

# Kappa Kapers

**Kappa Chapter of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International**  
**Blue Ridge Coordinating Council**  
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## President's Message

**March 2015**  
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What a wonderful turnout for our rescheduled February meeting at Rowe's. We had good fellowship, food and a wonderful program entitled *DKG Can Save Lives*. Thank you Susan Doughty and Lynne Carson for your presentation.

Kappa Chapter would like to welcome a transfer from Beta Xi, Mary Etta Cornett. We are excited to have you as a member of Kappa!

Please join us for the March 17<sup>th</sup> meeting as we enjoy a performance from Riverheads Elementary 5<sup>th</sup> Graders who are members of the Augusta County Honors Choir. Emily Glenn is the music teacher at RES. We also will be holding Grant-in-Aid Generosity Night and a "Make It Take It" for IOTA State Convention (more info in this newsletter).

Update on "Push for Pennies" project in

support of Schools for Africa. Team A-C has collected \$15.22; Team D-M has collected \$29.25; and Team N-W collected \$31.61. The total is \$72.08. March 17<sup>th</sup> is the last time we will collect money for this. We are trying to surpass last year's total of \$92.

See you March 17<sup>th</sup>!

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### Survey Says.....

On page 5 there is a survey to gather information to help plan future meetings. We want to make meetings meaningful and fun so please take a moment to respond. You can indicate your 1st, 2nd and 3rd choice for each question. Please print and mail it to

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OR email completed form to  
[braemhor@verizon.net](mailto:braemhor@verizon.net)



## Upcoming Meeting

### Grant-in-Aid Generosity Night and Program

Tuesday, March 17, 2015  
6:00 social time; 6:30 meeting  
Wilson Middle School  
232 Hornet Rd., Fishersville

Program: "Spotlight on Music in  
Our Schools" – Emily Glenn,  
Riverheads Elementary School  
Honors Choir

AND

IOTA State Convention  
Preparations

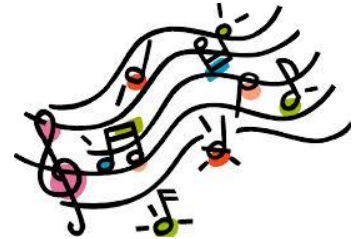


Rather than holding an auction to raise funds for our Downs-Ryerson Grant-in Aid project, we are asking that each member make a contribution to that fund. Checks can be brought to the meeting or if you are unable to attend, you may mail a check to Sandy Proctor, 206 Hudson Ave, Staunton, VA 24401. Our Spotlight on Schools will feature 5<sup>th</sup> Graders from Riverheads Elementary School who are members of the Augusta County Honors Choir. Emily Glenn is the music teacher at RES.

Come dressed to work as we will be making favors, decorations, and wrist corsages to use at Convention in April. **Please bring scissors and glue sticks with you.** Susan and Anne will have everything else you need to help with all these projects.

## Convention Announcement:

The KAPPA Choir is in business, but would welcome more voices. Currently Ronda Reames, Emily Glenn, Susan Doughty, Lynne Carson, Bea Morris, Dee Hoy and Mary Etta Cornett (our newest transfer member) have signed on. We will be singing at the State Convention on Sunday morning, April 26, 2015 for the CELEBRATION OF LIFE Service. Contact Susan or Ronda if you would like to join your voice with ours.



### March

Margaret Stables - 2

Cyndy Ward - 5

Kathy Martin - 12

### April

Scarlett Kiser - 7

Ronda Reames - 7

Mary Etta Cornett - 12

Roxanne O'Brien - 15

Bobbi Poats - 15

## Spotlight on Members – Julia C. Van de Water

Dr. Julia C. Van de Water joined DKG Alpha Chapter, Psi State (Atlanta, Georgia) in 1996, transferring her membership to Beta Epsilon Chapter in 2001 and to Kappa Chapter in 2014. She has served The Society as the 2002-2004 Beta Epsilon Chapter president; 2004-2006 Roanoke-Kentron Coordinating Council chair and member of the Coordinating Council Committee; 2004-2008 Headquarters Administrative Board member; 2006-2010 IOTA State Twenty-First Century Issues (ad hoc) Committee chair, and the 2011-2013 Virginia, IOTA State Organization president. Currently, Van de Water, as state immediate past president, chairs the 2013-2015 state Strategic Planning Committee, and serves as vice-chair of The IOTA State Educational Foundation. She also serves as a member of the 2014-2016 international Educational Excellence Committee.

