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International President, Dr. Lyn Schmid visits Alpha Upsilon

Highlights from Dr. Schmid's speech



Dr Schmid began her report praising our organization here in Massachusetts. From Golden Gift recipients and international scholarships, we have a vibrant organization. She encouraged members to keep applying, keep studying and keep moving our organization forward in the Society. Dr. Schmid mentioned our connections to International with both Claire LaBonte, chairing the Educational Excellence Committee and Marilyn Spedding a member of World Fellowship.

The theme for her biennium is 85 years and beyond: *Advancing Key Women Educators for life*. The society is moving forward in the following ways; a New DKG website, (which most of us have visited, if not please try to visit) and *The DKG Collegial Exchange*, a new publication which provides an opportunity for the exchange of ideas, both practical and creative. Our own Carol LaPolice has published an article. The next deadline is August 1.

International has a new 2015-2025 Strategic Plan for the Society addressing the key issues facing DKG between now and its 100th anniversary in 2029. The four main goals are: support members, provide global opportunities, develop leaders and build resources. It is hoped that organizations having no strategic plan may elect to embrace this new plan and undertake planning for the future. Workshops be presented in Nashville.

An advisory group representing the Y generation of DKG members met at headquarters this year. The Group known as DKGnext desired more events geared specifically for them. They desire to be actively involved in projects. DKGnext asked four questions which chapters should consider.

Why are we pushed into leadership immediately when we join?

Why are we not tapping into student teachers as new members?

Why do we not put more information/news articles on Facebook?

Why is there no mentorship program for new members on teaching issues and DKG?

DKGnext will be presenting a breakout session in Nashville. (*Continued on page 2*)

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Dr Schmid encouraged members to attend the International Convention in Nashville. She stated the convention will help equip your chapter with “the right tools, the right plans and the right attitude” to meet your chapter’s goals.

She ended her report talking about the New Membership Recruitment Plan and the successes chapters have found in using it. The Plan is available on the DKG website. If you would like to read her whole report to the state, you may contact me and I will send you a copy.

Martha

Upcoming Deadlines:

International:

August 1-Bulletin: Collegial Exchange

September 1- Lucille Cornetet Award for Professional Development

State:

November 1-Christa McAuliffe and Sara E. Chase applications

Please see

alupma.weebly.com/scholarship-guide-2015.html

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A Message from Martha

I have heard the secret to a good report is a good beginning and a good ending and having them close together. I want to begin my report with gratitude for all the hard work that Lynn, Betty, Dorothea and their committees put into making this celebration happen.

A year ago when I was installed as your president, we had lots of vacancies on the board including Executive secretary. We had not secured a venue for our Spring Convention and 75th celebration, yet here we are. When Delta Kappa Gamma women put their mind to do something, it gets done.

We had a wonderful time Friday evening celebrating the arts and welcoming our International President Dr. Lyn Schmid. Her words have inspired us.

The Workshops gave us a chance to explore our creative talents. The chapter presidents I am sure are prepared to lead the next biennium. Remember you are not alone and as a state organization we are here to help. I have read the reports most chapters submitted in February. Here are some highlights. Most chapter presidents attended training and found it helpful. All but three chapters had initiations during the 2014-2016 biennium. Most of you reported that you have developed strategies for reinstating members, keeping in touch with members honoring members and strengthening your chapter. Some have looked into having a website certified, most of you use the guidelines for chapter presidents and membership and communication chairs. This is good because your chapter president has received new copies.

Most chapters said they did not utilize the Focus on Finance. This is a newsletter that comes to chapter treasurers, but can be found on the Finance page of the DKG website. If questions of money arise these resources can be very helpful. There are also power points that cover a myriad of finance topics.

Most chapters informed members of scholarship opportunities and promoted one or more of the EEC

goals of empowering women, promoting Educational excellence and global awareness.

Your concerns were declining members and how to get members to take leadership positions. Service projects were plentiful throughout the state with members helping women dress for success, raffles for scholarships, local food pantries, Alzheimer's walks and STEM projects to name a few. These events need to be publicized in local papers or on Facebook. Potential members want to see vibrant worthwhile organizations. Now that a new directory is available, talk to members of other chapters, learn from their successes. As I have said spread the work. Members need to feel valued.

