

Presidents' Page

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Newsletter for Chapter Presidents



Greetings Chapter Presidents,

Now that the holiday celebrations are over and 2019 is in full swing, we have a few reminders for you to share with chapter members.

- Members who submitted workshop and/or takeaway proposals for any of the international conferences will receive an email from Trish Woodley no later than February 15 to confirm the presentation(s). Anyone who has submitted a proposal and has not received a confirmation email by this date should contact the regional director for the corresponding conference.
- Remember to include your local contact information (name, email, and phone number at the very least) anytime you make contact with members or perspective members. This includes any items left on a table or at the school. Often, people will pick up the materials but do not know how to contact anyone about their interest in the Society.
- If you aren't checking the Society website regularly, delegate this task to a chapter web surfer. She can locate resources, note deadlines, discover new information, and share much more with the chapter.
- Don't forget to have enough membership supplies for your next induction. Order new member information kits and certificates, as well as other items for your chapter's needs in the DKG Store. Visit the website and choose the **DKG Store** button in the middle of the home screen.
- Review chapter participation and evaluate activities. Which activities had the greatest attendance? Consider polling your members with some different activities listed and obtain their feedback as to which activities they would attend.
- International conference registrations are now open for all five conferences. Urge your members to register and attend the international conferences. Remind them that they can attend any (and all) of the international conferences.

As always, let us know if you have any questions or concerns – we are here to support you in all you do for DKG and your chapter. We appreciate you and wish you the best of experiences in 2019!

Society Headquarters Staff

MEMBERSHIP MOMENT

Beginning January 1, 2019, any new member shall pay half of the 2018/2019 regular dues for the remainder of this fiscal year (July 1, 2018—June 30, 2019). This means that only \$20 will be sent to International for active members and \$10 for reserve and collegiate. You should follow your state by-laws and chapter rules for the amounts due to each. Remember collection for the 2019-2020 dues year will begin soon!

PARTICIPATE IN AN INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE

With five great locations and themes, there is something for everyone at an international conference this summer. Choose a location from Asheville, North Carolina (Arts & Humanities); Des Moines, Iowa (Leadership); Costa Mesa, California (Technology); Reykjavik, Iceland (Professional Research and Practice); or Mashantucket, Connecticut (Global Awareness).

All events will include opportunities for professional development, networking, inspiration, and exciting experiences unique to each conference's theme. Whether touring the area, collecting professional development credits, or networking with members from around the globe, an international conference provides it all through a fun-filled DKG experience. Conference registrations are now open and can be found under the **Events** tab at www.dkg.org.

CHAT'S ALL THAT!

Thank you for using the chat feature on the website. Membership specialists have answered over 1,700 chats since September. Please continue to remind members of this feature available to them. Chats can be answered during Headquarters business hours, Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. CST. If chats are received outside these hours, they will be answered when membership specialists return.



We are online
[Click here to chat now](#)

Dates to remember:

February

- ◆ **February 18:** Society Headquarters closed for Presidents' Day

March

- ◆ **March 1:** Bulletin: Journal Submissions due
- ◆ Encourage members to register for an international conference
- ◆ Plan to attend your state organization meeting/event. Invite chapter members to join you!
- ◆ Plan your spring induction ceremony.
- ◆ Teach members how to log in to www.dkg.org—make it a chapter project.

Misc

- ◆ **April 5:** CTAUN Conference, New York, NY. Register at www.ctaun.org
- ◆ Plan to celebrate the Founders, your state organization founders, or your chapter's charter members in honor of DKG's 90th Founders' Day in May. Honor long-term members, too!
- ◆ Contact members who have not attended meetings this year and let them know they were missed.
- ◆ Encourage members to apply for Cornet Individual Professional Development Awards by May 1.

President to President

by Cathy P. Daugherty, international president 2018-2020

What innovative ideas will our newly installed 2019-2021 state organization (SO) presidents bring back to local chapters following the 2019 international conferences? This summer all SO presidents have the opportunity to train with others beyond their region – learning with and from women from throughout the Society who are undertaking the responsibility of leading members in their locale. In the past, unless scheduling conflicts occurred, newly elected DKG officers most often trained exclusively in the regions where they served. While this setup was convenient on the surface, it was limiting in the scope of opportunities to share and learn from leaders across the Society. Realizing this, attendees at the 2018 DKG Convention elected to broaden the concept of international's training for incoming state officers. The summer 2019 conferences will expose those being trained to new ideas, to different ways to address issues faced by many SO's, and to lasting relationships with colleagues across the Society, not just within their region. It's an opportunity to look beyond set boundaries toward the true global aspect of DKG. Chapters will ultimately be the beneficiaries of this summer's training when information is shared through state organization communications and at fall meetings. The best practices in one region will now become the innovations in multiple regions. It's a win-win for all!

STAY UP-TO-DATE WITH DKG IN THE DIGITAL AGE

Members are reminded to update their email addresses on their online profile by going to **MyDKG** and then to **My Account**. Click on the pencil above the phone number(s) to make changes. Members can also update their address and change their password from this screen.

The screenshot shows the 'My Account' page in MyDKG. The top navigation bar includes 'About Me', 'My Participation', 'My Communities', 'Board Dashboard', and 'Member Directory'. Below this, there are tabs for 'State Connect', 'Chapter Connect', 'Membership Card', and 'Tour Report'. The main content area is titled 'Change your password' and shows the current username as 'TRISHW'. There are links for 'Change password' and 'Social Profiles'. A callout box with a pencil icon points to the 'Work Phone' field, with the text 'Click here to make changes'. Below the contact information, there is a 'My Addresses' section with a 'Main Address' tab. At the bottom, there is a small note: 'Birth Date has to be entered as full date format, but it will be displayed as Month and Day only.'

North American based training for state organizations (Des Moines, Iowa):

Training for presidents and executive secretaries*: Tuesday, July 9 and Wednesday, July 10 (8:30 a.m. both days)
Training for treasurers and membership chairs: Wednesday, July 10, (8:30 a.m.)

Europe based training for state organizations (Reykjavik, Iceland):

Training for presidents and executive secretaries*: Wednesday, July 24 and Thursday, July 25 (8:30 a.m. both days)
Training for treasurers and membership chairs: Thursday, July 25, (8:30 a.m.)

Latin American and Japan based training for state organizations (Costa Mesa, California):

OPEN only to Latin America and Japan based state organizations

Training for presidents and executive secretaries*: Tuesday, July 16 and Wednesday, July 17 (8:30 a.m. both days)
Training for treasurers and membership chairs: Wednesday, July 17, (8:30 a.m.)

*Continuing executive secretaries attend at own expense.

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