

Presidents' Page

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Newsletter for Chapter Presidents



Greetings Chapter Presidents,

The first year of your biennium is drawing to a close. We hope that you have had a good year, that you have been able to realize your goals, and that you have overcome the challenges the past year may have thrown your way.

This is an exciting time as plans move forward for the 2021 International Conferences. Have you made plans to attend one or both conferences, in person or virtually? Members not able to travel or otherwise attend the conferences in person will be able to view selected content and interact with conference attendees in a virtual setting. Have you made your hotel reservations and registered for the conferences? Hotel reservations can be cancelled up to 72 hours prior to the day of arrival. Click here for registration links ([Portland & San Antonio](#)), found on the DKG website under [Events](#). Select the international conference you wish to attend and go to the Register tab. From there, members can choose to register online or print a PDF and mail in their registration.

Spring is on its way, and that means state organization conventions are also in progress at this time of year. We hope each of you can attend and that you are encouraging your chapter members to attend.

May 11 marks the anniversary of the founding of Delta Kappa Gamma. The Society has now been in existence for 92 years! Many chapters will be celebrating this occasion with special Founders Day activities. (See related article on back)

Thank you for your commitment to your chapter, state organization, and the Society. Your leadership and willingness to consider new ideas and your personality have made this first year of your biennium memorable.

Remember that we are always here to answer your questions and help in any way we can.

Society Headquarters Staff

CONFERENCE WORKSHOPS PROMISE TO BE HELPFUL AND INSPIRING

As you plan activities at the international conferences, include some time to attend Society workshops. The International Committees have planned some great experiences!

These workshops will offer opportunities and explore resources to better assist your chapter's growth and leadership. Watch the upcoming May/June *DKG NEWS* for listings of workshops offered so you can make time to attend and talk with your representatives. They would love to hear your ideas!

ENCOURAGE MEMBERS TO READ THE *DKG NEWS*

The March/April issue of the [DKG NEWS](#) was available on March 1. It has lots of important information about the international conferences that you will want to read.

There is a "Schedule-at-a-Glance," for each location, giving a general outline of the activities for each day of the conference. There are interesting articles about the keynote speakers, along with many other interesting articles about the conferences. The May/June issue will carry information about the workshops to be held at both conferences. Encourage your members to read these and other interesting items.

DUES PORTAL OPEN FOR 2021-2022 DUES

The dues portal opens on April 1, 2021, and that is no April Fool's joke! Treasurers are now able to enter new members and pay dues for existing members. Dues amounts should show full dues for both international and for your state organization. International dues for active members are \$40, reserve members are \$20, and collegiate members are \$20. You will need to check with your state organization treasurer for state organization dues amounts. Once you have created your order, you can begin sending your checks. Please remember that checks to international should be sent to the

physical address of 416 W. 12th Street, Austin, Tx 78701. Please do not use the PO Box as we no longer have access to any mail sent there.

For members who only have a cell phone and no landline, please enter their cell phone into the Home Phone field in the portal. By doing this, their phone number will appear in your Chapter Connect Roster when you upload it.

Should you notice any discrepancies in your portal, please contact one of our membership specialists via the chat online, email at mem@dkg.org, or phone at 512-478-5748.

Things to remember:

April

- ◆ April 1: Dues portal opens for 2021-2022 dues year
- ◆ April 2: Headquarters closed
- ◆ April 15: Deadline to submit vendor/exhibitor forms for both international conferences

May

- ◆ May 1: DKGIEF Corenetet CIPD application due
- ◆ May 1: Deadline to return ballot for International Achievement Award
- ◆ May 1: Names of 2021-2023 State Organization personnel submitted to sarahs@dkg.org
- ◆ May 1: Deadline for SOPs to request international speaker from International Speakers Fund
- ◆ May 15: Deadline to submit articles for *Bulletin: Journal*
- ◆ May 31: Headquarters closed

June

- ◆ June 8: Early registration ends for Portland International Conference
- ◆ June 15: Deadline for State Organization Editor's Mailing List Order form
- ◆ June 23: Early registration ends for San Antonio International Conference
- ◆ June 30: Deadline for members to submit dues to chapter treasurer

President to President

by Becky Sadowski, international president 2020-2022

As I continue to meet with the regional directors and members of our international committees, I am very excited about the many great opportunities that are available to our members!

The regional directors are planning two wonderful international conferences that will take place in July. Have you ever been to Portland, OR or San Antonio, TX? Or... maybe you've visited there but want to return. Wouldn't it be fun to experience either of these locations with other DKG friends? I hope you and your members are following news about the conferences on the Events page on the DKG website. Because the conference format has not yet been finalized, you may have some questions about attending these events. Nita Scott, our Executive Director, will be sharing some of the most frequently asked questions along with her responses in her column in the May/June 2021 issue of *DKG NEWS*. Please check it out!



International committees are working diligently to carry out their committee responsibilities **and** to share their work with you. Most committees are posting a new blog on the DKG website monthly or in some cases every two weeks. I hope you will read these brief topics of interest and respond if you wish. Committee members are always interested in your reactions, questions, or suggestions.

As you can see, those members serving at the international level want to do their part to make sure you are informed regarding the activities and offerings of our organization!

TIME TO BEGIN PLANNING FOR FOUNDERS DAY

In May, many chapters celebrate Founders Day: May 11, 1929. This can be a time for remembering the heritage of our organization as well as a time to look to the future. *Our Heritage*, Volumes I, II, III, and IV could be very useful in preparing a program. These can be found on the DKG website under [Publications>Our Heritage](#). Additionally, "Our Founders," a PPT presentation with a script, can be found under [Resources>Videos, PowerPoints, Templates>PowerPoints](#). Need ideas for your program?

- ◆ Compare roles of women in 1929 vs. 2021 with an emphasis on how the lives of the Founders can encourage members today to be forward-thinking. You could include the clothes worn then vs now, the role women play in the community then vs. now, etc.
- ◆ Prepare a script about each Founder. Have a member read the script in the first person.
- ◆ Have members role-play each of the Founders, telling how the Society started, how it got its name, etc.
- ◆ Consider gathering with other chapters in your area for your program with a luncheon and a speaker. This could provide a great opportunity to network with other chapter leaders and members.

Even though the founding date is May 11, your chapter can honor the Founders at any time of the year. The Founders Day ceremony can be found online under [Resources>Ceremonies](#) for additional ideas regarding your Founders Day.

SPRING INDUCTION IN THE PLANS?

If your chapter is planning a spring induction, it is time to check your supplies to make sure you have what you will need for this special event. Submit your order to the store with enough time to be shipped to you before your induction ceremony. Check the [DKG Store](#) for any necessary supplies from the website at www.dkg.org.

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