



Beta Lambda Newsletter

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society California – Area II



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

January/February 2021

From the President’s Pen

Programs Projects Philanthropy People

Welcome to 2021!

2020 was truly a crucible (*a situation of severe trial leading to the creation of something new*), and we’ve been looking forward to a new year as we never have before. In the context of the uncertainty brought by the pandemic, we have also had the opportunity to discover new things about ourselves and our world. I am so grateful to live in an area and climate where meeting friends for walks outside is a frequent possibility. Also, driving to Arizona instead of flying means we can listen to a complete Harry Potter audiobook, cooking more meals at home means finding delicious new recipes for my Instant Pot, and “planning” has taken on a new connotation where “tentative” and “hopefully” are implied, if not said. 2020 has taught me not to get too involved or invested in the illusion of planning the future and instead to trust that life will still happen without my assistance.

Kim



Beta Lambda Members bid 2020 farewell...with thanks...

As bad as 2020 was, the past year brought us many good things. These DKG-Beta Lambda members joined Kim’s positivity and shared the good parts of their 2020:

- 👍 Our Beta Lambda ranks swelled with the welcome addition of the Alpha Nu Chico Chapter members. We are fortunate to have these wonderful new members.
- 👍 Our health has maintained very good (not even a cold since March!), we enjoyed more time with the two grandchildren in the fall, had an excellent garden this year (better tended to), and I have a new car ordered (even though I can’t go anywhere! LOL!) ~ Annette
- 👍 Hip, Hip, Hurrah!! to our talented, impressive, creative leadership keeping our chapter going via zoom...and "How about that Christmas Celebration"!! Our chapter following good health recommendations made a statement yet continued with outstanding programs that kept me involved (even though I didn't speak, I felt everyone including me was taking part). Most important to me is, so far family and close friends have remained in good health, and we have communicated more frequently than ever before. Nancy S
- 👍 Our new grandson was born on March 4; my eyesight is better than ever after 4 surgeries and, due to store shortages, I have been pulled from my comfort zone and had to use different products - all with good outcomes! ~ Karin

2021 - HAPPY NEW YEAR



What better time to re-think about the meaning of **GOING GREEN**.

The first time I heard this DKG purpose was when I was first invited to join Beta Lambda. Our President Marcie M encouraged us to use our own cup and leave the plastic ware behind.

This Beta Lambda society mission is to direct our actions towards making the environment better. We need to think of others and ourselves as well.

I researched DKG and Helene Going Green only to find that DKG-California link "under construction".

However, with a little effort we can sort our trash, recycle, use less plastic, watch our water use and do so much more!

Happy New Year and here's to continued efforts to build a healthy society and better world.

Here's a reusable cup to all my Beta Lambda sisters...

~ Mary C

The Arts in Tehama County, 2021 By Barbara L

Main Event Gallery

Hours: 11 am -5 pm, Thurs, Fri, Sat

January 1- 16

"A World of Light"

Artists Sharon C & Gallery members

January 19-Feb 27

"The Art of Inspiration"

***DKG February 9, 2021 at 5:30 pm
Zoom Meeting ...watch for the link...
"Tehama Creative Murals"
Artist Heather V**



Did you receive a 2021 calendar over the holidays? Make sure to add these DKG and Beta Lambda dates ...

- ➔ **January 9 (Saturday); 2:00 pm** – Cake Decorating with Barb T – via Zoom; INVITE GUESTS!
- ➔ **January 15-16** – DKG Winter Leadership Planning Session; via Zoom
- ➔ **January 11 (Monday); 5:30 pm** – Executive Board Meeting; TCDE
- ➔ **January 23 (Saturday); 9:30 to noon** – Area II Leadership Meeting; via Zoom
- ➔ **February 9 (Tuesday); 5:30 pm** – Tehama Creative Murals presented by artist, Heather V – via Zoom; INVITE GUESTS!
- ➔ **March 11 (Tuesday); 5:30 pm** – Tehama Oaks School, Guest Speaker will be Michelle B, Principal: location TBD – INVITE GUESTS!
- ➔ **March 13 (Saturday): 9:30 – 1:30 pm** – Area II Spring Luncheon: via Zoom
- ➔ **April 22 (Thursday): 5:30 pm** – Empower Tehama/Foster Youth; location TBD
- ➔ **April 24 (Saturday)** – Children's Faire; TBD
- ➔ **April 30 – May 2** – DKG California State Convention; Los Angeles Airport Marriott
- ➔ **May 8 (Saturday); 9:00 am** – Scholarship Brunch and Awards; location TBD – INVITE GUESTS!
- ➔ **June 5 (Saturday); 10:00 am** – 2021-2022 Chapter Planning Meeting; Tehama Visitors' Center (250 Antelope Blvd.)
- ➔ **June 10 (Thursday); 5:30 pm** – Beta Lambda Field Trip and Picnic; location TBD – INVITE GUESTS!
- ➔ **DKG International Conferences:**
 - July 7 – 10 – Portland, OR
 - July 21 – 24 – San Antonio, TX
 - July 28 – 31 – Tampere, Finland

