



# INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS DELTA KAPPA GAMMA™

DKG - Ohio State Organization  
Delta Delta Chapter

## Letter from the Co-Presidents

### Dear Delta Delta Sisters,

September is here and the smell of fall fills the air. Yes, this past summer was bright and warm (*although a little wet*) and filled with fun, and there are those who will mourn the passing of those lazy summer months. But when the leaves begin to fall and the weather starts to turn cooler, there are just as many among us who remember that *we love fall most of all*.

Clearly, change is in the air, transitioning from the shades of summer green, to the deep yellows, oranges, reds and browns that fill the autumn landscape. This is the time to think about pumpkins and cornstalks, hot apple cider and cinnamon spice lattes, warm sweaters and woolly scarves. But more importantly, we begin to look forward to those family traditions that make Halloween, Thanksgiving and Christmas so special.

Fall is also a great time to get outside with family and friends. Gone is the high humidity and scorching summer sun. This is a great time to go hiking, to pick apples for delicious apple pies, to savor the taste of fall fruits and vegetables, to choose just the right pumpkin, to stroll the grounds of arts and crafts festivals or cuddle up with someone special on a hayride.

As the heat of the summer gives way to the cooler days of autumn, it's time to return the summer wardrobe to the closet and dig out those cozy sweaters and jackets. Swap flip flops and sandals for sturdy boots to rake the leaves, to take a leisurely walk through the woods to enjoy the colors of dancing leaves. Then when you return home, you can bundle up in a favorite blanket and pour a steaming cup of hot chocolate.

But whatever fall means to you, we hope you make the most of this inspiring season!

**Happy Fall,  
Y'all!**

Marianne Modarelli &  
Jane Snowberger



## Meetings

**September 29 ..... 5:00 PM**

DKG Chapter meeting  
@ Hubbard Library



**October 20 ..... 6:00 PM**

Tri-County Dinner  
@ A la Cart Catering - Canfield

**November 11 ..... 5:00 PM**

Christmas Project Workshop  
& Meeting (6:00 PM)  
@ Extending Grace Decor Shop - Hubbard



*I'm so glad I  
live in a world  
where there  
are Octobers.*

— Pinne of Green Gables

## 2020 - 2022 Chapter Officers

Co-president .....	Marianne Modarelli
Co-president .....	Jane Snowberger
First Vice President.....	Brenda Cepelcci
Second Vice President .....	Kathy Skarote
Recording Secretary .....	Julianne Carsone
Corresponding Secretary .....	Audrey Richards
Parliamentarian .....	Lorraine Paczak
Treasurer .....	Mary Ann Augustyn

If you have information about accomplishments, personal news, pictures, illnesses, births, promotions, or even some thoughts that you would like to share and include in our newsletter, please submit via email to either editor:

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Our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary luncheon this past June was one that members will remember for a long time to come; from the charming landscape surrounding *The Lake Club* to the picturesque windows that gave a magnificent view of the lake; from the elegant table-settings to our delicious 3 course meal.

Celebrating our fiftieth anniversary at the same location where Delta Delta was founded was indeed the perfect way to highlight the pomp and circumstance of our Chapter's history.

For a better overview of the day, here is Julianne Carsone's summary of our luncheon activities:

*Our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and Founders Day Luncheon was set at the picturesque Lake Club. We began with a beautiful invocation given by Marianne Modarelli followed by inspiring remarks from Jane Snowberger.*



*We had our official installation of officers for 2020-2022:*  
**Co-Presidents** – Marianne Modarelli and Jane Snowberger  
**First VP** – Brenda Ceplecci  
**Second VP** – Kathy Skarote  
**Treasurer** – Mary Ann Augustyn  
**Recording Secretary** – Julianne Carsone  
**Corresponding Secretary** – Audrey Richards  
**Parliamentarian** – Lorraine Paczak

*The Founders Day Program was given by Julianne Carsone and Kathy Skarote. They did the ABC's of Delta Kappa Gamma – that was written by Delta Tau Chapter and revised by Alpha Delta Chapter. In addition, Julianne also read a short story commemorating the 50 years of the Delta Delta Chapter.*



*Our Key Women Educator Award was given to Barb Carbone. Jane and Marianne had sisters submit pictures and stories about where we were 50 years ago. These memories were on display and enjoyed by all members. In addition, minutes and scrapbooks throughout Delta Delta's 50 years were also on display.*



*Our luncheon will always be special – not only because we celebrated our 50<sup>th</sup> year but because we were able to come together and enjoy great fellowship after a global pandemic, a year of zoom meetings and not being able to enjoy face-to-face fellowship.*

*We are so looking forward to the upcoming year!*

# It was a Celebration for the Memory Books!



## Birthdays

### September

Donna Simerlink - 2<sup>nd</sup>  
 Barb Dubos - 18<sup>th</sup>  
 Helene Jordan - 27<sup>th</sup>  
 Kathy Paulenich - 28<sup>th</sup>



### October

Kathy Skarote - 4<sup>th</sup>  
 Marilyn Hockensmith - 14<sup>th</sup>  
 Brenda Ceplecci - 15<sup>th</sup>  
 Lorraine Paczak - 15<sup>th</sup>



## Welcome Aboard

Delta Delta Chapter extends a warm welcome to new member, **Joan Payton**. Joan transferred from Alpha Omega Chapter but knows many of our members whom she worked with at the Hubbard Schools. We are happy to include her in our yearly activities.

