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**DELTA KAPPA GAMMA™**

## The Beta Epsilon *BEAT*

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

Vision Statement: Key Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide.

### **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Kierkegaard observed that life is lived forward but understood backwards. I think this is an appropriate reflection for what we've experienced this past year in our own lives and in the world! It is time for us to ...live forward. With the gracious leadership of the Beta Epsilon Board and our planning committee, our DKG 2021-2022 will be a fun-filled year with informative chapter meetings, delightful excursions, community service projects and challenging Book Club discussions.

Our Welcome Back Dinner will be held on **Monday, September 27, 2021 at 5:00 pm**.at Verdugo Park: 3301 W. Verdugo. It will be in the picnic area: look for the helium balloons! Your BE Board will be the hostesses and provide a variety of inviting salads. Our agenda will include the year's events but more importantly a time to connect with others and share laughter. A Giant Thank You to Lisa for kicking off our first Service Project. Members delivered backpacks to Lisa's front door (wonder what neighbors thought). She hosted a backpack filling event and received help from: Pam, Rosanne, Judy, Dorla, Tanda, Linda W, Kathy, Martha, and Nancy Robbins (prospective new member). Rosanne and Judy delivered these backpacks to the Boys and Girls Club in time for the opening of the school year.

### **THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED!**

Looking forward to seeing all our DKG Sisters, sharing our summer experiences and anticipating a wonderful New Year.  
Sister Mary Elizabeth Galt



Beta Epsilon Board: Pam, Doreen, Sr.Mary, Linda B, Kathy, Caren, Lindsay

### ***The Rose Buddies Review...***

By Lindsay Hill    Membership Happenings  
Summer greetings and farewells...

An open to all members summer Board Meeting was held on July 6, 2021 at Sister Mary Elizabeth's lovely board room. We had an excellent showing of members as well as all Board Members. Lunch was shared along with waters/cookies. The main topic of discussion was the calendar of events for the coming year. Topics included dates for

meetings, locations, speakers for those meetings, how to describe hostess duties, and news was shared by Linda B on current planning/excursion ideas by the Program/Excursions Committee. We are deeply saddened to report the death of one of our long term members, Miss Dorie Beaumont, who was a member beginning in 1963. Judy will fill us in on the life of this exceptional member. She will be missed!



***Membership Trivia Corner:  
Society Symbols***

The symbol for DKG is the red rose, a beautiful creation of nature which reflects beauty of mind and spirit. Since ancient times, roses have been grown for their fragrance, beauty, and healing properties. Roses, with their unique combination of thorny stems and fragrant blossoms, are often prized as a symbol of achievement, completion and perfection: After having met the long stems with the thorns, you are rewarded with a flower of great beauty and mesmerizing fragrance. In other words, roses act as a metaphor for life: After overcoming difficulty, you will find inner harmony, union, and happiness.

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Judy with Susan (of Boys & Girls Club)

**SERVICE PROJECTS by Lisa Martin**

***Backpacks:***

Thanks to the generosity of all our members, we were able to fill 35 backpacks at Lisa Martin's house on August 5<sup>th</sup>. Judy and Rosanne delivered these to the Burbank Boys and Girls Club. There were 9 backpacks and supplies left over. Suzanne O and Lisa brought these to the YMCA in Glendale. They are using them to help their Domestic Violence program clients. Thank you all for helping to make this so successful!



Filling Backpacks

### *Book Project:*

This school year we will focus our book donations on one of our middle schools, and will decide at our Welcome Back Dinner. We are in the process of asking DKG for a Grant to match whatever books we buy! Will keep you posted on this project.

### **EXCURSIONS**

Hope you'll join us on **Thurs, Sept. 9<sup>th</sup>**, for a picnic and train ride! Meet at Travel Town 11:30, picnic tables near train ride. Free parking/admission. If adventurous, we can ride the train for \$2.75 for seniors. We can also tour the museum. Contact Linda B.

Get ready for an exciting adventure! On **Saturday, October 16<sup>th</sup>** we are planning a visit to the Hollywood Forever Cemetery. It was founded in 1899 and one of the most visited landmarks. There is a public walking tour offered to see many Hollywood legends, including Judy Garland, Rudolph Valentino and my cousin Monty(true)! This is a 2 ½ hour walking tour starting at 10:00. Please wear comfortable shoes and bring water. If interested, please purchase your \$20 ticket online at:

[www.cemeterytour.com](http://www.cemeterytour.com)

Address is: 6000 Santa Monica Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90038

Please let Lisa know if attending.