Moving to Lexington in 1999, her involvement in the Lexington community includes: six years on the United Way of Rockbridge Board, including two years as its Board President; past president and board member, Lexington Rotary Club; past board member, Lexington Branch of the English Speaking Union (ESU); and past vice chair, ESU Region IV. Currently, she is board president, ESU Charlottesville Branch and serves as treasurer for a women's investment group in Lexington.

Van de Water grew up on Long Island, New York. Her education included a doctorate in education administration from Hofstra University (1987), a master's degree in library science from the State University of New York at Albany (1972), and an undergraduate degree from Skidmore College (1971). She worked for 22 years in New York State as a school library media specialist and administrator, five years at the Lovett School in Atlanta, Georgia, and nine years as the Head Librarian, Rockbridge County (VA) High School.

Now retired from the Rockbridge County Schools, Julia can indulge her passion for travel. She enjoys the more diverse destinations, including the Soviet Union in 1971, Cuba in 1979, China in 1980, and Japan in 2004 to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia in 2006, Ireland/Northern Island in 2008, Prague, Budapest, and Istanbul in 2009, South Africa in 2009, and a return visit to Cuba in 2012. Granted, in the 2011-2013 biennium Julia's trips were more stateside, yet still special, from Martinsville, Wytheville, Grundy and Big Stone Gap to Alexandria, Fairfax, Harrisonburg, Richmond, Belle Haven and Zuni, as well as Williamsburg, Yorktown, Portsmouth, Virginia Beach, and Chesapeake!



## Spotlight on Members – Sarah Nicklas

I graduated in 2003 from Ashland University in Ohio and moved down to Harrisonburg, Virginia to find a teaching job. I substitute taught until I got a full time teaching position as a Kindergarten teacher in Harrisonburg City Schools in 2005. I've been teaching Kindergarten ever since. I was the teacher of the year at Waterman Elementary for 2007-2008. I was initiated into Beta Xi in 2013.

I became a foster mother in the fall of 2007. I adopted one of my foster daughters and she is in high school now. I also have a puggle (half pug, half beagle) named Reese.

This school year, my job changed somewhat. I still teach Kindergarten but we started the dual immersion program at Waterman Elementary. Essentially, I teach half day Kindergarten – so I teach one group of students in the morning and another group in the afternoon. The other half of the day the students are learning in Spanish. We just finished the first half of the year. I taught Reading, Writing, Science, and Social Studies in English, while my partner teacher taught Reading and Math in Spanish to the students. For the second half of the year I will teach Reading and Math in English, while my partner teacher will teach Reading, Writing, Science, and Social Studies in Spanish. We try to do a bridging lesson once a month on early release days. These lessons bridge the vocabulary into the partner language- so if they just finished a unit on the five senses in English we give them the vocabulary in Spanish and see if any of the words have similarities in the two languages, and then follow up with activities in Spanish so that they can use the new vocabulary. It has been very exciting to implement a new program and it takes quite a bit of work to coordinate our lessons so students still get all the instruction they need to be successful in all academic areas and in both languages.



## Membership

Recruiting new members is vital to having a healthy chapter in DKG. Kappa Chapter made the decision to change the time line for initiating new members. We are now recommending women for membership in February, voting on new members in March and initiating new members in May. New members who are initiated after April 1<sup>st</sup> only pay a **\$10 initiation fee** for that year so there is a financial benefit in delaying the process. Hopefully this also allows time throughout the school year to invite perspective members to the earlier meetings to expose them to the organization and then encouraging them to join. So, we are upon that time when we need to consider colleagues who would appreciate the benefits of DKG and in turn promote the endeavors of the organization. The recommendation form is included in this newsletter. **If you haven't sent Sharon Spalding your nominations do so as soon as possible!**

# Kappa Survey

Your Kappa Executive Board wants to please you. In the planning of meetings and programs you are always the focal concern. This survey asks for your input. Please tell us what you think about meeting times, meeting places, meal selections and programs. Mark your 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> choices.

