DKG promotes professional & personal growth of women educators and excellence in education

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Theta Keynotes

President Message



I, You, We

At the beginning of this growing season, let us consider that concept for ourselves. Am I growing in my profession, interests, hobbies, studies, relationships, or other ways of life? How can I encourage YOU to grow in these ways? Can WE grow as a group in DKG? In April we have returning and new members. Hooray! Let us rise up and look around us to bring in new members who will continue to grow DKG and in DKG. If not I, You, and We, then who?

See you soon or on zoom! Beth



Pay your Society dues by the end of May, but why wait! Please mail your check as soon as possible to chapter treasurer or bring to the April meeting.

Christine Carroll 3355 Carroll Road Enville TN 38332

\$85 active membership \$36 reserve membership

Legislative Update

HB7020/SB7009 - This is the appropriations bill.

This bill funds the acts described above, as well as the teacher raise money provided during this session. The teacher raise money is described as being both the state and local match for a 2% increase in the instructional salary component for teachers retroactive to January 1 through the end of the fiscal year in June.

The total is \$42 million, with \$30 million being the state portion and \$12 million as the local match. As we know well, running the money through the BEP does not guarantee it makes it to teachers, but the legislature "strongly encourages" LEAs to pass it through to teachers. The administration was also adamant that all salary monies get into educator paychecks. The other appropriations amounts were described above.

Next Meeting—in person or zoom Monday, April 12th

- **❖ Time**: 5:00PM refreshments 5:15 meeting
- ❖ Place: Malesus United Methodist Church 480 Old Malesus Road Jackson, TN 38301
- ❖ Program: Founders Day Presentation Speaker: Jennifer Lusk, Xi State Executive Secretary
- Induction of new members
- ❖ **Project:** Bring 12 items for creating treat bags for Theta educators
- Thought: Bethany Brown
- ❖ Hostesses: Christine Carroll, <u>Jo Price</u>, and Dee Dee Rives

Zoom information will be available soon.

Members News



Theta meeting for March was in small groups for adventure time fellowship. Group "D" enjoyed the atmosphere and food at Ada's County Store. Group "K" went to a Apaca Farm in Jacks Creek area. They had an educational tour of the farm



and then shopped for items made by the owners. Afterwards lunch at Fiesta in Henderson. The severe weather postponed group "G" activity that was to be at the Bemis Museum follow by lunch. Theta members enjoys this type of activity since we learn more about each sister.

Mark Your Calendar

Saturday, May 1st - Planning Meeting All members will participate in the planning for the 2021-2022-chapter activities, programs, service projects and calendar dates.

Time: 9:30 refreshments. 9:45 - 11:00 AM meeting

Place: Malesus United Methodist Church 480 Old Malesus Road Jackson, TN 38301



Makes plans to attend TN State
Organization convention June 4-5, 2021, at
the Grand Hyatt Nashville Registration forms
are available on the home page of our state
website www.tndkg.org.

July 21-24, 2021 International Conference, TX

Future Events

DKG Zoom Olympics

Presenter: Amber Roberts, Alpha Epsilon Saturday, April 3, 2021 at 9 AM Central Members will play games that demonstrate some of Zoom's functions to increase meeting engagement and interaction. DKG Zoom Olympics Registration

Link: https://ortn.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZc qfumsqTkrHdS5apjbT6YnhegKJnxGo5t9

How to Instagram

Presenter: Abbi Hill, Pi
Monday, April 5, 2021 at 6 PM Central
Why learn about the social media
platform *Instagram? Instagram* is the "second
most widely used social media platform in the
United States focus on the basics
of *Instagram* allowing attendees to learn how to
connect with other educators including our
younger potential DKG members.

How to Instagram Registration

Link: https://forms.gle/gjjh2okgaMLJdD8F6

<u>Watercolors Techniques for Absolute</u> <u>Beginners</u>

Presenter: Shirl Hawes Tuesday, April 13, 2021 at 7 PM

Learn several watercolor techniques used in basic watercolor art. Use these techniques to create a miniature work of art suitable for a card. *Beginners* Registration

Link: https://forms.gle/Yb8e51QbgHdDeWJX8 Supply list on state website or contact Beth Naylor or Dee Dee Rives.