



# DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS



## ETA CHAPTER



Dear ETA sisters,

It was so good to see many of you at the February meeting, especially those we haven't seen for a while including Mona and Marty. As we have experienced in the past, the young women artists were an inspiration. They were very grateful for our support so I'm grateful to you for your support of this important community outreach program.

Marilyn and I attended Legislative Day in Phoenix. It was fun to connect with other DKG women. I can say one thing from my experience. I'm

glad Arizona has term limits for both houses!

Eta Chapter needs an Historian-in-Training. Please consider assuming this post as you train with our present Historian, Dorothy Eichbaum. She would help a new person understand what she has been doing for these past several years but she is very open to helping the new historian with any new ideas you might have to make this position your own. Please give it some prayerful consideration.

Our April meeting at Embry-Riddle had to be canceled. We instead will be installing the new officers at that time. Speaking of new officers, you will be receiving a ballot under separate cover. Please respond directly to Sherry Baca that you either accept the new slate of officers, you reject the new slate of officers or you have a write-in nominee for any of the positions. Be sure you check with the person whom you are nominating before placing her name on your ballot. Return your ballot by March 1 in one of three ways: you can respond by email, or US mail, or by phoning or texting Sherry Baca. Listed on the ballot are:

- President: La Walta (Wally) Turner
- 1st VP's: Linda Cramer and Janice Lay
- 2nd VP: Sherry Alimi-Kent
- Secretary: Joyce Moore

I'm looking forward to hearing about EdVentures at our next meeting at StoneRidge. Please consider bringing a friend or prospective new member. It will be an interesting meeting. See you then.

Sherry Alimi-Kent

### MEETING PLANS - MARCH 2016

#### TIME AND DATE

9:15 a.m. on Saturday, March 5, 2016  
Refreshments at 9:15 a.m.,  
Meeting at 9:45 a.m.

#### PLACE

StoneRidge Community Room  
1300 StoneRidge Drive, Prescott Valley, AZ

#### PROGRAM

EDVentures by Nancy Bennett  
Division of Lifelong Learning,  
Yavapai College

#### COMMITTEE: COMMUNICATIONS

**Chair: Sherry Baca**

Members: Ellen Close, Helen Colson-Carr,  
Dorothy Eichbaum, Mona Gillum, Tashia  
Irvine, Janice Lay, Helen McDowell, Joyce  
Moore, Linda Spellman, Donna Stowell,  
Bonnie Waterer, Veronica Wilson,  
Theresa Yslas

#### RSVP BY TUESDAY, MAR. 1, 2016

and let Sherry know if you are coming or not.

Sherry Baca at 928-713-3684  
or  
sherrybaca@cableone.net



### MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Carol Stimple, 3-19  
Dorothy Kellerman, 3-21  
(This will be Dottie's 90th!)

**Delta Kappa Gamma, Eta Chapter Minutes**  
**February 9, 2016**  
**Yavapai County Art Students**  
**Lincoln Elementary Library**

**ETA Chapter Members Present:** Sherry Alimi-Kent, Sherry Baca, Pat Buckley, Helen Colson-Carr, Linda Cramer, Pam Dickerson, Kris Foster, Mona Gillum, Tashia Irvine, Marilyn Jenkins, Marty Lewis, Helen McDowell, Joyce Moore, Becky Shields, Donna Stowell, Maurilee Walker, and Bonnie Waterer.

**Guests present:** Students Sara Davidson, Gabriella Jeffrey with her mother Fritz Jeffrey, and Cora Sirovy. Teachers Ann Hein and Heather Elliott.

**Call to Order:** Delta Kappa Gamma Song led by Joyce Moore at 5:00 p.m. followed by the recitation of DKG Mission Statement.

**Program:** Art presentations given by Sara Davidson, Gabriella Jeffrey and Cora Sirovy. Unfortunately, Andie Gonzalez was not able to attend because of her participation in the girls' basketball team. The exhibits of these young artists showed a high level of accomplishment. Several are in AP art and wish to continue art in various forms like animation, art design, art education or art therapy. Art students were presented with gift certificates from The Frame and I.