PLEASE watch your email messages for links to the Zoom chapter meetings and events.



Santa's WORKSHOP



Beta Lambda Members
are AMAZING!!!

Thanks to each and
every one of you who
participated and/or
contributed to our
2020 Virtual Christmas
Celebration!

With your generous
help, we raised over
\$1,100 for our
Recruitment Fund.
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PLUS...
we had such fun!

For those of you unable to attend the Beta Lambda Christmas Celebration on December 12, here is a link to Cindy Lou Who's World Famous Cooking Class:

<https://youtu.be/U5Kk5i6bHC0>

...and here is Cindy Lou Who's
recipe for her

Nut Clusters:

- 2 cups semisweet chocolate chips
- 2-12 oz bags white chocolate chips
- 1 bar Baker's German Chocolate
- 5 cups raw almonds (or other nuts)

Roast nuts on a cookie sheet in an oven set at 350 degrees for 15 minutes.

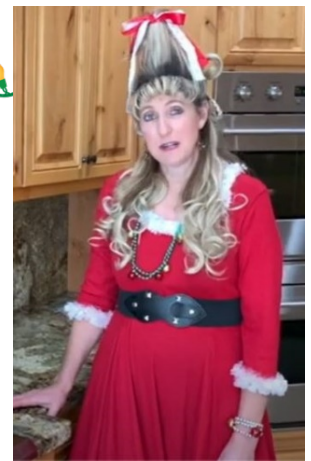
In a crockpot, pour in white chocolate chips, broken German chocolate bar and chocolate chips. Cover with nuts.

Set crockpot on LOW for 90 minutes.

Stir to coat nuts with melted chocolate.

Scoop clusters onto parchment or foil to cool.

Enjoy!



DKG Distinguished Service Awards

Dear Sisters,

Happy New Year!

The DKG Professional Growth and Services Committee is looking for nominees for this year's Distinguished Service Awards. The purpose of the awards is to honor women who have given or who evidence of a potential for distinctive service in any field of education. Each Chapter has the opportunity to recognize up to three members who have demonstrated outstanding service in any of the following categories. Supporting documentation is not required.

1. SERVICE TO CHAPTER - A member who has served in a leadership role at the Chapter level in two or more capacities.

2. PROFESSIONAL SERVICE - A member who has developed an educational project or activity that has had a positive impact on the profession and is recognized as an example for other educators.

3. PUBLIC SERVICE - Someone who is making an outstanding contribution to the community, especially having to do with youth and/or education. (Does not need to be a member).

Please contact me with your Beta Lambda nominee and your reasons for the nomination. I can be reached at XXXX or call 530-XXX-XXXX. Looking forward to hearing from you.

~ Your Committee Chair, Debra R



Happy Birthday
to these
Beta Lambda Sisters:



- ➔ January 15 ~ Georganne (Muffie)
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- ➔ February 20 ~ Mary C
- ➔ February 28 - Crystal N

MAKES ¢ENTS

*Fiscal wisdom from
our Treasurer, Annette N*

Taxes – FYI

It's that time of year again! Time to think about taxes and tax-deductible donations. There are only two ways to give to DKG that are legally tax deductible:

1. Donations to Schools for Africa, through UNICEF, and
2. L.I.F.E. (Learning is for Everyone) donations

VENMO

If you are a Venmo user (Venmo is a way to pay others digitally), Beta Lambda is able to accept your funds through the Venmo app. When using Venmo, search for **Beta-Lambda-2**. You will see the DKG rose as our logo.



Check out these DKG websites.
They are FULL of information about **US**.

🔗 [DKG - Beta Lambda](#)

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