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Canada's Governor General Initiated as International Honorary Member



Photo courtesy of the Office of the Secretary to the Governor General

Her Excellency the Right Honourable Michaëlle Jean delivers a speech from the throne.

International President Dr. Carolyn Rants, Canadian Area Representative Morag Gundy, and past Canadian Area Representative Sheila MacKay presided over the initiation of International Honorary Member Her Excellency the Right Honourable Michaëlle Jean on Jan. 22, 2009, at Rideau Hall in Ottawa, Canada. Others in attendance were Society members Janet Gollan and Agnes Moynihan, Quebec State Organization President Maria Tucci, Kappa Chapter members Ardyth Elliott and Carole Schmidt.

Appointed by Queen Elizabeth II, the governor general administers the powers of the Crown in Canada. She carries out the duties of head of state and presides over the swearing in of the prime minister of Canada, the chief justice and the cabinet ministers. Commander in Chief of the Canadian Armed Forces, she receives royal visitors, heads of state and foreign dignitaries.

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Constitution Revision Begins

The *Constitution* of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International serves three important functions. It describes the primary characteristics of the organization and prescribes how the organization functions. It includes those rules so important that they cannot be changed without previous notice to the membership and a two-thirds majority vote of the members at convention.

Periodically, in the life of an organization, these governing rules require revisiting because of changes in the needs of the membership, societal

changes, scientific advancements or technological changes. Recognizing such a need, the Administrative Board has authorized a revision of the Society's governing documents (*Constitution* and *International Standing Rules*). A comprehensive review of the documents has begun in order to identify potential changes to allow for the use of modern technology for conducting Society business (meetings, conducting votes), for facilitating the work of boards and committees and for maintaining a financially accountable organization.

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professional and
personal growth
of women educators
and excellence
in education.

'Guest' Editors Compile Sections

Five editors volunteered to assist in the preparation of this Regional issue of the *ΔΚΓ NEWS*. Working with Regional Director Kathy Flynn, **Dr. Beverly Helms**, editor of the *Florida Rays*, prepared the pages for the Southwest. Southeast Regional Director **Cathy Daugherty**, former editor of Virginia's *The Bridge*, took on double duty and created the section for Southeast.

Carolyn Pittman, former Arkansas state organization editor, assembled the information from Dr. Beth Ann Richey, regional director, for the Northeast. **Dr. Gwen Simmons**, former North Carolina state organization editor, worked with Glenda Reynolds, Northwest regional director. **Dr. Jensi Souders**, former Tennessee state organization editor, prepared the Europe Regional section with Director Birgit Svensson.

We appreciate the extra work of these *guest* editors while the Personnel Committee conducts its search for a Communications Services administrator. Please note additional information about this position and the Program/Membership Services administrator position on page 11 and on the Society website.

Take Action Now: Attend Your Regional Conference

By Carolyn Rants, Ed.D., 2008-2010 International President

I remember the first regional conference I attended in Sun Valley, Idaho. I was a new chapter president who was encouraged to attend by Iowa State President Mary Speckhart, (a member of my chapter), and Delight Killinger, Northwest regional director (who was my seventh grade PE teacher back in the days when we wore those horrible one-piece green gym suits). So I bought a new long dress, left my 4-year-old and 7-year-old sons at home, boarded the airplane for Idaho by myself and experienced that “genuine spiritual fellowship” that one finds at an international meeting.

Upon arrival I found that the chapter member who was to be my roommate cancelled at the last minute. Here I was at my first international meeting without a roommate and also without a room. A kind past Iowa state president took me under her wing and invited me to share her room. Another member from eastern Iowa shared lunch and a visit to the ice rink with me. I connected with so many wonderful members across the region. It was the beginning of my experience with the Society beyond the state level. You,

too, can have that experience by attending a regional conference this summer.

Attendance at a regional conference introduces you to the breadth and depth of the Society. I always came back from a conference with new ideas to improve my leadership skills, or insights to share with my work colleagues. Speakers are always top-notch, and I often quoted them at the opening session in the fall for faculty and staff at the college. They were always amazed that I had heard such renowned persons. I also grew in my understanding of other cultures when I met members from around the world and had opportunities for one-on-one interaction with them on Society business and educational concerns.

Since I was on a 12-month contract, I usually had to take vacation time to attend the conference. Therefore I took the opportunity to have fun, tour the region and enjoy the Night on the Town. I even learned to play Farkel at a regional conference.

My thinking is always stimulated by listening to others. I took notes and later used those ideas in both professional



and leadership speeches and presentations. Chapter and state members encouraged me to present workshops. Because of my participation beyond the chapter level, I honed my communication and leadership skills and developed the ability to look at the big picture. Those learning opportunities enabled me to advance in my professional career. Those learning opportunities are available to you in Reno, Little Rock, Burlington, Portland and Oslo.

See you there!

