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North Dakota DKG State Conference

Save the Date!

I am pleased to share that members from Delta and Lambda Chapters are working diligently to create a fantastic DKG State Conference. We will be meeting in Bismarck on June 1st and 2nd. Hotel rooms have been reserved at the Hampton Inn. All Conference activities will take place at the Bismarck Career Academy. Cynthia Moore, DKG International Member at Large, will be our Society Guest. Interesting breakout sessions and of course fun activities are part of the two day event. The State Conference is being planned as an "In Person" event.

With all of the effort that is put into planning a State Conference, it is so important that our DKG Members attend. We currently have 274 members statewide. Please make this a priority in your summer plans. Learning more about DKG, networking with other DKG members and having a wonderful time will never disappoint.

More specific information, including registration information will be in the March edition of the Nodak News. In the meantime, if you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact myself, Brenda Seehafer, Pamela Baker or Dottie Dixon-Schmeling.

In DKG,
Lisa Olson
State President

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President's Ponderings

North Dakota State President, Lisa Olson



Greetings to all North Dakota DKG Members!

As I write, I am preparing for both Thanksgiving and Christmas. I am hopeful that full family gatherings are safe and enjoyable for everyone this year.

In the past few months, I have had the pleasure of meeting with Lambda, Gamma and Nu Chapters to share some fantastic opportunities within DKG and to put forth the State DKG Executive Board's goal for **each chapter to increase their membership by 5% or at least 2 new members by May 2022**. This goal is a modification from one that was presented by International DKG President Becky Sadowski. She encouraged all DKG members to bring 1 new person into membership this year. No matter what, we have been challenged to increase our membership. Please remember that any woman, who teaches or has taught anyone, and is paid to do so, is eligible for membership in DKG. A "short" list of possible options includes:

- Classroom teachers
- School Administrators
- University/College professors
- School Counselors
- Librarians

- School Social Workers
- Para Educators
- College Education Majors- Junior year and above
- Church youth workers (paid)
- Corporate trainers
- Piano teachers
- Past members who may want to reinstate their membership

I encourage all Chapters to have a serious discussion about membership, which includes a discussion on programs. Does your chapter have a relevant program at each meeting? Do the topics interest women of all ages? Are your calendars shared with everyone? Do the programs align with DKG's 7 purposes? It is important to remember that our organization is centered on benefiting women educators and education worldwide.

In the upcoming months, I would like to meet with all of the Chapters in North Dakota. Zoom meetings are easy to set up, so I can join you virtually at almost any point. When weather and schedules allow, I would love to be with you "in-person".

In closing, I wish all of you a Joyous and Memorable Holiday Season. Celebrate with those that you love and give thanks for all that we enjoy.



North Dakota DKG Fall Executive Board Meeting
August 2, 2021-10:00 A.M.
Minot Public Library and Zoom

Agenda

1. Call to Order - President Lisa Olson- Gamma
2. Review of Agenda - President Lisa Olson- Gamma
3. Roll Call - Secretary Tami McNally-Nu
4. Reading of the minutes - Secretary Tami McNally-Nu
5. Correspondence - Secretary Tami McNally- Nu or other
6. Treasurer's Report - Treasurer LaVone Mongeon-Nu
7. President's Report: Lisa Olson-Gamma
8. Committee Reports:
 - A. Finance – Beverly Patch Larson, Marcia Liuska, LaVone Mongeon-ex officio
 - CD
 - Memorial Donation
 - B. Membership – Jan Repnow-Lambda, Ragene Sovak-Nu
 - C. Leadership Development – Diana Schneider-Delta
 - Has Chapter officer training taken place?
 - D. Nominations –Wanda Mehlhoff-Phi, Esther Eustice-Xi, Faye Miller-Epsilon Mu
 - E. Rules - Kristi Berg-Gamma, Ann Braaten-Beta
 - F. Financial Review – Sue Weston-Gamma, Liz Vollmer-Lambda, Cindy Neuharth-Gamma
 - G. Music – Faye Miller-Epsilon Mu, Kathy Rooke-Delta
 - H. Educational Excellence – Brenda Seehafer- Lambda
 - I. Scholarship – Deb Zavada-Lambda, Mari Boor-Beta, Wanda Follman-Lambda
 - J. Communication/Publicity- Wanda Mehlhoff-Phi, Sherleen Lang-Phi
 - NoDak News - Judy Walter-Gamma
 - ND Website – Jen Wallender-Xi
 - K.Citation - Vicki Boehnke-Lambda, Sandy Starr-Nu
 - L. Golden Grants -
9. Reports from DKG International Conference in Portland, including US Forum and DKG Leadership Training in Atlanta (Zoom)- Lisa Olson, Brenda Seehafer, Norma Theis, LaVone Mongeon, Tami McNally
10. Unfinished Business
11. New Business
 - Strategic Plan
 - 2022 State Conference
 - Other



