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# ALPHA ZETA

## NEWS

**MISSION STATEMENT: TO PROMOTE PROFESSIONAL AND PERSONAL GROWTH  
OF WOMEN EDUCATORS AND EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION**

Spring is finally here according to the calendar. Not so much, if you walk outside the past few mornings. Our next meeting of Alpha Zeta will be April 21<sup>st</sup> at Eagles Mere Country Club. We have a lot to accomplish at the meeting. Remember to bring your items for the ARCC. We will vote on the slate of officers for 2018-2020. We will also vote on the incoming Initiates. Maureen Downs will offer a Necrology for Mildred Frasier. Sue Schwab will discuss the success of the Girl Scout patch. Finally, we will induct the incoming officers. After all the society business is completed, we will enjoy a relaxing lunch.

Remember, to get your reservations in for the State Convention. Friday night is the Album of Distinction. Saturday is recognizing incoming and outgoing Chapter Presidents. Come see and congratulate Ruth Olson on being our new Chapter President.

I want to thank everyone for their help over the last two years. It has been an honor to serve as your President.

See Saturday, April 21st,

Shirley



## News and Notes

**Congratulations to Joyce Kerrick!!** - Joyce received the Anne VanNess Business Person of the Year Award at the Central Bradford County Chamber of Commerce Annual Dinner! The award was given for someone who goes above and beyond in supporting, promoting, and dedicating themselves to the Central Bradford County Area. Congratulations, Joyce!

**Congratulations to Marilyn Ayers!!** - Marilyn received the 2017 PASR Volunteer of the Year Award . Congratulations, Marilyn!

**Just a little reminder.....**we will be collecting products for the Abuse and Rape Crisis Center at the April 21st meeting. Please find a list below of products needed for the Center. Thank you in advance for your generous donations.

Paper Products

Diapers Size 4 and 5

Journals

Laundry Soap

Cleaning Products

Baby Wipes

Baby Wash/Shampoo

Liquid Soap

Hand Sanitizer

Gift cards for Groceries

Gift cards for Wal-Mart, K-Mart, etc.

There **will not** be a Book Sale at the upcoming April 21st meeting.

## Dates to Remember

**May 10, 2018 - Initiates Tea - St. John Lutheran Church, Sayre, Pa.**

**June 15 - 17, 2018 - Alpha Alpha State Convention, State College, Pa.**

**July 16 - 20, 2018- International Convention, Austin, Texas**

**September 13 , 2018- Alpha Zeta Meeting, Towanda Country Club, Towanda, PA.**

**October 5-7, 2018 - Purposeful Seminar - Valley Forge / King of Prussia, Pa.**

# Topics of proposed amendments

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| Article Number and Name                                      | Topics of proposed amendments   |
|--|---|
| Article I. Name and Emblem                                   | Society name and documentation of emblems, anthem, and jewelry  |
| Article III. Membership                                      | Additional classifications of membership, invitation and initiation, levels of membership   |
| Article IV. Finance  | Scholarship fee, Permanent Fund, and the timeline for payment of dues   |
| Article V. Organization                                      | Expansion, financial assistance to new and existing state organizations, forum membership   |
| Article VI. Officers   | Duties of the president and treasurer, election of officers   |
| Article VII. Boards  | Duties of the Administrative Board and voting by the Executive Board  |
| Article VIII. Committees                                     | Committee structure and simplification of responsibilities (esp., Expansion, Golden Gift Fund, Nominations, and Educational Excellence), appointment to international committees, pre-conference training for state organization leaders, and committee names |
| Article IX. Meetings   | Flexibility for chapter, state organization, and international meetings   |
| Article X. International Convention and Regional Conferences | Registration, sales, and training of state organization leaders   |
| Article XI. Headquarters                                     | Policy manuals  |
| Article XII. Publications                                    | Simplification of constitutional language   |
| Article XIII. Awards   | Announcement of awards  |
| Article XVI. Amendments                                      | Amendment schedule and notification procedures  |

## How will you celebrate our Founders?

May 11, 2018, marks the 89th year of DKG. Big changes, as noted in this issue, are forthcoming. As chapters celebrate Founders Day, will you take a forward look at our organization or simply reminisce about the past? Our Founders were pioneers, adventurers, rebels in the early 20th century and would be cheering us on to be the same in the 21st!

## New doctorates to be recognized

**D**KG congratulates and celebrates all members who have earned doctorates. Those who have completed their degrees between July 1, 2016 - June 30, 2018, will be recognized and honored at the 2018 International Convention.

To be recognized, members must submit the following documentation by April 30, 2018:

1. A copy of the dissertation inside cover page with the appropriate faculty signatures
2. A copy of the inside cover page with the name of the author, title of the dissertation, particular degree earned, and date it was conferred.

