

Theta State News

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International



Super Sheroes Come to Branson Southwest Regional Conference

“Show Me Missouri”

Theta State members enjoyed fine dining, rousing entertainment, and dynamic speakers at the 2013 Southwest Regional Conference in Branson, Missouri (pronounced with an “ah” or “ee” sound at the end).

Accompanied by the *Superman* theme song, **Corlea Plowman**, Executive Director of DKG, listed traits of superheroes (teachers) making a difference in the lives of children. **Nita Scott**, Membership Services Administrator for DKG, asked, “Where do we [DKG] get our superpowers?” from our chapters, one member at a time.

Japan treated us to an obi fashioning presentation, Texas gave us **Cathy**

Criner’s beautiful voice, Mexico danced for us, and Costa Rica provided the beautiful voice of **Flor Perez**.

Missouri night treated us to *Mark Twain, young fiddlers, ballroom dancers, and a St. Louis Jazz Band*. Entertainment was followed by delicious cupcakes and a piece of Missouri limestone coaster with *DKG* carved into it.

Missouri’s own **Terri McPheeters** led the conference choir, performed, taught, provided *The Music Hour* (a sing-along), and was the host of *WDKG*, a radio station at the Info Fair.

Workshop topics ranged from strengthening The Society, to The Zen of Metamor-

phosis, to Origami, to Attitude.

Branson, Missouri, is a beautiful town, and the people were welcoming. Certainly, Delta State showed us Missouri!



New Mexico State Picture
Front Row (L to R) Ina Jean Barnes, Gwen Hamilton, Pat Burnett, Yvette Moore, Jeannette Vigil, Kay Hannum
Standing (L to R) Gladys Hielkema, Amanda Matray, Anne Chaffin, Carmen Pennington, Dianna Valdez

79th Birthday Luncheon Coming Up!

The Central Chapters, Alpha Beta, Alpha Delta, Alpha Iota, Gamma and Sigma, wish to invite all our Theta State members to attend the **79th Birthday Luncheon** on No-

vember 2, 2013, at the Courtyard Marriott—located at the Journal Center area in Albuquerque, New Mexico. The **Fall Executive Board Meeting and Work-**

shops will precede the luncheon. For more information, check the Registration Form in this Theta State Newsletter.

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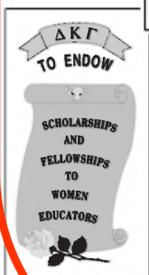
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- ##Registration for Fall Meeting & Birthday Luncheon



*Sheri Williams, Theta
State President*



Strengthening the Bond

From the 2013 Theta State Convention Chairperson to the 2013-2015 Theta State President in just a few months overwhelms me with feelings of challenges, expectations and responsibilities. The most important reason I am able to curb anxieties and face this new job is YOU. DKG sisterhood has become one of the most important parts of my life. In the last decade, many of you have become more than just role models for me, but women I am privileged to call my mentors, advisors and friends.

As I stated in April upon accepting the nomination for Theta State President, I have two important goals in mind and heart as we— as Theta State sisters— strive **To Unite** women educators of the world in a genuine spiritual fellowship. First, I hope to have frequent contact with chapters. Second, I want to have an open line of communication with all members. These goals are not just for me personally, but for all of us as a state organization. After accepting the nomination for State President and seeking members to serve in other leadership positions, I was heartbroken at the number of sisters who had suffered hardships that I didn't know about in the past year! My DKG sisters are more important to me than that, and I do want to be there for them.

My training at the Northwest Regional Conference in Cheyenne, Wyoming, included a session which focused on these goals. The session entitled, "Things A Leader Must Have!" encouraged state presidents to exhibit trust, communication and relationships in order to be successful as state leaders. To get trust, you must give trust. Maya Angelou said, "People will forget what you said, what you did, but will never forget the way you made them feel!" Utilizing multiple types of communication, including nonverbal, is vital to leader success. We are all leaders within our chapters and are part of this organization as key women educators. Building relationships will create a mutual vision that will help an organization like Theta State to grow.