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Ad Hoc Revision Committee Appointed

When the International Executive Board approved an **Ad Hoc Revision Committee** to work with the Constitution Committee, Dr. Carolyn Rants, international president, appointed Sandy Whitney, Texas, Revision Committee chair. Other committee members include Evelyn Barron, Texas; Anne-Marie Carlson, New York; Heidi Chadwick, California; Jackie Cuppy, Alberta; and Dr. Paula Dent, Michigan. Completing the list are Dr. Sigrún Klara Hannesdóttir, Iceland; Daphne Hofschulte, Alaska; Sheila MacKay, Alberta; Jo Regenold, Arizona; Dr. Gwen Simmons, North Carolina; and Jeannette Zuniga, Costa Rica.

The Ad Hoc Revision Committee and the Constitution Committee met at the end of February to discuss assignments, deadlines and data collection. They reviewed several documents that list pre-

vious recommendations for changes to the governing documents, cross-referencing problems between the documents, technology/current practice updates and items that should be included from other Society sources (i.e. convention and/or board minutes, committee guidelines, etc.).

Dr. Rants said, “This group represents members from across the Society, and they have a working knowledge of the documents. Their interests and expertise will help us accomplish the task for members to consider at the 2010 Convention in Spokane, Wash. We want to update and improve our governing documents to advance our Society.”

The Ad Hoc Revision Committee plans to use a blog and other electronic methods to gather information as well as personal contacts.

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Why a Shoe?

By Jill Foltz, Program/Membership Administrator

The challenge issued to all chapters by the 2008-2010 International Membership Committee is the **Shoe-In Challenge**. The question most often generated is, “Why a shoe?”

To review, here is the challenge:

All chapters have the opportunity to be recognized at the 2010 International Convention in Spokane for achieving one, two or all three of the following goals:

1. The chapter maintains its *number* of members from January 2009 through May 2010.
2. The chapter increases its number of members from January 2009 through May 2010.
3. The chapter adds a member from an educational environment not currently represented in the chapter.

All state organizations can earn recognition by installing a new chapter or reinstating a dissolved chapter.

The Membership Committee believes that EVERY chapter and state organization can garner this recognition. So, again, the question: “Why a shoe?”

As biped mammals, human beings stand upright on two feet, most often clothed in shoes. Likewise, as the human body is borne by feet/shoes, our Society is supported by its members. Of course, our members are the foundation of all that the Society does to improve the lives of key women educators as well as contribute to the betterment of the world. So, as we talk about the importance of members, it seems obvious that the Membership Committee would choose a symbol of a foundation.

Examining the structure of a shoe, we note that the base of the shoe itself is the sole. To continue the analogy, success in membership is determined by the “soul” of our members. Key women educators wish to be aligned with others who share their passion for excellence in education—the *essence* of Society members.

Long-term members, over and over again, have expressed that their membership, stretching 50 years or more, results from their connections with

women in their own communities as well as with those from around the world: the soul of the Society. They say that Delta Kappa Gamma is the only one of their professional memberships that has that crucial quality.

Moreover, shoes have as many sizes, shapes, colors, decorations as we can imagine, and then we see the next pair, something entirely new. In the same way, our members are valued for their diversity. Consider the members in your own chapter: What are their levels of education? What are their fields of education? What environments do they inhabit? To what generations do they belong? What are their avocations? Possible answers to these questions are as varied as the shoes from around the world.

How to Achieve the Challenges

No doubt, this analogy could expand in many ways, but the **how** of accomplishing the challenges surely comes to mind. Here are some suggestions for the chapter challenge:

1. To maintain the *number* of chapter members: Pay attention to current members by finding ways to demonstrate their value to the chapter: highlighting one or two per meeting; using the chapter newsletter to recognize all sorts of achievements; making meetings fun and full of energy with door prizes; providing time for socializing; presenting great professional and personal growth programs, and so many other ways. However, if the chapter should lose a member, it must either initiate or reinstate another.
2. To increase the number of members: Listen to colleagues who express an interest when you talk about chapter activities; create a chapter brochure that describes projects and programs; wear your keypin on a designated day each month and respond to questions with your “elevator speech;” invite prospective members to meetings to share in the program and fellowship; mentor new professionals. Take time in a chapter meeting to brainstorm ideas about possible new members.



3. To add a member from an educational environment not currently represented in the chapter: Think outside the traditional public school classroom; possibilities include one-on-one music or sports instructors, hospitals, corporations, district offices, recreation centers, private schools, public libraries, museums and zoos, colleges and universities, professional development courses. You are limited only by your imagination.

For the State Organization Challenge to install or reinstate a chapter, here are some suggestions for state organization leaders:

- Identify a member who is passionate about the Society and lives in the targeted area; she may identify herself! Nearby chapters and the state organization can provide every sort of support for this cause.
- Utilize contacts from other organizations or from professional development meetings to start the process.
- Host a professional development activity for area educators with an “after-session” for prospective members to discuss the Society and its benefits.
- Contact administrators in the area and ask them to identify key women educators in their district/school; then call those outstanding women. The power of the personal touch cannot be overstated.

With these and other strategies in mind, chapter and state organizations have the tools to achieve the **Shoe-In Challenge**.

