



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.

September/October 2020

FROM THE PRESIDENT'S PEN

Programs Projects
Philanthropy People

2020 has proven to be a year like no other. We have endured isolation and separation from friends and family. We have learned how to connect virtually so we can see someone other than our housemates or pets. We have a variety of masks on hand: in our cars, purses, and drawers. For the first time ever, we have gloves in our glove compartments.

In the spirit of the unpredictability of 2020, I spontaneously decided to retire just one week before school started. It felt like I had been hired for a position 28 years ago, only to find out this year that the job had changed. The new position did not need any of the skills I had honed over years of experience and, in fact, would require a crash course in nursing, sanitation, and technology. There is no way to know how many other teachers, like me, decided that they were underprepared for the almost daily wave of new protocols mandated by the pandemic, but what we do know is that with the effects of COVID, public education will never be the same. Granted, many of the changes were needed and will improve the old system, but I still need time to grieve the passing of an era. It's like watching my childhood home burn to the ground. Because the change was so abrupt, my retirement continues to surprise me; it is the first time in 50 years that I have missed the first day of school. And it's a good thing because, I don't know about you, but I'm still dealing with COVID hair.

Kim 

Beta Lambda WELCOMES, Alpha Nu Members!

Sadly, DKG's Alpha Nu Chapter from Chico has dissolved. Most members joined other chapters. Beta Lambda welcomes these ladies into our chapter!

Dr. Eileen C , Veronica G , Jeanne P , Juliann C , Cassie K , Magdalena C , Margarita R , Sharon D and Susan B are now members of Beta Lambda. These fine nine ladies are Key Women Educators and have excelled in their field.



We may not see them often, but they now call Beta Lambda their home Chapter. WELCOME LADIES!!! You will find their contact information in the new 2020-2021 yearbook.

BETA LAMBDA WELCOMES YOU ALL!








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Beta Lambda Transitions...

Retirements:

-  Kim C Red Bluff High School
-  Barbara T – Salisbury High School

Beta Lambda New Officers:

-  Kim C – President
-  Suzanne A - First Vice President
-  Nan G – Second Vice President
-  Barbara T – Recording Secretary
-  Carol G Corresponding Secretary
-  Annette I - Treasurer; Parliamentarian
-  Marilyn H – Appointed Liaison



Beta Lambda Calendar

We have become techno-savvy!

As educators, Beta Lambda sisters are flexible and always learning. These months of adapting to COVID-19 restrictions have helped us use those educator muscles. We are honing our technology skills and have shifted our chapter meetings to an on-line format using Zoom

Consequently, many of our early 2020-2021 meetings will be held using ZOOM. The 2020-2021 Beta Lambda meeting calendar will be:

- **September 9 (Wednesday); 5:30 pm** – Welcome Back; Installation of Officers; meeting via ZOOM
- **September 19 (Saturday); 2:00 pm** – Prospective Member Event – INVITE GUESTS! Meeting via ZOOM
- **October 10, (Saturday); 10 am to 1 pm** – Area II Fall Conference; meeting via ZOOM
- **October 22 (Thursday); 5:30 pm** – Update on Education, Guest Speaker will be Rich Du' y, Tehama County Superintendent of Schools – INVITE GUESTS! Meeting via Zoom.
- **November 12 (Thursday); 5:30 pm** – Induction/World Fellowship/Schools for Africa; meeting via ZOOM
- **December 12 (Saturday); 9:00 am** – Christmas Brunch and Boutique; TCDE Library – INVITE GUESTS!
- **January 9 (Saturday); 2 pm** – Cake Decorating; location TBA; INVITE GUESTS!
- **January 11 (Monday); 4:00 pm** – Executive Board Meeting; TCDE
- **January 9-10** – DKG Winter Leadership Planning Session; Irvine
- **January 9 (Tuesday); 5:30 pm** – Courthouse or Round Up; location TBD – INVITE GUESTS!
- **January 25 (Monday); 9:30 to noon** – Area II Leadership Meeting; Tehama Visitor's Center (250 Antelope Blvd.)
- **March 11 (Tuesday); 5:30 pm** – Tehama Oaks School, Guest Speaker

will be Michelle B TCDE – INVITE GUESTS!