We also learned a lot about membership data. Did you know that a summary of the Dropped Member Survey results indicated that 43.9% of past members surveyed said that they would be likely to reinstate their membership in the future? Wow! How many of them have we asked? Here are some incentives that State Presidents discussed to strengthen our membership: provide motivations to attend meetings; provide opportunities to go beyond the chapter level; strengthen work within the committees; offer chapter competitions or

challenges; recognize chapter accomplishments statewide; find strong local projects that will attract members and especially younger members; increase diversity in chapters; encourage carpooling for Fall meeting or State Convention; provide projects that every member can do; write notes to early educators or invite them to a special session during which pride in the big picture is shown; or invite your dropped members and encourage their reinstatement..

In addition to leadership training, I have attended the final finance committee meeting and audit for the 2011-2013 Committee in Albuquerque in July. I also attended a planning session for the fall meeting to be held at The Courtyard by Marriott. The contract for fall meeting was finalized and signed. I look forward to traveling around the state and visiting each of you in your chapters. Please work with me as we strive as a state to know our Theta State Sisters better. Sometime it can be as simple as an email, text, phone call or card that just says you care! Our society with directly benefit from an open communication that enables each member to articulate their feelings, express their plans, share their ideas, and understand each other's viewpoints.

I will contact Chapter Presidents often with

I Love Branson!

From the hotel accommodations to the delicious meals to the workshops, this was one of the best SW Regional Conferences I have ever attended. The hotel was situated in a customer friendly location, near good restaurants, shopping areas and beautiful water front vistas. The staff was exceptionally helpful and friendly.

The workshops were well prepared with meaningful information to help meet the needs of our chapters back

home. Several which I attended will make wonderful programs to share with our sisters. It was great to see so many young members participating in leadership positions.

The past state presidents luncheon was a wonderful venue to catch up with old friends.

From reports from friends, the shows were exceptional. *The Six Show* was great, if a bit loud for older ears! Traveling to and from

Branson by car was a treat as three DKG sisters were able to share problems and solutions for several hours.

Seeing NM sisters was another wonderful treat.

All in all, it was a wonderful conference, and hats off to the Missouri ladies for a job well done.

*Submitted by Nadyne Gartman
TS Webmaster*



Nadyne Gartman

Music to My Ears

From beginning to end the SW Regional Conference was filled with music which was pleasing to me. The professional jazz band, Missouri style, and the entertaining young fiddlers were features of the opening Missouri Night.

At the closing Presidents' Banquet we were blessed to hear the beautiful voice of a Japanese sister, as well as the SW Regional choir and "As We Leave This Place" by **Terri McPheeters**.

Each general meeting featured soloists singing encouraging and uplifting songs, including my per-

sonal favorite "You Raise Me Up", sung by **Cathy Criner** (Texas). The sing-along, the music workshop and fun songs by **DeLaine Wallace** gave me fresh ideas and motivation to always have a song in my heart.

*Submitted by Gladys Hielkema
TS Corresponding Secretary*



Cathy Criner, Alpha State

Sheri's Story (Continued from page 2)

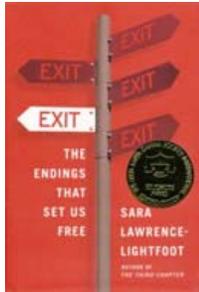
information to share in their chapters that will help Theta State thrive as a state organization. The Executive Committee met August 10, to expedite business to be taken care of at the fall meeting. The Executive Board will be kept abreast of committee charges and recommendations so that

all of us will be informed members of Theta State business before business meetings to insure that our time together is well spent. Would you make plans to be part of each level of DKG? A good start might be to attend the Fall meeting in Albuquerque this November! A sister once told me that a good idea without a plan is just a wish!

As you look with me for future visions for our state, please look within yourself. You are the heart of DKG! Courage to make change comes from passion not position! Let us do it today! "A good plan today is better than a perfect one tomorrow." Therefore, let us strengthen Theta State by strengthening the bond we have with one another.

Sheri Williams





2013 Educator's Award
Dr. Sara Lawrence-
Lightfoot

Need A Good Read?

Dr. Sara Lawrence-Lightfoot, author, explores ways people leave one thing and move on to the next; how humans anticipate, define, and reflect on departures. As educators, DKG members are involved in the exits of students and colleagues.