Can you find Joan in the picture below?



Joan is in the third row from the front, 6<sup>th</sup> person from the left.

Autumn is a second spring  
 when every leaf is a flower.

— Albert Camus

### Mission Statement:

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



## New State Officers



### New Theme - New Service Project

Foster Care in our communities was the focus of service projects for the past four years, but with a new state president there is now a new theme and a new focus. Debby Canter, our new state president, has many passions. In the July issue of *The Voice*, she calls *passion a strong liking or desire for or devotion to some activity, object or concept*. So from this she has derived our new state theme for the 2021-2023 biennium . . .

### “Passion For Our Purposes”

In the July issue, she describes her passions, and from those multiple passions, chapters are able to choose one of the areas of interest for their own service project.

Our Executive Board met in August and selected -

### Dolly Parton's Imagination Library

as our service project which fits nicely in with First Lady Fran DeWine's efforts to bring books to young children in our state.



Details about our selected endeavor will be shared at our September meeting, but here is what it is in a nutshell. . .

Any child from birth to five years of age can be registered for the program to receive a new age-appropriate book once a month at no cost to the family. What we liked about this program is that it benefits kids and that we, as teachers, can see how it could “foster” a love for reading. We are in the process of examining how the program works in Trumbull County and exactly how our fundraising efforts would be used to benefit children.

Speaking of fundraising, we will also discuss ideas for raising money at our September 29<sup>th</sup> meeting, but for now, to hopefully pique your interest, let's just say it involves:

*a box, a pin and a basket*

*This mystery will be revealed on the 29<sup>th</sup>!*



## Personal Notes

**Marilyn Hockensmith** and her husband went on a family vacation with their son, daughter-in-law and granddaughter to Hawaii. They visited Oahu and Maui and had a great time.

**Hilda McKee** is excited to tell news about 2 family members. Her oldest granddaughter just started Kindergarten and absolutely loves it!

Her daughter has been accepted into an SLP (*Speech Language Pathology*) doctoral program.



**Note**

Please read through the minutes from our April and May meetings on pages 4 & 5 of this newsletter. We will discuss any changes and vote to accept them at our September meeting.

You will also be receiving a copy via email of the proposed 2021-2022 budget for you to look over. We will discuss the proposed budget, and vote on it at our September meeting.

## April 22, 2021 Meeting Minutes (zoom)

The meeting was called to order by Co-President Jane Snowberger at 7:03 pm. Today was the 51<sup>st</sup> Earth Day so Co-President Marianne Modarelli read a prayer for Earth Day. Julianne Carsone took attendance via Zoom – 16 members attended. The November 19, 2020, meeting minutes were approved as written.

### Correspondence

Audrey Richards read our correspondences: Thank you notes from Sharon Gill, Marilyn Hockensmith, Trumbull County Children Services for our donation, and from Nora Garay. At the meeting Nora also gave us information on the organization that her husband was instrumental in starting, *Arts, Athletics and Academics*. She said that the donation was greatly appreciated

### Treasurer's Report

Mary Ann Augustyn gave the treasurer's report, and it was accepted as submitted. Mary Ann reported that she talked with the YSU Foundation regarding the monies we send, and it was confirmed that they were used for scholarships.

With regard to the Budget ... questions were asked about the monies for Young Educator and Tri-County from our Service Project. It was recommended that these monies be added to the line items that are already budgeted. Members in attendance were all in agreement.

### Calendar – Next Meetings

**Thursday, May 20, 2021** – Delta Delta Annual Picnic – 5:00 pm at Harding Park – Kyle Pavilion

**Thursday, June 17, 2021** – Delta Delta 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Luncheon – 1:00 pm – The Lake Club

### Unfinished Business

◇ Service Project Disbursement ◇

#### • Fostering - \$180

Our discussion centered around helping children in Hubbard Schools with the \$180 we collected in the Fostering line item. Lorraine Paczak moved to give the Fostering monies to the school nurses at Hubbard Schools because they help children in need from grades K-12. Marianne Modarelli seconded the motion. The motion passed. Julianne Carsone will contact Luann Eger to find out how we disperse the monies to the school nurses.

#### • Scholarship - \$150

Sharon Gill moved to take \$25 and donate it to ADSOEF and carry over the remaining monies to the Scholarship Fund already existing in the budget. Helene Jordan seconded the motion. The motion passed.