- **April 22 (Thursday); 5:30 pm** – Empower Tehama/Foster Youth; location TBD
- **April 24 (Saturday)** – Children's Faire
- **April 30 - May 2** – DKG California State Convention; Los Angeles Airport Marriott
- **May 8 (Saturday); 9 am** – Scholarship Brunch, Awards and Officer Installation; TCDE – INVITE GUESTS!
- **June 5 (Saturday); 10 am** – 2021-22 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!

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

All these dates along with other important chapter information can be found in our 2020-2021 Beta Lambda Yearbook. It too, can be accessed using technology. Once yearbook information is finalized, members will receive a printed yearbook copy, In the meantime, here is the link to the digital edition.:

[DKG Beta Lambda 2020-2021 Yearbook](#)

ALSO...check out the Beta Lambda Website at: <https://betalambdadkg.weebly.com/> for GREAT photos of the Area II Spring Luncheon and other news.



**Did you know ...
that you can use your
TELEPHONE to ZOOM?**

You can join a Zoom meeting by means of teleconferencing/audio conferencing (**using a traditional phone**). You will need a phone number to call in (it MAY be a long distance number,) then put in the meeting ID number, and a passcode (aka meeting password), followed by the #_key. Ask your Calling Committee person for the required numbers. *At least give it a try! We miss you all!*

Once you are connected, you will be prompted to press *6 to unmute yourself.

Your Corresponding Secretary Needs Your Help!

Please be my eyes and ears out there. If you hear of a sister who needs a card for any reason— a word of encouragement, recognition-like being able to choose early retirement, an acknowledgement, etc., please email and let me know. Thank you so much for helping.

Carol



NEW ART MOVEMENT IN RED BLUFF

By Barbara L

Tehama Creative is a group of artists who are creating a new public art movement in Red Bluff. The group showcases local artists works, partnering with local businesses in creating murals on their buildings to engage the community and tourists in the public art experience.

Beginning with a small group of artists' need to network spending time creating together, it quickly grew into a broader community project now known as Art Alley in Red Bluff. Vibrant murals line the alley behind the Copy Center and behind Los Mariachis Restaurant in Red Bluff, providing a unique experience with each mural presenting its story. Another large mural is in Antelope's Frontier Village and a second one can be view from Rio St. on the Masonic Lodge building. It has been found that the walls with murals are less likely to be defaced with graffiti.

It's a great outing either as a car tour or stroll through Art Alley in these day of restriction with the COVID-virus. The murals and information about them can also be viewed online by searching "Images for Tehama Creatives." Also go to the Enjoy Magazine article,

<https://www.enjoymagazine.com/2020/06/01/317052/tehama-creatives>

Any local artist is welcome to join Tehama Creatives, by going to their Facebook page said Director, Heather Griffin-Vine, owner of Vine Design, and they are always looking for donations for paints and supplies. Giffin-Vine says, "Our goal is to push for more public art, and help provide an experience so different than any town close by and continue beautification of Red Bluff."

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*Fiscal wisdom from
our Treasurer, Annette Ni*

YOUR DUES! You might be interested where your \$85 Active Member dues go!

Beta Lambda	\$14
International DKG	\$40
CA DKG & Fees listed below	\$28
<i>Scholarship</i>	\$ 1
<i>Insurance</i>	\$ 1
<i>Publication</i>	\$ 2
<i>Dues</i>	\$24
Area II Fees	\$ 3
Total	\$85

We have 45 *Active* Members times \$14. \$630 is the amount Beta Lambda receives from active member dues.

BETA LAMBDA QUILT RAFFLE

The Handmade Quilt drawing did not happen as planned due to the COVID interruption. HOPEFULLY, it will take place at the December gathering!

You didn't get your tickets? No? Oh dear! Contact Betty or Annette. The tickets are \$5 each. (Make check payable to Beta Lambda.) What a deal! The money raised from the quilt will benefit the local High School Scholarship fund, local Recruitment Scholarship fund and a small amount will go towards Beta Lambda's general fund.

