

# Kappa Kapers

**Kappa Chapter of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International  
Blue Ridge Coordinating Council; IOTA State - Virginia  
Organized 1941**

## President's Message

Once again the summer has passed all too quickly. I hope your summer revitalized you to return to school with the same enthusiasm you will see on the faces of your students on the first day of school.

More than ever, students will be looking to their teachers as they struggle to absorb and comprehend the many events which have occurred over the summer. As educators, we are instrumental in providing the tools needed to put things into perspective and allay fears and insecurity. As educators, we are the examples to show open-mindedness, moderation, inclusiveness and tolerance. The tools with which will address the challenges of our society and our nation will be ones they have learned in school.

A number of Kappa members are anxious to share their summer experiences from the Leadership Academy, IOTA State Leadership meetings and the Southeast Regional Conference in Myrtle Beach. Marcia Elliott even traveled to Estonia and Julia Van de Water attended the SERC in Hawaii! The Executive Board met in August to outline the work of Kappa Chapter for the next year and have outstanding programs and projects to share with you. Thanks to all of you who make DKG a part of your summer.

Virginia, IOTA State, has new leadership. President Vicki Newburn has worked diligently challenging the officers, staff and committee chairs to embrace her theme: Inspire Others and Take Action. I hope many of you will take the opportunity to share in her vision at the Fall Executive Board meeting in Roanoke.

The first Kappa Chapter meeting will be September 12 at 6:00 p.m. in the Wilson Middle School Media Center. I hope everyone is planning to attend and bring new ideas for chapter activities and new prospects for new members. I will not be joining you at the first Kappa meeting as I will be in Australia on a month-long visit "down under." I will return in time for the October meeting and undoubtedly have wonderful experiences and photos to share.

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### In Memory



*Shirley Crawford*

*1935-2017*

*Dorris Wampler*

*1929-2017*

We wish Faith Ballew the  
best in retirement!

## Upcoming Meeting

### Business Meeting

Tuesday, Sept. 12, 2017

6:00 PM

Wilson Middle School Media Center

Committees Business Meeting

Hostesses –

Anne Perdue (Chair)

Scarlett Kiser

Sandy Proctor

Faith Ballew



Dues will remain at \$90 this year. Please bring payment to the September meeting or mail to Sandy Proctor (206 Hudson Ave. Staunton, VA 22401) by the end of October. She is also willing to accept two installments if you want to make a payment in September and October.

## IOTA State Convention

Seven Kappa members attended the convention in Richmond April 28<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup> including Julia Van de Water, Scarlett Kiser, Susan Doughty, Bea Morris, Marcia Elliott, Anne Perdue and Lynne Carson. Marcia and Lynne showed off Margaret Shifflett's quilt in the Fine Arts Gallery. Susan, Vicki Newburn (incoming IOTA President) and Anne presented a workshop. Anne was installed as a member of the Nominations Committee. Julia will continue to serve as chair of The IOTA State Educational Foundation Board. Lynne, Kappa President, and Anne, Blue Ridge CC Chair, process in to the President's banquet as Marcia served as a hostess. Our chapter received the Gold Key and Newsletter recognition.



# Highlights from May meeting

Cheryl Sams, a math teacher at Wilson Memorial High School, was initiated into Kappa Chapter. She has 30 years of experience teaching middle and high school students, is currently the Math Department Chair and a Clinical Faculty Member. She was awarded the WMHS Teacher of the Year in 2016 and has also received the JMU Economics of Personal Finance Award. A co-developer of the “Success Academy” at WMHS, she has presented workshops and has served on numerous SOL committees. She is an active member of Tinkling Spring Presbyterian Church, serving in many teaching capacities over the years. Please add her contact information to your yearbook.

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Megan Aldhizer, a senior at Fort Defiance High School, was the recipient of the Downs-Ryerson Grant-in-Aid for 2017. Sandy Proctor presented her with a check for \$1,000. Megan, in addition to high academic achievement and involvement in various organizations, completed a mentorship at Clymore Elementary and works part time at a local restaurant. Furthermore she is involved in community service and mission work. She will be studying early childhood education at BRCC and then JMU.

Be sure to use Lynne Carson's new email address!  
[braemhor@gmail.com](mailto:braemhor@gmail.com)

Please send all yearbook changes to Anne Perdue at [adperdue1@gmail.com](mailto:adperdue1@gmail.com).



## Hello from SE Regional Conference at Myrtle Beach



Julia Van de Water, Marcia Elliott, Lynne Carson, Anne Perdue and Susan Doughty attended from Kappa Chapter.



## Gearing up for Fall Board and fundraising...



### KAPPA SNACKS @ FALL BOARD!!

In a fund raising effort, Kappa will offer muffins and cookies for sale at the Fall Executive Board meeting in Roanoke on September 22 – 23. We have secured half a table at the Marketplace that will be open on Friday afternoon, evening and Saturday morning. Who doesn't need a snack to provide energy for a weekend of meetings???? Hopefully, all the Kappa bakers will consider baking and bagging some goodies!! Pick up will be arranged for those who volunteer. Guidelines are as follows:

We want to go with one price....\$1.00 per bag

Cookies.....3 medium or 2 large per bag

Muffins.....2 regular cupcake size or 1 giant size per bag

This will provide a convenience to the attendees and help the Kappa grant-in-aid fund as well. Contact Susan Doughty [hueandsue@comcast.net](mailto:hueandsue@comcast.net) for more info or sign up to volunteer at the September 12<sup>th</sup> meeting. Thanks in advance.

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