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Around the Southeast

More than 80 members from the Southeast attended the US Forum session held on June 28, 2019 during the DKG International Arts and Humanities Conference. Dr. Akil Ross gave an excellent presentation: Reviving & Renewing Education. Thank you to:

- Cathy Daugherty, International President, for leading the Pledge of Allegiance and Greeting.
- Linda Navorska and Jenny Trombley for such a wonderful musical rendition of America the Beautiful
- To all Southeast DKG sisters who helped to set up and make the Forum a success.

Thank you to our U.S. Forum Representatives and Legislative Chairs for 2017-2019.

Welcome and thank you to our new U.S. Forum Representatives.

Please send the names of your US Forum representative and contact information to be added to my contact list for legislative information.

Thank you to our outgoing and incoming Southeast Presidents for answering emails and sending out information.

FORUM FACEBOOK PAGE LINK

Facebook page online at <http://www.facebook.com/DKG.US.Forum>

FORUM WEB SITE: <http://www.usforumdkg.org/> at https://www.senate.gov/general/contact_information/senators_cfm.cfm

Email access and addresses

<http://www.house.gov/> for members of the House of Representatives <http://www.senate.gov/> for members of the U.S. Senate

White House 1-202-456-1111

FIVE CONSTITUENT CONTACTS WILL CAUSE A LEGISLATOR TO PAY SERIOUS ATTENTION TO A GIVEN ISSUE.

Make plans now to attend the National Legislative Seminar March 15-18, 2020

Advocacy: On Tuesday March 17, 2020 we will be visiting the Capitol and speaking with our legislators. We will have a chance to attend committee hearings. Speakers on important issues are currently being arranged for the seminar.

Hotel: We will be staying at the Holiday Inn National Airport, Crystal City in Arlington, Virginia.

Tours: On Saturday March 14, 2020, group tickets will be available to hear the satire groups, Capitol Steps. With the election in full-swing by then, they are sure to have a plethora of bipartisan material to keep us amused.



African American Museum

On Sunday, March 15, 2020, an optional tour will be presented. We are in the process of arranging tours to the Holocaust Museum, the African-American Museum and other sites.

On Tuesday, March 17, 2020, an optional "Monuments by Moonlight" tour has been arranged.

State Information Needed: I would love to report on the legislative activities of our state organizations in this newsletter. Please send a short article and a picture of what your state is doing legislatively.

Pending Legislation

H.R. 141 Social Security Fairness Act of 2019 which would repeal the Windfall Elimination Provision and the Government Pension Offset and is currently in the house Ways and Means Committee
S.1878 Universal Childhood and Early Learning Act
A bill to establish universal childcare and early learning programs.
S. 969 Educator Preparation Reform Act
A bill to improve quality and accountability for educator preparation programs.

Upcoming Events:

March 15-18, 2020 National Legislative Seminar Arlington, VA