CTAUN Draws Record Number

Nearly 800 educators from around the world attended a conference organized by **The Committee on Teaching About the United Nations** for educators and other concerned citizens at the United Nations Headquarters in New York City on Jan. 30. Conference theme, "Protecting Human Rights—The United Nations—Our Schools," was selected in honor of the 60th anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights.

The morning session focused on current challenges and opportunities related to human rights and how the United Nations works to protect the rights of so many. The afternoon session dealt with human rights and education. Keynote speaker Greg Mortenson, author of *Three Cups of Tea: One Man's Mission to Promote*



Photo courtesy of Don Carlson

Peace...One School at a Time, discussed his work building schools in the rural mountainous regions of Pakistan and Afghanistan.

The Conference opened with welcoming remarks by U.N. Under-

Secretary-General Kiyotaka Akasaka. He conveyed a message from Secretary-General Ban Ki-Moon, who said, "I challenge each of you to do your part in raising awareness among your students

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Regionals Offer Extra Sessions, Training

This Regional Conference issue of the *NEWS* targets each of the five regions for the International Regional Conferences held every other year. Your issue is tied to your address/region and contains registration information for you to attend this well-planned event.

Special sessions will be held at each site for incoming state organization presidents, program of work chairs, membership chairs, treasurers, editors and webmasters. These sessions are geared to serve your regional needs. Incoming state organization leaders will receive information and pre-conference invitations once International Headquarters has names and contact information for incoming officers.

If you would like to attend another regional conference, log onto www.deltakappagamma.net for registrations, tours and information about all five of the conferences. Two are reaching out to participants for special events. Southwest is inviting members and non-members to a one-day leadership seminar. Southeast is hosting a day-and-a-half Editor's Camp.

Members and non-members are invited to "**Discover the Leader Within**" Tuesday, July 7, in Reno, Nev. Southwest regional state organization presidents, working with a grant from the Educational Foundation's Cornet Seminars, will present Dr. Elizabeth "Liz" Turner, known for her "fun and practical" approach to training. Participants will examine leadership through interactive exercises, mini-

lectures, knowledge sharing and personal reflection. The registration fee (\$35 member, \$50 non-member) includes lunch, leadership self-assessments, strategies to become a more effective leader, electronic and print resources, and a network of other leaders. Participation is limited to 50. Contact Dr. Dolly Price for additional information at doctordoll@sbcglobal.net or find registration forms on the Southwest Regional Conference website linked at the Society website.

State newsletter editors from throughout the Society are invited to attend **Editor's Camp** in Little Rock, Ark., July 19-20. Sessions are designed to assist individuals or organizations in producing professional and attractive newsletters. Two experienced editors will lead this day and a half of intense, hands-on experience following the Southeast Regional Conference. The workshop will be held at the C.A. Vines Arkansas 4-H Camp, just 10 miles west of Little Rock. The camp features wireless access and the latest in meeting technologies and computer labs.

Participation is limited to 25. The \$150 registration fee covers instruction, materials, technology services, one night's lodging (three to a room/separate beds), three meals and beverage service. For more information contact Carolyn H. Pittman, Editor's Camp registrar, at carolyn.pittman@yahoo.com or go to the Southeast Regional Conference website linked at the Society website.

Honorary Member

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Sheila MacKay presented the governor general to Dr. Rants who recognized Her Excellency's support of education and educators across Canada as well as her efforts to strengthen education around the globe. Morag Gundy described the significance of the Society's symbols and the work of the Society.

Following the initiation, the Right Honourable Michaëlle Jean sat with the group and expressed her pleasure at receiving this honor. She then discussed her recent visits to Haiti and Nunavik, Quebec, describing the "open spaces" that she was able to create for young people to share their concerns and possible solutions.

Her enthusiasm for the work of the Society and her passion for youth and education were obvious. Michaëlle Jean is the first International Honorary member outside of United States.

Revision Begins

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Every rule in the *Constitution* and in the *International Standing Rules* is open to discussion. This is a time for members, chapters and state organizations to identify and recommend amendments for international rules that appear to be inappropriate for today's organization. Ideas and concerns should be sent to cadavis2000@yahoo.com

2009 Northwest Regional Conference

Portland, Oregon

July 29 - August 1

Activate Your Vision

The Red Lion Hotel on the Columbia is the site for the 2009 Northwest Regional Conference, July 29-August 1. Twenty minutes from the PDX International Airport, 20 minutes to downtown shopping, or 20 steps to the Columbia River will *Activate Your Vision* to the beauty and diversity of the northwest.

Conference participants, both member and non-members, will find outstanding workshop opportunities, full-day and half-day tours, and a variety of mini-tours in and around the greater Portland area offered at reasonable rates.

Day-long tours will include visits to the Pacific Ocean, Mount Saint Helens, the Columbia Gorge and Mount Hood. A series of mini-tours offers shopping, art galleries, vineyards, the International Test Rose Gardens, Powell's Book Store, unique restaurants and shops in the Pearl District, walking in downtown Portland, and golf at Heron Lakes. A number of the mini-tours will be offered multiple times for the convenience of members, guests, and families.