EXIT finds wisdom and perspective in the possibility of moving on and marks the start of a new conversation. A committee member commented, "This is a book I

could read countless times. I had difficulty putting it down." All people must maneuver personal exits during lifetimes, and in varied roles. We must also support students, children, friends, relatives, colleagues, neighbors, and even strangers through their own exits as they sashay or stumble toward new beginnings. A MacArthur (genius award) sociologist, **Lawrence-Lightfoot** is an endowed professor at Harvard Uni-

versity. A passion for education runs deep in her family history. In 1993, she was awarded the George Ledlie prize for research for literary merit and humanitarian achievement; for research that makes the most valuable contribution to science and to the benefit of mankind.

From DKG.org



John Parke,
Founder,
Leadership Synergies

What's Your Brand?

What do people think of when you tell them you are a member of Delta Kappa Gamma? **John Parke** is working with DKG at the International level to address our Society's brand. In his presentation at the SW Regional Conference, he focused on global trends that impact DKG and 10 things we can do to benefit from

these changes. He presented a workshop on personal branding for personal and professional success.

According to **Parke**, in order to determine "your brand," seven Strategic Plan Components must be addressed: Values, Vision, Mission, Pillars, Tactics, Measurement, Roles & Responsibilities of members. In using

a business model, DKG must first focus on:

- 1) Getting dropped members back (values);
- 2) Identify why members are lost;
- 3) Investigate why members are turned down;
- 4) Initiate new members.

What is our brand in Theta State?

Need New Leadership Tools?

It is tough being a woman in a man's world. **Katie Snapp** reminded us that, "We don't get what we want; we get what we plan for." At the All States' Breakfast, **Snapp** discussed why women are not advancing as rapidly as some think. For example, in Non-profits, 50

percent of the workers are women, but only 1/5 of the leadership are women. She asked, "Why?" The answer came. "Our role models are often men." **Snapp** said, "A lack of confidence equals a lack of leadership." Essentially, women often lack confidence that would lead to

leadership roles. **Snapp** encourages every woman to read *17 Women Who Shook the World*, by **Preethi Burkholder**, and *The Teachers' Lounge (Uncensored)*, by **Kelly Flynn**, as well as her own book, *Skirt Strategies: 249 Success Tips for Women in Leadership*.



Katie K. Snapp, owner
Better-Leadership.com

My Kaleidoscope of the SW Regional Conference In Branson, Mo.

The Conference was again a great event. It is always said, "It was even better than before." I don't believe that is true. I believe that each Convention and Conference is unique because everything is presented in a different fashion to inform, get us involved and entertain us. Of course, the best part is always seeing our sisters from our state and other states, and then meeting new sisters and making friendships as DKG members.

We were excited to have our Japanese sisters join our SW Regional Conference. They gave a presentation on how to put on a Kimono; and one of the teachers sang beautifully at two functions. They also presented a package with fans, green tea, and a Guidebook of Kochi to Theta State of New Mexico as a token of their friendship. I have given this to our TS President, **Sheri Williams**.

Pat Burnett, our former State President, presided at the Birthday Luncheon and did a beautiful job. New Mexico can be proud of her. We can also be proud of the fact that our State did meet the expectations of paying dues on time, and also that the Presidents of the chapters sent in the information needed by International. All the guest speakers and some workshop presenters will have their presentations on the DKG Website.

I attended workshops that dealt with

Mentorship of early career educators, and our state is doing many great things in this area. Membership was another workshop I attended, and it stressed the importance of going back into your rosters and calling up those members who left and get them to come back into DKG. It never hurts to ask. Another workshop that I attended was, "Speak Up! Speak Out!" which I thought would be well attended since it had to do with the DKG nominations and elections. Out of 600+ members, there were only 10 members in attendance, one presenter and three committee members. All in attendance felt that all members should have the opportunity to vote for International officers. Another member and I feel that each state should be responsible to count their state vote by use of a scanner; however, cost is a problem. So, this will be considered. You can provide input through the DKG Website.

Branson is truly a family oriented community. The Shows were outstanding and this was another time to visit and meet more DKG members. Our next SW Regional conference will be held July 22 -25, 2015, in Wichita, Kansas.

*Submitted by Carmen J. Pennington,
Alpha Delta Chapter,
CCC Coordinator*



Carmen J. Pennington at Conference

"Branson is truly a family oriented community."



