

President's message

Ellen Tanoura, President

My fellow Hawai'i State DKG Members,

Our Fall Forum is over, but reverberations of it still linger in my mind and spirit. Barbara Hong, our keynote speaker's message was inspiring and left us with pride and the strength to persevere as educators and learners. The breakout sessions gave us a chance to broaden our knowledge, fulfill our curiosities, and reflect on where we are in our endeavors. The Marketplace was fun, fun, fun—so many choices, so much creativity, so much talent—you even got a gift for donating! Thank you to each attendee—it's always hard to sacrifice a Saturday when you have commitments to family and loved ones, or just to yourself to take a breath.



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A heartfelt thank you and congratulations to **Delta Chapter** under the leadership of **President Tammy Ogata** for a job well done! I don't think there was any Delta member who did not contribute to what needed to be done. The months of work certainly were evident in everything they did, from registration, to decoration, to signage, to speakers! I am sure that everyone appreciated your hard work.

Thank you, too, to all of the chairpersons who planned and executed informative Breakout sessions for all attendees. Your contributions were truly invaluable. Body language and attendance in the mini sessions showed that people were curious and eager to get the information to take back to their chapters. As I am writing this message, emails show that the committees are still working to follow up on their messages—sending notes and handouts to those who did not attend, sending reminders, and touching base. I encourage all members to be considerate of the committee chairs who are working to meet deadlines and goals. Please check emails and complete tasks.

This issue of the **Aloha i ke Akea**, again, is for you to be informed of the happenings in DKG Hawai'i State and at International Headquarters. Chapters—celebrate your activities through words, captions, and pictures. These are the best “**hooks**” that stimulate new ideas in other chapters! It is a way to keep abreast of your Hawai'i colleagues, take part in the activities, and be of assistance to those who may need support to attend events and meetings in your chapter.

2026 will be upon us sooner than we think! Enjoy the festivities as we see 2025 coming to a close; however, set yourself up for an action-filled 2026—in-person **Spring Convention** in Hilo, April 18, (Zeta); **The Leadership Development Workshop**, June 6 (Epsilon & Leadership Development Committee); and the **International Convention** June 30–July 4 (Colorado).

Aloha.

Ellen Tanoura, Hawai'i State President, 2025–2027



The Legacy of Our Beloved Banner

Submitted by **Ellen Tanoura**, *Hawai'i State President & Mu Chapter*

Our State has a new name, DKG Hawai'i State. Thus, the archiving of the "Beta Beta State" banner will occur, but not without honoring our creators.

In the Summer 2024 issue of Aloha i ke Akea, **Kathy Sakuda** of the Iota Chapter wrote the following article. (If anyone else had a hand in the creation of the banner, or has other facts aside from what is stated below, please let President Ellen Tanoura know. We would like to archive it properly with its true story.)

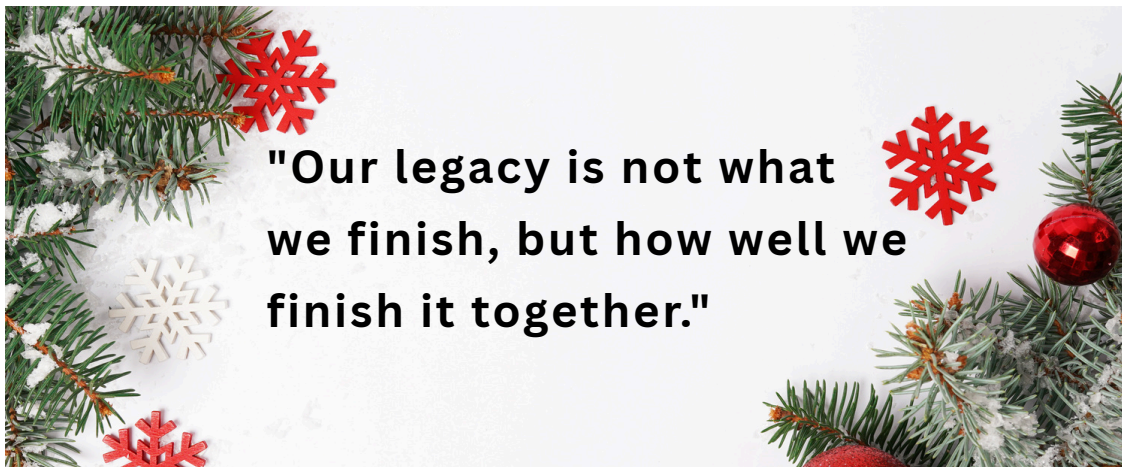
Our Hawai'i (Beta Beta) State Banner

The banner of Beta Beta State is crafted in the style of Hawaiian quilts. Designed by **Irene Kubo** (Zeta) in May of 1991, the banner blends Hawaiian culture, flora, and societal symbols. The red shield is the banner itself, surrounded by a band of gold. Hawaiian Alexandrine Laurel flanks the center appliqué pattern of Hawaiian hibiscus. The yellow hibiscus is Hawai'i's state flower, and the laurel has fruits like little ping-pong balls with small, white, fragrant flowers. Three red silk roses symbolize the three Tudor roses found attached at the top.