In addition to sights to see, delicious cuisine and no-sales-tax shopping, participants and their guests may choose to walk the river trails, swim in the hotel pool, or relax in nearby parks. A unique feature to the conference site is an RV park, with a full range of facilities, within walking distance of the hotel. Reservations for this park should be made early! (Visit website: www.jantzenbeachrv.com)

The conference will officially open on Wednesday evening with *Wine and Roses on the Columbia*. This will be an informal time to sample Oregon treats, hear great music,

and greet good friends. You'll want to wear your dancing shoes!

On Thursday, after the general session and workshops, we will enjoy a birthday celebration. The evening is open for exploring the diversity of Portland.

Friday will feature the presidents' breakfast, the Info Fair, vendor displays, workshops, and a choice of *Night on the Town* activities. The traditional All State/Province Brunch on Saturday will be followed by workshops, rehearsals, a reception, and the closing banquet.

We are excited about your visit. Smiling faces will greet travelers at the PDX airport and at the hotel door. The waters of the Columbia, the fresh fruit and flowers, the mountain tops, and the wheat fields, join your Oregon hostesses in saying, "WELCOME."

Schedule at a Glance

Monday, July 27

Pre-conference Tours
Registration
6:00 - 9:00 PM (w/dinner)
Leadership Development for
2009-2011 state presidents and new
executive secretaries

Tuesday, July 28

Pre-conference Tours
Registration
8:15 AM - 9:00 PM (w/ lunch & dinner)
Leadership Development for
2009-2011 state presidents and new
executive secretaries

Wednesday, July 29

Pre-conference Tours
Registration
8:15 AM - 4:00 PM (w/lunch)
Leadership Development for
2009 - 2011 state presidents and
new executive secretaries
7:30 AM - 3:30 PM (w/breakfast & lunch)
State organization program and
membership committee chairs
10:00 AM - Noon (w/lunch)
State organization editors/webmasters
Noon - 3:30 PM (w/lunch)
State organization webmasters/editors

Noon - 3:30 PM (w/lunch)
State organization treasurers
4:00 - 5:00 PM
First Timers Orientation
7:00 PM
First General Session
8:00 PM
Oregon Night

Thursday, July 30

Registration
8:30 - 10:30 AM
Second General Session
10:30 AM - 5:00 PM
Vendors and Exhibits
10:45 - 11:45 AM
Workshops
12:30 PM
Birthday Luncheon
3:00 - 5:00 PM
Canada, U.S. Forum

Evening open to exploring Portland

Friday, July 31

Registration
7:00 - 8:30 AM
State/Province Presidents Breakfast
(past and present presidents)
8:30 - 10:30 AM
Info Fair

9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Vendors and Exhibits
10:45 - 11:45 AM
Workshops
1:00 PM
Third General Session
3:15 - 4:15 PM
Workshops
4:15 PM
Choir Practice
5:00 PM
Night on the Town

Saturday, August 1

Registration
9:00 - 10:00 AM
Focus Groups
10:15 AM
All State/Province Brunch
12:30 - 1:30 PM
Workshops
1:45 - 2:45 PM
Workshops
3:00 - 4:00 PM
Choir/Presidents rehearsals
5:30 PM
Reception
6:30 PM
Presidents Banquet

2009 Northwest Regional Conference Registration

July 29-August 1, 2009, Portland, Oregon

Use one form per member. This form may be copied. All members must register. (Only one form is necessary for a member with a guest attending. A registration fee is not required for guests. To avoid a late fee, registration must be postmarked no later than June 29. Please type/print plainly or register online at www.deltakappagamma.net

NAME: _____
Title Last First Middle Initial Preferred Badge Name

NAME OF GUEST(S) _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____
Street Address (or P.O. Box Number)

City State/Province Postal/ZIP Code Country

PHONE (with area code): (H) _____ (M) _____ E-MAIL _____

CHAPTER: _____ STATE ORGANIZATION (Geographical): _____

POSITION(S) HELD as of July 2009: _____ (circle level) International - State - Chapter
 As a 2009-2011 state organization program or membership chairman, treasurer, editor or web master, I will__ I will not __ attend the Leadership Development session on Wednesday, July 29. There is no charge but your reply here will be your RSVP.

FIRST REGIONAL CONFERENCE: yes__ no__ YEAR INITIATED: _____ FIFTY-YEAR + _____

* By your attendance at this event you are granting permission to be filmed, videotaped, audiotaped, or photographed by any means and are granting full use of your likeness, voice, and words without compensation.

ARRIVAL DATE: _____ Airline/Flight _____ Car__ Bus__ Other _____

SPECIAL NEEDS: Vegetarian__ Diabetic__ Gluten-Free__ Limited Mobility__ Visually Impaired__ Hard of Hearing__
 RESERVATIONS: Meal costs include taxes and gratuities. Non-members are welcome.