A few more ideas for thought. We had initially spoke about having a state wide initiation. The business of the 75th prohibited that, but if chapters want to initiate at the fall meeting or next spring please let me know. This would be a great way to expose new members to the state organization.

Thank you to chapters who have made contributions to Safe Passage. Jillian Sceppa from my chapter and others from my church will leave on the 24th of June for Guatemala to work with the children at Safe Passage. I will be presenting a workshop in the fall about my experiences. Hope to see you all there.

We must move into the social media age. I have asked our communication chair to set up a Facebook page. A workshop on twitter is being prepared, so we all can connect in many ways. We talked at the Winter Board about some electronic documents. We will look into this for the Fall workshop, possibly looking at a consent agenda.

We need to stay connected and share our successes. Remember to register for our International Convention in Nashville. Hope to see you there.

Martha

Congratulations to Dr. Theresa Abodeeb-Gentile and Carol LaPolice. Dr. Theresa Abodeeb-Gentile will have an article published in the 2016, Volume 82-3 issue of the *The Delta Kappa Gamma Journal*. Carol LaPolice has an article in the 2016, Volume 82-4 issue of *The Delta Kappa Gamma Collegial Exchange*.

Ceremony of Remembrance, Celebration of Life



To learn and never be filled is wisdom; to teach and never be weary is love.

Alpha; Beverlyan Pasternak, Pamela-Joy Lyons

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Alpha Upsilon Remembers ...

Gladys Durant

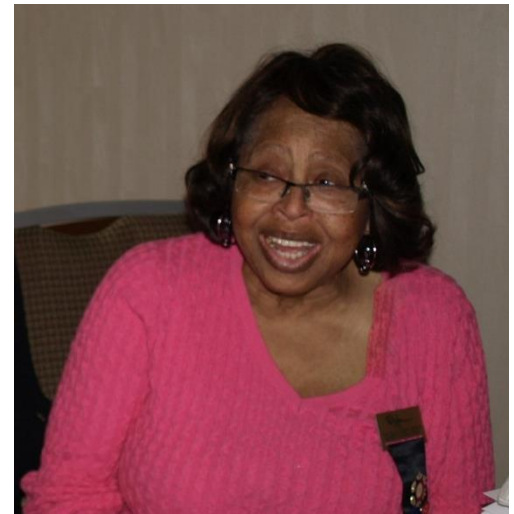
Gladys L. (White) Durant, age 75, of Norton, passed away peacefully on Saturday, June 4, 2016, surrounded by her loving family, at Seasons Hospice & Palliative Care in Milton.

Born in Boston, MA on August 6, 1940, she was a loving daughter of the late Thomas, Sr. and Christmas (Isles) White.

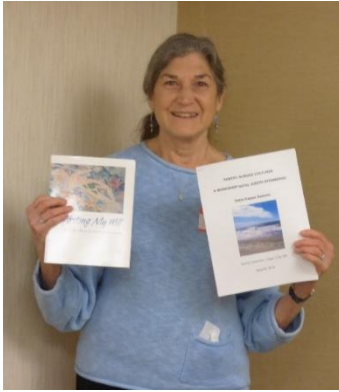
Gladys grew up in the Roxbury section of Boston and was a graduate of Roxbury Memorial High School. She continued her studies, receiving her bachelor's degree in education from Boston State Teachers College, and later, after starting her family, returned to Antioch College and received her Master's degree in education as well.

A teacher, Mrs. Durant taught in Attleboro schools for over thirty years prior to retiring. After retirement, she remained active with the Attleboro Public School System, serving as a representative and former treasurer of the Bristol County Educators Association, and as a member of the Massachusetts Teachers Association and current board member of the retired members committee.

Gladys was an active member and current Parliamentarian of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society. Gladys was initiated into Alpha Theta Chapter in May, 1990. Gladys held many positions with her local chapter including President, First Vice President, Nominations Chair, Professional Affairs and Retired Members Chair. One the State Level, Gladys served on the State Professional Affairs Committee, Legislation and since 2005 State Parliamentarian.



Celebrating the Arts



Workshop Presenters: Judith Steinberg, Kit Dunlap, Dr. Anne Sears and Bev Johnson



Book Discussion Leaders: Kit Dunlap, Denise Kochanski and Gail Laffer

Christa McAuliffe Raffle Winner and Walk Participants



Congratulations Helen McGarry! (center below) The DKG Christa McAuliffe Fund Raffle, winner, of a FitBit Charge HR. Pictured are DKG Christa McAuliffe Fund Committee members Paula Wilson and Chair, G'Tanya Small.