## Meeting Times

Mornings  Noon  After school (+/- 4:00)  Evenings  Varied meeting times

## Meeting Days

Mondays  Tuesdays  Wednesdays  Thursdays  Fridays  Saturdays

I prefer:  all meetings on the same day  varied meeting days

## Meals

Third Presbyterian Church meals  Pot Luck Meals  Catered meals  
 Dessert only  Luncheon meals (soup, salad, sandwich)  Dinners  
 Other \_\_\_\_\_

**Meeting Venues** – With the addition of members from the Harrisonburg and Lexington areas we are looking for locations which are easily accessible to all members. Suggestions are most welcome for new locations to try.

School locations  Restaurants  Churches  
 Other (describe) \_\_\_\_\_

**Programs** – What type of programs do you prefer for meetings. Check all that apply and feel free to suggest others.

Programs centered on international actions and projects  
 Programs highlighting educational practices/activities in area schools  
 Programs introducing new skills (technology, craft, fashion, etc.)  
 Programs about legislative issues  
 Programs where members are working on projects to benefit others  
 Programs featuring outstanding people in the area (artists, etc.)

Other ideas \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

**Please send to:**

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OR email completed form to  
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# Recommendation for Membership

*Instructions:*

Please complete and return this form. For information about qualifications for membership in The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, refer to sections on membership in the *Constitution* and the *International Standing Rules*.

Type of membership:

Name of person recommended:

Name:

Address:

City:

State:

Zip Code:

Country:

Phone Number:

Fax Number:

E-mail:

Current position title:

Employer:

Total years of professional educator:

Highest educational degree granted:

Year:

Field:

Professional accomplishments: Include items such as professional development presentations, campus or departmental leadership roles, published materials, offices in other organizations honors and/or awards. (A brief resume may be attached to this application.)

Community activities:

Endorsed by one or more members:

Chapter/State:

Required:

Optional:

Optional:

Signature:

Date:

## KAPPA CALLERS 2014-15

The program committee is continuing the use of contacting groups to keep members informed. The group captain is responsible for emailing/calling her group members before each meeting reminding them of meetings and other information.

For meal meetings, the group captain is to contact all group members and take reservations. She will then contact Shelly Moore (smmoore@augusta.k12.va) and give her the names of those attending. This should be done one week in advance of the meeting so an accurate count can be made. All members are asked to pay the hostess at the door rather than mail checks. Please remember that if a reservation is made, the meal fee is expected to be paid even if that person cannot attend. Checks can be mailed to Sandy Proctor (206 Hudson Ave., Staunton, VA 24401) in that situation.

Group 1      Faith Ballew, Group Captain  
                  Ginny Coffey  
                  Carol Fenn  
                  Koressa Malcolm  
                  Anne Perdue  
                  Sandy Proctor  
                  Linda Reviea

Group 2      Marcia Elliot, Group Captain  
                  Ellen Abernethy  
                  Kathy Guisewite  
                  Erika Kancler  
                  Roxie O'Brien  
                  Karen O'Brien  
                  Nancy Keyser (Reserve)  
                  Dorris Wampler (Reserve)

Group 3      Becky Park, Group Captain  
                  Mary Etta Cornett  
                  Shirley Crawford  
                  Susan Doughty  
                  Diann Snyder  
                  Margaret Stables  
                  Sharon Spalding  
                  Vrla Leach

Group 4      Marilyn Long, Group Captain  
                  Christi Almarode  
                  Judy Baylor  
                  Peggy Beck  
                  Betty Bennett  
                  Lynne Carson  
                  Kathy Martin  
                  Linda Cauley

Group 5 Shelly Moore, Group Captain  
Emily Glenn  
Dee Hoy  
Jean Liggett  
Scarlett Kiser  
Shirley Matherly  
Bobbi Poats  
Julia Van de Water

Group 6 Bea Morris, Group Captain  
Elaine Almarode (Reserve)  
Martha Chew  
Sylvia Moore  
Sarah Nicklas  
Ronda Reames  
Susan Schuckman  
Margaret Shifflett  
Jean Smith

Reserve  
LuDean Withers

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# 2015 IOTA STATE CONVENTION

## “Connect and Celebrate in Charlottesville”

April 24-26, 2015 – Charlottesville, Virginia

### Convention Registration Form

**Mail registration to:** Anne Perdue  
 P.O. Box 34  
 Mint Spring, VA 24463  
 adperdue1@gmail.com 540-337-4855

**Registration Deadline**  
**April 1, 2015**  
 No refunds after April 14, 2015  
*Early registration is encouraged!*

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Name for Badge

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**City:** \_\_\_\_\_ **State:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Zip:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ **E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Chapter:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Coordinating Council:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please check as appropriate:

