

## **“Follow Your Dreams with DKG” From ASO President Sue Cook:**

Hello everyone, I hope you are looking forward to a new school year! Also I know you are looking forward to a productive year in DKG. Congratulations to all the new chapter officers and area leaders out there!

Presidents, it will be your job to guide your chapters and make sure everyone has a job or a part in the chapter and feels welcome. Keep in mind that you are not alone in this new job. All members of the ASO Executive Committee would love to answer any questions you have about the new position you are occupying. Also remember the former officers in your chapter are a good resource for quick answers and support.

I have just returned from the International DKG Convention in New Orleans. There were twelve ASO members that attended. It was a very informative and fun time. We will be receiving more information about the rules changes that were adopted during the business sessions later after the International Rules Committee has time to go over and make all the additions to our International documents. One other item that we learned about was the new “user focused, user friendly” redo of the International website that will happen later this year. I’m sure we will hear much more about the new website as progress is made on the rollout.

### **Fall Meeting:**

The Arkansas State Organization Fall Meeting will be Saturday, October 22, 2022, at the UA-Pulaski Technical College Arts Campus Center in North Little Rock. The meeting will be in the same building where the ASO Revitalization Training was held with the big clock tower.

The ASO Fall Meeting is still in the planning stage with committee meetings, a keynote speaker, breakout sessions, a business meeting, door prizes, and lunch on the agenda so far. In addition Sheridan 3rd-5th graders will present their “Entrepreneur Projects” for our enjoyment. Best of all we will be meeting in person. Get your chapter members together and COME! It is always very informative and lots of fun! Mark your calendars now!

### **Project SEEK Stipend Information:**

Project SEEK (Support for Early Career Educators) was first adopted as a state project by Kappa State (now ASO) in August of 2011. One aspect of that project is stipends for early career women educators.

The Educational Excellence Committee will be awarding up to four \$200 SEEK grants to educators that are in their first, second, third, or fourth year of teaching. Chapter members need to be aware of this opportunity and share this information with teachers in their schools and encourage a young teacher to apply. Remember, this is also an opportunity for this

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young teacher to become interested in being a future DKG member.

Applications are available online on ASO’s website. ([dkgarkansas.weebly.com](http://dkgarkansas.weebly.com)) (First select *other* then click on *forms*) Applications are due by October 1, 2022. Submit applications electronically to:

[deeanndaniel@windstream.net](mailto:deeanndaniel@windstream.net)

## **Something to Think About for YOUR Chapter:**

Arkansas’s own Carolyn Pittman, Past International President, advised chapter presidents in a past issue of the *President’s Page* from DKG International with ideas that ring true for then and now.

“YOU as chapter president are the link in that growing chain of chapter success.”

She advised that: (1) Having a plan for the biennium is as important to your chapter’s success as having a budget is to a family. (2) Asking for help always pays off. (3) Prepare for each meeting by knowing who will do what and be sure to let presenters know in advance to be prepared. (4) Keep an active file of what needs to be done at the next meeting to facilitate preparing the agenda. (5) Communicate, communicate, communicate to engage, enlighten, and energize.

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**Deadlines that your treasurer needs to be aware of:**

**\*Chapter yearly reports were due July 15th**

**\*Form 990-IRS must be filed by November 15th**

(Forms can be found on [www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org); after logging in, click *forms* then select *treasurers*; additional forms can be found in Chapter Connect under MyDKG)

For any questions please call ASO Treasurer Linda Vailes at 870-941-8702 or email: [linda5662@windstream.net](mailto:linda5662@windstream.net)

**Save The Date:  
ASO Fall Meeting  
October 22, 2022**

*UA-Pulaski Technical College  
3000 West Scenic Drive*

*North Little Rock, AR*

**Driving directions:**

**From Downtown Little Rock:**

Cross the Broadway Bridge northbound into North Little Rock. Turn west (left) onto West Broadway Avenue and continue until road ends at Pike Avenue. Veer right onto Pike Avenue. Continue north on Pike Avenue to the intersection with Pershing Blvd. Turn left (west) on Pershing. Drive 1 mile. The campus entrance will be at the top of the hill on your right.

**From Interstate 40: Westbound:**

Drive west on I-40. Take Exit 152-B (MacArthur Drive/Pike Avenue). At the end of the ramp, turn right onto Pike Avenue. Continue on Pike Avenue to the first stoplight. Turn right (west) onto Pershing Boulevard. Drive 1 mile. The campus entrance will be at the top of the hill on your right.

**From Interstate 40: Eastbound:**

Drive east on I-40. Take Exit 152 (Pike Avenue). Veer right off the ramp onto Pike Avenue. At the intersection of Pike Avenue and Pershing Boulevard, turn right (west) onto Pershing. Drive 1 mile. The campus entrance will be at the top of the hill on your right.

**Editor's Note:**

As you put your chapter yearbook together this year consider adding the 6 digit DKG member number for each member in your document. This official id number is used to login to the International website. It is available from your treasurer or membership cards.



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and be entered to win a prize at the  
fall meeting.

**Dates to Remember and Deadlines:**

- \* **December 1, June 30** Annual deadlines for submitting applications for the Arkansas State Organization Scholarship
- \* **September 1, February 1, May 1** Applications for Cornetet Professional Development Award deadlines ([dkgef.org](http://dkgef.org))
- \* **October 1, 2022** Deadline for Kappa State Education Foundation Project Grant Applications
- \* **October 1, 2022** Deadline for ASO Project SEEK (Support for Early Career Educators) Grant Applications
- \* **October 22, 2022** ASO Fall Meeting, UA-Pulaski Technical College, 3000 West Scenic Drive, North Little Rock
- \* **November 1, April 1** Annual deadlines for submitting applications for the Agatha Prator Grant
- \* **February 1, 2023** Final deadline for applications for ASO award nominees for the 2021-2023 biennium