

Kappa Kapers

**The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International
Kappa Chapter, Virginia State Organization
Blue Ridge Coordinating Council**

President's Message

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Greetings to Kappa Members:

I hope each of you had an enjoyable summer and got to do all the things you wanted to do. I was able to visit the province of Quebec, Canada and thoroughly enjoyed myself. Some of our Kappa members went to the Delta Kappa Gamma International Conference: Arts & Humanities in Asheville, North Carolina. These members will report about the conference during the September 10th meeting. Speaking of the international conferences, DKG International Society has decided to change the format to international conferences instead of regional conferences. Also, our state name has changed to Virginia State Organization from IOTA State. You will also notice a slight change to our chapter website address due to this. DKG Virginia has elected new officers this past May and they will serve the state during 2019 to 2021. Dr. Mary Mahaffey will be the president. If some of you remember, she spoke to us at our January 2018 meeting. Kappa members that are serving the state are Lynne Carson, Anne Perdue, Bea Morris, Julia Van de Water and myself. I know I am looking forward to working with Dr. Mahaffey and the new officers. The Kappa Chapter Executive Committee met on Saturday, August 17th. Margaret Shifflett and her committee has some great programs planned for the 2019-2020 year. I do hope you will be able to attend and participate in the programs. I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the September 10th meeting starting at 6 p.m. The meeting will take place at the Beverly Manor Middle School Media Center located at 58 Cedar Green Road, Staunton, Virginia. I want to welcome our newest members, Amy Cerminara and Heather Cooper, to Kappa Chapter. Please reach out to your colleagues and bring them to a meeting. My theme this biennium is "Bring Just One." Again, please reach out to your colleagues and invite them to a meeting. Again, I look forward to seeing you on September 10th.

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Please send all yearbook changes (contact information, etc.) to Anne Perdue adperdue1@gmail.com by September 10.

Susan

Upcoming Meeting

Business Meeting

Tuesday, September 10, 2019

6:00 p.m.

Beverly Manor Middle School (Media Center)

58 Cedar Green Rd

Staunton, VA 24401

Building our DKG



- *Committees meet
- *Interactive Activity
- *Computers available to update your member profile on International website

CALLING ALL SINGERS! WE NEED YOU!

Do you enjoy singing? Do you sing in a church choir or are you a member of another choral group? Do you love music & simply want to become involved in a vocal ensemble? If so, please consider joining Kappa Singers, Kappa Chapter's Choral Ensemble.

Kappa Singers is currently composed of Lynne Carson, Mary Etta Cornett, Susan Doughty, Bea Morris, & Ronda Reames. Our accompanist is Dee Hoy.

Responsibilities include leading the singing of the Response to the Collect for chapter dinner meetings & performing one or more selections during our Induction Ceremonies. Occasionally, the group is asked to perform for other special DKG events as well. Rehearsals are generally slated a half hour prior to the scheduled dinner meeting time.

If you are interested in adding your voice to the group OR possess piano skills, please speak with any member of Kappa Singers. We'd love to have you join us!

Music Committee Chair – Ronda Reames

Happy Birthday

September

7 Cheryl Perry



Highlights from the Last Meeting

Amy Cerminara, Heather Cooper, and Kim Collett are Kappa's newest members. Amy and Heather, both teachers at BMMS, were inducted in May. Kim is the principal at Charterhouse School and will be inducted this fall.

Bea Morris was awarded her fifty year membership certificate in Delta Kappa Gamma. She was also recognized for this membership milestone at the state convention held in Charlottesville in late April. Bea is a retired English teacher from Staunton City Schools. She has been active at all levels of the society, particularly on the State Legislative Committee.

Sandy Proctor, Treasurer, presents the \$1,000 Grant-in-aid to Riverheads High School senior Annalice Puckett. Annalice plans on pursuing elementary education at Mary Baldwin University in the fall.