Barbara Baethe, Pat Burnett, Gwen Hamilton, Yvette Moore and Kathy Flynn in Branson



*Lobby of the beautiful Branson Hilton Conference Center
Picture from Nadyne Gartman*



New Mexicans at Breakfast!

Emergency Fund

\$15,872.00

DKG sisters are generous! \$15,872 was given at the All-States Breakfast for the Emergency Fund. The fund provides assistance to members who suffer a natural disaster (hurricane, tornado, earthquake, fire, etc.). All DKG funds are tax deductible for the individual

donor. You can contribute to the Emergency Fund using Form 43 online, through chapter and state organization treasurers or send directly to:

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
Emergency Fund
P.O. Box 1589
Austin, TX 78767-1589

Between 2012 & 2013 the Emergency Fund paid out 61 claims totaling \$30,500.00 !!!!
WAY TO GO DKG!

From *the Emergency Fund Brochure and Terri McPheeters*



Bright Spots at Branson



Pat Burnett substituting for Sheri Williams; Yvette Moore substituting for Pat Burnett—*Déjà vu all over again.*



Japan's State Banner—
DKG's 18th member country



Pat Burnett presiding at the Birthday Luncheon.



Yvette Moore just had to have a hat for the banquet.

Photographs are courtesy of Photographs by Jim, Floresville, Texas



Can you see Kay singing?



This is Jim Miller, Photographer



Having Fun in Branson

Branson, Missouri, was the site of the Southwest Regional 2013. **Ina Jean Barnes** and **Amanda Matray** had a great time. We explored Southwest Missouri, viewing magnificent vistas, beautiful stone cliffs, and the beauty of Lake Taneycomo. We enjoyed *Riding the Ducks*, and **Amanda** explored the area aboard the *Lake Queen* while **Ina Jean** visited the *College of the Ozarks* museum. We had lunch at Keeter Center and were served by a medical student from Spain.

We took in the **Shoji Tabuchi** show in his ornate family theatre. The show contained country music as well as polka, gospel, Cajun, Hawaiian, rap, rock and patriotic music. The costumes and sets were choreographed by his wife, **Dorothy**.

We toured *Precious Moments Chapel and Gardens* built by **Samuel J. Butcher** on the farm of **Ina Jean's** sister in law. The Avenue of Angels leads to the chapel flanked by statues of angels and lovely shade trees. The chapel terrace overlooks Center Creek that flows peacefully along the property.

The experience is a ministry of **Mr. Butcher's** art.

We visited the George Washington Carver National Monument to experience the wisdom and brilliance of an educator motivated by love for all of creation, and we learned about his life of service and inventions.

We learned about our DKG Society and networked with long standing and new sisters especially those from Japan. We shopped at the market place and experienced a live show at the Info-Fair with news up-dates on Membership, Programs, Foundations, Scholarships, Awards, and Leadership.

We focused on the future of DKG by exploring with others Trends, Technology, Economics, and Political Issues. We learned about Strengthening Our Society through Strategic Action Planning. We wrapped Omiyage (gifts) Japanese Style with **Fusa** [Japan's president]. **Amanda** was asked to present at the workshop Next Generation: The Search for Excellence. I went to support the young presenters and to learn why

younger members are attracted to membership in DKG. The young panel of members did a wonderful job of expressing themselves about our "Society".

Follow Ina Jean and Amanda to the International Convention July 28 to August 1, 2014 in Indianapolis, IN.

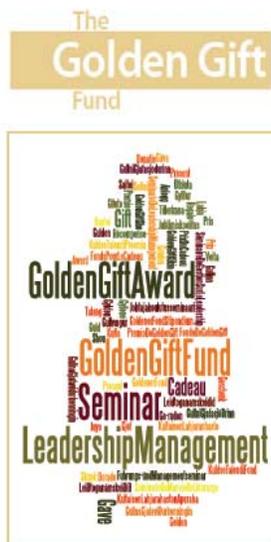
Submitted by Ina Jean Barnes



Photo courtesy of Ina Jean Barnes

Hannesdóttir 2013 Achievement Award

Dr. Sigrún Klara Hannesdóttir is the first European recipient of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Achievement Award.