Event	Cost (U.S. \$)	Number	Amount
Registration Fee-required of all members			
Regular -postmarked on or before June 29	\$ 86	_____	_____
Late -postmarked after June 29	\$129	_____	_____
One day only -Day: _____	\$ 45	_____	_____
Oregon Night -Wednesday, July 29	no charge	_____	no charge
Celebration Luncheon -Thursday, July 30	\$ 25	_____	_____
State/Province Presidents Breakfast -Friday, July 31 (past and present presidents only)	\$ 22	_____	_____
All State/Province Brunch -Saturday, August 1	\$ 22	_____	_____
Presidents and Founders Banquet -Saturday, August 1	\$ 50	_____	_____
Continuing Education Credit: 3 units for attendance and participation; register prior to July 29 at www.paec.org/deltakappagamma ; send fee with conference registration.	\$ 45	_____	_____

TOTAL ENCLOSED _____

COMPLETING REGISTRATION: Payment in U.S. funds must accompany registration, except when using credit card. Make any checks or money orders payable to The Delta Kappa Gamma 2009 Northwest Regional Conference. Please indicate your method of payment:

Check__ Money Order__ Discover Card__ MasterCard__ VISA__ American Express__

Credit Card #: _____ Expiration date: _____ Cardholder's name: _____

3-Digit code (back of card) _____ Cardholder's billing address: _____

A processing fee of \$25 will be assessed on all returned checks.

SEND REGISTRATION FORM AND PAYMENT TO:
 Sandi Causey
 6105 Oakclaire Drive
 Austin TX 78735

Questions?
crscausey@scglobal.net
 512-892-0433

CANCELLATION: A refund will be provided if a written request is post-marked by June 30. A processing charge of \$15 will be assessed on all cancellations. Send requests to Sandi Causey, 6105 Oakclaire Drive, Austin, TX 78735.

Tours Feature Oregon's Natural Beauty

Diverse Activities for Members and Guests

Transportation Available Public and Private

Mini-tours of 1.5 hours to 4 hours in length will be repeated at members' request.

Tour convention information and guides will be available throughout the convention for your convenience.

Make reservations by July 1.



Full-day Tours

The full-day tours (# 1-5) may be offered on several different days. *Eco Tours of Oregon* run these tours on a regular basis and will pick up at the Red Lion Hotel. To make reservations or obtain information, visit their website www.ecotours-of-oregon.com or call Jeff @ 1-503-245-1428. **Reservations must be made with Eco Tours for the full-day tours.**

TOUR 1 Columbia River Gorge Waterfalls and Mount Hood Loop
9:00 A.M.-6:00 P.M. Full-day \$59.50 - lunch not included.

Visit many of Oregon's most famous scenic attractions in one day: Multnomah Falls, the Columbia River, and Timberline Lodge. The Oregon Trail will take you from sea level to over 6000 feet in one big scenic loop.

TOUR 2 Mount Saint Helens Volcano
9:00 A.M.-5:00 P.M. Full-day \$59.50 + \$8.00 entrance fee - lunch not included.

Learn about the *blast zone*, mud flows, biological regeneration and pyroclastic flows. See surrounding area and the effects of the eruption. You will experience incredible photo stops including the new Johnston Ridge Observatory.

TOUR 3 Northern Oregon Coast
Departure times vary. Full-day \$62.50 - lunch not included.

See Oregon's breathtaking coastline, pristine beaches and rocky cliffs. Learn about Native American and regional history. The day will include forest and beach walks, a cheese factory visit and a drive through the farmlands of Willamette Valley.

TOUR 4 Evergreen Aviation and Space Museum Tour
Departure times vary. Full-day \$69.50 + \$10 entrance fee - lunch not included

Visit this special flight museum where the Howard Hughes Aviation HK-1 Flying Boat (Spruce Goose) is housed. Enjoy the museum's IMAX 3-D program. Tour includes a ride through Willamette Valley.

TOUR 5 Woodburn Company Stores-Shop 'Til You Drop!/Oregon Gardens
Departure times vary. Full-day \$45 - lunch not included.

Experience shopping at the Northwest's ultimate outlet center (over 80 upscale designers and manufacturers) nestled in the heart of Oregon's Willamette Valley. Enjoy the shopping and the Oregon Gardens, where thousands of plants are displayed in more than 20 specialty gardens. The group will stop for lunch at the Moonstone Hotel.

