Beta Kappa Bíts Winter Edition **January 2020** Mission statement: The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education. FEducation

President's Message

As your co-president, I am inviting you to our next meeting on January 16th. Please come and tell what you are reading. Everybody reads something! While you are meeting with DKG friends, please discuss a project that is doable. It may be that Marshall County has a project that is needed in your area. Our project does not necessarily need to be donate money to a group. Be thinking about a need that DKG women can accomplish.

Change is always hard but we need to change the date of the March 3rd meeting because that is the evening of the Tennessee Legislative Seminar in Murfreesboro, TN. Our Beta Kappa meeting will be at Cahoots on Thursday, March 5th at 6 p.m. Emily Gordon has a presentation about the 100 year anniversary of women having the right to vote. If you would like to attend the Legislative Seminar, please contact Teresa Brown. I must have this form complete after our January meeting for registration. It is very important to be involved with legislation. For example, the money Governor Lee appropriated for Education Savings Accounts for only Nashville and Memphis, would have made a substantial raise for teachers. By the way, nobody wants ESAs in their town! It doesn't cost a thing to drive to Murfreesboro and back home on Tuesday, March 3rd. By the way there is a big rally on March 16th called "Red for Ed" in Nashville at the state capital. My plan is to attend as many of these as possible. DKG has helped me become involved in the legislative process. Women do vote. Let your legislators know this!

Teresa Brown Co-President



Next Beta Kappa Meeting......Women's Suffrage---100th Anniversary



On March 5th at our Beta Kappa meeting, member Emily Gordon will give a presentation about the struggle and success of the women's right to vote in America! This year marks the 100th anniversary of women having the right to vote. Come and hear this very interesting and timely presentation! Note that our meeting has been changed to Thursday night, March 5th, at 6 p.m., Cahoots Restaurant, Fayetteville.

<u>Deadlínes to Remember</u>

February 1- deadline for applying for one of several educator/member scholarships (see state website) *February 3 - deadline to sign up for the TN Legislative Symposium, call/text Teresa Brown if you want to attend. **March 1** is the deadline for submitting a form to be a presenter at the Tennessee State Convention at Sewanee. If you are planning to attend the Tennessee State Convention and willing to present a one-hour breakout session please fill out the form on the state website.

The Tennessee State Beginning Leadership Management Seminar application is available on the state website. The event is scheduled for March 13-14, 2020 at the Natchez Trace State Park in Wildersville, Tennessee. The application deadline is **February 1, 2020**. This is a great opportunity for members to advance their leadership skills and meet members from across the state.

April 1st- Deadline to submit Chapter Rules, Beta Kappa is on the rotation list to submit rules in 2020.

Upcoming Events and Activities

March 5, 6 pm Beta Kappa Meeting, (NOTICE DATE CHANGE) Women's Suffrage presentation at Cahoots in Fayetteville. 100 years ago the 19th amendment gave women the right to vote! Hear more in this presentation by Emily Gordon.

March 3-4 -TN State Legislative Seminar, Nashville

April 30, 6 pm Beta Kappa Planning Meeting, Mildred Scott Building, Petersburg (executive board at 5 pm) June 4-6 2020 85th TN State Organization Convention, University of the South, Sewanee July 7-11 2020 DKG International Convention, Philadelphia, PA (registration and booking now available)

Education News.....

Martha Wolf's granddaughter Meghan Helums received a DKG scholarship from Beta Kappa Chapter a few years ago. She has been teaching at a private school in Chattanooga and has been over the STEM program there. She is now engaged and is moving to Johnson City, TN. She will be working on a Master's degree in Education and will be working as a graduate assistant. Meghan has a degree in biology and will teach on the junior high or high school level. SHE IS A GREAT TEACHER! Our chapter is so proud of Meghan and we are glad to know the success story of one of our scholarship recipients!

Beta Kappa Member News.....

Please keep Joe and **Wanda Young's** daughter, Margaret Tucker, in your thoughts and prayers. Margaret has been battling brain cancer for four years.

Teresa Brown will have knee replacement on January 28th. We wish her a successful surgery and speedy recovery.

Alva Cavnar is teaching again! She is at Cornersville High teaching biological sciences. She is hoping her teaching time will end on January 24th.

Betty Burgess has her very first <u>great</u>-grandbaby! Beau Bennett Moore was born on December 27th. Parents are Morgan and Luke Moore. Congratulations to Betty and family!

Betty Woodford's husband, Paul, is making progress after some serious health problems. He has finished rehab and is now going to therapy in Chapel Hill. We wish him well!

It's TWINS for **Melanie Laten**! She is the proud grandmother of Walker and Wyatt Schmidt, born October 5th. Melanie's first grandchildren! Congratulations!



4 Generations!



And from our last meeting......

Chapter Activities Our October Beta Kappa Meeting









Ginger Hardison conducts the silent auction while Carolyn Bingham signs up to participate.



Happy winners Martha Wolf and Bobbie Springfield.

Teresa Brown shows her Silent Auction win!



Remember our next meeting on Thursday, March 5th at Cahoots!!