The application for the Leadership Management Seminar is available at dkg.org. Applications are due **December 1, 2013**.

Nominations for offices at the International level are due on October 15, 2013.

For more information about the Nominations Process, go to:

www.dkg.org

Under Committees, select *Nominations*

All information can be downloaded!

Chapter News!

Alpha Iota Is Ready to Go!



(from Left to Right) Ann Calderwood; Diane Bonnell; Kandy Dickinson; Donna Moore; Betty Begeal

Kandy Glaser, member of DKG since 2006, retired recently after 30 years of service as a professional educator. Alpha Iota honored her with a plaque. **Kandy** taught and was an administrator 8 years in Tulsa, OK, Catholic schools. After moving to NM, she taught 7 years in Catholic School. For the last 15 years, she taught in Rio Rancho Middle School. In her varied career she taught chemistry, physics, biology and earth science. **Kandy** is looking forward to vacationing in Yellowstone National Park with her husband this fall.

On August 26, 2012, at the home of **Betty Begeal**, Sigma and Alpha Iota chapters held a joint salad supper and Sing Along. Afterward, they broke for individual chapter meetings. The chapters celebrated the beginning of the official DKG year together, as they have for several years.

In June, Alpha Iota held a Program Planning meeting. **Ann Calderwood**, First Vice President, reports, "Our chapter can look forward to learning about Albuquerque's Open Spaces. This presentation will occur at the Open Space Visitor Center. We have also planned programs about nutrition and preventing identity theft." Included on the agenda is a visit to the Albuquerque Museum to view a special exhibit about Albuquerque's own **Vivian Vance**.

Alpha Iota's Executive Board met in August to review goals and new activities to implement goals. It also reviewed the proposed budget for 2013-2014, results from the program planning meeting and progress made on the chapter rules revision.

Jean Leonard wrote an article for the April issue of the NMAER Newsletter (on page 7) about why she is a member of NMAER. **Jean** has been a member of NMAER for 30 years and has served in the AAL (Adopt a Legislator) program for 8 years. Her article can be found at www.nmaer.com.

Betty Begeal spent an interesting summer chairing the Director Search Committee for the St. Luke Lutheran Preschool and kindergarten. For relaxation, she went fly fishing on the San Juan River in June. She reports that she caught and released many beautiful trout.

*Submitted by Alyce Cummins
Alpha Iota Chapter*

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President Receives Magnet

International President **Beverly Helms** received a DKG car magnet from **Nadyne Gartman** at the Texas state convention in Austin, TX, June 19, 2013. The magnets were used as a non-dues revenue project for Lambda, NM, and Nu, TX. **Nadyne** is a past Theta State President, formerly

of Lambda Chapter, now of Nu Chapter, TX.

*Submitted by Nadyne Gartman
Theta State Webmaster*



Photo by Sandra Morales

Around Theta State

A Red Rose to:

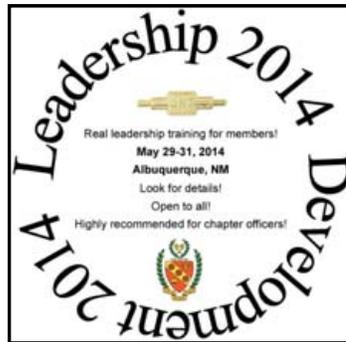


In October, **Margaret Aragon (B)** will celebrate 60 years in Delta Kappa Gamma. Her teaching career began in 1941, in the San Miguel County Schools. She taught Elementary school, becoming a supervisor for student teachers. In 1980, Margaret was elected *Teacher of the Year* for Las Vegas City Schools. She was initiated into Eta Chapter in 1953, and transferred to Gamma Chapter in 2005. Margaret is talented in Arts and Crafts, so when Gamma is responsible for decorations, “Margaret is our ‘go to girl.’” **Jean Flanagan** says, “Margaret ranks among the excellent members of Delta Kappa Gamma!”

Internal Review Meets



In the lobby of the beautiful Hyatt Regency, **Sharron Stepro (T)**, **Ernestine Hagman (μ)**, **Robyn Cook (H)**, **Sheri Williams (±Θ)**, **Pat Burnett (±N)** and **Dianna Valdez (B)** met and reviewed Theta States books.