75th Birthday Celebration Highlights

It was a Delta Kappa Gamma red and gold evening as Chairman Lynn Howard welcomed everyone to the 75th Birthday Celebration. The Celebration began with a Recommitment Ceremony to the ideals and purposes of the society led by Dr. Anita Newman. President Martha Cotton



Alpha Upsilon President Martha Cotton with International President Dr. Lyn Schmid

followed with Greetings from the State and a grand evening of celebration began.

Before the program continued, members had time to outbid each other for marvelous silent auction items while

generally mixing and chatting

over libations. During this time, it was fun

to watch the photomontage put together by Kaaren Harrington from photos sent by chapter members. The video provoked much laughter and finger pointing as the years gave way to our younger selves



Honorees

on the big screen. Members wandered to the long table of red and gold stars where DKG Sister Tributes were arrayed, each picture framed and tributes collected in booklets compiled by Kathryn Dunlap. Others gathered at tables with festive centerpieces, compliments of Natalie Januskiewicz. The Celebration continued with the parade of chapter presidents. International President Dr. Lyn Schmid presented each incoming and outgoing president with a rose. In the spirit of celebration and reflection, Beverly Shaw Johnson led us in the responsive reading invocation, "We are Grateful." Dinner was a clamorous affair at times with conversation vying with conversation from the many tables. Following the dinner, International President Lyn Schmid brought greetings from International which should spur each chapter to renew their enthusiasm and increase membership.



Past State Presidents



Lynn Howard and the Raffle Table



Incoming and Outgoing Presidents



The after dinner festivities were highlighted by the women's barbershop chorus, **NoteAble Blend**, and its barbershop quartet Serendipity. Past State President Anita Newman is a member of both the chorus and the quartet. Chairman Lyn Howard made special presentations followed by Birthday Wishes given by Past State Presidents of AU. The Celebration concluded as we stood for a spirited singing of the Delta Kappa Gamma Song.



U.S. FORUM: NATIONAL LEGISLATIVE SEMINAR 2016

Gail Saccone, U.S. Forum representative, and Marge Burns, designated Legislative representative, attended the 2016 National Legislative Seminar in Washington, D.C. from March 13-16. Seventy-five DKG members representing 23 states and the District of Columbia participated in the three day seminar. The purpose of the National Legislative Seminar is to inform members on pending legislation that furthers the purposes of DKG.

This year the Seminar placed emphasis on five topics:

Bullying and Cyberbullying. Presented by Ingrid Donato, Chief of SAMHSA Mental Health Services. She referenced resources for educators such as www.stopbullying.gov and KnowBullying by SAMHSA an App for parents and teachers. She stressed that as educators we must know the laws and policies because bullying prevention laws work! A second speaker, Darryl Alexander, Director of AFT Health and Safety Program, discussed legislative approaches to work-related bullying at school. She spoke of the need to transform the climate and culture in schools. She stressed the importance of promoting legislation for protection of staff. Teacher unions must work with school boards to develop policies for protecting staff in the workplace.

Pay Equity and Fair Pay for Women. Presented by Ariane Hegewisch, Institute for Women's Policy Research. The wage gap has not improved for the last ten years. The pay gap is still \$.78/\$1.00. The wage gap gets bigger if you control for education. Lack of employment affects family infrastructure and holds back women and their families. We are encouraged to support legislation such as 2009 Lily Ledbetter Fair Pay Act, Pay Check Fairness Act (H1619/ S862), minimum wage increases, Family and Medical Leave Insurance Act (paid sick time), universal Pre-K, work-family benefits to help women stay at work, and college affordability.

Human Trafficking. Key issues brought to our attention included the need to vacate criminal convictions of the victim (currently the child is criminalized, not the rapist), to reform legislation with more emphasis on prevention, and to more fully understand risk factors that can promote prevention strategies.

Risk Factors (vulnerable populations) include childhood sexual abuse, runaways and the homeless, parents' addiction, poverty, school-related problems, welfare families, and low self-esteem. The Safe Harbor Bill is designed to help children make connections to one person in school. One-third of runaway teens are lured into sexual exploitation within 48 hours.

