



Nu's Notes



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A Note from the President

Thoughts from Connie

Here we are at a time for change again. One of endings and beginnings. Our lawns are finally moving from brown to green and trees are no longer leafless---and some are blossoming quite beautifully! The end of the school year is nearing and our DKG meetings are winding down. At our DKG state convention, DKG State President Dr. Debra LeBlanc prepared to step down and Beverly Johns and her team of leadership were installed for the next state

biennium, while our state society transforms, in name only, from Lambda State to International Society for Key Women Educators Illinois State Organization. Be sure to see the information in this newsletter about the State Rules amendments and the notes about new dues deadlines.

As we all catch our breath and energize over the summer, we also regroup and plan for time ahead. Hold your DKG sisters in your hearts and minds.

The keynote speaker at the convention was Dr. Steven Layne, author, teacher, international speaker, humorist and motivator extraordinaire. If you ever have a chance to hear him speak, don't miss it! He framed his presentation around his balcony people—people who we each have in our lives who have been our mentors, cheerleaders, who have altered our lives and helped us become all that we are. Remember that you, my sisters, have been and will continue to be the epitome of balcony people!

Membership Committee



Recommendations for membership may be submitted at any time to the Membership Committee or an officer.

Need a Ride???



If you would like to attend a meeting and would like a ride but don't know who to call, please contact any of the officers (telephone or email), let your phone tree caller or an officer know, and/or reply in your email response.

Please Respond



A reminder to return calls/voice messages, text messages, and/or emails whether or not you'll be attending a meeting.



Have You Been Thinking?

Delta Kappa Gamma has the opportunity each year to help young ladies in their teacher education. Please share names of those you think may qualify.



Fall Programs

Mark your calendar now for our September and October meetings. On September 19 Dr. Sharon Kherat, Superintendent of the Peoria Public Schools, returns to our chapter to update us on what's new in the Peoria schools. Dr. Kherat has been with us before and always presents an interesting and informative discussion. Please bring donations of school supplies to help start the children of Common Place off to a good school year.

On October 2 we will meet at the Pettengill-Morrison House for a tour of the house led by the Peoria Historical Society. There will be no donations at this meeting because we will be asked to pay a small fee for the tour.

Nu's Dues News



It's official - dues for 2019-2020 are due on June 30. Our Finance committee has budgeted for dues to be \$96 once again. There is money in the account raised from selling Bergner's coupon books to offer a dues relief of \$20. Please send your check to Cathy Curtis, 5004 N. Sheridan, 61614 as soon as possible.

If paying dues twice in 8 months is awkward for your budget, please don't hesitate to talk to Cathy (████████████████████). Together we can work out a payment schedule that is good for you.

Apply for a Stipend!



Did you know that any member may apply for a Lambda State Foundation stipend? These applications do not have to be initiated by the Chapter. Stipends are awarded to individual members for individual projects.

These projects can be inside the classroom or somewhere in the community (such as Common Place) and can involve the individual member, not necessarily the chapter.

Look under Foundation on the Lambda State Website, and you'll see a listing of stipends awarded. Applications for the Foundation stipend are due November 1.

A complete listing of all Scholarships, Stipends and Grants is found on our chapter website (nuchapterdkg.weebly.com site). Guidelines and application available on Lambda State website.

Condolences

- to **Cynthia Baldwin** and family on the death of her mother on April 7, 2019.
- to **Kathy Johnson** and family on the loss of her brother-in-law.



2018-2019 Yearbook Updates

Chris Berto

pp. 3-5 State officers and chairs will change effective July 1, 2019. New information should be available in July and included in the President's mailing soon after.

p. 9 *Jean Gray

p. 49 **Kathy Johnson** and husband Robert "Bob" will be moving this early this summer to Buehler Retirement Home, 3415 N. Sheridan Rd., Apt. 283, Peoria, IL 61604-1430. Kathy's cell phone number is correct in the yearbook. Should her home number change, we shall let you know.

p.51 & 47 **White, Sandra** just moved to a duplex in Snyder Village, 416 Flag St., Metamora, IL 61648-8368
Home phone (DKG calls) [REDACTED]

p. 58 **2020** April 24-26 Illinois State Organization Convention, Marriott Airport St. Louis, St. Louis, MO

Need a New Membership Card?

Did you know that you can print your own membership card? You can even print one with your picture on it if you have uploaded a picture to your profile. Just go to MyDKG>My Account and look for the "Membership Card" selection on the banner of your dashboard and follow the directions. Remember that International will only be printing cards for new members as they join and will no longer be printing membership cards each year for the entire chapter.

Source: *President's Page* Nov/Dec 2018
Volume 18-2 International Website

If you know of someone who needs our attention, please let one of the officers know.

