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Organization

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International



# KEY NOTES

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## Upcoming Events

October 24, 2015

### Omicron State Fall Workshop

Metro Tech High School  
1900 W Thomas Rd.  
Phoenix, AZ

April 22–24, 2016

### Omicron State Convention

Embassy Suites Phoenix – North  
2577 W. Greenway Rd.  
Phoenix, AZ

July 5–9, 2016

### International Convention

Opryland Resort  
Nashville, Tennessee

July 4–7, 2017

### Southwest Regional Conf.

Honolulu, Hawaii



## Mission Statement

*The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.*

## Arizona DKG Keys to Success

### WELCOME PRESIDENTS

As incoming state president, I want to send an enthusiastic hello. I have enjoyed many phone talks and hope we can continue our conversation. Please let me know if I can help in any way. Thank you all for the work you have done for your chapter and thank you for leading your chapter for your second year.

In this president's letter, I hope to offer you help on your responsibilities and help on actions that need to be taken during the year. The first few letters will be using experimental formats and I am inviting you to tell me what you like and what information you would like to have. I look forward to working with you.

Joye Sterrett  
President, Arizona

### PROGRAMS FOR NEXT YEAR

Many of you have had a chapter meeting to plan for meetings next year. It works well to have members help plan programs and to lead that program as well. If possible, help all members participate in chapter activities. Try to have a program planned for each month, even if plans may change during the year.

### ELECTION OF OFFICERS

In the spring, we will have election of officers at the chapter level. Please check your chapter standing rules to see when elections are to be held. As early as February, you may be asked for the results of your elections. Therefore it is time to start talking to members about an office, especially president. If you have a nominating committee, have them start a list of possible candidates. Do not despair if at first no one seems willing to take the jobs. Point out the leadership qualities they are able contribute and let them think a bit about accepting the job. If possible, offer to help them when it is needed.

### FALL WORKSHOP

Fall Workshop is currently scheduled for October 24. By the October meeting you will be collecting registration so it is a good idea to mention Fall Workshop at the September meeting. This is the time to encourage new members or members who have never attended to go to Fall Workshop to hear important information at workshop sessions and to make new friends in Delta Kappa Gamma. It is always an enjoyable day and we would love to see as many members as possible.

## Theme: Arizona DKG Keys to Success

### President's To Do List

Work to finalize programs for 2015–2016.

Think of September meeting and how to have an enthusiastic start for the coming year.

Check yearbooks to see if all members are participating in meetings, committees, or events.

Put dates for Fall Workshop, October 24 and Spring Convention, April 22 –24 in yearbooks.

Check with First Vice-President to see if help needed on yearbook.

When copying yearbook, make 4 extra copies for state Editor, Second VP, First VP and President.

Check chapter standing rules for month to hold elections.

**ENJOY SUMMER!**

### REGIONAL CONFERENCE in the 'Land of Ahs'

From speakers who inspire and challenge to workshops that educate to a Saturday night Boots and Bling Dinner, eighteen Arizona members plan to attend the Delta Kappa Gamma Southwest Conference in Wichita, Kansas, July 19-24. They are Rachel Wear, Alpha Rho; Alice Reule, Alpha Delta; Kathi Houtcooper, Alpha Iota; Carmen Wendt, Chi; Susan Halliday, Alpha Delta; Diane Sheets, Alpha Beta; Marge Threewit, Alpha Beta; Carolyn Risch, Alpha; Lori Good, Alpha Alpha; Wally Turner, Eta; Janet Vickers, Omega; Jean Fuer Davis, Alpha Rho; Merry Lewis, Nu; Donna Reynolds, Epsilon; Bea Olivas, Alpha Rho; Nancy Mahan, Alpha; Jan Rosenberg, Nu and Joye Sterrett, Omega. When they return, ask them what they learned.

### ARIZONA MEMBER WINS INTERNATIONAL SCHOLARSHIP

Jennifer Lichtsinn, Alpha Rho, won a \$10,000 international Maycie K. Southall Scholarship for her doctoral studies in Teaching and Teacher Education. As chair of the International Scholarship Committee 2012-2014, I know how strong the competition can be. Congratulations Jennifer! We look forward to hearing about your studies.

### HEALTH TIPS from Members

One of our Arizona State DKG members has suggested we include a health tip in each letter. I would like to give her credit but this member prefers to remain anonymous.

She writes: This is your mother. I am so proud of Aunt Eunice. She had been hearing about people walking all those steps a day and she finally decided to stand behind her kitchen chair, hang on for balance and walk through most of the news program. She did it for a few days and now she is walking during "Dancing With the Stars." That gives her rhythm and balance. She said it helps in another way—she can't snack while walking!

### CALL FOR WORKSHOP SESSIONS

If you or someone in your chapter has an idea for a workshop session for Fall Workshop, October 24, please send your idea to me with the person's name, the topic of the presentation and a brief description. Send to [joyesterrett@gmail.com](mailto:joyesterrett@gmail.com). Please share your talents with us!