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Classical Academy, Casper, WY



Who doesn't love diamonds? Well, as the diamonds of Wyoming, here is your chance to spend the day with your fellow Alpha Xi diamonds. We will work to **polish** our skills as members, leaders, mentors, and women educators. Nothing better than a bright, shiny diamond!

Alpha Xi has planned a full day for all Delta Kappa Gamma members. This day will include time for:

International Society Representative - learning how International supports chapter and state organizations each and every day

Workshop Breakout Sessions - training in ways to lead and sustain our chapters

Business - observing first-hand how business is conducted at the state level with a short business session

Personal and Professional Development - choosing areas in which you want to grow

Eating and Fellowship - getting to know others from throughout our state.

Registration details are included inside this edition of the Roundup. Full descriptions of the breakout workshop sessions are also included.

Don't forget - a cash incentive will be paid to chapters depending on the number of attendees from that chapter.

Nita Scott Returns to Wyoming



Nita Scott

Membership Services Administrator

Wyomingites are excited to have Nita Scott return to our state as our international representative. A cowgirl at heart Nita provides insight on how to make chapters effective and how to keep members. See **SCOTT**, 7

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WYOMING DKG DIAMONDS 75 Years and Beyond: Advancing Key Women Educators for Life

*Becky Tish
2015—2017
Alpha Xi State President*



I hope that you enjoyed sparkling holidays with family and friends, and that 2016 will be a dazzling year for you! My year is going very well, and I am happy to share that I am finished with chemotherapy, my hair is growing back (a lot whiter and curlier than I had expected), and I feel great!! Thanks for all of your prayers and kind words of support. It has meant the world to me! You diamonds are a girl's best friend!!

According to the groundhog, we are in for an early spring. I don't know about that, but I do know that this is the time of year to be mining for some new diamonds to lead your chapter. Being a chapter officer can be very fulfilling and fun!! I hope that **you** will seriously consider giving to your chapter in this very special way. I know you will do a great job!!

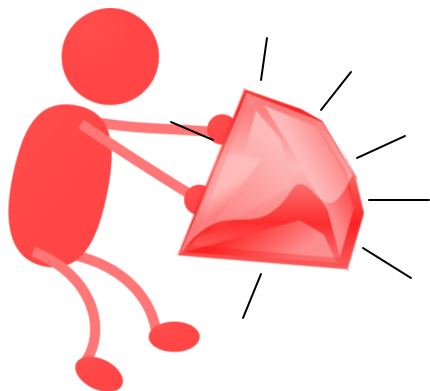
There is a misconception that being a chapter officer is difficult, time-consuming and thankless. Many people are afraid that they are not up to the challenge of leading. I am here to tell you that you were nominated for DKG because you are a natural leader. There is nothing to be afraid of, and your chapter, state and International DKG are there to support you. You don't have to know everything there is to know about leading. You will grow into the job as you experience it, and that is part of the fun. Honing your leadership skills as a chapter officer is very empowering, and can help you in all aspects of your life.

I am just beginning to "get the hang" of being state president. I have already made more mistakes than I wanted to, but I have learned a tremendous amount about myself and others as I have served in this position. I remember feeling just this way when I served my chapter as an officer. Admittedly, it was a large learning curve at first, but I am thankful that I took on the challenge and had the fulfilling experience of leading my chapter members. I am also thankful that it was a two-year term so that I could do a better job the second year. I could feel myself getting stronger and more confident every month that I served. That will happen for you, too.

Still a little hesitant? Come to the Leadership Training in Casper, April 29 and 30. There will be a variety of exciting and educational workshops to attend, a magnificent group of your fellow "key women educators" from around the state with whom to share and talk and learn, and even a special guest from the International office who is truly a gem. It is going to be a wonderful weekend and I hope that you will be a part of it, whether or not you are going to serve as an officer in the upcoming biennium.

We would love to have you and your fellow members join us! And to further encourage you, we will offer your chapter a cash incentive to send some members to the Leadership Training; \$75.00 for three or more members, \$50.00 for two members, or \$25.00 for one member. Fill up a car and come to Casper on April 29 and 30. You will be glad you did!!