**North Dakota State
Treasurer's Report
August 2021**



Balance brought forward July 1, 2021:		\$8,433.80
Receipts:		
2021-2022 Dues Collected	829.00	
Initiate Fees	2.50	
HBN-scholarship money paid with dues	39.00	
HBN-birthday luncheon	100.00	
Donation from Apryl Davenport	1,000.00	
Total Receipts		<u>\$1,970.50</u>
Sub-Total		\$10,404.30
Disbursements:		
President expenses	-0-	
Total Disbursement		
Balance on Hand		\$10,404.30

Savings Accounts: As of June 30, 2021

General Savings Fund	\$5,062.31
Hazel B. Nielson:	\$4,012.65
Golden Grant:	\$2,630.86

Certificates of Deposit: As of June 30, 2021

North Dakota State (retain at \$15,000)	\$16,619.36
Hazel B.Nielsen (retain at \$15,000)	\$16,619.12
Golden Grant (retain at \$20,000)	\$22,158.58

**All GDs matured on 7/31/2021. Current rate for renewal will be 0.75%.
What do we want to do?**

2021 Membership:

Total Membership on International's Roster: 276
 Paid Members: 257
 Active (229)
 Reserve (23)
 Honorary (5)
 Unpaid Members: 19

Prepared by LaVone Mongeon
 North Dakota State Treasurer
 August 1, 2021

Longest Membership:
 Ann Latimer (Nu) 12/59
 Newest Membership:
 Linnett Schmidkunz (Delta) 7/21
 New Initiates for this fiscal year: 5

Hazel B. Nielson Scholarship

\$1,500



Who should apply?

Delta Kappa Gamma members who are pursuing graduate studies, an endorsement, or credential.

HOW DO YOU APPLY?

- Log on to the DKG state website @ northdakotadkg.weebly.com
- Click on Documents, Forms, & Links
- Click on Scholarship, Grant, and Citation Award, Documents & Forms
- Click on Hazel B. Nielson Scholarship Application

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DEADLINE IS FEBRUARY 1, 2022

Remembering our Sisters

2020-21

Yvonne Carlson (Delta)

Faye Bergley (Delta)

Twillia Peterson (Gamma)

Doris Slaaten (Gamma)

Lillian Wilson (Gamma)

Apryl Davenport (Gamma)

Phyllis Gordon (Gamma)

Deloris Hendrickson (Lambda)

Esther Gordon (Tau)

Chapter Communications

Growing DKG! ND Chapters

North Dakota Beta

North Dakota Delta

North Dakota Epsilon Mu

North Dakota Gamma

North Dakota Lambda

North Dakota Nu

North Dakota Pi

North Dakota Xi

North Dakota Phi

North Dakota Tau

North Dakota Zeta



PHI

Our Fall meetings for Phi Chapter included a tour at the Heritage Center in Bismarck, ND, and a warm and fuzzy October meeting where we tied fleece blankets. The six blankets were donated to the Bismarck Police Station to be used as needed. Our meal raised funds for our scholarship and projects in our own chapter.

Chapter Communications

NU

Joyce Alme performed with the Minot City Band this past summer. She is pictured playing the piccolo solo on "Stars & Stripes Forever" at the John Phillips Sousa concert. Joyce's husband Joe is the conductor of the Minot City band.



Joyce Alme performing the piccolo solo on Stars & Stripes Forever.

Nu chapter had their Annual Wine Social Gathering and recruitment of prospective new members, at the beautiful flowers gardens & home of Jeannie Sovak. Many Sisters enjoyed being together for the first time in many months.



Sisters: L to R: Nu sisters gathered together to meet possible new recruits. Judy Hall, Gloria Lokken, Joy Shirek, Lana Anderson, prospective new member, Laurel Weigelt, Laurie Verbitsky & Kathy Thiel.



Cheryl Nilsen, Nancy Pearson, Lynette Wold & Pam Hopkins enjoying the evening.



Holly Eidsness, Joyce & Dawn Freeman at the gathering.