Get your ticket today!

Happy Birthday!



To these Beta Lambda Sisters

September

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| 1 - Judy W | 21 - Barbara L |
| 6 - Barbara T | 24 - Carla D |
| 12 - Meg P | 25 - Debbi M |
| 13 - Cassie K | 26 - Suzanne A |
| 14 - Marilyn | 28 - Diane L |
| 15 - Gretchen | |

October:

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| 19 - Nancy P | 28 - Karin |
| 22 - Sharon W | 31 - Linda |

An Important Message from the Beta Lambda Ceremonies Committee.

The Ceremonies Committee is honored to give our members their year pins by mail this year. We are planning to send each recipient the pin they have earned.

The following are the wonderful ladies:

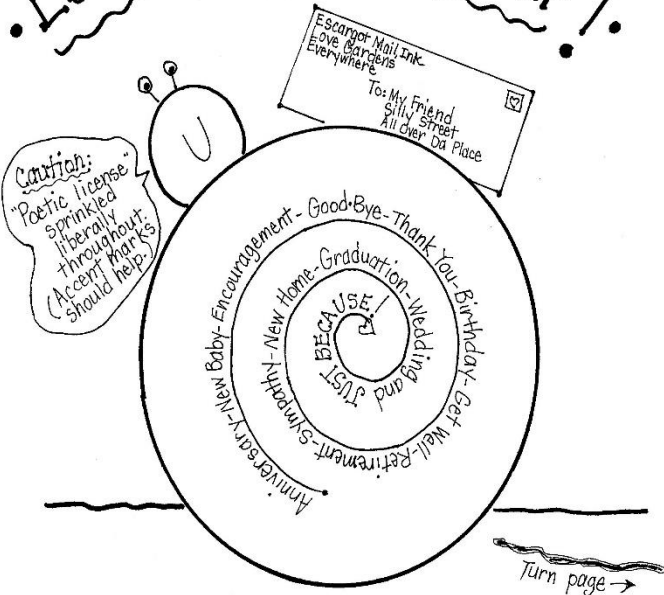
- 👉 30 years: Colette F and Dottie R
- 👉 15 years: Karla S
- 👉 5 years: Carol G, Cindy, Barbara T and Susan B

Congratulations to Each of You!

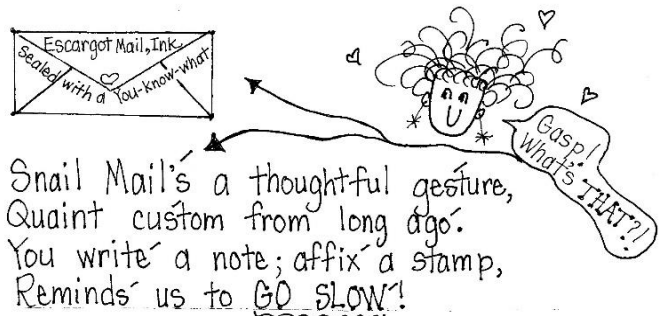
Please return the prior year pin to me. Thanks...
Betty B, PO Box 128, Corning 96021

Beta Lambda sister, Meg P, sent this little piece of creative joy for addition to the fall newsletter. Meg wrote, "I've always been a believer in "Snail Mail." Perhaps it will regain more popularity!?"

Escargot Mail Forever!



This silliness is dedicated to my friend, Barbara B., who celebrated her 96th Birthday on May 15, 2020. Thankfully, the miracle of "Zoom" was involved.
Meg P 5-25-20



Fifty-five cents and a bit o' time,
Send fun at a bargain price.
It's NOT a bill and NOT an ad,
And THAT is oh-so-nice!

It's good to know we're thought of,
At a time we cannot meet.
Hand-write a note and send it NOW,
Make someone's day complete!

The givers AND receivers,
All shout, "Now THIS is great!
We know this note's a treasure, so
Let's smile and celebraté!"

From Meg
5-25-20
Memorial Day!