



May 5, 2020

Hello,

On Saturday, May 2, 2020 a zoom meeting was held with all PA State Officers and the Convention team. The decision to not plan for a face to face convention for 2020 was made. Thus, there will be no Plan B. So, the committee moved on to discussing Plan C which is to post everything on the PA website. Next year at the 2021 PA State Convention we will honor all the recipients from both 2020 and 2021.

By June 15, 2020 all officers and chairs will have sent their documents to me and Sue Allen to post on the PA website. Sue shared with me on Monday evening that all pages are created, and she is waiting for information to post. Once everything is ready, I will send another email to let everyone know to check out the website.

Things we will be posting include:

- Album of Distinction PPT
 - I did share the names in my last letter.
 - Royce Boyd will give you more information about each recipient.

- Google slides titled, Committee Presentations PA State Convention 2020
 - This was to run during the opening of First General Session so that members know who is on each committee and the responsibilities of each committee.

- Committee Reports
 - President's Report
 - EEC
 - Membership
 - Communications
 - Finance
 - Historical Records
 - Leadership
 - Nominations
 - State Achievement/Rosebud
 - Rules
 - Scholarship
 - Treasurer
 - World Fellowship
 - Creative Arts Retreat 2021

- Birthday Chapters Recognition
 - Royce Boyd will be sharing information about these birthday chapters.
 - 75 Years
 - Epsilon
 - Zeta
 - 65 Years
 - Alpha Theta
 - Alpha Iota
 - Alpha Kappa
 - Alpha Lambda
 - 45 Years
 - Beta Omicron

- Newsletters and Website Recognition
 - Linda Nickerson will be sharing this list with us.

- Rosebud Recipient
 - Dr. Bettie Bertram will be sharing this recipient with us.

- Celebration of Life
 - Dr. Marj Paradise will be sharing the names and chapters of these sisters.

- Scholarship and Enrichment Grants Recipients
 - I did share the list of names in my last letter.
 - Susan Martin will share more information about our Scholarship winner and the various enrichment grants for each recipient.

- President's message which will include information that our International Representative would have shared with us at Convention.

- Society Workshops
 - Each workshop will share their information via a word doc, PPT, Google slides etc. Even though we are not having convention, if you are a chapter member new to your role you will have some information and know who to contact when you have questions.
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- Newsletters
- Parliamentarians
- Recording & Corresponding Secretaries

Other news to share regarding State Convention include there is no Nancy Grove Visionary recipient this year as there were no applications received. Hopefully, next year we will have a recipient for this honor.

We had two PA sisters receive a Cornetet Individual Professional Development Award from International! Christy Hay, Alpha Delta plans to use her award to attend the Pennsylvania School Library Association Conference. Nancy Schnell, Chi planned to use her award to attend The Genius Hour Academy: An Inquiry Based Institute. Unfortunately, due to covid19 the institute was cancelled. Please join me in still celebrating Christy and Nancy and their desire to grow professionally!

The motion regarding the Keystonian to be electronically distributed to members will die. This motion may be proposed again next year and be a discussion point for the 2021 State Convention.

Many members have inquired how Margee Wolf is doing. In January, Barb Tobias learned from Margee's daughter that Margee was in Hospice. We have not heard any more about how Margee is doing. When we do have new information, I will definitely share it out.

Incoming Chapter presidents will have their training via Zoom. Dr. Lyn Schmid and the leadership committee are working on the details of this training. Thanks to all of the chapters that have sent Marcie Erickson their form with the contact information for new chapter officers and chairs.

The finance committee will be having a Zoom meeting on Saturday, May 9, 2020. Following this meeting a proposed budget will be shared with the executive board. Time will be allowed for discussions among chapter members and questions to be sent to the committee. The finance committee will respond to all questions. When this time has passed all changes and questions with responses regarding the budget will be sent to the executive board. The Finance Committee will share a final copy of the proposed budget for approval. The vote will be taken electronically with responses sent to the Finance Chair, Mary Wilhelm and State President, Eileen Little for tallying. The results of the vote will be shared with all PA members by State President, Eileen Little.

As we continue to do business and keep PA moving forward, I remind you to work with your chapter treasurers and pay your DKG dues. Greta Marie Taft and the Creative Arts Committee is looking ahead to the next Creative Arts Retreat on April 23 – 25, 2021 in Ludlow, PA. More information will be coming!

Mark your calendars now for PA State Convention 2021 which will be on June 11 – 13, 2021 at the Nittany Lion Inn in State College, PA. We will have lots to celebrate ladies!

The May/June issue of DKG News is available from International. I have attached it for your convenience. This issue contains information concerning International Convention in Philadelphia, PA which I know is on many of our minds. Also, Dolly Parton is our newest International Honorary Member! Check out the article and learn about Dolly Parton's Imagination Library. DKGSC and DKGEF have merged to create DKG International Educators Foundation another move for our society in our forward moving ever mission.

During these difficult and uncertain times, I continued to be supported by a great administrative team! Together we will share all the great news about our PA sisters and chapters. I look forward to our Zoom Leadership Training for our Incoming Chapter Presidents. I look forward to the Fall, chapter visits and a new normal. Stay strong and positive sisters we will get through this together!

Take Care & Stay Healthy,
Eileen
DKG PA State President 2019 – 2021

