

Kappa Kapers

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

President's Message

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Kappa Sisters,

It has been a long two years of dealing with Covid-19 and, hopefully, we are seeing it wind down and life can get back to normal. We have had to learn new skills (technology and Zoom), adapt our routines (in and out of the classroom), make hard choices and put certain part of our lives on hold.

We are planning on meeting **in person** at Blue Ridge Community College on Tuesday, March 22. I will try my best to make this meeting hybrid on Zoom for those who feel safer at home. It will be so good to get back to some semblance of normal. Our speaker for the program will be Whitney Minnick, Community Manager for the American Cancer Society. This will also be the only meeting that we will have before the Augusta Relay for Life (April 30) so we will be making plans for this event, too. This would be a good meeting to invite prospective members!

Saturday, March 26 (8:30 am -2:30 pm) is the **Embrace Change** Leadership Virtual Seminar. Information on this event has been in THE BRIDGE and on the VSO website. I will send the link and additional information as it gets closer to the date. Even if you are only able to join for a session or two, I hope that you will make an effort to "attend". There is something for everyone, including two keynote speakers, higher education topics and how we can help recruit future educators, treasurer training, a journey through social media, and chair yoga!!

Good news is that our Kappa Rules were approved by the VSO Rules Committee! I will be sending a copy of the revised/edited rules to you and we will have an opportunity to look at them together. The only things that were added were the items that we voted on in January. Everything else was just editing to meet the mandates from International and VSO. Laurie Niestrath helped with this task and I appreciate her help.

Looking forward to seeing your smiles on Tuesday, March 22!!! Don't forget to bring your dimes to our meeting!!

Margaret

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Upcoming Meeting

Business Meeting and Program

Tuesday, March 22, 2022

6:00 pm

IN PERSON

Blue Ridge Community College

Weyers Cave, VA 24486

Houff Student Center room G186-188 (South entrance)

[ZOOM Link](#)

Meeting ID: 835 7613 7256

Passcode: 433291

One tap mobile

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Dial by your location

+1 301 715 8592 US



We continue our celebration of Kappa's 75th anniversary!

Program: Relay for Life--Celebrate, Remember & Fight

Speaker: Whitney Minnick, Community Manager for the American Cancer Society

Happy Birthday

March

- 6 Karen Fansler-Ryan
- 12 Kathy Martin
- 25 Cassy Maxton-Whitacre

April

- 7 Scarlett Kiser, Ronda Reames
- 11 Stephanie Sebolt
- 12 Mary Etta Cornett, Emily Petkus
- 15 Roxanne OBrien



Care and Conern

Cheryl Perry

Vrla Leach

Judy Baylor

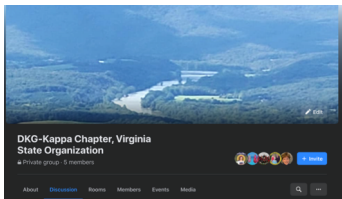
DID YOU KNOW We are starting again to raise money for our Grant-in-Aid. Now you will be able to contribute money to our GIA in honor or in memory of someone and that will be recognized in the newsletters.



Facebook



Chapter Public Facebook Page-We are now live with a chapter FB page. Join others in sharing Kappa with those in your Facebook Feed. When you like us, information about the group will automatically post to your page. The information on this site is for the public and is a way in which to showcase the work of the chapter as well as to welcome possible new members.



Chapter Group Facebook Page-Please join others from this chapter in a private group chat. You can do so by sending a request to join through Laurie Niestrath on FB or by sending an email to her. laurieniestrath@gmail.com

From the Education Excellence Committee...

I just want to remind everyone funds from Kappa Chapter are available for stipends. The application is simple to fill out. You can get \$50 by filling out the application and emailing it to me at slschuckman@aol.com. No receipts are necessary. Application is enclosed in the newsletter.

Susan Schuckman

And by the way her new contact info is...

5 Field Court
Bridgewater, VA 22812
Landline phone 540 237 4897
Cell 540 820 0728

Save Your Dimes:

The Educational Excellence has two water bottles that will be passed around at each meeting. Hopefully, Kappa Chapter will be able to meet in person soon! When the water bottle is full, it will be \$100.00. One bottle is for the Downs-Ryerson Grant-in-Aid Scholarship and the other bottle is for the MaDee Project. Any questions, let Susan Schuckman know! Thanks for collecting those dimes!

Congratulations to Wendy Hull who received a Virginia State Organization scholarship. Hopefully we will get more details about her project!



KAPPA CHAPTER

The Kappa Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma is offering mini grants not to exceed \$50.00 for current members who are still teaching. You can apply for consumables, books, wipes, sanitizers, markers, crayons, zip lock bags, etc. It is whatever you need for your classroom to be successful during this coming, 2020-2021, school year. Kappa Chapter realizes each of you are facing new challenges in teaching this year and these grants will help you get the supplies you need. Kappa Chapter is excited to help current educators.

Please fill out the short application below and email it to Susan Schuckman at slschuckman@aol.com. Questions, let me know!

APPLICATION

Name: _____

School: _____

Description of what you need: _____

Approximate Cost: _____

Kappa Chapter Stipends

Greetings! The chapter has had two requests for supplies! The supplies requests were for ear buds, paintbrushes, magnify glasses, play dough, etc. Remember, all you have to do is fill out the application, which will take you two minutes top! Send it to me at slschuckman@aol.com and I will work with Sandy Proctor, Treasurer to get you a check! You don't need to turn in receipts, etc. Email your application soon! Kappa Chapter is here to help you!

Susan Schuckman,
Chair Education Excellence Committee



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