

# Kappa Kapers

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

## President's Message

As I sit at my computer typing this message to Kappa members, I am thinking about what an exciting 2018-2019 year the Executive Committee has planned. Margaret Shifflett has done an outstanding job organizing the programs and I believe at September's meeting all of you will be excited also.

September is upon us and school has either started or will start for many members. I wish each of you a wonderful, productive school year. I think about when the first days of school started and anticipated my students. My questions to myself were always am I going to have any students who need some more than extra attention, am I going to have any students who are very quiet and never talk, am I going to have a student who sits in the back of the room and just doesn't care, etc. Each year is never the same and yes, I always had all different kinds of students from all kinds of backgrounds. I think this is why I went into special education and school counseling so I could try to assist, help these students with their needs. I know Delta Kappa Gamma members, workshops, etc. have helped me through the years to work with some of these students I mentioned. My theme for this biennium is "Bring Just One." Reach out to your colleagues as you see what your fellow educators do each day. Many of them go beyond the regular school day to reach so many students. Bring them to a Kappa meeting so they can see and hear what is going on with outstanding key educators. I am excited to be your president and want to encourage each of you to become active in Kappa.

Hope to see you at the September 11, 2018 meeting and remember to "Bring Just One."

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yearbook changes to  
Anne Perdue at  
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by October 1.

### **Kappa Fundraiser at Fall Executive Board**

Kappa will offer muffins and cookies for sale at the Fall Executive Board meeting in Fredericksburg on September 28-29. 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); Chex Mix (regular)/Trail Mix. 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 11th meeting.

## Upcoming Meeting

### Business Meeting

Tuesday, September 11, 2018

6:00 p.m.

Wilson Middle School (Media Center upstairs)

Hostesses:

Susan Schuckman  
Shelly Moore  
Ronda Reames  
Courtney Hallacher



## Belk Charity Day

In May, we participated in the Spring Belk Charity Day and netted \$352. In 2017-18, we made a total of **\$977** which went directly toward our \$1000 Grant-in-Aid award. We also participated in the Back to School Charity Day on August 25 but will not have a total profit until late September.

Our big fundraising push will be the November Belk Charity Day. More information will be forthcoming, but each member is asked to try buy/sell 4-5 tickets. Each ticket costs \$5 but is good for \$5 off purchase on the specified day in November. The ticket also gives additional percentage off on many name brand items. Money will directly to Kappa Chapter's Grant-in-Aid Scholarship fund.

## Newly Installed Officers



President – Susan Schuckman  
First VP – Margaret Shifflett  
Second VP – Shelly Moore  
Recording Secretary – Cheryl Sams  
Corresponding Secretary – Scarlett Kiser



# Recognitions

## Honor Our Own



Susan Doughty presents Lynne Carson with the Blue Ridge Coordinating Council "Honor Our Own" award.

## Grant-In-Aid

Kajsia Polky, a Riverheads High School graduate, received the 2018 Downs-Ryerson Grant-In-Aid. She was the President of the National Art Honors society her senior year. She has been involved in numerous community and church projects. Kajsia will attend Bridgewater College next year to study to become an art teacher.



## Membership Awards



Congratulations to six Kappa members who have attained membership milestones. Kappa is proud of you!

**50 years:** Bea Morris

**40 years:** Lynne Carson, Marcia Elliott, Ronda Reames, Vrla Leach

**25 years:** Susan Schuckman

## 4 Initiation of New Members



\*Courtney ([challacher@augusta.k12.va.us](mailto:challacher@augusta.k12.va.us)) teaches Advanced Environmental Science and Ecology at Riverheads High School and is a Teacher in Residence at Mary Baldwin College in the Environment Based Learning program.

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Left to right: Courtney Hallacher, Emily Petkus, Jennifer Floyd, Stephanie Sebolt



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