#### • Teacher Appreciation - \$130

Mary Ann Augustyn moved for Jane Snowberger and Marianne Modarelli to purchase snacks not to exceed \$130. These snacks would be used to create treat baskets for teachers at each Hubbard School building during Teacher Appreciation Week. The baskets would also contain information about DKG. Lorraine Paczak seconded the motion. The motion passed.

#### • Young Educators - \$110 & Tri-County - \$110

Marilyn Hockensmith made a motion to have the monies from Young Educators and Tri-County be moved to respective line items already in the budget. Kathy Skarote seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Some discussion ensued regarding the Tri-County dinner attendance. Members at the Zoom Meeting are planning to attend the Tri-County Dinner in October.

### New Business

*1971 Story Project: What were you doing in June of 1971?* Members were asked to submit information to Jane Snowberger via email or bring their information and pictures to the May meeting. These would be used in a display for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Members need to submit their reservation and monies for the Anniversary luncheon to Mary Ann Augustyn by June 1<sup>st</sup>.

### Announcements

2021-2022 DKG dues of \$70 are due by June 15<sup>th</sup> to Mary Ann Augustyn. Monies for the Anniversary Luncheon and DKG dues can also be given to Mary Ann Augustyn at the May picnic.

### Adjournment

*Respectfully submitted,  
Julianne Carsone, Recording Secretary*

## May 20, 2021 Meeting Minutes (Chapter May Picnic Minutes)

### Guest Speaker

We began our meeting with a guest speaker. Michelle Schaffer talked about her experiences as a foster parent. Michelle and her husband have been fostering for 15 years and Marilyn Hockensmith was a great support for her. Michelle and her husband have fostered 32 children and have adopted 4 children. She is going to keep in touch with Mary Ann Augustyn regarding small volunteer services projects that we may be able to help with ... i.e. birthday cards – holiday gifts.

A big *Thank You* to Michelle and her entire family for all she does. Time was allotted for questions afterwards.

### Refreshments and Social Time

Thank you to our hostesses, Kim Pontuti and Mary Alice Rodgers for the delicious refreshments.

### Necrology Service for Bonnie Clemente

A beautiful and touching service for our sister, Bonnie – thank you Kathy Skarote for planning the service. Thank you to everyone who shared wonderful and beautiful stories about her.

### Business Meeting

- \* Meeting called to order at 6:53 pm
- \* Pledge of Allegiance – Jane Snowberger.
- \* Attendance role call by Julianne Carsone
- \* Welcomed Chris Daubenspeck to her first meeting.
- \* April Minutes – will be approved at the September meeting.

### Corresponding Secretary Report

Audrey Richards read *Thank You's* for donations from:

- DKG International Educators Foundation \$10
- American Lung Association \$15 – in memory of Katherine Vivolo
- YSU Foundation \$100
- Alpha Delta State Ohio Educational Foundation \$25;
- YWCA Women's with Bright Future \$25.
- Thank You from Hubbard High School for the Teacher Appreciation Baskets.
- Ann Morris and Beth Stiver also sent thank you email messages to Marianne Modarelli for the basket treats.

### Treasurer's Report

Mary Ann Augustyn reported the following: \$425.90 in disbursements, \$520.00 in deposits. Current balance as of 5/20/21 - \$1,356.28. The report was accepted as presented.

### Calendar

**June 17, 2021** – 1 pm – Lake Club – Founders Day and 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Luncheon.

*A big 'Thank You' goes to Mary Ann Augustyn for all the work she did in arranging this event with The Lake Club.*

### Unfinished Business

- \* **1971 Project** – Please email your 50 year memories to Jane Snowberger.
- \* **Young Educator Award** – need to work on this in September 2021 – given to a teacher who has 1-5 years of teaching experience – please be thinking of teachers who you would want to nominate. He/She does not need to be a Hubbard School District teacher.
- \* **Tri-County Dinner** – Zoom meeting in February with local Presidents went well – our chapter is a co-host for this dinner – we have only heard from 3 other chapters – trying to work numbers for the dinner.
- \* **Bylaws and Standing Rules** – State has revised some of the bylaws – local chapters need to align local bylaws with State bylaws – this needs to be completed by July 1, 2021.

### Announcements

We will not have a business meeting on June 17<sup>th</sup> – we are just going to celebrate.

### Adjournment

Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

*Respectfully submitted,  
Julianne Carsone, Recording Secretary*

### Young Educator's Award

A few weeks back, we sent an email asking members to nominate a deserving teacher you may know with five or less years teaching experience to receive our Young Educator's Award which is given every other year. We also included the form that is needed to make your nomination, so let us know if you need this form sent again.

***Nominations and your recommendation letters are due before or at our September meeting.***

### All in a Year's Time

We are still revising our Chapter Yearbook and hope to have the changes completed by the September meeting.