Directions/lunch plans will be sent later.

### **October 25, 2021 Chapter Meeting at 5:00**

Location TBD.

Program: *What's Going On In BUSD*

*Classrooms?* DKG Sisters who are teaching, will share their back to school experiences as they return to in person teaching and learning. Jan, Michelle, Rosanne, Susan C, Suzanne Mc, Dawn, Linda G, and Nancy will be on board to share with us.

### **REMEMBERING MARY DORIS**

**BEAUMONT** Dorie Beaumont, a member of Beta Epsilon Chapter, DKG for 58 years, passed on July 28<sup>th</sup>. She was just shy of her

100<sup>th</sup> birthday on August 17. Oh, how she loved a good celebration! Even though Dorie remained a full member, she was not able to attend meetings during the last seven years due to moving to the Sunny Crest Facility in 3 Fullerton. (When suggested she could be a reserve member, she said, "Don't they need my money?") But she was able to attend our 70<sup>th</sup> Celebration in January of 2019. She was still her vivacious self and shared stories about her tenure in BE and while serving local, area, state, and international positions. Besides being president for the local and state levels, she served as Co-Chair for the International Convention in Las Vegas. Dorie was a teacher for 41 1/2 years, beginning in Long Beach and Vista before coming to Burbank Unified School District in 1948. She taught at Edison and Roosevelt Elementary Schools, where students learned respect, values, kindness, love and care for others, along with an educational curriculum. Dorie poured herself into the entire community, volunteering for boards, organizations, the Library Board and Friends of the Library, along with service at her church. A former student stated, "Dorie would be the poster child for the maxim 'Service above Self'."

By Judy Dellinger with thanks for the 'Dorie' book by Bill Haskell



**LAST THINGS...a poem to take with you... Lindsay  
SUMMER SUN**

By Robert Louis Stevenson  
Great is the sun, and wide he goes  
Through empty heaven without repose;  
And in the blue and glowing days  
More thick than rain he showers his rays.

Though closer still the blinds we pull  
To keep the shady parlour cool,  
Yet he will find a chink or two  
To slip his golden fingers through.

The dusty attic spider-clad,  
He, through the keyhole, maketh glad;  
And through the broken edge of tiles,  
Into the laddered hay-loft smiles.

Meantime his golden face around  
He bares to all the garden ground,  
And sheds a warm and glittering look  
Among the ivy's inmost nook.

Above the hills, along the blue,  
Round the bright air with footing true,  
To please the child, to paint the rose,  
The gardener of the World, he goes.

**Book Club by Linda B.**

We are finishing our reading of The Henna Artist by Alka Joshi, and will meet at Lisa's home on Wednesday, Sept. 8<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 pm to discuss this book. It centers on the life of a young woman, who flees her small village in India, for a larger town and an independent life. She becomes a popular and well sought after henna artist for the wealthy women in the town. Her many challenges and hardships threaten her accomplishments. Read to find out how she deals with adversity!

Our next book will be The Baker's Daughter by Sarah McCoy, and we will meet on October 13<sup>th</sup> to discuss it. This one takes place in 1945, as the paths of two very different women cross and clash.

Join us at any of our Book Club gatherings.

Contact Linda B or Lisa if you have any questions.

**TREASURER'S REPORT**

Our 2020-2021 year ended with \$9031.72, after covering the bills for president's scrapbook, our backpack project, dues and area fees, we now have a balance of \$7725.23.

Stay cool.

Doreen Wlydra

\*Please note: Last year's Area IX Spring Festival has been moved to a 'Fall' Festival this year, to be held on **November 6, 2021**. More details in the future.

**MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

**Sept.9 – Picnic/train ride 11:30**

**Sept. 27- 5:00 Welcome Back Dinner**

**Oct. 16 - Excursion to Hollywood Cemetery 10:00 am**

**Oct. 25- 5:00 Teachers Share Experiences at in person teaching**



**Thank You gift for Fatima**

**Birthdays: September/ October**

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