduction, Creamy Garlic Mashed Potatoes, Vegetable Medley
- _____ Roasted Chicken Breast with Honey Dijon Garlic Glaze - Mixed Green Salad with Assorted Dressings, Fingerling Potatoes, Vegetable Medley
- _____ Pasta Primavera- Mixed Green Salad with Dressings

Please list dietary restrictions: _____

Meal numbers and fees: _____ x \$23.00 = \$ _____

\$ _____ Meal Fee

\$ _____ Late Fee: \$10 if postmarked after October 25

\$ _____ **Total**

Make Checks payable to-- CCC and mail to:
Central Coordinating Council (CCC)
 PO Box 35816
 Albuquerque, NM 87176-5816

Attention: Diana Valdez, CCC Treasurer



**NM (THETA STATE) FALL EVENT
VENDOR/EXHIBITOR REGISTRATION FORM**

Saturday, November 13, 2021

Courtyard by Marriott Hotel
5151 Journal Center Blvd. N.E.
Albuquerque, NM 87109



For room reservations (1 king or 2 queens) by Nov. 1, 2021: Individuals need to call (844) 322-1476
and identify with Delta Kappa Gamma Theta State Fall Meeting.

Those wishing to sell at the Fall Event are invited to contact Priscilla Brower for exhibit details at browerpr@gmail.com.

EXHIBITORS ARE ASKED TO PROVIDE A DOOR PRIZE FOR THE LUNCHEON.

\$35 Rental Fee for one six-foot skirted table

Table Reservations due by October 25, 2021

PAYMENT MUST ACCOMPANY REGISTRATION FORM.

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

Sales: Skirted table rental is \$35. Exhibitors wishing to sell at the Fall Event 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 banquet foyer---Exhibit Time: 9:30 am – 12:00 pm

Breakdown Time: 12:00 pm

Company _____

Contact Name _____

Materials to be sold _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Rental Fee _____ (\$35.00 per space)

Exhibitors are welcome to purchase a luncheon meal for \$23.00. Please complete this meal reservation form.

Luncheon reservation deadline: October 25, 2021

Cost: \$23.00 Including tax and gratuity

Menu: For all meals: Dinner Rolls, Butter, Fresh Brewed Coffee, and Iced Tea, Dessert

Select Entrée:

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- _____ Roasted Chicken Breast with Honey Dijon Garlic Glaze - Mixed Green Salad with Assorted Dressings, Fingerling Potatoes, Vegetable Medley
- _____ Pasta Primavera- Mixed Green Salad with Assorted Dressings

Please list dietary restrictions: _____

Lunch Meal numbers and fees: _____ x \$23.00 = \$ _____

Total _____

Make check payable to CCC of Delta Kappa Gamma and mail this form to:

Priscilla Brower, Exhibitor Chair

3520 Jal PI NW

Albuquerque, NM 87120