And please seriously consider being a leader for your chapter in the upcoming biennium. Feel a little like a diamond in the rough? You will be a beautiful polished leader by the time you are finished with your two-year term!



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Saturday, April 30, 2016

8:00 AM—4:00 PM

Frontier Middle School and Casper Classical Academy, Casper, WY

Join Us!

Chapter Cash Incentive

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*Carrie Manders
First Vice President*



PICK YOUR PASSION!

Educational Excellence is a focus of all local, state and international chapters of Delta Kappa Gamma. Sadly, we see new teachers, as well as master teachers, leaving the profession at a fast rate. The following information are results from national survey teacher attrition and mobility (found at www.dkg.org)

Of the teachers who began teaching in public schools in 2007 or 2008, about 10 percent were not teaching in 2008–09, and 12 percent were not teaching in 2009–10 .

Among beginning public school teachers who were assigned a mentor in 2007–08, about 8 percent were not teaching in 2008–09 and 10 percent were not teaching in 2009–10. In contrast, among the beginning public school teachers who were not assigned a mentor in 2007–08, about 16 percent were not teaching in 2008–09 and 23 percent were not teaching in 2009–10.

Approximately 93 percent of beginning public school teachers who were earning less than \$40,000 in 2008–09 remained teachers in 2009–10, and about 96 percent of beginning public school teachers who were earning \$40,000 or more in 2008–09 remained teachers in 2009–10.

Of the beginning public school teachers, about 74 percent were teaching in the same school in 2009–10 as in the previous school year (stayers), about 10 percent were teaching in a different school in 2009–10 than the previous school year (movers), about 3 percent had returned to teaching in 2009–10 after a year of not teaching (returners), and about 12 percent were not teaching in 2009–10.

Approximately 21 percent of 2008–09 movers and 27 percent of 2009–10 movers moved across schools because their contract was not renewed. About 31 percent of 2008–09 leavers and 35 percent of 2009–10 leavers left the teaching profession because their contract was not renewed.

These results show how important it is that we, DKG chapters, find ways to support and mentor new teachers. Our programs are a huge way we can support these teachers. They can provide professional development, opportunities for PTSB credit, and provide mentorships they may not be receiving in our schools. It is important to survey your chapter to find out their needs, then choose quality programs to meet those needs. High interest, quality program ideas can be found at www.dkg.org.



*Dr. Michelle Aldrich
Second Vice President*

Appreciate Your DKG Members

How do your members like to be shown that they are appreciated? Are you familiar with the 5 Love Languages by Dr. Gary Chapman? Dr. Chapman believes that each of us experiences and gives love differently. The 5 love languages are gifts, quality time, words of affirmation, acts of service and physical touch. You probably know people who love to give and receive gifts, or maybe someone who treasures time with family and friends and draws energy from those interactions. Maybe you feel loved and appreciated when people compliment you or send you cards and letters. For others it may be having someone offer to help them around the house or with a project. Others are huggers. In order to show your appreciation for your members it helps to know their love language or how they like to be recognized.

Several years ago I presented a workshop in Portland at a NW Regional conference on membership appreciation. Membership appreciation doesn't have to cost money. Maybe you introduce a member in your monthly newsletter, note member birthdays at meetings or in your newsletter, designate a parking space for your member of the

month, or send notes and cards liberally. Pinterest has a ton of ideas on how to show members they are appreciated.

During the month of February our Chapter has a membership appreciation dinner and we celebrate our newest members that were initiated in December as well as our continuing members. This dinner helps us to kick off our Annual Used Book Sale and gather for a time of fun as we participate in a white elephant gift exchange of things we received for Christmas that we would like to re-gift! Many of our members report this as one of their favorite meetings.

Research shows that keeping members is more cost effective and efficient than recruiting new members. We know that we must be recruiting new members because members retire, move, life happens and for a myriad of reasons they leave. Imagine if you were able to recruit new members and maintain all of your current members. How you show appreciation for your members isn't as important as just doing it!