Gun Violence. Presented by Dr. Ellen Gerrity, Duke University Center for Child Traumatic Stress. Due to the connection between mental health and gun violence, in some instances, she discussed two bills currently pending to support initiatives for mental health programs. S.1945 (August, 2015) Mental Health Reform Act and H.4435 (Feb. 2016) Comprehensive Behavioral Health Reform and Recovery Act.

A second speaker, Julie Keller, Brady Campaign to Prevent Gun Violence, would like the Congressional ban on CDC gun violence-related research rescinded. We need to advocate for improvement of care for the serious mentally ill. Work to promote laws to keep guns out of hands of dangerous and mentally ill individuals, require safe storage, close gun show loopholes, and institute universal background checks.

Statistics show that two-thirds of gun-toting students get them from home and 1.7 million children live in homes with unlocked guns. We need to advocate for laws that are more punitive against parents that don't store guns properly (more than just "child endangerment"). We need legislation providing for parent education, technology for fingerprint recognition of owner, and to ensure that school board refuse to have guns in the classroom! Resource: www.askingsaveslives.org

High-Stakes Testing. Presented by Lindsay Fryer, Education Advisor for Senator Alexander, K-12 Research Team. She outlined key provisions of the new **Every Student Succeeds Act** (ESSA) passed December, 2015 which will take effect in 2017. It is designed to fix some negative elements of NCLB by restoring local control and keeping its best features by reducing the number of high-stakes tests. There will no more waivers from Race-to-Top requirements (which resulted in explosion of testing to the detriment of students). States can use other measures for accountability (ACT/SAT in lieu of state English/Math/Reading Tests). The new law eliminates mandates on Teacher Evaluations. Basic skills and competencies can be assessed using authentic assessments. The law also diminishes the authority of Federal DOE.

Baystatements

Alpha -Alpha Chapter enjoyed a relaxing



March membership meeting. Our retirees, coordinated by past president Carol Meaney brought soups and breads, working members brought

dessert. Kathy Balakier, 1st Vice-President introduced guest speaker, Nancy Hale, author of *My Journey*, who taught us the importance of self-care and relaxed us further with stress reduction and mindfulness techniques. Three new members were voted into the chapter under the direction of Elaine Sgueglia and Linda Sasso. Our Supporting Early Educators projects were completed. New teacher bags of replenishment school supplies were given to members for distribution by 2nd Vice-President Coleen Sullivan. Our first recipient of the new teacher grant award of \$500.00 was presented to

Alpha Gamma -The Alpha Gamma chapter of DKG recently had two very enjoyable meetings. The winter meeting was held at Heritage Country Club in Charlton, MA. A special monetary collection for our literacy project was held and Susan Frabotta will purchase books and tapes for the maternity ward at Harrington Memorial Hospital, Southbridge MA. A canned goods collection was taken up for a local food bank. The evening concluded with a Yankee Swap of a re-gifted item. This was a great way to recycle and a lot of fun.

The spring meeting was held at Fins & Tales in Southbridge MA. Life coach Gayle Suzanne Dragicevich was the guest



speaker. Besides being extremely motivational, she also gave the group permission slips to use in different life situations, gifted each of us with an

Lee Ann Dodge of Ludlow by Committee Chairman Ann Marie Towne. She is a third year teacher in the Springfield Public School System and will use the funding to support her classroom's solar system integrated curriculum project. Our Membership Tea was held in April at the beautiful home of MaryJane Kostek with a video presentation of our chapter's works. Mary Jane, a past president and fundraising chairman, is busy organizing our annual tag sale to



be held on May 20 and 21 at the Green Acre Farm in Wilbraham- please stop by if you are in the area. Maureen Kellman and Claire LaBonte created a great gift basket, "Come to Western Massachusetts," with donations from area businesses and entertainment. Look for it at the 75th Alpha Upsilon convention.

inspirational stone, and signed copies of her book, *It's in the Little Things*. Her topic of how to relieve stress was especially pertinent in the current educational climate. Officers for the next biennium were nominated. They are: Co-Presidents: Nancy Coderre & Dawn Quigley, First Vice President: Tammy Edmonds, Second Vice-President: Linda Denault, Corresponding Secretary: Joanne Dall: Recording Secretary will be assigned on a rotating basis. This past January Nancy Coderre, Diana Kuzawa and Dawn Quigley visited with Florence Shaw at her home in Webster and awarded her a 30-year pin. This year would actually be Florence's 35 year as an Alpha Gamma member. Florence recently turned 90 and has been a very active member of Alpha Gamma. Although she is no longer able to go out at night, she takes part in all our fund raisers and said she considers Alpha Gamma HER society!

