

Presidents' Page

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Greetings Chapter Presidents,

Thank you! As we end the year and begin to think of the new year ahead, we celebrate you! We are grateful for our Society's genuine spiritual fellowship creating interconnections among chapters, regions, state organizations, and countries. How amazing it is to have those connections with others? We appreciate that you are leading your chapter members to reach their potential through seminars, programs, projects, workshops, and mentoring.

We are grateful to be educated, to be among friends, to enjoy professional and personal support, and to have numerous resources. We thank you for all you contribute to DKG.

The end of the year is always a time for reflection as the new year approaches, to take some time to enjoy each other, reflect on the beauty in life, and welcome the change that is on the way.

We hope that you feel the gratitude of your members during this holiday season. The seeds you are sowing will offer you years of appreciation.

Society Headquarters Staff

COME TO NEW ORLEANS, LA

Start planning now to attend the 2022 International Convention in New Orleans, LA. Our speakers and workshops are going to be great, the setting is beautiful, the price is excellent, and genuine fellowship will be in abundance. Try to bring at least three members from your chapter.

The convention will be held at the Sheraton New Orleans, 500 Canal Street, New Orleans, LA 70130, right in the heart of New Orleans. Discover the heart, soul, rhythm, blues, and yes, the passion of New Orleans.

This year, we will have a special opportunity for those attending the convention for the first time.

WANTED

Members who have earned their doctorates between July 1, 2020, and June 30, 2022, will be honored for their accomplishments at the 2022 International Convention in New Orleans.

To receive this recognition, members who meet this criterion must submit the following documentation as found in ISR 13.52:

- a copy of the dissertation inside cover page with the appropriate faculty signatures
- a copy of the inside cover giving the name of the author, the title of the dissertation, the particular degree earned, and the date it was conferred.

Please send documentation by April 15, 2022, to phyllish@dkg.org.

EMERGENCY FUND RELIEF

Many of you have been challenged this year by hurricanes, fires, floods, or other natural disasters. As the chapter president, you are the first person to identify a member in need of assistance from the Emergency Fund. You can send a request with the member's name and current address (especially if she is no longer in her home) to your state organization president. You can use the interactive form on the website (under Forms > [General](#)) Thank you notes from recipients of a \$500 Emergency Fund check are heartwarming. Not in need of assistance? Consider contributing at www.dkg.org/DKGIEFdonate.

DKGIEF ENVELOPE CAMPAIGN

The DKG International Educators Foundation is sponsoring its second annual Envelope Campaign. You will find the envelope inside your recent copy of the *Collegial Exchange*. Last year we raised \$11,092.00 for the work of the foundation. Your individual donation will benefit the work of the Foundation via any of the following opportunities:

- Cornet Award
- Educational Projects
- Educators Award Fund
- Emergency Fund
- Eunah Temple Holden Leadership Fund
- Golden Gift Fund
- International Speakers Fund
- Scholarship Fund
- World Fellowship Fund
- Area of Greatest Need

Thank you for helping to educate the world!

Things to remember:

December

- ◆ December 15: *Bulletin: Collegial Exchange* submissions due
- ◆ December 18: Headquarters closes for winter holiday

January

- ◆ January 3: Headquarters resumes normal hours
- ◆ January 7: Breakout and takeaway proposal forms due for 2022 International Convention

Upcoming C&M Module

January 29, 2022
11:00 a.m. CT

Join an informative panel, including a webmaster as well as Facebook, Instagram, and Twitter editors to expand your knowledge of social media.

[Click here to join the webinar](#)

Passcode:
C&M2022

President to President

by Becky Sadowski, international president 2020-2022

I hope you're enjoying chapter meetings this fall. Many of you have shared all the different ways you have chosen to "reconnect and revitalize." Chapter programs featuring a prospective member have occasionally led to those presenters becoming members of your chapters. Are you remembering to look for other non-traditional ways to identify potential members?

Demonstrating a team approach in your chapters is a great way to emphasize that each leader is not working alone.

January 2022 is quickly approaching. With the beginning of the new year, your thoughts will turn to identifying a slate of nominees for 2022-2024 chapter officers. At the international level we have been encouraging chapters to **prepare** your members to serve in leadership roles. Try to provide opportunities that will give members a deeper understanding of DKG and the importance of leaders serving at every level of the Society. Remind them that someone has already acknowledged their leadership potential by encouraging them to become a member of our organization. The support system they discovered when they became a member will continue to support them as they step into leadership roles.

When I became a chapter officer many years ago, I recall being reminded that I was going to be serving as part of a team. Demonstrating a team approach in your chapters is a great way to emphasize that each leader is not working alone. In August 2021 your state organization leaders participated in a training that focused on this style of leadership. Perhaps they would be willing to share some of their ideas and suggestions for developing this approach for your chapter leadership team. Coordinating a collaborative approach to leadership can and has made a difference in many DKG chapters!

New TEMPORARY HQ Mailing Address

With the building sale complete and the uncertainty of where our new temporary office space will be, we have set up a temporary mailing address for all correspondence to HQ, including dues payments and donations. **The new temporary mailing address is 1801 E. 51st Street, STE 365-163, Austin, Texas 78723.** The phone number remains the same, 512-478-5748. All forms have been updated on the DKG website to include this address. Please be sure to check the forms you are using have the current temporary mailing address.

WHERE CAN I FIND NEW MEMBERS?

Many chapters have been asking this very question. Bonnie Moore, TX, reminded us at her workshop in San Antonio that we should expand our thoughts of what a professional educator looks like and to think beyond the typical classroom teacher. Here are some of the examples she shared:

- Counselor
- Corporate Trainer
- Personal Trainer
- Financial Counselor
- Bank Trainer
- Christian Ed Director
- Camp Instructor
- Preschool Teacher
- Librarian
- Facilitator
- Human Resources Trainer
- Trades Teacher
- University Staff
- Food Service Trainer
- IT Trainer
- Paraprofessional
- Yoga Instructor
- Museum Curator
- CPR Instructor

I am sure there are numerous more! We just need to open our minds to escape the word "teacher" and think "educator" instead. Consider sharing other professions and keep this conversation going in our Membership Forum Community on the DKG Website.

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