This information may be sent in any of the three following ways:

1. An electronic file source such as Proquest
2. An email attachment sent to [societyoper@dkg.org](mailto:societyoper@dkg.org)
3. Printed copies sent to The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, attn: Phyllis Hickey, PO Box 1589, Austin, TX 78767

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## Irish educators sought

Anyone with knowledge of key women educators in Ireland please send the name, email, position and location to Sigrun Klara Hannesdottir at [sigrunklarah@gmail.com](mailto:sigrunklarah@gmail.com) by April 1, 2018.



## C & P investigates alternative training

### Training

The Communications and Publicity Committee is evaluating various ways to personalize training for state organization webmasters and editors. For example, using Google Classroom allows in-person classes incorporating videos, slideshows, and handouts. Questions may be asked and ideas exchanged. Even when the class is over, the “classroom” is a valuable resource. Webinars will probably also play a large role in the training.

## Are you registered for the Convention yet?

You can take care of your room and the convention registration right online. (You must be logged in to your DKG account to access the following links.)  
[Book a room at the JW Mariott](#)  
[Convention Registration](#)

## Two breakouts offered by the Communications and Publicity Committee

### Breakout 1: *Editor and Webmaster Networking*

Editors and webmasters of all levels are invited to share ideas, resources, concerns, and successes! Meet and network with editors and webmasters throughout the Society. Go away energized with new ideas to try.

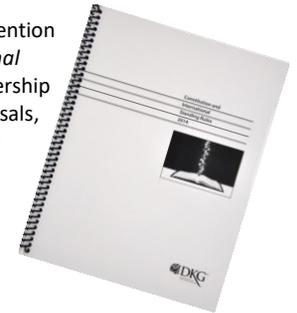
### Breakout 2: *Sharing Our DKG Pride: Stories from the Heart as a Marketing/Recruiting Tool*

What is your DKG story? How did you learn about DKG? Who inspired you? How can your story be used to promote DKG and attract potential members? Experience EZ-PZ approaches to sharing your story to market DKG and attract new members.

## Addressing Proposals to the *Constitution and Standing Rules*

One very important but time-consuming event at the international convention is voting on various proposals to change the *Constitution* and *International Standing Rules* (ISRs). This year the list is quite long. An informed membership will help facilitate this process. You are encouraged to read all the proposals, which are posted on the DKG website and will appear in the March/April issue of the *DKG NEWS*.

The Communication and Publicity Committee has five proposals for consideration. Two address the *Constitution* and three address the ISRs:



### Three of the five ask for striking a portion and not replacing it.

- **Constitution Proposal #69** deals with webmaster and editor training at Regionals. ***This amendment will specify that editors and webmasters not be offered training during pre-conference days.*** The proposal is based on low attendance at trainings, members often repeating in the positions, and many “subs” for training. Other training methods will replace the preconference training (see side panel) for more efficiency and effectiveness.
- **ISR Proposal #26** deals with the C&P Committee’s support for state organizations and chapters in effective communications. ***This amendment duplicates duties noted in Constitution Article VIII Section B. 1. No clear strategy exists for implementation of such a requirement at the chapter level.***
- **ISR Proposal #27** deals with appointment of a technology committee. ***This duplicates information in the Constitution, where Article VI Section C.1.a.(4) cites the appointment of standing and special committees (e.g., ad hoc, task force) as a duty of the international president.***

### Two C&P Committee proposals add clarification.

- **Constitution Proposal #45** deals with the purposes of the C&P Committee. ***In the interest of simplification, excessive specification of duties is removed to allow greater flexibility of implementation while expanding the concept of publicity to that of marketing.*** The proposed change of the committee name at the international level to **Communications and Marketing Committee** reflects the need for both internal and external marketing of the Society.
- **ISR Proposal #39** specifies the definitive version of the *Constitution*. ***This amendment clarifies availability of the most current document, eliminates printing costs, and provides greater accessibility to all members.*** The definitive version would be online.

## Work smarter, not harder, to understand & vote on proposals

The International Constitution Committee will employ two means to help members understand and deal with the 122 proposals to modify the governing documents:

1. Proposals will be grouped according to **themes** such as *Simplify, Membership, Identity/Names, Committees and Boards, Latitude, Nominations/Voting, and Regional Conferences/Training*. Background information, called “stories,” provide the big picture for each theme.
2. Some proposals will be part of a **consent agenda** that groups proposals for a single vote. Members may request that any item on the consent agenda be removed for individual consideration. Such grouping on a consent agenda will facilitate consideration of a number of proposals at one time—but also retain members’ rights to discuss any proposal separately.