Peoria Women's Civic Federation Meetings

As a member of the Peoria Civic Federation, our Chapter members can (and do) attend their meetings. The exact title of any meeting is published in the Journal Star in the week before the event. Here is their schedule:

9:30 a.m., *St. Paul's Lutheran Church,*
1427 W. Lake, Peoria

4th Wednesday of the month

September-Women's Issues; October-Fine Arts; January-Health/Social Issues; February-Education; March-Civic History; April-Environment

3rd Wednesday of the month

November-Local Government; December-Religion

Directory Information for 2019-2020

During May and June, I shall be verifying your directory information and next of kin. Should a change occur after I have checked with you, please let me know so that the contact information in the 2020-21 Yearbook and on file with International is correct.

Thanks!
Chris Berto

School Supplies

We will be collecting school supplies in the late summer/early fall. Please watch for sales. If you need items picked up, please contact an officer.

Common Place Donations As of February 26, 2019

- 10 notebooks
- 5 spiral notebooks
- 20 pens
- 60 colored pencils
- 21 pencils
- 49 erasers
- 18 pens
- 6 tubs disinfectant wipes
- Incentive gift
- 20 zip lock bags
- 1 box Kleenex
- 1 computer with monitor
- 4 Wooden puzzles – alphabet
- 7 Felt tip markers
- 17 Scissors
- Hole punches
- Wooden numbers - place value
- 2 Floor puzzles
- 50 Place value blocks and tiles
- Paint set (palette and brush)
- Stapler
- 8 Rulers
- 300 Colored pencils
- 40 Pencils
- 2 Writing tableaus
- 1 Spiral notebook
- 1 Composition book
- 20 National Geographic magazines
- 2 Large boxes of worksheets
- Book on Working with Pentaminoes
- Set of plastic Pentaminoes
- 14 plastic pencil/pen boxes
- set of wooden "two letter sounds" cards
- 24 packs flash cards
- Flags of countries
- Letters of alphabet puzzles
- US puzzle
- 7 clip boards
- Fractions 1/11 - 1/20 plastic in box
- 2 boxes wooden cylinders

Celebrating 40 years of the Women In The Arts

Creative Arts Retreat

**“Somewhere
Over the
Rainbow in Ruby
Slippers”**



Calling all DKG

Sisters, whether you are an artist or not, to join us in celebrating 40 years of the Arts at the Creative Arts Retreat.

**Summer Retreat Date:
June 28-30, 2019**

New Central Location: Allerton Park in Monticello, Illinois

Side by Side

Everyone is a Welcome!



(See Yearbook page 31)

The Women in the Arts Committee is promoting a Side by Side program of crafting, sharing, and socializing. This time has been set aside to be together enjoying our hand crafts and each other. Projects will include teaching each other to knit, crochet, cross-stitch, etc. Bring your own project, craft, and food. If you don't have a craft that interests you now, come and socialize.

Crafting, knitting, sharing, and caring

- Thursday, May 16, 2019, 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., location to be determined



MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Thursday, September 19, 2019

Location: Peoria Public Schools
Administration Building (DLC #2).
3202 N. Wisconsin Avenue

Registration: 4:45 p.m.

Meeting: 5:30 p.m.

Program: 5:00 p.m.: *Updates on Peoria Public Schools, Dr. Sharon D. Kherat, Superintendent*

Donations: School supplies for Common Place (See yearbook page 31)

Wednesday, October 2, 2019

Location: Pettengill-Morrison House
1212 W. Moss Avenue

Registration: 4:00 p.m.

Program: 4:15 p.m. *"Morrison" More of Peoria's Past, Pettengill-Morrison House Tour* by the Peoria Historical Society

Meeting: 5:00 p.m.

If you would prefer to receive an electronic version of Nu's Notes, please email Dorothy Dean at ddean@icc.edu to be included in an electronic distribution list.

If you would like to post news in an upcoming issue of Nu's Notes, send your information to Dorothy Dean ddean@icc.edu or [REDACTED]

Past Meeting Minutes

NU Chapter (#13) General Membership Meeting, March 13, 2019

**To Be Approved at the May 4, 2019
General Business Meeting**

Program Eleven Nu Chapter members attended Big Read/Peoria Reads Book discussion of *Can't We Talk about Something More Pleasant?* by Roz Chast. Roberta Koscielski, Peoria Public Library Deputy Director and Nu Chapter member, led the discussion. The program began at 5:00 P.M. at Peoria Public Library North Branch.

Call to order President Connie Voss called the meeting to order at 6:25 P.M. The *Collect for Teachers* was recited. A quorum was present with eight members present for the meeting.

