

Area Liaisons', Committee Chairs' and Chapter Presidents' Page

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Newsletter 20

Dear State Officers, Area Liaisons, Committee Chairs, and Chapter Presidents,

Have you gone "virtually" where you have never gone before? What with all of the restrictions that have been imposed on us due to the pandemic, we have had to rethink better use of our space and our desires as we focus on ways to learn while having fun and feeling a sense of power. I see more Zoom meetings being attended and chapter newsletters being written and sent in order to reach out showing support for your DKG members. Attending a museum virtually by viewing pieces of art can help satisfy the need to keep in contact with your local community. You might consider taking advantage of webinars or workshops online such as attending "Amending the Gap: The 19th and 28th Amendments with Dr. Gayle Seymour" which will be aired on Nov. 19th Eastern Time (contact Barbarabquinn@rochester.rr.com) from the US Forum or contacting the League of Women Voters to find out what topics will be available. Second Vice President Monique Harrison has been teaching a workshop on "Racism and Cultural Competency". Unfortunately, there is only one more class. This was an opportunity announced at Fall Board, specifically for those teachers taking the workshop for clock hours although the Saturday classes were offered to anyone interested. Look for these opportunities in the future. If you are interested in a craft, find a resource on YouTube for lessons such as Rosemaling, knitting, or learning how to play the guitar. The possibilities are endless; they just require a little imagination, time, and passion.

The Executive Committee (State Officers) met on November 2nd on Zoom to review possible changes to the Amendments for our Washington State Organization Bylaws. These changes are now being refined by State Parliamentarian Barbara Clausen and ByLaws and Rules Chair Nancy Sauer. On **January 11th, 2021, Monday at 5 pm**, we need the **Executive Board** to meet on a **Zoom Conference Call** in order to review these amendments. This means that chapter presidents need to be at the meeting along with State Officers. Please put this date and time on your calendar. If you are unable to make it, you need to put in writing who will take your place and send it to State Secretary Jessica Tufts and myself. The reason for meeting at this time is because after we have reviewed these changes and the amendments are finalized, they will be sent to State Editor Barbara McPherson before February 15th and published in the March issue of the *Alpha Sigma News* for all members to read. In April, they will be reviewed and passed at our state convention. Be looking for a link with ID and Passcode along with an invitation for this Zoom meeting.

The Area Liaisons will be meeting on Zoom to discuss how things are going and connect with each other. The date is Wednesday, December 9th from 5 to 6pm. Please add this to your calendar. We will send a link with the invitation, ID and Passcode the closer it is to the meeting. Gratefully, Susan Fritts, Washington State President DKG Society International

Dates to Remember:

Amendments/Standing Rules changes
Nominations Application
Scholarship/Grant Deadline
Achievement Award Application
State Officers/Committee Chair Reports
International Conference in Portland
Chapter Treasurers Annual Report
Alpha Sigma News Deadlines

December 1st (Send to Bylaws and Rules Chair Nancy Sauer Psi)
January 15th, 2021 (Send to Nominations Chair Jane Cardin Alpha Tau)
February 1st (Send to Grants-in-Aid Chair Myrna Muto Beta)
February 1st (Send to Immediate Past President Sherri Wagemann Eta)
March 15th
July 7-10, 2021
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February 15th, May 15th, July 15th, October 15th