**CHECK
it OUT** 

www.dkg.org

New Look
New Features
Member Only Areas
Easier Access to Information,
Events, Supplies, Forms,
Applications, Resources,
Chapter and State Organization
Websites

Take a tour of the website by
clicking the Welcome sign
on the Home Page.



*Shirley Tranas
Treasurer*

Treasurer Talk

As you in the southern part of the state are receiving lots of snow, those of us in the Big Horn Basin are enjoying a mild winter with high 40 degree and low 50-degree temperatures.

I would like to start with thanking all the chapter treasurers for turning in their dues before January so I could go to warm Hawaii the first part of January. I had a great time and caught up on some much needed rest.

I would like to invite you to our Leadership Training. If you are not going to be treasurer for the next biennium please come and bring the new treasurer with you. The plans for treasurers are to teach you how to build a budget for next year and discuss the end of year forms that need to be sent in. The schedule will allow presidents to attend the treasurer session as well because they are on the finance committee and need to understand how to help you. At the meeting we will also be looking at different wording in the Alpha Xi By-laws that affect treasurers.

The web site dkg.org has a whole new look. It is very easy to find what you are looking for. They have power points you can use for your meetings. I presented "Your Dues Go A Long Way!" at one of my chapter's meeting. It was very informative and we had some good discussion.



Pre-Order *Let Your Light Shine, Volume V* Now

By Sharon Cole, *Let Your Light Shine* Chair

Pre-Orders for the current volume of *Let Your Light Shine* are now being accepted. Use the order form found here.

We will start sending this book to you after April 30 if you have mailed us one of the order forms. Please contact any teachers that you may know that are included in this book to get the word out to them also.

For those who will be at the April Leadership meeting in Casper, you can pick up books there, but please bring money for those for whom you are purchasing books.

Name _____

Address _____

Number of books wanted _____

Price/Volume: \$15.00 (includes postage)

Make checks payable to Alpha Xi State

Send order form and money to:

Sharon Cole, 2303 Dryfork Drive, Gillette, WY 82718

Phone #307.421.3409

Apply for the Alpha Xi Scholarship

Alpha Xi State Scholarship

Due April 1, 2016 (no late applications will be accepted)

The Alpha Xi State Scholarship for graduate and postgraduate work is awarded to active members who have been in Alpha Xi State, Delta Kappa Gamma for at least two years. One scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.00 will be announced at the Alpha Xi State Leadership Workshop, April 30, in Casper.

Alpha Xi State Regulations:

1. The Alpha Xi State Scholarship is available to active members in good standing in a chapter of Alpha Xi State of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International for at least two (2) years. Preference will be given to members who have shown leadership in Delta Kappa Gamma.
2. An applicant must be accepted for graduate work in an approved institution of higher learning. If postgraduate studies have been pursued, the applicant must be in good standing.
3. An applicant must plan to use the scholarship for pursuing graduate work or seeking an advanced degree.
4. An applicant must be currently employed in educational work or be planning to return to employment in the field of education upon completion of graduate studies.
5. Previously unsuccessful applicants may apply again, but recipients are ineligible for future scholarships.

If you have question and/or to receive further directions and application forms please contact:

Helen Stalker

Alpha Xi State Scholarship Chair

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Polishing our Wyoming DKG Diamonds

By Yvonne Gatley, Leadership Development Chair

Choice, choices, choices! What a diamond studded lineup we have for you when you attend Polishing our Wyoming DKG Diamonds on Saturday, April 30. At each breakout you will have a choice from two different workshops. Each workshop has been planned to offer pertinent information for members and officers alike.

Breakout Sessions

Workshop Session #1 Choices

Leaders are Your Chapter's Hope Diamonds

Presented by Becky Tish, Alpha Xi President; Carrie Manders, Alpha Xi First Vice President; and Dr. Michelle Aldrich, Alpha Xi Second Vice President

What does it take to be a chapter president, membership chair or EEC chair? It is easier and more rewarding than you may think. Find out how you can be effective, efficient and energetic without being overwhelmed. You have got this!!!