Recording Secretary Minutes from the December 1, 2018 meeting were approved as printed. The February meeting was cancelled due to weather.

Treasurer's Report The treasurer's report to be filed for financial review was as follows: Checking Account Balance as of December 1, 2018 \$131.77; Income \$345.50 (\$18.00 Malawi Well fund, \$10.00 Brunch, \$40.00 from the savings account, \$37.50 Arts Partners-Sculpture Walk cards, \$240.00 Riverfront Museum-Sculpture Walk cards); Disbursements \$174.44 (\$69.97 M.J. Sterling-Sculpture Walk card printing, \$26.55 Julie Frank-Sculpture Walk card printing, \$13.17 Dorothy Dean December *Nu's Notes*, \$15.00 M.J. Sterling-Stamps and envelopes, \$49.75 Mary Taylor-Stamps for altruistic); Checking Account Balance as of March 13, 2019 \$302.83; CEFCU Savings \$6.59, CEFCU Money Market account \$7,597.96; Total Balance March 13, 2019 \$7,907.38.

Communications and Publicity March *Nu's Notes* were distributed and those remaining will be mailed to members. Yearbook updates

were listed in *Nu's Notes*. Julie Frank and Camille Ratcliff attended the February meeting of Women's Civic Federation and shared content presented by a Peoria Public Schools representative speaking about some new innovative initiatives that include dual credits for Juniors and Seniors with ICC and home-based learning. *Nu's Notes* deadline is April 26, 2019.

Rules Proposed amendments to Nu Chapter Rules bringing them into compliance with International and State governing documents will be voted upon at the May meeting. An overview appeared in March *Nu's Notes*.

Educational Excellence The May 4th meeting at Corn Stock Lab Theater in Upper Bradley Park features "It Plays in Peoria, 100th Anniversary of Community Theater in Peoria" by Laura Johnson. State ambassador Sue Dion will attend. Finance will present the

proposed chapter budget for 2019-2020, including dues. International and state dues totaling \$64 are due by June 30. Chapter dues may also be paid at the time or may be paid over the next two months should paying the full amount be a hardship.

Professional Advancement and Outreach Information about the June 28-30 Creative Arts Retreat can be found in *Nu's Notes*. Side By Side is scheduled for April 4 at Kathy Johnson's home. Side By Side participants donated forty-two knitted red hats for February newborns at local hospitals.

Adjournment The meeting adjourned at 6:50 P.M.

Julie Frank, Secretary
Connie Voss, President

Members voted at the 2018 International Convention to amend the Constitution and International Standing Rules. Members voted at the 2019 State Convention to amend Illinois State Organization Bylaws and Standing Rules. A number of the approved amendments affect Nu Chapter Rules. The following amendments to be voted upon at the May 4, 2019 meeting would bring Nu Chapter Rules into compliance with Illinois State Organization and International governing documents.

Date 5-4-19 * denotes how amended rule would read

* Lambda State to read **Illinois State Organization** in: ▪ I. A.; II. A.; III. I. M. N; IV. D. 1; ▪ IV. D. 2. a) (3) (19); b) (11) (12); c) (6) (7); d) (9); e) (10) (a) (iv) (b) (ii) (iii) (11) (12); f) (4) (11) (12);. h) (3) (4) (10) (11) (15) (16) (17); i) (8) (9); j) (4) (6); **XI. A. 2.**

* Initiation to read **induction** in: **IV. D. 2. b) (13) (d) (e); e) (10) (b) (ii); V. A. 5.;** * Initiates to read in: **Inductees X. D.**

III. Finances

Strike A., B., C.: *Compliance with Constitution, state Bylaws & Standing Rules, & recommended chapter procedure*

~~A. Chapter dues and assessments shall be proposed by the Finance Committee and approved by the chapter at the September meeting.~~

~~B. All dues and assessments shall be paid to the chapter Treasurer by October 31. State and International dues, fees, and contributions shall be forwarded to the state Treasurer according to state guidelines.~~

~~C. The Finance Committee shall develop and approve a budget. The budget shall be presented for chapter approval at the September meeting.~~

Substitute: A., B., C

A. *The Finance Committee shall develop a budget and present the proposed budget and proposed dues and assessments at the May meeting for chapter approval.

B. * Annual chapter dues shall be thirty-two dollars (\$32.00) for active and reserve members and zero dollars (\$0.00) for collegiate members Chapter dues and assessments shall be paid

to the chapter treasurer by June 30 unless other arrangements have been made. New members who pay dues after January 1 and before April 1 shall pay one-half the chapter dues. New members who pay dues after April 1 shall pay the full annual chapter dues of thirty-two dollars (\$32.00).