Holly Eidsness, Maria Carpenter & prospective new member, Lisa Wolf.

Chapter Communications

LAMBDA

The Lambda chapter October meeting took us back in time—back in time to the days when pearls, pumps, and hats were essential accessories to attend the Lambda meetings. We invited former Lambda members and special friends of our chapter to join us. A delicate lunch of finger sandwiches and decorated cookies was served with flair. We remember our sisters who have gone before us and treasure those wonderful memories. May we all seek to follow their example—to be dedicated to our organization—"women teachers to the calling..."



Lambda November meeting showcased local Rugby Greenhouse florist, Gary Lee, demonstrating his talents arranging a fall centerpiece. The lucky winner was Vicki Boehnke.



*L to R Front: Jeannie Orke, Cindy Neubarth, Joline Black, Sharon Marquardt
L to R Back: Jan Repnow, Liz Vollmer, Vicki Boehnke, Brenda Seehafer, Carol Braaten, Wanda Follman, Deb Zavada*



Chapter Communications

BETA

Our first meeting was held on Saturday, Oct. 2 at Third Drop Coffee, 115 4th Street South, Moorhead at 9 a.m. At 9:45 we moved to the Historical and Cultural Society of Clay County at the Hjemkomst Center, 201 1st Avenue N, Moorhead, to tour the exhibition *Forced to Flee* at 10 a.m. This juried show featured art quilts designed to express the many reasons people from across the world flee situations. It was a beautiful and haunting show.

On Saturday, Nov. 6, we connect with Terry William., project manager of the Red River Diversion Project for the US Army Corps of Engineers – St. Paul District through Teams. She explained the extent and uniqueness of the Fargo-Moorhead Diversion Flood Control Project, a public-private partnership. Williams manages this enormous project, estimated in 2018 to cost \$2.8 billion and be completed by 2027. The project includes 30 miles of channel for floodwater to be carried around urban areas and 12 miles of southern embankment to prevent overland flooding into urban areas, along with three river control structures. Two aqueducts will direct the Sheyenne and Maple Rivers to flow over the floodway through their natural waterways. Nineteen highway bridges and four railroad bridges need be built. Floodwaters below 37 feet will flow through the natural Red River channel through Fargo-Moorhead. When floodwaters reach higher than 37 feet, the diversion will be activated. Flood waters will then back up behind the southern embankment for no more than 7 days during the Spring thaw. The flood diversion will not be activated at other times of the year. Williams is the daughter-in-law of Beta Chapter member Robyne Williams. More information about the Fargo-

Moorhead Flood Diversion can be found at <https://fmdiversion.gov>.

Beta member Dr. Donna Terbizan (Dr. T) will retire at the close of 2021. Donna is a full professor at NDSU and has taught exercise physiology since the 1980s. An open house and farewell reception will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 7, 2021, at the Memorial Union at NDSU. She has been a member of DKG since 2010.

On Sat., Feb. 5, 2022, Dr. Vimbayi Chinupfutkutwa will present “Student’s Role in Promoting Trauma Informed Practices in Schools,” which will be held through Zoom. Vimbayi completed her doctorate at NDSU and is now on faculty at College of St. Benedict and St. John’s University, St. Joseph, Minnesota. She has been a member of DKG since January of 2021.

DELTA

Delta Chapter met in July for a summer gathering at Beverly Patch-Larson’s. 14 members were in attendance.



ND State Officers 2021-2023

President: Lisa Olson (Gamma)

First Vice President: Brenda Seehafer (Lambda)

Second Vice President: Sherry Heaton (Delta)

Secretary: Tami McNally (Nu)

Treasurer: LaVone Mongeon (Nu)

Parliamentarian: Emily Schaefer (Gamma)

Immediate Past President: Ann Braaten (Beta)

NoDak News Editor: Judy Walter (Gamma)

Webmaster: Jennifer Wallender (Xi)

******NOTICE******

Send address and email changes IMMEDIATELY to your chapter treasurer and to DKG International. Log in to www.dkg.org to change your personal information.

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DKG International Website

Please refer to the website for answers to many questions you may have.

<http://www.dkg.org>

Reminder - Sign in instructions: Members: Please note that **SIGN IN** is still needed to access **"MEMBERS' ONLY"** information. The sign-in button is at the top right of this page.

USERNAME: Username is your 6 digit **Member ID**.

PASSWORD: MUST include 7 characters – including at least one letter and one number.

North Dakota website

<http://northdakotadkg.weebly.com>