State Convention

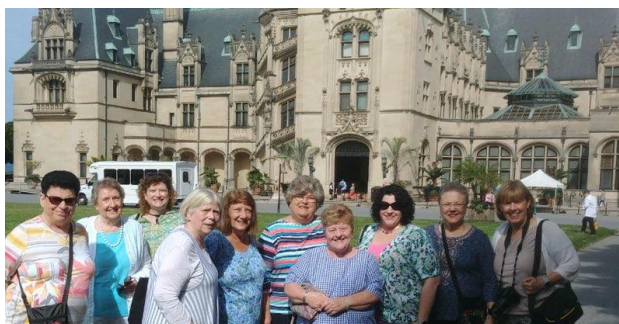
“Circles of excellence – Cheers for 90 Years” was the theme of the Virginia State Convention in Charlottesville this past April. Kappa was represented by Susan Schukman, Anne Perdue, Julia Van de Water, Lynne Carson, Susan Doughty, Margaret Shifflett and Scarlett Kiser. Anne kept things running smoothly as convention chair. She also received a rose bush as she was installed as the Nominations Committee chairperson for the next biennium. Lynne and Susan S. manned the registration desk. Margaret participated in the Fine Arts Fair displaying her quilt. Lynne and Susan S. manned the registration desk. Margaret participated in the Fine Arts Fair displaying her quilt.



International Arts and Humanities Conference



Lynne Carson, Susan Doughty, Anne Perdue, and Julia Van de Water attended the conference in Asheville, NC this past summer.



Belk Charity Days

Kappa Chapter's May Belk Charity Day yielded \$126.30 for sitting at the table. Thanks to Anne Perdue, Sandy Proctor, Dee Hoy, and Jennifer Floyd for their participation in this. On August 24, we participated in the Back to School Belk Charity Day. Thanks to Susan Doughty, Sandy Proctor, Susan Schuckman, and Anne Perdue for sitting at the table on Saturday morning.

Kappa Fundraiser at Fall Executive Board Meeting

Kappa will offer muffins and cookies for sale at the Fall Executive Board meeting in Richmond on September 27-28. We have secured 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!! Delivery times 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 (sandwich bag size). This will provide a convenience to the attendees and help the Kappa grant-in-aid fund as well. Please sign up via Sign Up Genius when the link is emailed to you. Kappa will also be selling raffle tickets for an Alex & Ani Red Rose Bracelet set. Cost is \$2 per ticket or \$5 for 3 tickets.

Journey Bags

Each member will receive an email from Sign Up Genius to donate to our Journey Bag project. If you would like to participate in filling Journey Bags for foster children (Shenandoah Valley Social Services), please indicate the item and quantity using the link provided. Please sign up no later than October 5. Bring your items to the October 15 meeting for assembly. Thanks so much for participating in this outreach project.



Membership Matters

***Treasurer Sandy Proctor would like to thank all members for their prompt payment of dues. It was a tremendous help especially with the restructuring of the dues timeline. We successfully renewed 100% of our membership!!!!

***Please make sure you have set up your profile on the International website. Username is your 6 digit society ID number. After signing in click on "My DKG" and then "My Account." If any of your info changes be sure to update it. Contact Scarlett Kiser if you need the password to get started or have questions. You can then change your password but seven letters and numbers are required.

****The Bridge* (Virginia State Organization newsletter) will now only be available digitally. It is posted quarterly on the State website but be aware that section is password protected. Corresponding secretary, Scarlett Kiser, will forward to members in case you are not already getting it from the State via email. Editor, Lynne Carson, welcomes feedback on the new digitized newsletter.

***Want to purchase a DKG badge? Contact Glenna Hensdill at glenn@naxs.com. Her chapter sells them as a fundraiser.

If you know of a prospective member send Shelly Moore (smmoore@augusta.k12.va.us) the info by November 1st or go directly to [Prospective Members](#) and fill it in.



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