C. *International and state dues and fees shall be paid by June 30 to the chapter treasurer who shall send them to International and the state treasurer by September 30. Budgeted contributions to state and International funds will be sent per guidelines.

IV. Officers and Committees D. Duties 2. Additional Duties

b) The First Vice-President shall:

(13) (b) Insert: , collegiate , Strike: or & Insert: and *Rationale: Compliance with Constitution*

***(13) (b) distribute new member recommendation forms; evaluate recommendations for active, collegiate, or and honorary membership (clear candidates with Coordinating Council) and submit the names of qualified candidates for vote by ballot (majority vote required) in March and other months as needed.**

d) The Recording Secretary shall:

(4) Insert: **record in minutes the names of members terminated, including the reason and date of termination;** *Rationale: Compliance with Constitution*

***(4) record/maintain in an organized manner accurate minutes for all chapter and Executive Board meetings including the joint Coordinating Council meeting and December function; record in minutes the names of members terminated, including the reason and date of termination; minutes are to be signed by the Recording Secretary and President.**

e) The Corresponding Secretary shall:

Strike: **Publicity** & Insert: **Marketing** *Rationale: Expand scope of the committee to encompass marketing*

***(1) chair the Communications and ~~Publicity~~ Marketing Committee (Society Business).**

***(10) coordinate with the Communications and ~~Publicity~~ Marketing Committee consisting of:**

***(11) complete by required deadlines all reports/studies/surveys as requested by Illinois State Organization and International (or assign the reports/studies/surveys to appropriate Communications and ~~Publicity~~ Marketing Committee members).**

f) The Treasurer shall:

Strike in (1): and distribute membership cards *Rationale: Membership cards no longer sent to Treasurer; members may print their own*

***(1) collect member dues and ~~distribute membership cards~~, and, if necessary, consult with the Membership Chair who will notify members regarding payment of dues and termination of membership.**

Strike: (2) send initiate cards and fees to the state Treasurer promptly following initiation. *Rationale: Current procedure*

Substitute: *(2) send new member form, induction fee, dues, and fees to state Treasurer and International per instructions.

Add a new (3) *Rationale: Compliance with Constitution*

***(3) maintain an accurate and current membership roster**

Re-number (3)-(13) to (4)-(14)

V. Meetings

Add: a new C. *Rationale: Compliance with Constitution* Reletter C.-F. to D.-G.

***C. All members being notified, chapter meetings may be face-to-face, through electronic communications, or through a combination of the two, as long as members present may simultaneously hear one another and participate during the meeting.**

Add to F.: **Ratification of all voting by mail (postal or electronic) must be made at the next face-to-face meeting of the chapter.** *Rationale: Compliance with Constitution*

*F. Matters requiring immediate action may be voted upon by mail, phone, or electronic transmission. The President is responsible for conducting the vote. **Ratification of all voting by mail (postal or electronic) must be made at the next face-to-face meeting of the chapter.**

VI. Executive Board

*A. 5. Corresponding Secretary – Communications and ~~Publicity~~ **Marketing**

Add to D.: **Ratification of all voting by mail (postal or electronic) must be made at the next face-to-face meeting of the Executive Board.** *Rationale: Compliance with Constitution*

*D. Matters requiring immediate action may be voted upon by mail, electronic transmission, or phone. The President shall designate the person responsible for conducting the vote. **Ratification of all voting by mail (postal or electronic) must be made at the next face-to-face meeting of the Executive Board.**

Strike: in E. The chapter Executive Board may meet through electronic communication as long as all the members may simultaneously hear one another and participate during the meeting. Substitute: **All members being notified, Executive Board meetings may be face-to-face, through electronic communications, or through a combination of the two, as long as members present may simultaneously hear one another and participate during the meeting.** *Rationale: Compliance with Constitution*

*E. Executive Board meetings shall be held prior to Nu Chapter meetings (time and place to be set by the President). ~~The chapter Executive Board may meet through electronic communication as long as all the members may simultaneously hear one another and participate during the meeting.~~ **All members being notified, Executive Board meetings may be face-to-face, through electronic communications, or through a combination of the two, as long as members present may simultaneously hear one another and participate during the meeting.**

IX. Member Responsibilities

Strike: 31; Insert 1 *Rationale: Compliance with Constitution*

*C. An active and reserve member's financial obligations include: 1. payment of dues and fees; membership is terminated for non-payment of dues and fees by October ~~31~~ **1**, resignation or death; a former member shall be reinstated with no reinstatement fee or vote by the chapter receiving the request.

Chapter Rules Committee: Christine Berto (Chair), Camille Ratcliff, Mary Sutton, Connie Voss (ex-officio)