Alpha Kappa The members of Alpha Kappa Chapter visited the TOOTHPICK WORLD exhibit at the Fuller Art Museum in Brockton on Saturday March 12, 2016. The visit to the exhibit was preceded by a lunch at the Chateau Restaurant.

Alpha Mu Our "Welcome Back 2015-2016" meeting was held at Hunt's Camp on beautiful North Spec in New Salem in September. Updates on the policy for DKG/Alpha Mu awards was given by Phyllis Ambrozewicz. A few of our members shared a summer memory.

In November, a tasty buffet was enjoyed by members and guests at The Old Mill in Westminster. Phyllis Ambrozewicz and Gail Pease presented the program "Pride in the Big Picture" which explains all about Delta Kappa Gamma. It was very informative for prospective members and a great reminder for others!

Danielle Beaudry hosted the Christmas Gathering at her home in early December. A great time was had by all who were able to attend this social event. The King Phillip Restaurant in Phillipston was the location for our March meeting. Guests of members were introduced and a presentation about bee

keeping by George O'Neil and Roland

Sevigny was very informative and interesting. April found us gathered at the Williams Restaurant in Gardner for a delicious Italian Buffet. Three new candidates and one former member were discussed and voted into our chapter. Items were collected for our court CLIC boxes as well as the four baskets to be raffled at the Spring Convention. Many present participated in the meaningful discussion regarding future fundraisers, programs to be considered for next year's meetings and the importance of taking an active role as a member of Alpha Mu/Delta Kappa Gamma.

The Harding Allen Estate in Barre is the destination for our May meeting. At that time, we will be presenting our Award to a student who will graduate from Monty Tech, initiating three new members and re-instating one former member.



Alpha Xi Our Annual Wine and Cheese reception to welcome new members was held on March 14 at Congregation Shalom in Chelmsford. We were delighted to welcome new member, Patrice Hurley.

Program chair, Joan Davies, introduced Donna Brock, a volunteer with the Road Scholar program. The Road Scholar program is a not-for-profit national and international organization that offers real world learning experiences through travel and hands on experiences.



On April 13, member Janet Dubner arranged for a workshop for members to learn to make flower arrangements at Power of Flowers in Billerica. Attendees learned about the organization, then made flower arrangements that were delivered the next day to teachers to show our appreciation and understanding of their hard work. We hope to continue this project to support even more teachers and schools in our area and to spread the word about DKG.

There are several events planned for the remainder of the year. On May 2, our Initiation and Installation Dinner will be held at the Nashua Country Club. On June 3, we will attend our annual cultural event, the Middlesex Community College Celebrity Series. Featured speakers this year will be Kathie Lee Gifford and Hoda Kotb.

Alpha Zeta members with Dr. Lyn Schmid at the Spring Convention in Falmouth.



FRIDAY NIGHT

5:30-7:00 PM Registration

Dinner on your own

7:00-9:00 PM Executive Board Meeting,
Martha Cotton, Alpha Upsilon State President,
Presiding

9:00 PM- Book Club

a) *THE NOTORIOUS R. B. G.: THE LIFE AND TIMES OF RUTH BADER GINSBURG*. (Lead by Gail Laffer and Beverly Shaw Johnson) Co-authored by Shana Knizhnik, a graduate of the New York University School of Law, and Irin Carmon, a national reporter at MSNBC, this biography is a very engaging read with wonderful illustrations and photos. As an esteemed member of the US SUPREME COURT, Ruth Bader Ginsburg is an amazing role model for women of today.

Published by Harper Collins, 2015, ISBN 978-0-06-241583-7. Or EPUB ISBN 9780062415820.



b) *10% Happier: How I Tamed the Voice in My Head, Reduced Stress Without Losing My Edge, and Found Self-Help That Actually Works--A True Story*, Dan Harris' memoir. Not only is Harris a well-known ABC newsman and *Nightline* anchor, he is also a MA resident from Newton. The book is a mix of the funny and the serious while touching on the problems of overload and the nagging voices in our brain. The book is a result of a long search for tranquility and balance after having had a panic attack televised on *Good Morning America*. Let's all find out just how we might be 10% happier.