- |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> 1 <sup>st</sup> Time Convention Attendee | <input type="checkbox"/> Past State President       | <input type="checkbox"/> HAB                    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter President 2014-2016              | <input type="checkbox"/> Coordinating Council Chair | <input type="checkbox"/> State Committee Member |
| <input type="checkbox"/> State Officer/Staff Member               | <input type="checkbox"/> State Committee Chair      | <input type="checkbox"/> Chapter Officer        |

**Photo Release:** I grant permission to The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Virginia, IOTA State Organization, to use my photograph on the IOTA State Web site, on social media and/or in *The Bridge*.  
 Yes  No Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Event	Cost	Number	Total (Cost x Number)
<b>Registration fee (required of all members)</b> Add \$10 late registration fee if mailed after April 1, 2015	<b>\$ 30.00</b>		
<b>Dinner* - Friday, April 24, 6:30 p.m.</b> Circle choice: Amish Style Roast Pork Loin Soy Seared Salmon with grilled pineapple salsa	<b>\$ 37.00</b>		
<b>Luncheon* - Saturday, April 25, 12:00 p.m.</b> Circle choice: Beef Tips Lyonnaise over tender egg noodles Arcadian Shrimp Fettuccine Vegetarian	<b>\$ 26.00</b>		
<b>Presidents' Banquet* - Saturday, April 25, 6:30 p.m.</b> Circle Choice: Chicken Boursin en Croute Herb Roasted Prime Rib Vegetarian	<b>\$ 40.00</b>		
<b>Brunch* - Sunday, April 26, 10:00 a.m.</b> "All American Breakfast" Buffet	<b>\$17.00</b>		
<b>* Please indicate any special dietary needs or food allergies.</b>		<b>Total Amount Enclosed</b>	

**Make your check payable to IOTA State.**

Please make a copy of your convention registration before mailing. Your cancelled check will be your receipt.

### Exhibit Table Request

An area with skirted exhibit tables will be available for chapters or coordinating councils that want to raise funds at the IOTA State Convention, April 24 – 26, 2015 in Charlottesville. The cost is \$30 for a whole table and \$15 for half a table. Space is limited. Tables will be assigned until space is full. Send completed form and check payable to IOTA State to:  
 Irene Thornburg, IOTA State Treasurer  
 15409 Union Church Rd., Beaverdam, VA 23015  
 by April 1, to reserve your space.

### Table Request Form

Chapter/C.C. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Whole Table  Half Table  
 Name of Contact \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_

## CLAIM VOUCHER

Please itemize expenditures and attach all statements/bills. Complete and give this voucher to Treasurer for payment.

Payee's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Budget Line Item	Description	Amount
Registrations	IOTA State Convention 2015	30.00

Paid by the Treasurer: Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_

## Hotel Reservation for the 2015 IOTA State Convention



**DoubleTree by Hilton Charlottesville**  
990 Hilton Heights Road, Charlottesville, VA 22901



**April 24 - 26, 2015**  
**Reserve Rooms Now**

A block of rooms has been reserved for April 24 – 26, 2015. The special room rate will be available **until April 3<sup>rd</sup>** or until the group block is sold-out, whichever comes first.

Single Occupancy (king-size) OR Double Occupancy (double/double).  
\$109 Room Rate + 10.3% tax = \$120.23  
Check-in time is at 3:00 PM; Check-out time is 12:00 PM.

At the Cut-Off Date, all unreserved sleeping rooms will be released for general sale unless otherwise guaranteed. Additional reservations will be accommodated at the Group Rate, based upon availability. An extra person charge per person may apply for 2 or more guests sharing the same guestroom.

### Method of Reservation:

- Use our Personalized Online Group (“POG”) web page. Link found on our IOTA State Web site at [www.iota-state.org](http://www.iota-state.org). Look under Dates to Remember – April.
- Call DoubleTree Reservations [REDACTED] Our group code is DKG.
- Use the DoubleTree website – our group code is DKG.

FYI - The hotel does not accept complete credit card numbers in the mail.

434-973-2121 or 844-211-0733

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## We're on the Web!

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International web site:

[www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org)

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