While the work has thousands of hidden stitches, only hundreds of tiny stitches are visible in the appliqué design. The design of a quilt is a very personal experience. We are incredibly grateful to our sister for sharing her gifts with us. — **Kathy Sakuda**, Iota

Our new banner will read, "DKG Hawai'i State." (When possibilities were suggested to modify the existing banner, some did not feel that action was respectful.)

Thank you to **Peggy Pavao of Theta**, **Karen Koles of Delta**, and **Ellen Tanoura of Mu** who volunteered to plan and create the new banner. We encourage more voices and talent to join us in this endeavor. **Please write to DKGhistate@gmail.com** (President Ellen Tanoura's email) to serve on the committee. After coming up with possible designs, we will ask chapters for input. Please join this exciting and fun journey!



"Our legacy is not what
we finish, but how well we
finish it together."



*Submitted by **Cindy Asato-Kochi**, DKG Hawai'i State Membership Committee & Gamma Chapter President*

DKG Hawai'i State Organization is excited to launch a new column titled "Membership in Action," dedicated to celebrating the growth of DKG and strengthening our bonds across the chapters! The column's core mission is to empower individual chapters to recruit new members, retain our current members, and reinstate former members, recognizing that the collective strength of DKG HSO is built on the active participation and ingenuity of its members.

"Membership in Action" will also be a platform for recognition and shared expertise. We want to recognize and celebrate chapters that have successfully invited prospective members to their meetings and projects. It will also be a place to share best practices in recruitment, reinstatement, and retention that have yielded positive results for our chapters. Our drive to expand DKG membership is not simply about meeting a numerical benchmark; it is about cultivating an engaged community where every member finds professional fulfillment and a sense of belonging. We are growing the Society to ensure our members are invigorated by, and feel essential to, the continuing mission of DKG.

Thus, to start us off, let's explore a new strategy **Gamma Chapter** is using to strengthen internal relationships. Recognizing that varied attendance to meetings and projects due to members' busy schedules can make it challenging for new and veteran members to get to know each other, the chapter sought an innovative solution beyond simple hardcopy biographies. Gamma decided to go digital using Google Slides!

Gamma created a simple Google slideshow with a template slide for each member to personalize with her information and picture. Time was given at a meeting to introduce the task and to begin completing their bios. This approach not only allows members to update their details anytime, but members can view each other's information at their leisure. Unexpectedly, this also creates organic opportunities for engagement: those comfortable with technology support their sisters, forging new connections, sometimes even outside of the formal meetings. Check out this sample if interested! <https://bit.ly/samplebiography>.



"Good attitudes are contagious—let's start an epidemic!"





Committee Reports



DKG Hawai'i Organization State Bylaws Committee



Mandatory Update: Align your Chapter Standing Rules

Submitted by **Sharon Inamine & Teresa Duran**, DKG Hawai'i State, Bylaws Committee, & Mu Chapter

To ensure our organization maintains full compliance with the Hawai'i State Organization (HSO) Bylaws and Standing Rules and the International Constitution, all Chapters must immediately revise their Chapter Standing Rules. This is a crucial step in upholding the structural integrity of our Society

Action 1: Mandatory Officer Structure Revision (Immediate Action)

The most urgent update is to align your Chapter's officer structure with the required text. This specific clause is mandatory for all chapters and must be completed as soon as possible.

Required Text to be inserted into your Chapter Standing Rules:

"Chapter officers, all of whom must be members of the Society, shall be a president or co-presidents, a vice president, a secretary (all elected), a treasurer (selected by the executive board) plus the option of a second vice president or corresponding secretary (both elected)."

Submission Details for Mandatory Alignment

Once your Chapter Standing Rules are revised to include this exact text, please send the completed Amendment Form and also include an attachment of the complete Chapter Rules (Bylaws) document and highlight all of the proposed amendments.

- **Sharon Inamine**, State Bylaws Committee Co-Chair
Email: inamine.sharon@gmail.com

Action 2: Optional Chapter-Specific Amendments

Your Chapter also has the option to submit other original amendments specific to your local operations. If you wish to propose an amendment that goes beyond the mandatory officer structure change, please follow the formal amendment process:

1. Complete the Amendment Format_
2. Chapter Approval: Your Chapter must officially approve the amendment internally.
3. Submission: Email two documents: The approved Amendment Form and your Chapter Rules with amendments highlighted to **Sharon Inamine** (inamine.sharon@gmail.com).

