



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.

March/April 2021

From the President’s Pen

Programs Projects Philanthropy People

Hello Sisters,

In the last year, since the onset of the pandemic and the subsequent lockdown, I’ve been thinking about the idea of community and how its purpose and meaning has changed in that time. In the most general sense, a community is a group that is connected because of proximity or purpose. We might feel a natural bond with our neighbors or a feeling of commonality at work. The recent changes in our daily interactions means we aren’t able to connect with people as easily as we had in the past, and after some time in isolation, we realized we needed and depended on these communities that we had perhaps taken for granted. Our meetings became more deliberate, our communications more intentional. I hope this practice doesn’t change. I hope we continue to pay attention to our communities, like DKG, and interact with purpose and gratitude for our time together.

Kim



Murals, Vaping, Zentangles, a Library Tour—What’s Next??

At the February meeting, as Heather V talked about the creative spirit behind the fantastic murals now seen around Red Bluff, I reflected on the many programs Beta Lambda has made available to us, programs I have experienced (and some I really hated to miss)!

Programs are one reason I look forward to every meeting—for the variety, inspiration, provocative questions, engaging speakers. For the spotlights on art and literature, challenges. For the insights, physical and mental stretches, inspiration. For the great fun, camaraderie, and those shared laughs.

I recognize, too, how powerful a benefit of membership programs are, a benefit that we get to control. Together we decide, keeping in mind the 7 Principles, what we want to hear about and experience. This benefit is what those great June planning meetings are all about. See you at the next one!

Mari E.A.
Member Benefits



*“No matter how long the winter,
spring is sure to follow.”*

~ Proverb

The Arts in Tehama County, 2021

By Barbara L

Main Event Gallery

✠ **March 2 – March 27**
“The Art of Abstraction”

Featured Artist:

Jay Murphy; Abstract Acrylic Paintings

✠ **March 30 – April 24**
“The Art of the West”

Featured Artists:

Barbara Ann Ramsey; Western Art Paintings
and

Felix Tapia's
Scrimshaw Carvings and Etchings on
Animal Bone

Gallery Hours:

Thursday, Friday and Saturday
11:00 am to 5:00 pm



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Fiscal wisdom from
our Treasurer, Annette N

Dues will be payable beginning April 1 for the 2021-2022 year. Dues are no longer collected in the fall. They are now a spring thing!

Dues are \$85 for Active members and \$35 for Reserve members. Please either mail your check to Annette N or Venmo your dues to **Beta-Lambda-2 (with the rose image)**.

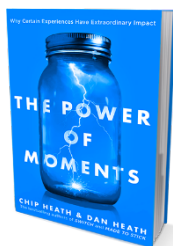
If your dues are received before June 1, your name will be put in a “hat” and you will have a chance to receive half of your dues back! It could be YOU, so pay early!

Upon payment, you will receive a receipt via email. If you do not have email, your receipt will arrive via snail mail.

Thank you for paying your dues on time!
The dues window is April 1, 2021 – June 15, 2021. Please pay early.

What good book have you read recently?
Here's one that may be of interest:

The Power of Moments:
Why Certain Experiences
have Extraordinary Impact
by Chip Heath and Dan Heath



Why do we remember certain experiences - good or bad - better than others? This “good read” offers hints that inspire the reader to craft exceptional moments that can change the lives of the people we love and with whom we work.

<https://heathbrothers.com/the-power-of-moments/>



HAPPY BIRTHDAY,
Beta Lambda Sisters

March

- 🎁 7 - Nan G
- 🎁 10 - Jeannie P
- 🎁 12 - Shirley R
- 🎁 19 - Sharon D
- 🎁 27 - Kay F

April

- 🎁 8 - Cindy H
- 🎁 10 - Dottie R
- 🎁 19 - Betty B
- 🎁 23 - Eileen C

DKG Beta Lambda CALENDAR

→ **March 11 (Thursday); 5:30 pm** – Tehama Oaks School, Guest Speaker will be Michelle B, Principal: watch your email for the Zoom link
To prepare, you may want to watch this video:

[Tehama Oaks Video](#)

→ **March 13 (Saturday): 10:00 am – noon**
Area II Spring Luncheon and Awards: hosted by Iota Sigma; via Zoom
“Sharing Knowledge Around the World” –
Neelam C., Speaker
Find the flyer here:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1hPFQC6yCeroHohlzMkkv_mFbC3Z0-zFr/view?usp=sharing

- **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; Virtual – watch for details
- **May 8 (Saturday); 9:00 am** – Scholarship Brunch and Awards; location TBD
- **June 5 (Saturday); 10:00 am** – 2021-2022 Chapter Planning Meeting; Tehama Visitors’ Center
- **June 10 (Thursday); 5:30 pm** – Beta Lambda Field Trip and Picnic; location TBD
- **DKG International Conferences:**
 - July 7 – 10 – Portland, OR
 - July 21 – 24 – San Antonio, TX
 - July 28 – 31 – Tampere, Finland – postponed until 2023

Guests are always welcome to Beta Lambda calendar events.

Please watch your email and the Beta Lambda website for Zoom access information.

[DKG - Beta Lambda Chapter](#)

Membership Committee Update

After recently sending out twenty-four recruitment letters to prospective members, Beta Lambda is so excited to welcome back Patricia A, who reinstated her membership. We also had several others who attended our recent zoom meeting or agreed to hear more information about our wonderful society of women educators. Kudos to our members who enthusiastically recommended these ladies! A “Win-Win” for both sides!

Also, Beta Lambda is developing a network of retired members supporting/connecting with actively working members. Within the next couple of weeks, a survey/questionnaire will be sent to you to help us better understand what we can and cannot realistically provide. In these unprecedented times the Beta Lambda sisterhood will step up to show our devotion to our sisters in the workforce. **WE ARE HERE TO HELP!**

Regards,
Nan G

Membership Committee Chairperson



DKG Sisters,

It’s that time of year again to begin thinking about the graduating foster youth here in Tehama County! As of now we have 11 foster youth ready to graduate or have already graduated for the year. We’d love to support them as we have each year with our “Getting Started” baskets full of essential household items. These baskets provide basics such as laundry soap, dish towels, dish soap, utensils, plates, salt and pepper shakers, etc. to get them started as they begin this new chapter in their life.

Any monetary donations would be greatly appreciated! **You may pay through Venmo @Beta-Lambda-2, or cash/check to treasurer Annette N.** Thank you again for your continued support!

Aging Out Foster Youth Committee