

Presidents' Page

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Newsletter for Chapter Presidents



Greetings, Chapter Presidents!

Hopefully, you have settled into the new school year and have learned the names of all your students!

Remember that you have intelligent, eager state organization presidents for 2019-2021 who are ready to work with you. During training sessions this summer, this group of incoming presidents really worked to learn more about the Society and their roles. They have numerous resources and are ready to answer questions, to visit your chapter, and to offer a helping hand. If you have not yet connected with your new state organization president, reach out to her, welcome her to her new position, and plan to invite her to a chapter meeting before your biennium ends June 2020. She will be glad to hear from you!

Log onto your state organization's website to see what is happening now. Your state organization leaders are moving forward and ready for your help.

Do you have a program/plan to assist early-career educators? Have you considered a program about Schools for Africa? Log onto the [DKG website](#) and find numerous resources.

Start this school year with some fresh programs, new ideas, and updated materials from the Society's international committee members. Adapt each item to fit your chapter's needs. They have been designed with you in mind!

Order supplies from the [DKG Store](#) for your upcoming induction ceremonies.

Download the DKG App through the Play Store (Android) and the App Store (iPhones). You can access the latest edition of the *DKG NEWS*, blogs like Get Connected, DKG social network feeds, and Society projects. You can also find information about the upcoming international convention in the [Events](#) section.

As the holidays approach, remember to take time to regroup and re-energize yourself. You are in the last year of your biennium so remember to slow down, breathe, reflect, and most of all, *enjoy!*

Society Headquarters Staff

"CITY OF BROTHERLY LOVE AND SISTERLY AFFECTION" AWAITS YOU IN 2020

Make plans now to attend the 2020 International Convention, July 7-11, in Philadelphia, PA. The convention will be held at the Philadelphia Marriott Downtown. With opportunities for education, inspiration, fellowship, and entertainment there will be something for everyone.

For anyone interested in presenting a workshop or learning lounge (formerly known as takeaways), the proposal forms will be available on the Events page soon. Presenting provides an opportunity for members to share their expertise and creativity with other members. Experience as a presenter enhances your portfolio, expands your professional resume, and in some states/provinces/countries provides for professional development credits.

Does your chapter sell a unique product in order to raise funds? The marketplace may be the perfect opportunity for the chapter to connect with DKG members. Chapters enjoy a discounted rate for a table as a vendor (sales) or an exhibitor (displays). Find the form on the Events page under the [2020 International Convention](#) and click on [Forms](#). Early registration for vendor applications are due by October 15, 2019. See you in Philadelphia!

990 FORMS DUE IN U.S.

U.S. state organization presidents: Assist your chapter treasurer in filing Form 990. All chapter treasurers and coordinating/district councils with separate bank accounts that collect less than \$50,000 a year are required to file the 990n postcard between July 1 and November 15.

Once you have successfully filed after July 1 and before November 15, please send a copy of the accepted filing receipt from the IRS to your state organization treasurer and keep a copy for your permanent files.

Visit the [Finance Committee page](#) on [www.dkg.org](#) under [About Us](#).

Total Membership as of October 1

64,448

What's New on the Web?

"Tools" and "Resources" have merged and are all housed under "Resources."

C/ISR, GAPP, Strategic Plan, and Go-to Guide are now housed under "Governing Docs."

Things to remember:

October

- ◆ October 15: Deadline for State Orgs to request Society representatives
- ◆ October 15: Early registration vendor applications due for PA convention marketplace

November

- ◆ November 1: DKGEF Cornetet CSPD applications due
- ◆ November 10: State Org. Pres. deadline to request an international speaker from International Speakers Fund
- ◆ November 15: All treasurers must file IRS 990 (US only)

Future

- ◆ January 3: DKGEF project applications due
- ◆ Jan. 15- Feb. 15: Submissions accepted for spring Fine Arts Gallery
- ◆ February 1: International scholarship applications due
- ◆ February 1: Applications due for DKGEF Lucile Corenetet Professional Development award

- ◆ Be aware of other chapter or state organization scholarship deadlines

President to President

by Cathy P. Daugherty, RP, international president 2018-2020

October 1 will prove to be a “reality check” day for many chapters and state organizations. Members whose dues have not been received at HQ will automatically be dropped from the membership database. Without necessary contact information on file—email addresses—the staff was not able to reach out personally to alert those members that the dues collection process deadlines had changed. State organizations found they had the same problem. That left the burden at the door of our chapters, who have done a yeoman’s job of trying to contact members about the new dues collection process. Without their devoted efforts, many more members would be facing the “reality check” on October 1. But, what happens on October 2 and the days after that? Does DKG go on its merry way and ignore those members who did not meet the dues deadline? By no means, “No!” The DKG Reinstatement Policy, established several years ago, makes it easy to bring back members who have not met the dues deadline. There are three easy steps:

1. The former member pays her dues and submits a completed Form 83 (Reinstated Member Form) to her chapter treasurer. If she was on your roster for 2019-2020, she will pay the full dues amount regardless of the month she reinstates. If she was not on the current roster, she will pay full dues if she reinstates before December 31, 2019, and ½ the international dues (and whatever portion your state organization by-laws and chapter rules state) if she reinstates January 1, 2020, or after.
2. The chapter treasurer reinstates the member in the dues portal.
3. The state organization treasurer receives [Form 83](#) from the chapter treasurer.

Remember that there is no chapter vote to reinstate a member, and as a former member she will not be inducted again. While some members may have a lapse in membership this October because their dues were not paid on time, the process exists for their quick return with little effort. Reinstatement works!

TREASURERS’ TIPS

Dues have been collected and submitted for the 2019-2020 year. Thank you to all the treasurers for your hard work, time, and energy you invested in learning this new system. As of October 1, we had 3,305 members that remained unpaid and were dropped. Presidents and treasurers are encouraged to reach out to these members for possible reinstatements.

Thank you to all who participated in the dues survey. Results from the survey taken by the state organization and chapter treasurers will be tabulated and presented to the Administrative Board in November. Copies will be made available to those treasurers who indicated they wished to receive them.

HQ has hundreds of cards for new members added since April that are missing addresses. Please make sure to enter the complete mailing address and email addresses for all new members. We will be mailing cards to the chapter treasurers so be on the lookout for those.

The [Form 87](#), Change of Treasurer, has been updated to include a field for your EIN. Please be sure to use the most current version of this form to submit your treasurer changes to HQ and to your state organization. Your EIN can now be found in your Chapter Connect just under the red banner.

Please send all paperwork for chapter honorary members you are inducting to HQ along with the \$49.50 fee. The dues system is not set up for these one-time only billings and the new member entry for chapter honorary members will be done at HQ.

DKG FINE ARTS GALLERY

Submissions will be accepted for the spring gallery January 15 - February 15, 2020.

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT

Tell us about your remarkable members!
Put them in the [Member Spotlight](#).

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