Half-day Tours

To register for the half-day tours (# 6-11), send tour form with check to Madaline Lapp, 508 Lapp Ln. Roseburg, OR 97470-9356 or email: lappm@teleport.com

TOUR 6 Bus Tour of Portland
Experience a terrific overview of the Rose City.
Wednesday morning, July 29, only.
Cost: \$35.00

TOUR 7 The Hat Museum
The largest hat collection in the United States has over 700 pieces. Tour the historic Rose Diamond, Ladd's Addition and enjoy lunch at the Madison Grill. This is a must!
Cost: \$10

TOUR 8 Portland Art Museum
Public transportation. Cost: \$8

TOUR 9 International Rose Test Gardens
Visit the oldest public garden of its kind in the U.S. for rare, unique and beautiful roses. See Hoyt Aboretum, Washington Park, and the Japanese Garden. Wear walking shoes and bring a camera. Transportation TBA

TOUR 10 The Pittock Mansion
The mansion is a French Renaissance chateau built in 1914 by Henry Pittock who brought modernization to the Northwest.
Transportation TBA Cost: \$7

TOUR 11 Sellwood-Walking & Antiquing
Over two dozen antique stores, numerous boutiques, restaurants, Columbia Sportswear Outlet store, century-old homes, and a Portland yarn shop like no other! Take as long as you like. Transportation TBA
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Half-day Tours ...

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TOUR 12 Epicurian Tour—On Your Feet!
Weave through downtown and the Pearl District on foot to discover Portland's culinary scene. You will hear local history and taste 25 bites in three and one-half hours at local hot spots.

Register for this half-day tour:
www.portlandwalkingtours.com
or call 1-503-774-4522. Limit 16 people.
Fri & Sat only! Cost \$59

Night on the Town Events

Night on the Town events (# 13-16) are for Friday night, July 31, only!

Choose one Night on the Town event.

EVENT 13 Sternwheeler Dinner Cruise
Enjoy Northwest cuisine, live entertainment and grand scenery—all the ingredients for a memorable evening. Event cost: \$68 per adult. Visit www.sternwheelerrose.com or call 503-286-7683

EVENT 14 Spirit Mountain Casino
90,000 sq.ft. of casino gaming, five restaurants, live entertainment and special events.
Transportation provided.

EVENT 15 Bridgeport Village Shopping
Dining, movies, happy hour, live entertainment. Beautiful outdoor mall with many upscale stores.
Transportation: TBA

EVENT 16 Microbrewery Dinner Tour
Visit the microbrewery capital of the world, see the microbrewing process, enjoy local varieties, relax and have fun. Dinners are extra and range in cost from \$6.00 to \$30.00.
Event cost: \$45

2009 Northwest Regional Conference Tour Registration

Type or print clearly. Please copy the completed form for your records.

Name _____ Name(s) on reservation _____
Address _____ E-mail _____
_____ Telephone _____

We reserve the right to cancel any tour. If we do so, we will refund the full amount. If you cancel before July 1, we will refund all except a \$5 processing fee per person per booking. If you cancel after July 1, you will forfeit the entire amount. (If your plans change after July 1, you may sell or give your tickets to a friend. If any change is made, notify the tour chairman when checking in to the hotel.)

Reservations for full-day tours (# 1--5) are made directly through Eco Tours.
(www.ecotours-of-oregon.com or call Jeff@1-503-245-1428 or 1-888-tours-33)

Full-Day Tours:

1. Columbia River Gorge Waterfalls and Mount Hood Loop
2. Mount Saint Helens Volcano
3. Northern Oregon Coast
4. Evergreen Aviation and Space Museum
5. Woodburn Company Stores/Oregon Gardens

Registration for half-day tours and Night on the Town are sent to Madaline Lapp.

Half-Day Tours

	# People	Price	Total
6. City Bus Tour of Portland	_____ x	\$ 35 =	_____
7. The Hat Museum	_____ x	\$ 10 =	_____
8. Portland Art Museum	_____ x	\$ 8 =	_____
9. Portland's International Rose Gardens	_____	no charge	_____
10. The Pittock Mansion	_____ x	\$ 7 =	_____
11. Sellwood-Walking and Antiquing	_____	no charge	_____

Epicurian Tour Cost: \$59 **Make your own reservation:**
(www.portlandwalkingtours.com or call 1-503-774-4522)

Night on the Town (Choose one of these activities for Friday night.)

13. Sternwheeler Dinner Cruise @ \$68	_____ x	\$ 68 =	_____
(www.sternwheelerrose.com or call 503-286-7683)			
14. Spirit Mountain Casino	_____ x	no charge	_____
15. Bridgeport Village Shopping	_____ x	no charge	_____
16. Microbrewery Tour (Dinner is extra.)	_____ x	\$ 45 =	_____

For further information, contact Denise: stutziek@aol.com or
Anne: apingo@comcast.net.

Return completed form by July 1, 2009, to Madaline Lapp, 508 Lapp Lane, Roseburg, OR 97470-9356; a check or money order payable to The Delta Kappa Gamma 2009 Northwest Regional Conference must accompany registration if registering for events # 6,7,8,10,16.



Glimpses of Portland ...