**Business Meeting**

**Minutes** were included in the last newsletter. No additions/corrections.

**Treasurer's Report** will be sent out at a later date.

**Society Business**

**Communications – Media Award** ETA Chapter nominated Robin Layton, editor of *The Daily Courier*, for this award because of her positive manner in championing education through her editorials. The paperwork will be sent to Linda Cramer.

**Legislative Day** on Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup> will be attended only by Marilyn Jenkins and Sherry Alimi-Kent. though there was room for more.

**Nominations – Pat Buckley, chair.** Pat reported the meeting at Cracker Barrel created a slate of officers:

President	Wally Turner
1 <sup>st</sup> Vice Pres.	Linda Cramer/Janice Lay
2 <sup>nd</sup> Vice Pres.	Sherry Alimi-Kent
Secretary	Joyce Moore

Voting for new officers will be in February via e-mail or mail. Because Melanie Wilson of ERAU had to cancel her presentation for the April 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting, it was proposed that we use this meeting to install the officers before the Omicron State Convention in Phoenix. Additionally, the meeting will be used for Grant-in-Aid. Melanie Wilson (speaking on women and diversity) will be scheduled another time. The location for the meeting will be changed as well and a notice will be sent out.

**Society Mission and Purposes**

**Educational Excellence Committee** – Linda Cramer, contact person, has our next Work Day at Lincoln School on April 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Scholarship Committee** – The Lucile Cornet Award for Professional Development is available with deadlines of February 1st, May 1st, and September 1<sup>st</sup> of each year.

**Grant-in-Aid** – Kris Foster, contact person. This is a \$1,000 award for a student already in the College of Education.

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**Delta Kappa Gamma, Eta Chapter Minutes (Continued)**  
**February 9, 2016 at Lincoln School Library**

**Unfinished Business**

**State Convention** – At this point Donna Stowell, Marilyn Jenkins, Pat Buckley, Sherry Alimi-Kent, Sherry Baca, Linda Cramer, Linda Spellman, Wally Turner, and Janice Lay plan to attend. Donna Stowell will be recognized for her 50 years in DKG at the State Convention. Additionally, the Rose Boutique needs help with donations of items to sell such as jewelry, notecards with a rose motif, monkey booties, and other hand crafted items. However, participants cannot bring food items.

**U. S. Forum** – The February 13, 2016 deadline for early bird registration for the U. S. Forum's National Legislative Seminar is fast approaching. Sherry Alimi-Kent greatly encouraged all members to consider attending this forum – this year or later. She highly recommends the experience.

**New Business**

**Next year's programs** – It was decided to change the proposed Saturday meeting times to the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month rather than the 2<sup>nd</sup> because of a conflict with AAUW members on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday.

**News on members** – Janice Lay's sister died recently of cancer; Norma Bauer's husband passed from this life on Feb. 10<sup>th</sup>.

**DKG website:** You will need your membership number. The international web site uses the first 6 digits on the mailing label.

**International Convention** – July 5 – 9 in Nashville, TN at the Opryland Resort.

**Spotlight Award Nominee** – Becky Shields was previously voted on by the members. Her name will be submitted this year on behalf of ETA Chapter.

**New transfer** – A hearty welcome to Marty Lewis.

**Labels and box tops** – please save!

**Adjournment to Prescott Brewing Company at 6:15.** Respectfully submitted by Joyce Moore, secretary.

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**Art Students Program**

Heather Elliot, BMHS art teacher, Cory Sirovy - BMHS, Gabriella Jeffrey - BMHS, Sara Davidson - PHS, and Ann Hein, PHS art teacher



**ETA CHAPTER SUMMARIES**  
by Sherry Baca

Below are some highlights on our members:

**Kris Foster** reports that her daughter, Sara, husband Zac, and especially grandson, Hunter, will be moving back to Arizona in March. They will be living in Cottonwood.