Jumpstart Your Toolbox with Google Apps

Presented by Jan Segerstrom, Alpha Xi Secretary

This session is for anyone who has little or no experience with Google Apps and would like to learn how to navigate Google Drive as well as explore basics of Google's featured application suite—Docs/Drawing, Slides, Sheets, Forms, and My Channel. By the end of this session, you'll better understand the relationship of Google Apps and Microsoft/Apple products so that you can "Google Talk."

Contact Jan Segerstrom if you don't have access to a personal or school Google Drive account:
jsegerstrom@tcsd.org
(307-699-7760)

Workshop Session #2 Choices

From Today into Tomorrow: Advancing DKG

Presented by Nita Scott, Membership Services Administrator, The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

This session will be a facilitated discussion of membership issues, concerns and strategies for growing chapters and engaging members.

Collaborative Google Tools

Presented by Jan Segerstrom, Alpha Xi Secretary

This session is for slightly "seasoned" Google Drive and Apps users with focus on Google's unique applications that support collaborative learning environments. Participants will learn ways in which to share interactive documents between colleagues and students as well as access Google's Add-ons and Extensions that enhance shared documents. Bring your iPad/iPhone to learn how to quickly transfer iPad photos/videos to your Google Drive and personal YouTube Channel for unlimited storage if you're part of a GAFE school district. Contact Jan Segerstrom if you have questions about session content:
jsegerstrom@tcsd.org

Workshop Session #3 Choices

Treasurers Can Count on their Diamonds

Presented by Shirley Tranas, Alpha Xi Treasurer, and Joann Baumhover and Ann Hardesty, Alpha Xi Past Treasurers

Treasurers are priceless gems who ensure that dues and other funds are properly collected and distributed. Designed for treasurers and presidents, this session will address the annual end of year form and the creation of budgets. Time will also be available to ask and answer questions pertinent to issues faced by treasurers.

Member Appreciation Doesn't Have to be as Costly as Diamonds!

Presented by Dr. Michelle Aldrich, Alpha Xi Second Vice President

This workshop will give you a variety of ways to appreciate your members that won't empty your wallets! This workshop will present ideas, allow the sharing of best practices and you'll leave with a make and take item to share with your chapter executive board!

Workshop Session #4 Choices

Power for Positive Change

Presented by Nita Scott, Membership Services Administrator, The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International

Calling all chapter presidents, treasurers and membership chairs! In this session we will talk about data, the dropped member survey results, and strategies that could be used to

overcome obstacles to chapter growth. We will also include a review of a “plug and play” webinar to use in your chapters.

Notice & Note: Refining Reading Skills

Presented by Jackie O’Briant, Casper Classical Academy Language Arts Teacher

This session will provide an overview of the Signposts that readers can use to “Stop and Take Notice” of what’s happening in their reading both for fiction and nonfiction. It will present the work of Kylene Beers and Bob Probst with some practical examples of how their strategies have been used in the presenter’s 8th grade classroom.

Tentative Agenda



8:00	Breakfast and Fellowship
8:30 - 9:30	Opening and Business Meeting
9:30 - 9:40	Break
9:40 - 10:30	Workshop session #1
10:30 - 10:40	Break
10:40 - 11:30	Workshop session #2
11:30 - 1:00	Lunch and Keynote
1:10 - 2:00	Workshop session #3
2:00 - 2:10	Break
2:10 - 3:00	Workshop session #4
3:00 - 3:45	General Session
	Snacks
4:00	Adjournment

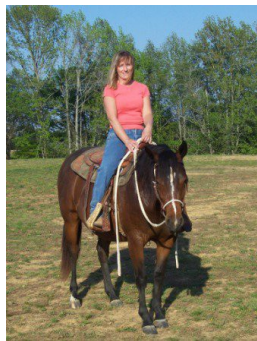
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Nita R. Scott joined Society Headquarters in August of 2011. Nita, an experienced educator, taught secondary mathematics and business in Tennessee and Arkansas before moving to Texas to accept the position of membership services administrator. Initiated in 2005, she has served her Tennessee chapter as president and as the strategic action committee chair. At the state organization level in Tennessee, she was a member of the membership committee and served as financial advisor to the convention steering committee. During her membership, she has conducted workshops at state organization, regional and international conventions. As a member in Texas, she is currently serving on the state organization leadership seminar committee.

