Kappa Communiqué

*Delta Kappa Gamma*

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The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and

personal growth of women educators and educational excellence.

**Upcoming Meeting**

Thursday, February 7, 2019

**Where**: Lakewood Elementary School

Paris, TN

5:00

**Purpose I**: To unite women educators of the world in a genuine spiritual fellowship.

**Purpose VI:** To stimulate the personal and professional growth of members and to encourage their participation in appropriate programs of action.

**Program:** Taking Care of Me

**Presenter:** -Teresa Paschal

**Hostesses:** \* Leigh Anne Durham

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Linda Clark, Jenny Cooper, Shirley Braden, and Mary Johnson

\* This hostess receives the RSVP

**Inspiration:** Linda Clark

**PRESIDENT’S MESSAGe**

I hope everyone enjoyed their Christmas break and got some much needed rest. I am so looking forward to our February meeting! I have missed my sisters. Make sure and look over our prospective members information before the meeting. If you have any questions, please let me know. See you soon! Lynn

**Member News**

**ROSES**

* Dr. Joyce King’s husband had his last chemo treatment.
* Prospective teachers’ forms were emailed for you to review. What a great group!

Rachel Bridges: CES / 1st grade

Katie Arnold: CES 2nd grade

Angie Justice: CES / Preschool

Sarah Forrest ; Brwd / Computer lab

Haley Brooke Howe: Brwd / 3rd grade

Olivia Fowler : Brwd / 5th grade

Christi Bilderback : Brwd & CJHS / Art

**Member News**

**THORNS**

* Dr. Joyce King’s husband, Larry is still fighting cancer.
* Continue to remember Jeanette Brandon in the loss of her son Chad. Donations in memory of Jamie Chad Brandon may be sent to the Arkansas Archeological Research Fund.

**Dates to Remember** Forms and applications are available at: <http://www.xistate.org/>

Date for 2019 Xi State Convention May 30, May 31, and June 1. Add these dates to your calendar and make plans to attend.

* The 2019 international conference will be held in Asheville, NC, June 27-29, 2019.
* Xi State Legislative Symposium March 5 - 6, 2019, in Nashville. The Symposium will begin Tuesday, March 5, 7:00 p.m. with a Legislative Panel Discussion at Millennium Maxwell House Hotel and continue Wednesday, March 6, at 8:15 a.m. with a Morning Assembly on Capitol Hill followed by visits to legislators. The deadline to register will be February 12
* December 31, 2018 is the deadline to apply for the Liz Whorley Bradley Professional Growth Award and Vision Foundation Grants. One Liz Whorley Bradley Award can be awarded each year, and up to four Vision Foundation Grants can be awarded. The maximum for each award/grant is $1,000.
* January 3, 2019 is the deadline to apply for the DKG Educational Foundation Project Award. Applications may be found in the latest edition of ***Leadership Links***.
* The submission date for Xi State Scholarships is February 1, 2019.

Scholarships available to be awarded:

a. The Lois Jones Special (Stipend of $3000) for pursuing a doctorate (Ph.D., Ed.D., J.D.).

b. Isabel Wheeler (Stipend of $3000) for pursuing a doctorate (Ph.D., Ed.D., J.D.).

c. Maycie K. Southall (Stipend of $3000) for study beyond the Master’s Degree.

d. Mary Hall (Stipend of $3000) for study beyond the Bachelor’s Degree.

e. Evangeline Hartsook (Stipend of $1250) for study beyond the Bachelor’s Degree.

f. Lottye McCall (Stipend of $1250) for study beyond the Bachelor’s Degree.

g. Louise Oakley (Stipend of $1250) for study beyond the Bachelor’s Degree.

h. Eleanor Osteen (Stipend of $1250) for study beyond the Bachelor’s Degree

**LEGISLATIVE NEWS**

**Governor Lee Picks Texas Penny Schwinn for Our Next Education Commissioner**

**Fast facts about Schwinn**

* Age: 36
* Hometown: Sacramento, California
* Bachelor of Arts, University of California-Berkeley, 2004
* Master of Arts in Teaching, Johns Hopkins University, 2006
* Ph.D. in Education Policy, Claremont Graduate University, 2016

Lee looked outside of Tennessee and traditional classroom training, for his selection. Schwinn will need to build trust with the state’s stakeholders in public education. Groups that represent superintendents and teachers asked the Republican businessman to choose someone with a deep knowledge of education policy in Tennessee.

Schwinn plans to work with the governor’s office to find resources for education in the state budget that is being worked out by Lee and the legislature. Lee said he wants a greater emphasis in career and technical education in schools while legislators also want money to hire more law enforcement officers to police schools. In spite of allocations for teacher pay, salaries for the state educators are still well below the national average.

**CHAPTER WEBPAGE**

Our chapter webpage is located at:

http://kappachaptertn.weebly.com/

Most information can be found here if you don’t have your yearbook handy.