**Norma Bauer** lost her husband, Clyde, in February after 36 years of marriage. Many DKG sisters attended the Celebration of Life for Clyde held at the American Lutheran Church. Our deepest sympathy to Norma on her loss. Memorial contributions may be made to The Rock or Edge Student Ministry through the American Lutheran Church.

**Dorothy Eichbaum** writes that it was nice to see **Becky Shield** at Clyde Bauer's memorial services. She served as an usher and was glad to see so many DKG members at the service. Her devotion and involvement in her church is commendable.

**Janice Lay** also experienced a tough month with the loss of her sister. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Janice in this sad time. On top of this, it all happened when her school was going through their week on school accreditation - and that is always stressful in itself.

**Chris Fonoti** had to skip the February meeting because her friend from Hawaii's surgery in Phoenix was moved to an earlier time. Chris had volunteered to go down there and feed the animals in addition to helping be a sit in "nurse".

**Veronica Wilson** and her housemate, Nancy Fountain, took a February cruise down the West Coast from San Francisco to Manzanillo, Mexico. The trip was unexpectedly cool and the shore excursions were more difficult walking than in the past, but the food was wonderful and they enjoyed the ship events. February is a good off season time to cruise.

**Shirley Fenderson** is using a cane due to an ankle injury. We wish her a speedy recovery.

**Dottie Kellerman** will celebrate her 90th birthday in March. Several of her family will be coming in to celebrate with her. We send her our best wishes for a super 90th! Think of all the changes she has seen in her life!

**Mary Shenefield** writes from Phoenix to let us know that she had to change her phone number. She said that some "jerk" gave her number to a company that solicits phone numbers and sells them. You has had a major annoyance after this happened. She states that she really misses her DKG sisters in Prescott. Here is her new phone number:

**602-544-5440**

**Carol Stimple** will not be at the March meeting because Sam is having surgery that week.

**Dorothy Eichbaum** has been partially home bound since the last week in January. She is recuperating from a fall on her right hip - quite painful and slow to heal. Other than the fall she did enjoy a family gathering where she and her younger sister both celebrated their birthdays. The week was a combination of fun and an affair with the ice packs!! Also she took a day trip with her sister and brother-in-law that, in all her years in Arizona, she had never visited. They went to Canyon Lake, past the base of Superstition Mountain, and on to a quaint little ghost town called Tortillas Flats - the only authentic stage coach stop to survive the 1900's along Apache Trail. It is a remnant of the old west and still serving adventurous travelers. There is a small one room school house, now a museum, that served the area as a school for the families of miners and ranchers for many years. There is live music, a restaurant that has real saddles for seats, a salon, a mercantile store, and mining equipment on display - plus lots of travelers. They had a picnic at the Lake and enjoyed the sunshine and activity on the Lake - a fun day.

**ETA CHAPTER GOING TO DKG CONVENTION**  
**APRIL 15-17, 2016**  
**Four Points Sheraton Phoenix North**  
**2532 W. Peoria, Phoenix**

**Linda Spellman** sent an email encouraging everyone to attend the DKG State Convention, even if just for Saturday. It is about as close as it can get without us actually hosting it - only 1 1/2 hours away right off I-17 in Peoria. This year the hotel is providing more of a breakfast on Saturday. But she suggested that if a bunch of us go down, maybe we could plan a dinner out at some place fun like Papadeaux's. She also would be willing to host a wine/soda/appetizer hour before dinner on Saturday.

**Ellen Close** replied she is planning on attending the DKG Convention because she always likes learning and enjoys the companionship. She said she would enjoy the dinner on Friday but would need a ride since her husband, Jim, will be staying at her daughter's in Phoenix.

**Donna Stowell** informed everyone at the February meeting that she is planning to go since she is going to be recognized for being a 50 year member. Way to go, Donna! Also at the February meeting, it was reported that the following members also planned to attend: **Marilyn Jenkins**, **Pat Buckley**, **Sherry Alimi-Kent**, **Sherry Baca**, **Linda Cramer**, **Wally Turner**, and **Janice Lay**.