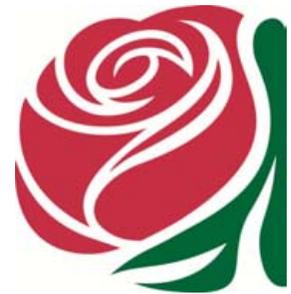
TS Officer Changes

Theta State has a new treasurer, **Dianna Valdez**, and a new editor, **Yvette Moore**. Each has “big” shoes to fill, but both are excited about the opportunity of serving Theta State in these capacities.

Dianna Valdez attended the State Treasurer’s workshop in Branson, Mo.

Yvette Moore attended the State Editor’s workshop. Along with editing information, she learned about the danger of printing copyrighted information. “**Linda Eller** gave me what I need, I just have to apply all of it.”

If you have articles for Theta State News, or have questions about finances for your chapter, you can reach Dianna at valdez@aps.edu; or Yvette at yvettemoore630@gmail.com.



Tech Tip: Tired of leaving home without your computer, computer files or storage disk? ... SET UP YOUR FREE ACCOUNT AT www.dropbox.com *Dropbox* is a free service that lets you bring your photos, docs, and videos anywhere and share them easily. Never email yourself a file again! Put your stuff in *Dropbox* and get to it from your computers, phones, or tablets. Edit docs, automatically add photos, and show off videos from anywhere. During the 2013 Regional Leadership Trainings this summer attendees were encouraged to utilize storing data on *Dropbox*. Try It, You Might Just Like It!

Technology Report

On Saturday, August 10, President **Sheri Williams** had her first Theta State GoToMeeting Executive Committee Meeting. We had 8 participants. Congratulations, **Sheri**, for a job well done. We plan to do a lot more Theta State Business using GoToMeeting.

Committee Chairmen, please let **Jeannette Vigil** know if you would like to schedule a GoToMeeting Session for your Committee Meetings.

*Technology Committee
Jeannette Vigil, Chair*



Roswell Hosts TS Leadership



(*Top Row—left to right*) Ella Kelly, Lonna Griffin, Kay Hannum, Gwen Hamilton, Clara Enriquez, Ina Jean Barnes, Diana Hamilton, Carmen Tapia, Gay Simpkins, Pat Burnett (*Middle Row—left to right*) Jeannette Vigil, Nola Miller, Sharon Palacios, Sheri Williams, Susan Swope, Shawna Denney, Dianna Valdez (*Front Row—left to right*) Robyn Cook, Melody Bassing, Yvette Moore, Cheryl Martinez, Jane Williams

Nola Miller, Theta State Leadership Development chair (2011-2013), led the officers and committee chairs for the 2013-2015 biennium in Roswell, May 31 & June 1, 2013. Participants learned the difference between *Reactive*, and

Proactive language, the characteristics of positive leadership and the importance of consistent communication with the members of Theta State. At one point, the participants were grouped and competed blowing cups across a table. **Pat Burnett** had groups describe how pieces of doll furniture represented communication patterns in leadership. Groups had to assemble Lego pieces and write the instructions for another group to follow. Participants certainly learned that communicating is challenging, but effective communication will strengthen Theta State!



Diane Wesner, Lonna Griffin, Gwen Hamilton, Cheryl Martinez, Jane Williams working hard.



Doll Furniture depicting leadership styles



Ina Jean Barnes, Carmen Tapia, Jeannette Vigil using technology

Be Copyright Conscious



Did you know that copyright laws make it illegal for an individual or group to post any copyrighted material on a website? Did you know that an individual and/or group can be sued?

How does this apply to Delta

Kappa Gamma? Anything that is copyrighted and placed on a website is in violation of copyright law and is subject to a law suit. This includes poems, pictures, cartoons, or anything that is intellectual property. Just crediting the source is not enough. Written

permission from the owner of intellectual property must be sought, obtained, and kept on file before copyrighted material may be used in newsletters and on websites.

From *Strengthening the Buzz*
July/August 2013

CHAPTER RULES FALL MEETING WORKSHOP

It has been seven years since the Bylaws Committee last requested a copy of chapter rules. It is time to make necessary changes, where needed, in order for your chapter rules to align with the International and Theta State governing documents.

