

Founders Day 2019

Happy Birthday DKG! Ninety years ago, on May 11, 1929, Dr. Annie Webb Blanton along with the other founding members of DKG, met at the University Faculty Women's Club on the campus of the University of Texas, in Austin, to form what is now the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. Today, with over 65,000 members across 17 countries and encompassing 78 state organizations, we the members of DKG have much to recall, to consider, and to contemplate regarding our society. In my most recent article in the DKG News, I offered my birthday wish on this auspicious occasion. My wish is that we all face reality and act upon it to move DKG toward a productive future that we can share together on our 100th birthday, in just ten short years. We must grow in purpose, realize and share the worth of DKG with more key women educators around the world, and foster a contagious enthusiasm that elicits energy and motivates service to our communities and globally. And, we must develop succession plans at all three levels that prepare and promise leaders. We'll eclipse the work begun by our founders. I know that is a huge wish, one that we can realize. Why? Because we are indeed leading women educators impacting education worldwide. Celebrate our 90 years now and keep that 100th birthday in mind and the birthday wishes made today with our future in mind. Happy Birthday DKG!

~International President Cathy Daughtery's birthday message





Celebrating 90 years!

Our numbers were small, but we had a great time at the May 4th chapter meeting. Arolue Flemmen, from Gamma Alpha, and Tonia Lindsey, Media Specialist at Callaway Elementary School joined us as special guests. We began the morning with a tour of the exhibit by artists with disabilities at Arts Clayton, in Jonesboro. The Fig Tree Cafe, where we planned to have our chapter meeting, had mechanical issues and was not available. We were fortunate that the ladies at Taste of Thailand had room for us and were very accommodating. Diane Soroko, the Clayton County Director of Nothing But the Truth, thanked us for our continued support and presented an update on their work in the community. We voted to donate school supplies for their July block party, where

children can "shop" for the upcoming school year. Sonia Davis, the Director of the Clayton County Public Schools Homeless Department, informed us of her efforts to support families in Clayton County and how we can assist. We enjoyed a 90th birthday cake and lunch, in that order!





Nominating Committee

Bonnie needs volunteers for the nominating

April, and be installed in May of 2020.

committee. If you would like assist, please contact her at 404-935-1193. We will need to elect officers in February, so they can attend leadership training in

Donation for Children

Thank you to everyone who donated food for children served by Nothing But the Truth!





Planning Meeting

Our planning meeting for the 2019-2020 year will be on Friday, May 31 at 2:00 pm. We will convene at Monterrey Mexican Restaurant at 6590 Tara Boulevard, in Jonesboro. The restaurant is located at the corner of Tara Boulevard and Mt. Zion Road, in a plaza near Red Lobster. Please RSVP by <u>e-mail</u>, on our chapter <u>website</u>, or on our planning <u>document</u>. This will allow us to reserve enough seating for our group. Bring your ideas for programs, fundraising, projects, and service. Also, bring a donation of school supplies for Nothing But the Truth. If you can't attend, please send your ideas and/or supplies to any officer prior to the meeting.

Mission Statement

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

Member News

Cindy and her husband Randall have been traveling through our national parks in the West. They've enjoyed the Grand Canyon, Grand Teton National Park, Coulter Bay, Arches National Park, and Winslow, Arizona.





Last weekend **Maureen's** family celebrated her daughter Jenny's birthday. Her eldest son Edmund and his family are moving to England for three years, so the whole Keillor family will spend a weekend together in Tennessee before they leave.



Anita attended the WHOlanta Convention, the annual Doctor Who and British media and culture convention in Atlanta, held during the first weekend of May. She is dressed as Mary Tamm who played Romana on Doctor Who. Anita started making the purple outfit ten years ago, before meeting Mary, but didn't quite get it done before the 2009 convention. She finished it this year to remind people of Mary, who passed away in 2012. The white outfit is also one Mary wore. Her friend Jen is wearing TARDIS (Time and Relative Dimension in Space) pajamas.



May the Force Be With You!

Celebrating on May 4th (Star Wars Day) are Vice Admiral Holdo (Anita) and Princess Leia (Moxie Magnuss).





Congratulations!

Elaine's son, George Kilgore, was recognized as Richland County Deputy of the Quarter.







Thank You

Thank you, ladies of Alpha Iota, for sending us to the State Convention! The Georgia State Organization Convention held in Jekyll Island was a well-planned, fun, and informative event. The food and accommodations were fabulous. Debra won a door prize at the meet and greet on Friday night. Saturday morning we approved changes to the bylaws and standing rules. Alpha Iota was honored with the Rosebud Award for increased membership and an Exemplary Communication Award for our website and newsletters. Cheryl was inducted into office as the GSO recording secretary and was recognized with a Leading Women Educator Award. One of the founding members of Alpha Iota, Agnes Fisher Beers, was recognized at the Remembrance Ceremony on Sunday morning.

Important 2019 Dates

May 21 Pen Pal Reveal Parties
8/15 - 9/15 Submission dates for the Fine Arts Gallery
June 27 - 29 SE Regional Conference, Asheville, NC
September 7 Chapter Meeting
November 2 Chapter Meeting