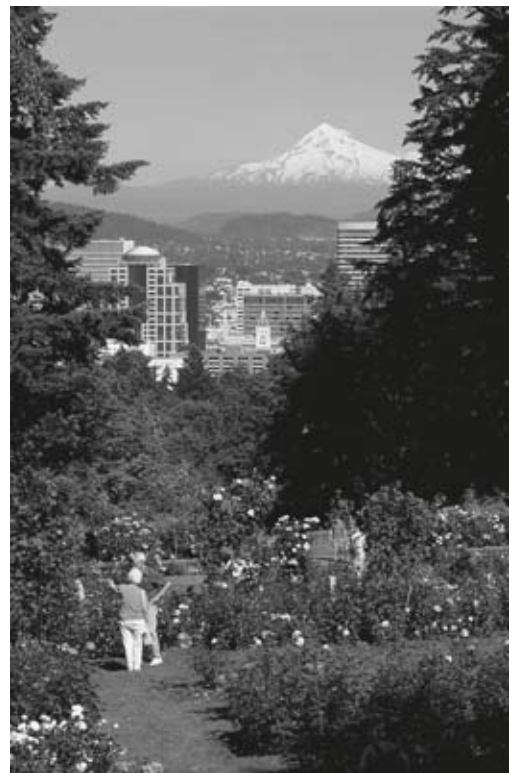
Full-day Tour #1 Columbia River Gorge Waterfalls



Columbia River Gorge



Half-day Tour # 10 The Pittock Mansion



Half-day Tour # 9 International Rose Test Gardens





Survey of Interest in Mini-Tours

A number of mini-tours are available. Transportation costs are minimal. Check events of interest to you. This does not commit you to participation, but will allow the tour organizers to gauge interest.

- Chinese Garden/Old Town China Town - \$8.50 entrance fee
- Portland Downtown walking tour (no hills, no steps)
- Fort Vancouver, Washington
- Oregon Museum of Science and Industry (OMSI) - \$11 fee
- Willamette Jetboat Excursion (1 hour ride - \$26)
- Powell's Book Store
- Lloyd Center Shopping and Ice Skating Rink
- Golf
- Jake's Grill and Fantastic Happy Hour
- Pearl District Tour
- Saturday Market
- Saturday Farmer's Market
- Historical Oregon City and McLoughlin House
- Deschutes Brewery & Public House
- Fishing Guide: www.fishingoregon.net or larry@fishingoregon.net or 866-760-3370

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Jantzen Beach, Portland, Oregon
909 N. Hayden Island Drive
Portland, OR 97217

www.redlion.com/jantzenbeach

Tel. # 503-283-4466

Ask for the Delta Kappa Gamma rates.
Hotel is accepting reservations now.

Activate the Northwest Choir



Join Us Calling All Musicians

We invite you to be a part of the music for the NW Regional Conference, July 29 - August 1, in Portland, Oregon. Mail this form or email information by May 1 to:

Becky Tish
NW Regional Music Director
621 East 18th Street
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82001

beckytish@yahoo.com
Tel: (H) 307.637.4626

Name _____
State _____
Chapter _____
Home Address _____

Home Phone _____
Email _____

- I would like to sing in the choir.
 Soprano I Soprano II Alto
- I would sing in a small ensemble.
- I would like to perform a vocal solo.
- I would play the piano for the opening or closing of a session.
- I would like to play an instrumental solo. Instrument _____

Bulletin Available to Worldwide Researchers

The *Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin*, official journal of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, will now be available to students and researchers worldwide via **ProQuest**. This web-based interface, readily accessible in libraries, allows an individual to search multiple article databases at the same time.

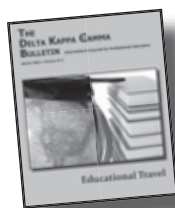
ProQuest allows the user to locate newspaper, journal, and magazine articles on subjects ranging from education, art, literature and social science to business, science, technology and medicine.

A refereed journal, the *Bulletin* publishes the work of Delta Kappa Gamma members to enhance their professional and personal growth as women educators. Issues include materials that are relevant to the Society's purposes: position papers, applied and/or data-based research, articles on announced themes or other topics of interest to educators; letters to the editor; viewpoints; book

reviews; annotated bibliographies; poetry; and graphic arts. An editorial board reviews submissions for relevance, accuracy, timeliness, quality, and appropriateness as part of the selection process.

Inclusion in the ProQuest database marks recognition of the *Bulletin* as a quality professional journal in the field of education. According to the ProQuest website, potential new publications are evaluated based on "extensive market research among librarians and educators" and "rankings of publications by external discipline specialists."

The *Bulletin* celebrates its 75th anniversary this fall, and each issue will include a look back at the early years of the journal. Additional information and materials to mark the occasion are being planned.



YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN IN THE SOCIETY'S WORK AT INTERNATIONAL HEADQUARTERS

WHO: Member (3 or more years with Master's or equivalent) seeking new challenge

WHAT: Administrator for Communications Services or Program/Membership Services

WHEN: Apply by April 6, 2009

WHERE: International Headquarters, Austin, TX

WHY: Important job—outstanding organization great benefits—health insurance, 401K, friendly staff, wonderful members, nice office, moderate climate

HOW: Download application packet www.deltakappagamma.net link on home page and Downloads, Forms

Special Stipends Awarded

Intriguing, innovative, inspiring... these are words that describe the proposals of the 2009 Special Stipend recipients. The Golden Gift Fund Committee has awarded stipends to the following members:

Evangeline Aguilera, Theta Beta Chapter, Texas, for her attendance at the Oxford Round Table Conference: "The Conundrum of Autism: Current Thinking on its Causes and Potential Cures." Aguilera has also been invited to submit a paper, which may be subsequently submitted for publication in the *Forum for Public Policy*, a journal of the Oxford Round Table.