The Bylaws Committee will offer a workshop at the fall meeting to help chapters examine requirements and expectations

for chapter rules. This will be a great opportunity to ask questions and begin revisions. The committee suggests that chapters appoint someone to be responsible to represent the chapter at the workshop and to spearhead their revisions.

This will be a hands-on workshop. Individuals should bring one current copy of their chapter rules, the In-

ternational Go-To Guide for Chapter members, a copy of the International Constitution and Standing Rules (on www.dlkg.net website), a copy of the Theta State Bylaws and Standing Rules (on www.thetastate.weebly.com), and a copy of working materials sent to chapter presidents from the Bylaws Committee via Dianna Valdez .

Carmen Tapia—Bylaws Chair



Theta State of Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
Executive Board Meeting, Workshops and 79th Birthday Luncheon
Saturday, November 2, 2013



Courtyard by Marriott – 5151 Journal Center Blvd NE – Alb., NM 87109
 (505) 823-1919 Toll Free Reservations: 1-877-905-4496

Special Room Rates: **\$82.00**+tax until **October 18th** (Request Theta State Delta Kappa Gamma rates)

Registration Form

Name _____

Home Address _____
(Include St., Dr., Ave, etc NE, SE, NW, SW, Apt. #) City _____ State _____ Zip+4 _____

Phone _____ E-mail* _____

Chapter/ Company _____ Position _____

Guest(s) _____

* Confirmation of registration will be sent via e-mail by October 30, 2013. If you do not receive confirmation by that date, contact Jeannette Vigil.



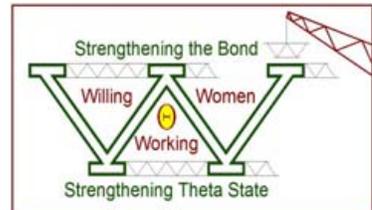
Birthday Luncheon

Guest Speaker: Anne Hillerman, the accomplished daughter of iconic writer, Tony Hillerman

“And the Legacy Continues”

Cost Including tax and gratuity: Members - \$19.00 Non-members - \$22.00

Deli Table Includes: Turkey Breast, Smoked Ham, Genoa Salami, Shaved Roast Beef, Provolone, Cheddar and Swiss Cheeses, Mustard, Mayonnaise, Lettuce, Red onion, Tomato Artisan Breads, croissants, Potato Salad, Vegetarian Soup, Dessert: Chocolate cake or Carrot cake with Coffee, Tea and Water



List dietary restrictions: _____

Non-member guests are welcome. Indicate Meal numbers.

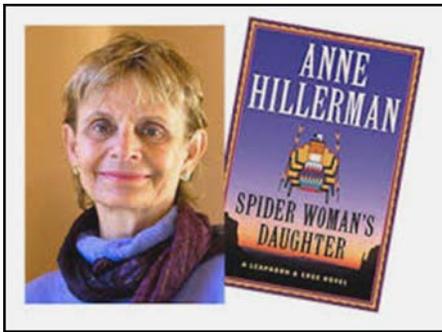
Members _____ X \$19.00 = \$ _____ Non-members _____ X \$22.00 = \$ _____

Workshop Registration Fee: **\$5 per person** to attend all workshops
 Please send a form for each individual participant.
 **complimentary for 1 per chapter, presenters (1 per session)
Please indicate if you are using a complimentary registration.
 1 Complimentary Workshop Registration for:
 _____ 1 chapter representative _____ 1 presenter presenting at a session
Fill in your workshop choice(s) (See descriptions on Fall Event Information page.):
 8:00-Workshop # _____ 9:00-Workshop # _____ 10:15- Workshop # _____ 11:15- Workshop # _____
 (8:00-10:00 TS Executive Board Meeting)

_____ Meal Total
 _____ Workshop Fee
 _____ Sub Total
 _____ Late Fee
\$ _____ Total

DEADLINE:
 postmarked by
OCTOBER 24, 2013
LATE FEE: \$5.00

Make checks payable to CCC.
 Mail to:
 Dianna Valdez, Fall Event Registrar,
 PO Box 1071
 Corrales, NM 87048 -1071
 valdez@aps.edu 505 898-3587



Ann Hillerman to Present at Theta State Birthday Luncheon

Ms. Hillerman brilliantly continues her father's fiction legacy as she revives the Leaphorn and Chee Navajo detective series with **SPIDER WOMAN'S DAUGHTER**. No one would be better suited to this task, and she has put her own stamp on the legendary series while preserving its integrity.

