

WORLD FELLOWSHIP WORKSHOP

DKG Impacts Education Worldwide by Granting World Fellowships

Included in the Delta Kappa Gamma Society Mission and Purposes is granting World Fellowships in accordance with the *Constitution* and *International Standing Rules* when sufficient funds are available. Contributions and bequests determine the number of World Fellowship awards given each year. World Fellowship students work toward a master's degree or Ph.D. at approved universities in either the United States or Canada.

In early November the list of World Fellowship recipients and their schools are made available on the International website. This information cannot be released until International confirms that the recipient is attending classes at the designated university. The DKG World Fellowship committee encourages members to maintain contact with recipients studying in their states. Specific addresses cannot be published for confidentiality reasons, but addresses will be sent to the state world fellowship chairwoman. After obtaining permission from the recipient, the chairwoman will contact Chapter World Fellowship Chairwomen or Chapter Presidents with the personal contact information.

Bonding with our State Recipient

Bonding with Trang Phan, a 2020 World Fellowship Extension recipient, was further strengthened during lunch February 2020 at the Penn Stater Hotel and Conference Center. Trang has been pursuing Phase Two of her Dissertation, "Educational Leadership Program", by returning to Vietnam March through May to conduct face-to-face or on-line interviews with contacts determined during Phase One Survey. Applicable information will pertain to higher education in Vietnam with portions presented in English and portions in Vietnamese. Her PSU Committee has agreed that Trang's progress is "Satisfactory Plus". As far as we know, Trang has not returned to the United States and we have not been able

to communicate with her. Doris Goerlitz, Phi Chapter

World Fellowship Connections

Serving as my chapter's World Fellowship chairwoman has always been a pleasure. Through the years, I have attempted to correspond with any recipients from the Baltic region of Europe because I am of Finnish descent. Several years ago, one of the recipients was an Estonian named Liiri Oja who was studying in Washington, D. C. I requested her contact information from the PA World Fellowship chair and began corresponding with her. Our connection was the sharing of the surname Oja which is my maiden name.

We corresponded for several years and, as most people do, invited each other to visit. As a recipient of an Enrichment Grant, I visited Finland with my family 3 years ago. Plans were made to visit Liiri on our one day in Tallinn, Estonia but family obligations in another country squelched those arrangements. Liiri was nice enough to send a detailed itinerary to guide us through our walking tour of Tallinn including where to have lunch.

I was looking forward to meeting Zhanar, but unfortunately because of the Covid-19 pandemic, that is not happening. My chapter members and I sent several greeting and gift cards to try to make her time "sheltering in place" more bearable. Lois Stoner, Alpha Beta Chapter

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President Eneen has been emailing with Zhanar during this COVID time and learned she cannot go home this summer. So Zhanar decided to take summer courses at Lehigh and continue working on her Master's in Special Education. She had to move so she has a new address.

If your chapter has a unique bond or way of supporting our state recipients or questions, please email me: Colosimo6@yahoo.com

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