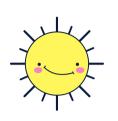






JUNE 2020 Mission statement: The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

# **PRESIDENT'S** MESSAGE



from Co-President Teresa Brown Ladies,

Beta Kappa Chapter achieved gold this year. We are small but mighty. Everyone has a job and does it. Treasurer Andrea Hardison makes certain that we always meet our financial obligation. One of the big items was having a project. Co-President Cecelia had a speaker discuss students unable to attend school because they lacked feminine hygiene products. At our January meeting in Lincoln County, this project was launched. Marshall County will get theirs operating when school reopens. Many chapters are no longer giving scholarships. Instead, teacher grants are given. The hope is that we can help classroom teachers and install new members. We're in a place that has never been experienced. DKG will evolve with the world that has changed. Do you want a Zoom meeting or a socially distanced gathering? Let me know.

Teresa

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### **DKG ANNOUNCEMENTS: DKG Professional Development Seminar:**

Leadership Redefined is a virtual event to be held Monday, July 13, 2020 from 9 AM to 11 AM CST. The guest speaker is author Dave Weber. Attendees will learn simple strategies that will help them put into practice real leadership skills that will have a positive influence in every area of their life. The seminar is available to DKG members and non-members. To attend, please use the following website to

register:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeVCl-Y149z5AH95K2baf3zOZfP3oQYjrI4bTwnDK-sZhZOqg/viewform? vc=0&c=0&w=1 The deadline to register is Monday, July 6, 2020.

**DID YOU KNOW??** 

International President, Cathy Daugherty, has a weekly blog to communicate DKG news during the pandemic and share information. To read her latest blog go to:

https://dkgpresident.blogspot.com/

### ΝΕΧΤ ΒΕΤΑ ΚΑΡΡΑ MEETING

The next Beta Kappa meeting is planned but the date is TBA. Our speaker will be Emily Gordon to speak about women's suffrage and winning the right to vote! This will be a very enjoyable and informative topic--More info on the meeting date will come later!

### **DEADLINE TO REMEMBER**

Monday, July 6 - Registration for DKG Professional Development Virtual Seminar

## **FUTURE EVENTS**

As with many organizations, several DKG events have been cancelled or postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

We hope to be able to resume our Beta Kappa meetings in the fall in some way. Dates have not been set yet, but information will be sent out as soon as possible.

The 2020 International Convention will now be held as a **virtual event** free to all members, July 7-10. See this website for more information:

https://www.dkg.org/DKGMember/Events/2020\_Internat ional convention/Non Mem 2020 Virtual Event.aspx

> **TN** Creative Arts Retreat Sept. 18-19, 2020 Rogersville, TN

The 85th <u>TN State Meeting</u> at Sewanee will be June 3-5, 2021 It's not too early to mark your calendars!



A few months ago we mentioned the mural that member **Melanie Laten** spearheaded to help beautify Fayetteville. As I was driving into town last week I snapped this photo. The mural has made a very attractive addition to this side of the Fayetteville square.

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#### ANDREA HARDISON

After teaching third grade for the last 18 years, I'm moving back to where I started my career, second grade. I'm excited for this change and am really looking forward to working with my teaching partners.



# CONGRATULATIONS 2020 GRADUATES!!!

Payton Salsman, daughter of John and Jan Salsman, is a 2020 graduate of Cornersville High School!

Van Wolf, grandson of Martha Wolf, is graduating on July 11 from Christian Brothers in Memphis. Van is planning on going to UT Knoxville to study sports medicine.

Burgess Rye, grandson of Betty Burgess, received his MA in Theological Studies from Southern Baptist Theological Seminary in May 2020 and will marry Morgan Graham, a UTK nursing school graduate, on August 1, 2020.

#### GINGER HARDISON

Like everyone else, I have had plenty of time to read. One book in a pile my sister had given me was A Distant Memory by Sarah Sundin, a Christian historical fiction set in WWII. It was so good that I passed it on to Andrea, and then we both read the other two books in the series Wings of Glory by checking out e-books from the library. Warning: the third novel, Blue Skies Tomorrow, is such a nailbiter that I stayed up until 1:00 AM to finish it! The author has three other trilogies, also set in WWII with characters representing the Navy, Air Force, and flight nurses. I wasn't a fan of reading on a screen, but the library made electronic checkout very easy and fast, so now I'm a convert!



#### BETTY BURGESS

Mrs. B's granddaughter, Laura Beth Burgess married Travis Adams in a private ceremony during the COVID-19 pandemic, and will celebrate with family and friends July 11, 2020. Congratulations!!

We are sad to announce that Wanda Young's daughter, Margaret Tucker has passed away after a brave battle with cancer. Wanda and her family are in our thoughts and prayers.

Beta Kappa past-president, Helen Lowe, has recently moved from her home. Her address is: Lincoln Manor 115 Medical Center Blvd. Room 107 Fayetteville TN 37334 phone: 931.286.4578 (cell) or 931.438.3597 (landline)



## MEMBER NEWS... DURING COVID-19



#### TERESA BROWN

On January 28th, I had knee replacement. I was already staying out of crowds to avoid infection. Then Covid hit. I basically just get groceries and have little contact with the outside world. We're planning a road trip to Amarillo, Texas to see my sister. Looking ahead is helping my sanity. Teresa

#### MERI BIGHAM

Using the Kroger and Walmart online ordering/pick-up is now a way of life..... and much easier than going inside. Babysitting the three grandkids some has been enjoyable! The flowers are growing well this year, maybe because I'm home more to water them!!! I've also read several books. I noticed that I have recently preferred light, fun books.... I think to get away from the pandemic daily news. Meri

#### Martha Wolf and Marie Van Lantschoot

Marie and I have not been going anywhere because we are OLD, we don't want to get the VIRUS, and I am going to CHEMO. Three strikes I think! We had plans all in place to take my grandson Van to California for his graduation gift but had to cancel our trip. SAD! We have been FORCED to COOK!!! We miss seeing real people!!! Hope you are all doing well and the days ahead will be better! Martha and Marie