Anne Hillerman is the author eight non-fiction books including Tony Hillerman's Landscape: On the Road with Chee and Leaphorn. She is currently at work on the second book in the new mystery series. Her other major non-fiction projects include Gardens of Santa Fe and Santa Fe

Flavors: Best Restaurants and Recipes. Both received top honors at the New Mexico Book Awards.

She worked for many years as a journalist, receiving awards for her writing from the New Mexico Press Association and the National Federation of Press Women. When she isn't working, Anne likes to ski, garden and experiment with new recipes in the kitchen. She is a founder of the Tony Hillerman Writers Conference held annually in Santa Fe, N.M.

Workshop Information - Fall Meeting 2013

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| 10:15
to
11 | <p>1. National Boards</p> <p>Presenters: NBCTeachers: Pat Graff, Evelyn Sanchez, Peggy Jackson</p> <p>This workshop offers an overview of the process of attaining National Board Certification, how Delta Kappa Gamma chapters can support teachers in that process and available DKG financial support.</p> | <p>2. Chapter Treasurer Workshop</p> <p>Presented by Dianna Valdez</p> <p>The session will review treasurer forms and expectations of Chapter Treasurers.. Let's look at Input about new Apprenticeship positions and helpful tools. Experienced and new treasurers needed!</p> | <p>3. It's All About Membership</p> <p>Presented by Nola Miller and Pat Burnett</p> <p>Energize your chapter! This workshop will offer tips and ideas that will help your members see their places in the "bigger picture" of building an energizing chapter.</p> |
| 11:15
to
12:00 | <p>4. What's Your Brand?</p> <p>Presented by Yvette Moore</p> <p>Based on John Parke's presentation at SW Regional, learn about your personal brand and about developing a brand for your chapter. An interactive workshop you won't forget!</p> | <p>5. Chapter Rules</p> <p>Presented by Carmen Tapia and By Laws Committee</p> <p>This workshop will help you develop chapter rules that are in alignment with State and International bylaws and standing rules changes. For more information see article in this issue.</p> | <p>6. Educational Excellence!</p> <p>Presented by Susan Swope and Sheri Williams</p> <p>A primary focus of our Society is Educational Excellence. In this workshop, you will learn about The Society's expectations for Educational Excellence.</p> |

SCHEDULE

- 7:30 Registration
- 8:00 Executive Board Meeting Exhibits
- 10:15 Workshop Session 1
- 10:15 Workshop Session 2
- 11:45 Lunch check in
- Exhibits close
- 12:15 Birthday Luncheon

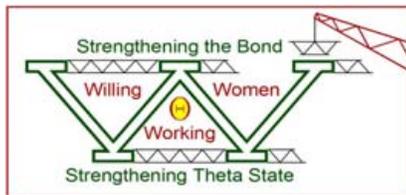
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DKG Mourns the Passing of Dr. Dent

New Mexico recently received the sad news that Dr. Paula Dent passed away. This short obituary was sent to state presidents:



Picture from Alpha Iota (Michigan) Website.
[www.http://deltakappagamma.org/MI/](http://deltakappagamma.org/MI/)

Paula Dent formally of Salem, Missouri passed away August 12, 2013, at the Parkland Health Center in Farmington, Missouri, at the age of 82. Paula was born August 2, 1931, to the late George "Doc" Winnett Dent and Dorothy (Bircher) Dent. Paula was a member of Delta Kappa Gamma and past president of the International Delta Kappa Gamma. She enjoyed traveling, music, and spending time with family, friends and her dogs.

The funeral took place in Salem, Missouri.

Dr. Paula A Dent was awarded the International Achievement Award in 1999. She was described as "an innovator, a facilitator and a mentor—one who exemplifies the highest qualities of Society leadership." During her tenure as International President, the Europe Region was formed, Baja California joined the Society, DKG began a partnership with UNICEF, and the first US Legislative Forum was held in Washington, D.C.