



# The Nevadagram

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## Founder's Day 2022

### Don't Forget!

You can find the Executive Board and Convention Minutes here:

<http://www.deltakappagamma.org/NV/Minutes.html>

July 12 – Dues submitted to State & International

July 15 – Annual report (form 15) submitted to State Treasurer, Heidi Hull.

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September 17 – Annual Executive Board Meeting via Zoom

December 3 – Northern Nevada Holiday Luncheon at the Carson Valley Inn hosted by Delta

## That First Step

How much do we really know about our Founding Women and the day they formed a Society that has evolved into the International Society it is today? It is hard for many today to comprehend the struggles these women went through to form a women's organization.

DKG did not just suddenly start on May 11, 1929. Dr. Blanton had spent months of careful thought and planning before her invited colleagues arrived to help establish an organization for women educators. She wanted the organization to be composed of members from all fields of education and the eleven ladies who accepted Dr. Blanton's invitation were that. Some women educators refused her invitation due to negative attitudes expressed by many concerning women's organizations. Discrimination within the teaching profession was the rule rather than the exception during this time. Some feared job repercussions; others shared the thinking of many of the men educators who were opposed to women organizing. This did not deter these women, for they saw little opportunity for women to learn leadership skills in the already established organizations run by men. But these women pushed on with their organization with confidence and a desire for its success. I wonder how many of us would be willing to make that first step toward becoming Women Leaders in Education?

\*\*If you want to read more about our Founders and our Society and its evolution, check out Our Heritage, Parts 1-4, on our DKG website.

## Founder's Day

**We are all alike or we wouldn't have chosen to be involved in DKG. We share so much - including the history of our organization as epitomized by our Founders. And we share the day where we gather to celebrate that history...**

**We are all different. Each day, each year, each group chooses to celebrate that day in whatever manner seems best to them. Below are some of this year's celebrations!**

### Alpha and Theta

Alpha and Theta Chapters met jointly on May 7, 2022 at 10 AM for a gala Founder's Day/Year End Brunch. It was hosted at the home of Janice Clarke. During the meeting, a Founder's Day Moment of Silence was observed. Members brought food to share, socializing and getting better acquainted.

During the meeting new officers were installed. Chapter members were reminded of upcoming events including sign-ups for the Theta Craft Fair in June. They were also reminded to check the flyers for the Lambda Wine Fest location.

### Gamma and Epsilon

When Gamma was planning the event, we thought about the usual images we have of the founders as beautifully dressed women who moved among the elite to advance their agenda for women educators. All that is certainly true, but they were people first - people who had friends and family they wanted to spend some relaxing time with. So we went back to their roots, their TEXAS roots, and invited Epsilon to a Texas barbeque complete with the type of games played in the 20s and 30s.

Gamma Chapter hosted the event in the clubhouse at The



Regency, Judy Davis's home community. Several ladies wore their western gear including cowboy hats and boots. The program included information about the history of games dating back to the early 1900's. Attendees played Founding Member's Bingo, Bunco (modified version), and Yahtzee. And a YEE HAW time was had by all!

## Nu

On May 14, 2022, Nu Chapter held a breakfast meeting for their members. Their meeting was both in person and a ZOOM meeting. Much was accomplished including a Founder's Day Presentation provided by Dorothy Todd and Linda Getschmann. Later, new chapter officers were installed. Flowers were very much a part of their breakfast meeting.

## Xi



Xi Chapter's May meeting for Founder's Day started out with the installation of our new 2022-2024 officers. Then we put out a display of our founding sister's and red roses. Each Xi sister read the biography of each of our founding sisters which was written up by our beloved Bonnie Foard who we all miss dearly. We are still in awe of what our founding sisters had accomplished in their careers. We are so happy that they had the foresight to organize such a wonderful

organization which we are very proud to be members of. We also engaged in a dinner of Asian and pasta salad with bread sticks and delicious lemon bars for dessert. An enjoyable afternoon was had by all.



## Delta

Delta Chapter had their Founder's Day Celebration at Jill Harper's home on May 14, 2022. Margaret von Rumpf gave an Inspiration on Relationship among women. She talked about how we are so blessed by the women in our group. Candy Rooney shared our Chapter Scrapbook which had pictures and information from 2016 to 2022. Pam Gilmartin announced the 50/50 Raffle winner for the Year. Margaret von Rumpf won \$51 and \$51 went to the Chapter. Hostess gifts were presented to Jill Harper for hostessing Founder's Day, Candy Rooney for the Book Bash, and Margaret von Rumpf for providing the Inspiration at the State Convention.

Summer birthdays were celebrated for Corazon Rough, Hill Harper, Rosanne Anderson, and Brenda Downs. Pam Gilmartin provided a Sisterhood Activity in which she had members come up with words to describe a variety of moments in time. Cindi Supko presented the Founder's Day Skit with members reading parts and wearing hats to represent our DKG Founders.

The 2021-22 Delta Chapter Student Teacher "Gwen Anne Thacker Memorial Scholarship" was presented to Danielle Amador by Committee Chair Brenda



Downs. The 2021-22 Delta Chapter Nevada Apple Mini Grant recipients presented the award to Neida Arellano. Presentation of the 2021-22 Delta Chapter Rose of Recognition Award was presented to Maxine Emm by President Cheryl Anderson. DKG Service Awards were presented to Mary Boykin, Bonnie Silsby, and Linda Bourgeois for 10 Years in DKG, Cindi Supko, Pam Gilmartin, Corazon Rough, and Betsy Small received 15 Year Awards, and Maxine Emm was recognized for 30 plus years in DKG.

Presidents Cheryl Anderson and Maxine Emm announced that Delta Chapter received the Nevada State Communication Award and the Gold Key Service Award.



President Cheryl Anderson presented gifts to Officers that have served the last two years. New Chapter Officers were installed for the 2022-24 biennium. The officers are President, Maxine Emm;



Pam Gilmartin, First Vice-President; 2nd Vice-President, Paige Coziahr; Co-Recording Secretaries, Margaret von Rumpf and Cindi Supko; Corresponding Secretary, Jill Harper; and Parliamentarian, Candy Rooney.

Delta Chapter will be hosting the Northern Nevada Holiday Luncheon at the Carson Valley Inn on December 3, 2022.

## Omicron

Omicron Chapter is looking at celebrating Founder's Day in October. There are tentative plans to conduct an Historical Walk around Winnemucca.

**\*\*\*\*\* The Summer/ Convention Nevadagram will be published during the month of June. Please forward to Pat Goepfinger, [onehappygrandma@cox.net](mailto:onehappygrandma@cox.net), and articles and pictures you wish included. Thank you.**

## Alpha Chi State Officers

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