So far that gives us 10 Eta Chapter members planning to attend. If anyone else is interested in going - even for one day - please contact either Sherry Alimi-Kent or Sherry Baca. We will be sending registration information out to everyone again through email. **Deadline to register with the hotel is March 15 - call 888-627-9057 and ask for the Delta Kappa Gamma special rate of \$109 plus tax which totals \$122.70.**





Tashia Irvine, Pam Dickerson, and Donna Stowell



Joyce Moore, Mona Gillum, and Bonnie Waterer



Becky Shields, Kris Foster, and Marty Lewis



Helen Colson-Carr and Pat Buckley



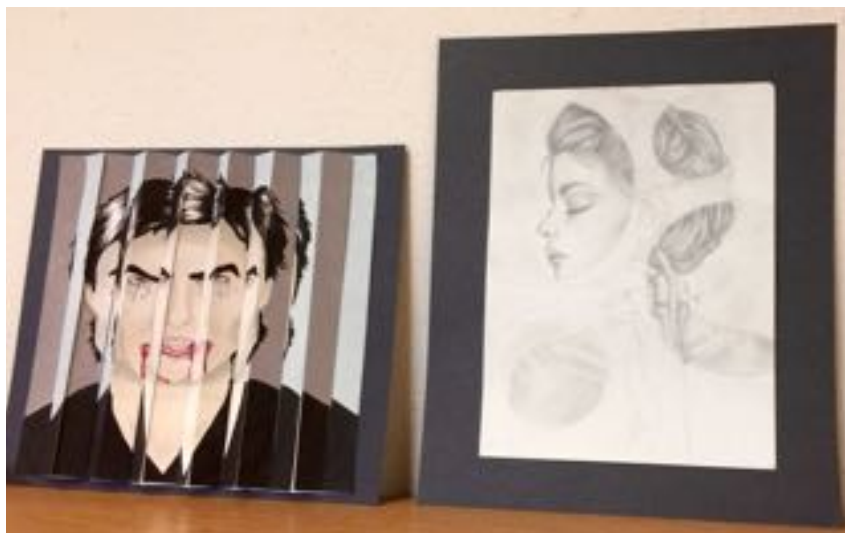
Maurilee Walker, Linda Cramer, Sherry Alimi-Kent,  
and Helen McDowell



Marilyn Jenkins and Sherry Baca



Student Art Work  
from the February  
Meeting!









### Eta Chapter Officers

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### USE THESE WEBSITES

**Omicron State**  
<http://www.deltakappagamma.org/AZ/>

**DKG Arizona**  
**Facebook**

**DKG**  
[www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org)

**DKG Foundation**  
[www.dkgef.org/](http://www.dkgef.org/)

**ETA Chapter**  
<http://etachapteraz.weebly.com>

### Omicron State Calendar

#### **March 13-16, 2016**

*US Forum National  
 Legislative Seminar  
 Washington ,D.C.*

#### **April 15-17, 2016**

#### **DATE/LOCATION CHANGE**

*Omicron State Convention  
 4 Point Sheraton Phoenix North  
 2532 W. Peoria Avenue  
 Phoenix, AZ*

#### **July 5-9, 2016**

*International Convention  
 Opryland Resort  
 Nashville, Tennessee*

#### **October 22, 2016**

*Omicron State Fall Workshop  
 Metro Tech High School  
 1900 West Thomas Road  
 Phoenix, AZ*

#### **January 13-15, 2017**

*Creative Arts Retreat  
 Spirit in the Desert Retreat  
 Center  
 Carefree, Arizona*

#### **April 21-23, 2017**

*Omicron State Convention  
 Radisson Suites  
 6555 E. Speedway Blvd.  
 Tucson, AZ*

#### **July 2017**

*Southwest Regional Conference  
 Honolulu, Hawaii*

### Mission Statement

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



**REMINDER - BOOK RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SUMMER BOOK CHAT**

The following four books were recommended for our summer Book Chat. Everyone is asked to pick one or more of the books to read and be ready to discuss at our June 4 meeting.