With a Bachelor of Business Administration (marketing and management) and a Master of Science

in Education with a concentration in Educational Leadership, Nita uses data as a tool to enable Society leadership in marketing the Society and building membership. She serves as liaison for the International Membership, Expansion, Golden Gift Fund, Educators Award and Educational Excellence Committees. Nita and husband, James, live in the countryside outside of Austin with five horses, four dogs, a cat and a small herd of cattle.

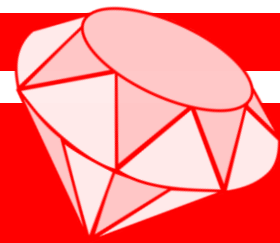
Nita Scott will speak at the luncheon on "Diamonds that Shine: Polishing our Leaders to Advance DKG" She will speak about developing leaders, utilizing leadership and also bring updates from the Society and recognize Wyoming leaders. We welcome Nita Scott with open arms to Wyoming!



Hotel rooms have been reserved in the Delta Kappa Gamma block at the Holiday Inn Express, 4250 Legion Lane, Casper, 82609 for \$89 each. Rooms must be reserved no later than April 15, 2016 to get this great rate. Please call the hotel directly at 307-237-4200 or the reservation line at 1.800.HOLIDAY to reserve your room today!

The Executive Committee no host dinner and meeting is Friday, April 29, 2016, at 6:30 pm at Fire Rock Restaurant, 6100 E. 2nd St, Casper. All are welcomed to attend.

Nita rides her mare, Miss Sailing Smart...aka "Punkin" whom she raised from a baby. Punkin is nine and pregnant with her first baby after short show career and is due to foal this summer.



Diamond Mines Chapters Report From Around the State

♦ **Rho Chapter**—During the Christmas holidays eight members of Rho Chapter and two guests attended a luncheon at the Willow Fence Tea Room in Cody. The February meeting's program in Greybull was presented by Shirley Tranas on The Power of Members' Dues. Incoming chapter officers for the next biennium at this meeting were announced at this meeting.

Coleen Lewis, Reporter

♦ **Alpha Chapter**—"To Delta Kappa Gamma, Faith we pledge forever! Hand in hand our loyal band, Forward moving ever." (DKG song lyrics)

The members of Alpha Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma in Cheyenne set out to move forward and fulfill their pledge by attending monthly gatherings that sometimes took the form of meetings, community service, or opportunities to bond and share.

This past September, our chapter met with the other affiliates for a potluck dinner at Cheyenne's newest elementary school, Prairie Wind. The building is ultra modern, beautiful and provided us with the perfect backdrop to begin the 2015-2016 season for DKG.

The completion of October's project needed the weather to cooperate and provide us with a crisp, autumn afternoon. We needn't have worried. The wind and snow gods kept their distance permitting us to lend a helping hand to the Cheyenne Botanical Gardens. There were six to eight members who helped shred, pull, and recycle plants and flowers that had reached the end of their life cycle. Tyler Mason, a

horticulturist, at the gardens, was most appreciative.

With the Christmas season quickly approaching, our members met at Linda Dugan's lovely and spacious home. We stuffed stockings with toiletries for men and women and small toys for children. The stockings were then delivered to the Comea Shelter. The evening culminated with a delicious soup and salad bar enjoyed by all.

Our best singing voices were put to the test in December. Pointe Frontier residents were treated to an hour's worth of Christmas carols and were invited to sing along. Becky Tish, our DKG state president, played the piano that added that extra polish to a stellar performance, well, in our own minds we perceived that to be the reality. The night ended at Chelsea Colbert's attractive home where we enjoyed treats and an ornament exchange.

Zen mode prevailed at our January meeting/activity session. We had yoga instructor, Natalie Vernon, lead us through some basic stretches and poses. The Unitarian Church graciously opened its doors and made their multi-purpose room and meeting room available to us.

