



INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS
DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

Indiana State Organization

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November 8

**Alpha Sigma
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A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT, DONNA KIDA

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Greetings, Alpha Sigma!

I love fall. One of my earliest memories of this time of year is going mushroom hunting with my dad. While he would collect his mushrooms, I busied myself collecting leaves. When we left the woods, I had with me quite a variety of colorful leaves.

Have you noticed how magnificent the colors of the leaves are this year? Vibrant reds, oranges, and golds are mixed among the green. Together, they make a breathtaking sight.

Think about the students you have presently, or have had in the past. They came to you in different

“colors,” abilities, and backgrounds. Sometimes the differences were challenging. Over the years, though, I came to see those differences as just making my class more “colorful,” more vibrant, just as those changing leaves make a more beautiful vista. As you look out at your classroom full of students, enjoy the view.

Please remember to vote on November 8.

Donna

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Mission

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes the professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

Our Next Meeting:

Saturday
November 12, 2022
9:00 AM Central
Country Kettle, Knox

Program: FFA, Beth Cohagen and FFA Officers

Roll Call: What do you know about FFA?

Opening Thought: Ruth Schwenk

Media Review: Jo Ann Gappa

Refreshments: Order from the Menu

Closing Thought: Sherry Lippelt

Pig Collection: Support for Early Career Educators Project

Dates to Remember

Alpha Sigma Chapter Meeting
November 12, 2022
Country Kettle, Knox

Alpha Sigma Bake Sale
December 3, 2022
Mark Bailey's Discount Center

Revitalization Meeting
October 29, 2022
Indianapolis, Indiana

Janet O'Neal Seminar
November 25, 2022
Columbia City, Indiana

State Convention
April 28-30, 2023
Evansville, Indiana

Revitalization

At the September meeting, Stephanie Walsh spoke to the Alpha Sigma chapter via Zoom concerning revitalization. There will be a meeting on October 29, 2022, in Indianapolis which will focus on gaining new DKG members and retaining once inducted. Any DKG member may attend.

Committee Focus: Membership

The Membership Committee has several responsibilities according to our chapter policies. Just as our State is tackling the question of membership revitalization, our chapter Membership Committee is responsible for providing direction in the continual effort to gain and retain members.

The Membership Committee is also responsible for submitting qualified candidates for chapter vote. The Committee depends upon all the members of Alpha Sigma to submit recommendations for possible induction into the Society. A New Member Prospect Card is available online at www.alphasigma.org.

According to Alpha Sigma Policies, the Membership Committee sends a card to any member upon the death of an immediate family member.

A single red rose is sent and a memorial service is conducted upon the death of a member. The Membership Committee is responsible for these observances for deceased members.

A final responsibility is to submit necrology and membership reports as required.

The Membership Committee is a vital component of the successful operation of the Alpha Sigma Chapter. The Membership Committee of Alpha Sigma is comprised of Chairman Jo Ann Gappa, Heather Quinn, and Angela Allender.

Woman of Distinction Award

State President Stephanie Walsh requests that nominations for "Woman of Distinction" be sent to her on or before March 1, 2023. To be considered for this award, the nominee must be a DKG member who has excelled in areas other than DKG or who has received a special award. The nominee has to have exhibited the quality cited or received the award in 2022. Nomination forms are available on the Indiana State Organization website: <https://www.dkgindiana.org>

There are several Alpha Sigma members who are worthy of this distinguished award. Take a few minutes to nominate someone in our chapter who meets the requirements. Don't wait until the last moment!

DKG INDIANA HOT TOPICS

November 10, 2022 7:00 pm ET via ZOOM

Leader in Me: A Transformational SEL

curriculum Kate Evans and Jeanine Newman, teachers from Delphi, Indiana, will share with us an SEL curriculum that has transformed their school.



RSVP to indianadkg@gmail.com for the link.

IN State Organization Website

Find the latest information about your State Organization at www.dkgindiana.org

The website is organized by general topic and then subgroups:

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Breast Cancer Awareness Month

If you haven't had a mammogram recently, schedule one today!

<https://www.breastcancer.org/about-breast-cancer/breast-cancer-awareness-month>

Emotional Wellness Month

Your emotional well-being affects your overall health!

<https://nationaltoday.com/emotional-wellness-month/>

National Apple Month

No matter how you prepare them, Apples are delicious and usually good for you!

<https://nationaltoday.com/national-apple-month/>

National Book Month

Reading, writing, and literature are so important. Share your favorite book with a friend! Donate books to B.O.B.!

<https://nationaltoday.com/national-book-month/>

Alpha Sigma History

Alpha Sigma Chapter came into existence on March 13, 1954. Fifteen women educators from Starke and Fulton counties were initiated.

Founding Members:

- Mildred Burns
- Wilma Byfield
- Florence Cunningham
- Dorcas Dice
- Mildred Diveley
- Mary Goddner Norris
- Odessa Greer
- Donna Hall
- Laura Huff
- Mae Jones
- Neva Kinder
- Frances Myers
- Virginia Rose
- Nadine Sriver
- Agnes Schael

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Nothing Gold Can Stay Robert Frost

Nature's first green is gold,
Her hardest hue to hold.
Her early leaf's a flower;
But only so an hour.
Then leaf subsides to leaf.
So Eden sank to grief,
So dawn goes down to day.
Nothing gold can stay.