**The Necklace: Thirteen Women and the Experiment That Transformed Their Lives by Cheryl Jarvis**  
(Recommended by Linda Spellman)

One day in Ventura, California, Jonell McLain saw a beautiful diamond necklace in a jewelry store window and wondered: Why are personal luxuries so plentiful yet accessible to so few? What if we shared what we desired? Several weeks, dozens of phone calls, and one great leap of faith later, Jonell and twelve other women bought the necklace together—to be passed along among them all. The dazzling treasure weaves in and out of each woman's life, reflecting her past, defining her present, making promises for her future. Lending sparkle in surprising and unexpected ways, the necklace comes to mean something dramatically different to each of the thirteen women. With vastly dissimilar histories and lives, they transcend their individual personalities and politics to join together in an uncommon journey—and what started as a quirky social experiment becomes something far richer and deeper.

**Madam Curie and Her Daughters by Shelley Emling** (Recommended by Joyce Moore)

Published to widespread acclaim, in *Marie Curie and Her Daughters*, science writer Shelley Emling shows that far from a shy introvert toiling away in her laboratory, the famed scientist and two-time Nobel prize winner was nothing short of an iconoclast. Emling draws on personal letters released by Curie's only granddaughter to show how Marie influenced her daughters yet let them blaze their own paths: Irene followed her mother's footsteps into science and was instrumental in the discovery of nuclear fission; Eve traveled the world as a foreign correspondent and then moved on to humanitarian missions. Emling also shows how Curie, following World War I, turned to America for help. Few people know about Curie's close friendship with American journalist Missy Meloney, who arranged speaking tours across the country for Marie, Eve, and Irene. Months on the road, charming audiences both large and small, endeared the Curies to American women and established a lifelong relationship with the United States that formed one of the strongest connections of Marie's life. Factually rich, personal, and original, this is an engrossing story about the most famous woman in science that rips the cover off the myth and reveals the real person, friend, and mother behind it.

**All the Light We Cannot See by Anthony Doerr** (Recommended by Bonnie Waterer and Dorothy Eichbaum)

Marie lives with her father in Paris near the Museum of Natural History where he works as the master of locks. When she is six, she goes blind and her father builds her a miniature of their neighborhood so she can memorize it by touch and navigate her way home. When she is twelve the Nazis occupy Paris and they have to flee to the walled city of Saint-Malo where her reclusive great-uncle lives. They take with them a valuable jewel from the museum, keeping it hidden and a secret. Meanwhile in a mining town in Germany an orphan named Werner grows up in an orphanage and is unchanged by a radio he finds. He becomes an expert at fixing radios, and that wins him a place at an academy for Hitler youth. He becomes disenchanted with Hitler's philosophy. In Saint-Malo Werner and Marie's lives converge.

**The Nightingale by Kristin Hannah** (Recommended by Kris Foster)

FRANCE, 1939. In the quiet village of Carriveau, Vianne Mauriac says goodbye to her husband, Antoine, as he heads for the Front. She doesn't believe that the Nazis will invade France...but invade they do, in droves of marching soldiers, in caravans of trucks and tanks, in planes that fill the skies and drop bombs upon the innocent. When a German captain requisitions Vianne's home, she and her daughter must live with the enemy or lose everything. Without food or money or hope, as danger escalates all around them, she is forced to make one impossible choice after another to keep her family alive. Vianne's sister, Isabelle, is a rebellious eighteen-year-old girl, searching for purpose with all the reckless passion of youth. While thousands of Parisians march into the unknown terrors of war, she meets Gaëtan, a partisan who believes the French can fight the Nazis from within France, and she falls in love as only the young can...completely. But when he betrays her, Isabelle joins the Resistance and never looks back, risking her life time and again to save others. With courage, grace and powerful insight, bestselling author Kristin Hannah captures the epic panorama of World War II and illuminates an intimate part of history seldom seen: the women's war. *The Nightingale* tells the stories of two sisters, separated by years and experience, by ideals, passion and circumstance, each embarking on her own dangerous path toward survival, love, and freedom in German-occupied, war-torn France—a heartbreakingly beautiful novel that celebrates the resilience of the human spirit and the durability of women. It is a novel for everyone, a novel for a lifetime.

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