Published by Harper Collins, 2014, ISBN 978-0-06-226543-2

SATURDAY

7:30 AM- NOON Registration

7:30 AM Plated Breakfast

WORKSHOP

8:30 AM- 9:30 AM

A. Presidents Workshop

Lynn Howard, 2nd Vice President,

Alpha Upsilon State

B. Twitter

Gabrielle Montevecchi

9:35 AM-10:35 AM Workshops

A. FULL S.T.E.A.M. AHEAD: WHY
GIRLS ARE ESSENTIAL TO THE
PROCESS!

Brandy Jackson, Gabrielle Montevecchi, and
Lynn Howard

B. "THE PURE JOY OF MAKING A
DIFFERENCE: WHAT IT TAKES TO
BE A LITERACY TUTOR"

Martha Colarmaria and Gail Laffer

10:40 AM-11:40 AM

A. Safe Passages

Martha Cotton and Jillian Sceppa-Etienne

B. Bullying

11:40 AM-11:50 AM-Break/Checkout

11:50 AM-12:20 PM-General Convocation

12:20 PM-12:50 PM-REJUVENATION

1:00 PM-Awards Luncheon

3:00 PM-Planning Meeting
Spring Convention 2017



FALL WORKSHOP REGISTRATION
Alpha Upsilon, Massachusetts
Friday and Saturday, SEPTEMBER 30 – October 1, 2016
HOLIDAY INN-BOXBOROUGH WOODS

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FROM the East - Rt. 128S or 128N to Route 2W to Rt. 111N - Follow Rt. 111N for about 8 miles – Adams Place on left before crossing Rt. 495
FROM the West – Rt. 290E to Rt. 495N – Exit 28 to Rt. 111 – Left off ramp to first road on right – Adams Place

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(Please use separate form for EACH registrant)

NAME _____ CHAPTER _____

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If you do not have an email address & would like a receipt at the Workshop, please check here__

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| 1. Registration for ALL attendees | \$25.00 |
| 2. Breakfast Buffet* | \$20.00 |
| 3. Awards Luncheon** | \$27.00 |

TOTAL _____

*Breakfast Buffet - Sliced Fresh Seasonal Fruits Chilled Juices (Fresh Orange, Cranberry) Fresh Scrambled Eggs Crispy Bacon Country Sausage Breakfast Potatoes Assorted Cold Cereals Assorted Breakfast Pastries and Muffins Freshly Brewed Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee & Herbal Teas

**Roast Turkey, With Traditional Homemade Gravy Cranberry Sauce and Herb Stuffing

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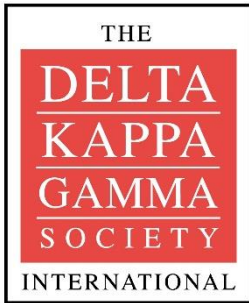
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Each DKG member attending Alpha Upsilon State-sponsored conferences, workshops, conventions, and Executive Board meetings is required to pay a Registration Fee. These fees PARTIALLY defray the basic service costs involved in hosting these events.

Services include light refreshments for Friday evenings, bar set-up for luncheons and/or dinners, meals for guest presenters and invited guests, A/V equipment (screens, wireless hook-ups, microphones/podiums, projection tables, extension cords, etc.), printing expenses (program booklets and meal tickets), and room rental charges/surcharges for workshops.

Thank you for your understanding and support.



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The Purposes of the Society are:

1. To **unite** women educators of the world in a genuine spiritual fellowship;
2. To **honor** women who have given or who evidence a potential for distinctive service in any field of education;
3. To **advance** the professional interest and position of women in education;
4. To **initiate, endorse, and support** desirable legislation or other suitable endeavors in the interest of education and of women educators;
5. To **endow** scholarships to aid outstanding women educators in pursuing graduate study and to grant fellowships to women educators from other countries;
6. To **stimulate** the personal and professional growth of members and to encourage their participation in appropriate programs of action;
7. To **inform** the membership of current economic, social, political, and educational issues so that they may participate effectively in a world society.