The remainder of our schedule for the coming months will include a "Ladies Night Out" dinner, the filling of Friday Food Bags for less fortunate students in LCSD#1, a wellness presentation, and the Founders Day Dinner. It has been a productive and entertaining season thus far and many thanks must be given to our members and executive board.

Ermalinda Hernandez, Reporter

♦ **Chi Chapter**—During the Holidays Chi Chapter hosted an annual fundraiser in support of its Global Awareness Projects. This year's theme was Fire and Ice. Members each brought a hand-made or specialty item to auction for this annual fundraiser. Forty-two members attended the party and collectively raised \$641 to donate monies for two girls to attend school through the program, Women's Empowerment, sponsored by Heifer International Foundation.

At our February "Love-a-Book" winter meeting over 80 books were donated by the Chapter's members. Each book was labeled "Donated



with Love" and delivered by members to our meeting's guest speaker, Laura West, Executive Director of the Teton Literacy Center. She informed the Chapter about programs and opportunities the Center offers our community. Presently, one in five of our students in Teton County have participated in their programming. There was an exchange of ideas between members and the executive director.

Upcoming Events:

March Meeting: Anne Ashley, owner of Valley Bookstore will return to highlight a wide variety

of books. Members will have the chance to purchase books to take on Spring Break!

Highlights from the Arthritis

Foundation: members representing Wyoming will participate in a run for the cure in May in Denver, CO.

Habitat for Humanity: opportunity to volunteer and help rebuild our local ReStore that burned down (sells used furniture, appliances and other household needs)

Local Project: our Chi Chapter service sign will be hung with other service organizations on the kiosk at the north entrance of Jackson.

Senior Girl Education Scholarship: a \$500 scholarship will be offered this year for a local female high school senior considering a career in education.

Lori Clark-Erickson, Maryann Crawford, Alivia Bingham, Reporters

♦ **Phi Chapter**—The monthly Phi Chapter teams have provided fun and educational programs this winter. December we initiated four new members and celebrated with an “up” lifting gift exchange and yummy treats. In January members visited STARBASE in Cheyenne. We moved from room to room as the STARBASE staff told us about the activities and learning that they are able to provide to Laramie County School District #1 fifth grade students. We looked at scientific experiments and their application of mathematics, computers and programming to create three dimensional items, and how students learn to use & build robots and rockets. In February we celebrated “Love a Member” where we were entertained by the South High Color Guard and participated in some fun activities that chased away the winter blues.

Helen Stalker, Reporter



Alpha Xi State Welcomes New and Returning Members

Theta

Diana M. Enzi
Jeri J. Jespersen-Gibson
Shirley Gregson

Upsilon

Denice Y. Davenport
Jeri W. Griego
Jaynie M. Smith

Phi

Corinna M. LaHiff
Cara E. Ogirima

Lambda

Janet Hutchinson

Kappa

Sheila Jeremiah
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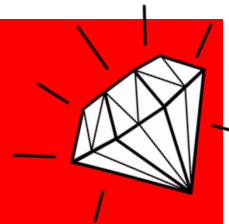
Epsilon

Lucille Martin

Rho

Delores Cottonware

Sparkling Diamonds



Ilene Henley and Selena Fabricius, Rho Chapter, attended the Math/Science Teachers Conference in Casper in Oct. presenting a 75-minute session on the 8 standards of mathematical practice, and concluding their term serving as co-presidents of the Wyoming Council of Teachers of Mathematics.

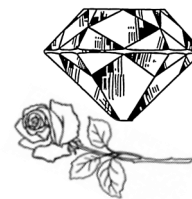
Pauline Lanoy, Alpha Delta Chapter, attended the dedication of the Lanoy Education Building in March at the East Central University in Ada, Oklahoma. Pauline was inducted into the ECU Educator’s Hall of Fame in 2009.

