

# Kappa Kapers

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

## President's Message

The bright yellow of daffodils and forsythia always signals spring and a rebirth of activity. I was looking forward to the joys of springtime. And then the Ides of March arrived and slammed us with high, damaging winds. While the latter caused more than a dozen trees to topple in my yard we were fortunate that only one fell on the house. Both of these occurrences are harbingers of newness and change. In a few short days daylight savings time begins when we turn our clocks ahead. All of this causes us to look forward.

We look forward to the installation of new officers for Kappa Chapter in May. I know we will be in good hands in the coming biennium. I am grateful to each of these ladies for their willingness to serve. These leaders will bring fresh ideas and enthusiasm to all of us. New members are to be initiated as well this spring. I hope many of you plan to attend one of the leadership development workshops to be held in March and April – it is not too late to register. There is still the opportunity to plan to go to Austin for the DKG International Convention where new leaders will be installed to lead the organization for the next two years.

Change is constant and inevitable. If met with enthusiasm and looked upon as a way to grow and become better it is a great thing. Join me in welcoming the signs of change both on a personal level and as part of Kappa Chapter, IOTA State and Delta Kappa Gamma International.

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# Upcoming Meeting

## Program Meeting

Tuesday, March 20, 2018

6:00 p.m.

Stewart Middle School  
118 Fort Defiance Rd,  
Fort Defiance, VA 24437

Hostesses:

Susan Schuckman, Chair

Ronda Reames

Shelly Moore

Program: March Media Matters

Presented by Harrisonburg Daily News Record  
and Megan Williams from the Staunton News  
Leader

Friend of Education Award



## Care and Concern

*Dee Hoy is recovering at home after  
having her second hip replacement.*

# Happy Birthday Happy Birthday

## March

12 Kathy Martin



## April

7 Scarlett Kiser

Ronda Reames

12 Mary Etta Cornett

15 Roxanne OBrien



# Highlights from January's Meeting



Dr. Mary Mehaffey, IOTA State First Vice President & Chair of the state Educational Excellence Committee, gave a presentation on Celebrating Generations. She compared 4 generations of members highlighting their influences, core values, attributes, communication preferences, leadership styles, etc.



Members enjoyed a brunch buffet provided by the ladies at Third Presbyterian church.





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## A Personal Touch to Virginia Politics



Many in this crowd at the recent Women's Rally at the Clock Tower on the Capitol grounds were taking selfies with Governor Northam. Bea Morris stepped up to shake his hand and said, "I don't have a camera, but I just want to thank you for what you are doing." He replied, "Well, I thank you for what you have done." A little while later, a young woman came to Bea and showed her the picture she had taken and said she would email it to her.

Bea Morris, a 50-year member of Delta Kappa Gamma, an international honor society for women educators, takes the purposes of the organization very seriously. "To initiate, endorse and support desirable legislation or other suitable endeavors in the interest of education and of women educators" is a purpose of the organization that she carries out all year. Bea brings a personal touch to Virginia politics as she stays informed on issues and communicates issues to others. Then she organizes and participates in lobbying efforts during the Virginia General Assembly session each year. Bea will undoubtedly remember her encounter with Virginia's 73<sup>rd</sup> Governor, Ralph Northam, for years to come.

# Belk Charity Day for the Kappa GIA

## Belk Spring Charity Day

May 5, 2018; 6 am-10:00 am

Kappa will participate in the Belk Spring Charity Day on May 5. Members are welcome to sell tickets to friends and family but our focus this time will be participating (sitting at a table) on Saturday, May 5 from 6:00-10:00 am. We may also sell tickets at the store the week prior to the Charity Day.

- Each ticket costs \$5 but is good for \$5 off purchase on May 5. Give ticket purchaser a Belk Charity Sale flyer which shows discounts on many designer brands.
- Money will directly to Kappa Chapter's Grant-in-Aid Scholarship fund.
- Pre-Sale Days: If purchaser is unable to attend the May 5 event, items may be purchased from April 28-May 4 and picked up after May 4.

If you would like tickets to sell or have any questions, contact Anne ([adperdue1@gmail.com](mailto:adperdue1@gmail.com)). All money and unsold tickets must be given to Anne Perdue no later than Tuesday, May 1 (final Kappa meeting of 2017-18).

**WE PUT THE  
FUN  
IN FUNDRAISING**

## Announcement from DKG International

The 365 portion of the DKG app is now ready. The announcement is on the rotator of the DKG homepage. Clicking on the image will direct members to the instructions and information for downloading and using the APP. *Remember to delete the previous DKG app before downloading this new one.*

We have 49,081 emails of approximately 70,000 members. Clearly, the need to "connect" all our members is ongoing! The efforts of the HQ technology team, the Communications and Publicity Committee, and all the HQ staff have helped to expand those connections.

The proposed amendments are posted on the website and they will be printed in the next DKG NEWS.



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