

## COMMUNICATE



Dear Mu Chapter Sisters,

This is my final newsletter to you as your president. I want to thank you for the amazing opportunity to serve Mu Chapter for the past 4 years. It has been a blessing and a tremendous personal and professional growth experience for me.

I entered this position totally green, not really knowing what I was getting into, but it turned out to be one of the best decisions I've ever made. You have been an amazing group of women to work with and I have learned so much from you. I can't tell you how important it was to have so many gracious mentors willing to help me navigate through the details of this position and to share their rich knowledge of the history of DKG. What a wonderful opportunity it was to get to know each of you better, to forge lasting friendships, and to learn more about our organization.

While I will cherish the time I served as your president, I am looking forward to all of the exciting things yet to come for Mu Chapter and for DKG International. None of the things we accomplished together could ever have been done without your faithful dedication, kindness, and support. Thank you, thank you, thank you!

With heartfelt appreciation,

Kate

## MU CHAPTER NEWS

Website: [www.dkgmmu.weebly.com](http://www.dkgmmu.weebly.com)

**In Remembrance:** It is with sorrow that we bid farewell to our dear sister Joan McGuire who passed away on March 29, 2018. It is with joy that we celebrate her life as teacher and friend. Her children, Randy, Penny, Pam, Peggy, and Ron extend their thanks and appreciation to the many members who were able to attend her funeral and to all who supported Joan with cards, calls, visits, prayers, and friendship. Please know that 40 red roses representing DKG members from Mu Chapter were presented during the Rose Ceremony at her funeral. A white rose was placed in her name honoring her membership in DKG. It was a lovely celebration of her life. Joan was an absolutely amazing woman and teacher. She will be dearly missed.

**Membership:** Please join me in welcoming our five newest members: Christina Baltes, Patricia Marquardt, Tiffany Palmer, Charlotte Schullo, and Molly Turner. These talented educators were initiated in April. We are blessed to have them join Mu Chapter. The future of our organization depends on a strong and dedicated membership.

**Leadership 2018-2020:** Congratulations to our newly elected officers who will be installed May 8<sup>th</sup>.

### Executive Board

Michelle Dahlby – President  
Libby Underhill – 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President  
Carol Carpenter – 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President  
Kathy Vanwert – Recording Secretary  
Miriam White – Corresponding Secretary  
Deb Rossman – Treasurer  
Delphine Jacobsen – Parliamentarian

Congratulations to our newly elected

### Nominations Committee

Stacy Bahr  
Angie Dahlberg  
Robyn Edwards  
Marilyn Gandrud  
Pam Roiger  
Kathy Vanwert

**With Appreciation:** Thank you to Kathy Palm, Angie Dahlberg, Robyn Edwards, Marilyn Gandrud, Kathy Vanwert, and Miriam White for securing a slate of officers for the 2018-2020 biennium. Your efforts to run the election and the installation ceremony are very much appreciated by everyone.

**Booklet Revisions:** It's that time of year again! We are in the process of updating the booklet. After reviewing your personal information in the current booklet, please send an email to Kim Kusler either confirming that your information is correct or providing her with revisions. Please check page 26 to see whether you are scheduled to assist with one of the fall meetings.

**Years of Service:** Please join me in congratulating our 40 and 50-year members who will be receiving their years-of-service pins at our May meeting.

*1978 Initiates – Receiving a 40-year pin*

Felice Dickey  
Anna Mae Floura  
Darlene Schultz

*1968 Initiate – Receiving a 50-year pin*

Lois Cann

**Facilities Fee Reminder:** In recent years, there has been an increase in the number of venues charging us a fee to use their facilities for our meetings. To cover this fee, we have been adding \$2 to the cost of each member's meal at our meetings. Members who opt out of the meal are still expected to pay the \$2 facilities use fee at each meeting.

**A Package in the Mail:** This morning, my dear husband, Scott, stopped at the post office to mail a large envelope to each of you. It contains a dues sheet, the spring survey with a new cover letter, and an invitation to join the Happy Warblers for rehearsal May 1<sup>st</sup>. Please send your dues directly to Deb Rossman and your survey to me. We will also collect them at the May meeting.

## MN TAU STATE NEWS

Website: [www.dkgmn.weebly.com](http://www.dkgmn.weebly.com)

**Summer Leadership Retreat and New Officers' Training:** To be held June 19-20 at the College of Saint Benedict in St. Joseph, MN. Theme: *The Story of Possibilities*. International guest Becky Sedowski will speak on organizational structures. Registration information is available on the MN Tau website.