A note from Pauline... Many thanks to my sisters of Alpha Xi State for condolences, 90th birthday greetings and Christmas cards. I will always hold a special place in my heart for each of you

Pauline Nanoy

Precious Diamonds

Theta Chapter
Clara Finley
Alpha Chapter
Liz Byrd



She has left a part of herself with those she loved, with her colleagues and with all of us.” DKG Ceremonies Book

2016 DKG International Convention in Nashville is Just for You!

Start making plans now to attend the International Convention in Nashville, TN, July 5–9, 2016.

This is a once-in-a-biennium opportunity designed to help you find fulfillment in your busy life. The convention will offer community and connection, information and inspiration, motivation and momentum. When you and your chapter are equipped with the right tools, the right plan and the right attitude, there is nothing that you cannot achieve. That's what the 2016 International Convention is all about.

Enjoy Nashville with tours of Music City and experience the wonder of the Opryland Hotel.

Information and registration forms can be found at dkg.org and in the *DKG News*.



DKG Educational Foundation Hosts Nashville Event at the Wildhorse

By Cathy P. Daugherty 2014-2016 International First Vice President

Dust off your western wear and boots as you pack for Nashville this summer! The DKG Educational Foundation (DKGEF) will sponsor **Call Me Country** at the world-famous **Wildhorse Saloon** during the 2016 DKG International Convention. All DKG members and their guests are urged to purchase tickets when registering for the convention, either online (www.dkg.org) or using the registration form found in the Jan./Feb. issue of the *DKG News*.



Plan to spend Thursday evening, July 7th in the **Wildhorse Saloon** located in the heart of Nashville's entertainment district. This three-level historic warehouse has been converted into a 66,000 sq. ft. country music dance hall, restaurant, concert hall, and TV production site. Horse sculptures and murals dominate the décor with many positioned for optimal "selfie" opportunities! The extensive "all-you-can-eat" buffet on levels two and three features award-winning BBQ selections and numerous side dishes.

The first floor features space for performances by a live band and a DJ, as well as line dance instruction for those wanting to kick up their heels. Besides dining seating, the

second and third floors include cash bars and a variety of entertainment venues ranging from billiards to shuffle board to big screen TVs. Use your visit to the **Wildhorse** as an opportunity to wander in and out of all the famous clubs and shops located in the area – with a ride home to the Opryland Hotel provided at your convenience.

- Your ticket (\$165) includes: transportation (buses will run every 20 minutes between the Wildhorse Saloon and the Opryland Hotel)
- access to all levels and activities
- entertainment -- DJ, live band, line dance instruction, dance floor
- dinner buffet

The International Communications and Publicity Committee invites every member to be a part of the DKG social network. To facilitate this, members need to sign in on the DKG website at dkg.org using their member ID number as the username. The committee encourages every chapter to help members complete this simple process at a chapter meeting through an initiative called the **Profile Premiere Challenge**.

Here are the steps: Bring a device (laptop, smartphone) that will access the Internet. Each member needs her membership number (found on membership card). To ensure all numbers are readily available, ask the treasurer to bring her list with the membership numbers. Go to <http://www.dkg.org> and to the **Sign in button** at the top of the page (on the new website). User name is the membership number, and the initial password has been given to chapter and state organization presidents (Call Society Headquarters: 512 478-5748, if needed). Create a **Member Profile**. One can enter her birth date with the year, but only the month and day will show to others.

This profile will allow one to do many things such as change her contact information, register for events such as regional conferences and international conventions, order from the DKG Store, and join different communities to discuss educational issues with DKG members from across the globe.

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If you are an officer or committee chairperson, please complete the following:

Name of new chapter office or committee you will be chairperson of for the 2016–2018 biennium

Name of state office or committee you are chairperson of for the 2015 – 2017 biennium

_____ I also plan to attend the Executive Committee dinner and meeting on Friday, April 29, 2016, at 6:30 pm at Fire Rock Restaurant, 6100 E. 2nd St. All are welcomed to attend.

Special Dietary Needs for Lunch on Saturday, April 30 (Breakfast will be on your own, but small continental breakfast items will be provided at the meeting)

_____ Vegetarian _____ Allergic to _____

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Questions? Email State President Becky Tish at beckytish@yahoo.com or call 307-637-4626.

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