Elaine Omdahl Hall, Kappa Chapter,

Oregon, for her project, "Lyrics and Literature." Hall will create an ensemble of music and literature in book and CD form to serve as a manual for teachers, librarians and parents to enhance student learning through "musical books."

Sylvia T. Pease, Upsilon Chapter, Maine, for her research in "Exploring the Impact of No Child Left Behind on the Maine Superintendency." Pease will determine how superintendents have restructured their instructional, managerial and political roles and responsibilities and the specific skills needed to successfully implement No Child Left Behind.

The committee looks forward to learning about the successes of recipients through their follow-up reports.

Funding Priorities Announced

The **Eunah Temple Holden Leadership Fund Committee** met recently and determined funding priorities. Regional Conferences will receive financial support again this year for outstanding women speakers, who are not Society members.

Since 2002, the Eunah Temple Holden Committee has partially funded the Parliamentary Training Seminar, which prepares participants to pass the National Association of Parliamentarians' membership examination and to serve their chapters and state organizations as parliamentarians. A group of 28 participants met on Feb. 13 in Chicago to culminate six weeks of study. Professional Registered Parliamentarians Ardith Inman, Illinois, and Jean

Gray, Maryland, are the instructors.

As long as ETH Fund revenues are sufficient, the committee will also lend its support to Planning and Orientation sessions for incoming international officers and professional headquarters staff at the beginning of each biennium and committee member attendance at Eunah Temple Holden Leadership Fund enrichment sessions at international conventions and conferences.

International Update

Latin American States Gear Up for Conference, Forum

Latin American States are getting ready to attend the Third Latin American Conference to be held **July 3-5** in Ensenada, Baja California, before the Regional Conference in Reno, Nev.

Rosa Maria Bañagas, president of the Baja California State Organization, and all the members are working hard for a wonderful conference with interesting lectures and, of course, a visit to the vineyards of Guadalupe.

On July 4, the group will hold its last planning meeting to prepare for the Latin American Forum in Reno, Nev. Costa Rica President Marta Morales De Ardon will present the conclusions of the work that has been done in all the States: "Synergy," enhancing team work.

It is a pleasure to announce that Puebla is reorganizing and will hold their convention. Jalisco State will host Sigrún Klara Hannesdottir as the international representative at its convention Feb. 21. Open to all teachers and parents from the community, the convention will include three

topics: Resistance to Change, Healing from the Unconscious and Power of Music.

El Salvador reports that María Elena de Alcalá, 2006-2008 Latin American representative, attended the January meeting, which means her health is improving. Maria Vera Pelerm-Ferri, 2008-2010 Latin American representative, appreciates her support translating documents.

San Luis Potosí members are active in their 2007-2009 project: "Trans-

form the world and achieve a dream." They have also given workshops for parents in San Luis Potosí and Guanajuato State. A local cable TV station interviewed members about the project and invited them to give weekly 15-minute talks.

Sad news comes from Guatemala as they dissolve a chapter.

This column is submitted on a rotating basis by the Europe regional director and the area representatives for Canada and Latin America.

CTAUN Draws Record Number

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and in your schools about the issues the world faces, and the need for international cooperation in addressing them....As educators, you model a concept of global citizenship. Your role is crucial in communicating to global citizens-in-the-making what it means to live in an increasingly interdependent community where we are accountable not just to ourselves and our

families, communities and countries, but also to people throughout the world."

Among the record number attending were 168 Society members, including International President Dr. Carolyn Rants, Past International President Dr. Barbara Day, Anne-Marie Carlson, New York, chairs CTAUN and planned the conference.

Is this upside down? CSI, the FSC-certified printer of the *AKT NEWS*, has informed us of a saving connected with U.S. Post Office processing based on the position of the address box. We believe this location will save us approximately \$2,200 each mailing. Sounds like a real UP side of things!

So, states and chapters, will you rise to the challenge? Every chapter and state achieving a "Shoe In" target will be recognized at the 2010 International Convention in Spokane. You can read more about the Shoe-In Challenge in the Program/ Membership column on page 3.

- Every chapter is challenged to install at least one new chapter by May 2010 or to reinstate a dissolved chapter.
- State Organization Level: Every state is challenged to increase its overall number of members from January 2009 through May 2010.
- Every chapter is challenged to add a member from an educational environment not currently represented in its members.

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What is the Membership "Shoe-In Challenge"?

- The Membership Shoe-In Challenge is designed to maintain, increase and diversify membership in The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. Every chapter and every state organization have achievable membership targets to reach during the 2008-2010 biennium.
- Chapter Level: Every chapter is challenged to maintain its total number of members from January 2009 through May 2010.