**2019 MN Tau State Convention:** To be held May 17-19, 2019 at the historic Water Street Inn in Stillwater, MN.

**Fall Executive Board Meeting:** To be held Saturday, October 6, 2018 at the Great River Library in St. Cloud.

## DKG INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Website: [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org)

**2018 International Convention**  
To be held July 16-20, 2018 in Austin, Texas. Registration forms can be found in the Jan/Feb 2018 DKG News. For more information, go to [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org).

**Constitution and Standing Rules:**  
There are 130+ proposed amendments to the Society's Constitution and International Standing Rules that will be voted on at the July Convention in Austin, Texas. Be informed. To learn more, go to [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org).

## COLLABORATE

### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### TBD

**Summer Program Planning:** To be arranged by incoming president, Michelle Dahlby. Mu Chapter committee chairs, the executive board, and chapter members are welcome to attend. More information will be forthcoming.

#### TBD

**Transition Meeting:** To be arranged by Deb Rossman, Treasurer and the incoming president to transfer names on bank accounts and on the safety deposit box.

#### TBD

**Booklet Revision Meeting:** To be arranged by Kim Kusler, Chair.

#### TBD

**Auditing Committee Meeting:** To be arranged by Pat Welte, Chair. The meeting will need to take place before August 1<sup>st</sup>.

#### TBD

**Executive Board Meeting:** To be arranged by the incoming president.

#### TBD

**Finance Committee Meeting:** To be arranged by Heidi Krause, Chair.

#### TBD

**Summer Fun Night Out:** To be determined and arranged by Carol Carpenter, Networking Chair and the incoming president.

#### Saturday, September 8

**Regular Chapter Meeting:** To be held at the Walker Community Church in Walker. Kim Kusler will speak on the Reading Corps Program.

#### Saturday, October 13

**Regular Chapter Meeting:** To be held at the First Presbyterian Church in Blackduck. Joyce Siegert will lead a panel discussion of the book, The Smartest Kids in the World and How They Got that Way.

## COOPERATE

**Courtesy Committee:** Is a Mu Chapter member in need of support by way of a note, phone call, or visit? Is a member in need of a ride to a meeting, ill, in the hospital, or experiencing a loss? Contact any member of our wonderful Courtesy Committee. They are here to help. See Dianne Sizer, Chair.

**Pins, Pins, Pins:** Do you have your DKG keypin, the emblem of membership in our Society? Would you like to collect years of service pins? These are available in 5-year increments. Contact Tami Wesely.

#### **What to Do With All Those Pins?**

Contact Tami Wesely for a red-ribbon pin holder.

#### **Need a New Nametag**

Contact: Sharon Hokuf



## Christmas Tea 2018:

*To Tea or not to Tea; that is the question . . .*  
The incoming president, along with the executive board, will determine the future of the Christmas Tea. If you would like it to continue, and know of someone who is knowledgeable about another country and would be available to be our guest speaker at the 2018 Tea, please contact Michelle Dahlby or an executive board member soon. Early planning makes the event easier.

## CELEBRATE

### CONGRATULATIONS!

. . . **Arlane Mullranin** - on the birth of your first granddaughter, Lua!  
. . . **Libby Underhill** - for volunteering to be the new MN Tau State Webmaster. Thank you!  
. . . **Deb Rossman** - on the graduation of your daughter, Megan, who just earned her degree in Pharmacy. She is now Dr. Megan Rossman PharmD. (*Megan and Deb prepared the program for our Italian Christmas Tea.*)

### THANK YOU!

. . . **Diane Wahl** - for writing the skit honoring Jewell Mendenhall. It is a fitting tribute to our beloved Jewell.  
. . . **To Our Membership and Necrology Committees**, chaired by Delphine Jacobsen and Co-Chaired by Hallie Baldwin and Avonell Kjellberg for making all the preparations for the April Initiation Ceremony and the Ceremony of Remembrance. Well done!  
. . . **Shirley Deno and Delphine Jacobsen** - for serving on the MN Tau State Bylaws Committee.  
. . . **To everyone** - who attended the 36<sup>th</sup> annual Horace May School 2<sup>nd</sup> grade musical - It was sweet to see you there supporting these precious children.

### BECAUSE YOU ASKED

. . . Yes, my husband and I have finally moved into our new home. We are now living south of town about 2 miles past Horace May Elementary School, west of Hill's Country Greenhouse and east of Lake Plantagenet. He has the 5 acres he has always wanted and I have a main floor laundry room. Woohoo!

**That's it from me for now .  
God bless you all!**

