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"Follow Your Dreams with DKG"

From ASO President Sue Cook:

It is finally beginning to look like fall in Mountain View. The trees in my yard are losing their leaves. That means that I need to purchase a new rake or hire a yard man!

Starting the New Year:

New chapter officers out there need to remember to make a special effort to connect with all your chapter members as you begin your new term in office and your new chapter year. Make a point to look at your roll of members for the last few years. You and your local executive committee members need to contact those loyal members that always attend meetings and show up for every event. They are your staunch chapter supporters and need to be thanked for their continued dedication and loyalty to DKG and your chapter. Then make a special effort to contact members that pay their dues but never attend meetings. Emphasize that they are missed and find out why they don't come to meetings. The solution for them could be as simple as offering a ride to the next meeting! It is also very important to give everyone at least one job throughout the year. If members have a purpose or more active involvement, they are more likely to attend meetings.

ASO Fall Meeting:

Our Arkansas State Organization can look forward to another statewide event! The ASO Fall Meeting will be held on October 22, 2022. This meeting always brings new and old DKG friends together! The fall meeting will be held on the UA-Pulaski Tech campus (North Little Rock) in the culinary arts building (the building with the clock tower). Make plans to travel with your chapter members for a day of information and fun. The food will be delicious and the programs informative. I would like to see all ASO chapters represented as each chapter name is called.

(See more about the Fall Meeting on page 2)

In closing I would like to say to all our members out there--be proud of what you do now or did in the past as educators. You have the best job, helping and loving so many children!



News Concerning the 2023-2025 ASO Elections Process

On **December 5**, **2022**, all chapter presidents will receive copies of the ASO Officer Nomination Form and the Kappa State Education Foundation Board of Trustees Nomination Form. **Your part of the election process is KEY!!** We are counting on **YOU** to encourage your members to submit candidates or themselves for these important positions.

Remind the members in your chapter that in order to submit either form, the applications will need to be sent electronically to Darlene Emmons (daremmons01@gmail.com) Please attach a portrait style photo file with the application. All applications should be sent by January 15, 2023.

A list of who is eligible to run and other important information can be found on page 12 of the September issue of the *DKG Arkansas News* available on the state website (dkgarkansas.weebly.com).

The ASO Nominations Committee will organize the election which will be conducted during the 2023 ASO State Convention. If you have any questions concerning the application and election process, please contact ASO Nomination Committee Chair Darlene Emmons.

AR Update for Chapter Presidents is published the first of each even numbered month.

Send comments and questions to: Linda Davidson, ASO Editor at: lindavidson@comcast.net or text to 501-580-4309



Coming Soon -- ASO Fall Meeting October 22, 2022

Don't miss the ASO Fall Meeting! It will be held on the University of Arkansas Pulaski Tech NLR Campus in the same location as the Revitalization Meeting in June. Lots of time for interaction, as well as, interesting and important topics have been planned.

The registration fee for this year's meeting will be \$40 and will include lunch. The registration form is available on the ASO website. (dkgarkansas.weebly.com) To receive a meal you must register by October 13, 2022.

Registration will start at 8am. The business portion of the meeting will begin at 9am. The theme for the day is "Dream Big." A more detailed schedule was published in the September issue of the *DKG Arkansas News* available on the state website.

There will be an opportunity for each of you to purchase chances for a lovely basket created by the Kappa State Education Foundation to benefit their educational grants.

ASO First Vice President Dee Ann Daniel is organizing and leading this event. Programming and breakout sessions will include some new ideas presented to help members and chapters by the ASO Technology Committee. Also a variety of other topics will be presented so all members present should find useful and interesting ideas to take home.

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.



DKG International President Dr. Debbie LaBlanc has named two members of ASO to International Committees.



Left, ASO Parliamentarian Candi Martin was named Leadership Development Committee Chairman.

Right, ASO Technology Committee Chairman Heather Dunn was appointed to the Communications and Marketing Committee.



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 offical id number is used to login to the International website. It is available from your treasurer or membership cards.

Dates to Remember and Deadlines:

- * 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
- * December 1, June 30 Annual deadlines for submitting applications for the Arkansas State Organization Scholarship
- * January 15, 2023 Deadline for applications for ASO Officer and Ed Foundation Board nominees for the 2023-2025 biennium
- * February 1, 2023 Final deadline for applications for ASO award nominees for the 2021-2023 biennium
- * February 1, May 1, September 1 Applications for Cornetet Professional Development Award deadlines (dkgef.org)