Crucial Deadline: The chapter-specific amendment concerning the Mandatory Officer Structure Revision must be submitted to the State Bylaws Committee **before January 1, 2026**, to be considered for approval at the Spring Convention in April 2026.





Committee Reports



DKG Hawai'i State Organization Legacy Project, 2025-27

*Submitted by **Fay Toyama**, DKG Hawai'i State, Legacy Project Committee, & Theta Chapter*

The Pioneer Women/Legacy committee's goal is to finish the Legacy Project this biennium and have every Hawai'i State President's biographical information posted on the state website. Thank you very much to the previous Pioneer Women/Legacy Project committee under **Linda Andersen**. This project began during the biennium of Past State President **Donna Shiroma** (2015-2017). **Sakae Loo** of Lambda Chapter was the "spark" behind this project.

- The committee will work on formatting the 14 completed Legacy biographies to post them this year with the help of the webmaster.
- The committee will complete the partially completed reports using the archived material in storage.
- We will ask each chapter to research their respective past state presidents to complete the Legacy Project questionnaire and submit it before the 2026 State Convention so an update may be presented. Here is a summary of a table [available at this link](#) that lists all the chapters and their Presidents' information that require action to complete the Legacy Project.
 - **Mu Chapter:** Lori Furoyama, Helen Gokan, Emiko Nakamura
 - **Epsilon Chapter:** Stephanie Conching, Viona Whitlow
 - **Lambda Chapter:** Gloria Kishi
 - **Iota Chapter:** DeEtta Wilson
 - **Theta Chapter:** Thelma Yoshida
 - **Beta Chapter:** Alvina Nye Kau'ulili, Alice J. Kuhlmann
 - **Alpha Chapter:** Thelma A. Barnett, Josephine Day, Lilian Givens, Leia Robinson Brewer, Olga Larson, Clorinda Lucas, Virginia Ransburg, Eleanor Kellog, Marvel Bernhouse, Perle Marie Parvis, Cathryn Irvine

We will continue to keep members informed of our progress and will be available to help. Contact us if you'd like to see what is archived. Please feel free to contact:

- **Fay Toyama** at 808.295.0025 or fay.toyama@gmail.com
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***"The strength of the team is each individual member.
The strength of each member is the team."
(Phil Jackson)***





Committee Reports



SCHOLARSHIPS

DKG Hawai'i State Announces 2026 Annual Scholarships

Submitted by Alicia Miyashiro, DKG Hawai'i State, Scholarship Committee, Eta Chapter

The Hawai'i State Delta Kappa Gamma Society International is pleased to announce the availability of its three annual scholarships for 2026. We are proud to continue our mission of supporting the educational pursuits of both aspiring teachers and current DKG members with valuable financial assistance for education, professional development, or community projects.

Lucille Hodgins Scholarship (Up to \$1,000, two grants available) is for college students pursuing a career in education. It covers educational expenses and tuition. Deadline for submission: March 4, 2026

Josephine E. Day Perpetual Scholarship Fund (Up to \$1,000) is for active DKG members in the Hawai'i State Organization. It funds the pursuit of National Board Certification. Deadline for submission: March 13, 2026.

Eva Phillip Curry State Scholarship (Up to \$500) is for active DKG members in the Hawai'i State Organization. It funds special certification, professional improvement, or a school/state/community project. Deadline for submission: March 9, 2026.

Accessing Applications:

The official application forms and complete eligibility requirements will be available on the state website starting January 23, 2026: <https://dkghawaii.org>

Submitting Your Application:

Completed applications and all required supporting documents must be submitted to the Hawai'i State Scholarship Committee.

- Preferred Submission: Email documents to alicia.miyashiro@k12.hi.us
- Mail Option: You may alternatively mail your materials to:
Hawai'i State Scholarship Committee of DKG Society International
c/o Alicia Miyashiro, 4450 Iliwai Street, Lihue, HI 96766

We encourage all eligible individuals to take advantage of this opportunity to invest in their professional growth.





Red Roses



Two Hawai'i DKG Artists Shine

Submitted by Aloha i ke Akea staff

We are thrilled to celebrate two of our talented Hawai'i DKG members, **Dr. Joyce Ono** of Kappa Chapter and **Soo Boo Tan** of Mu Chapter, whose art pieces have been selected to appear in the prestigious **DKG Fine Arts Gallery**. Joyce's two watercolor paintings (see below) will be shared in this issue and an article highlighting Soo Boo's ikebana arrangements, "Ikebana and Her Teacher's Voice", and "Ikebana Going Out on a Limb" will be featured in the Spring Issue under the section "Red Roses". Please join us in congratulating both members on this outstanding achievement!

Dr. Joyce Ono's Watercolor Paintings Selected for DKG Fall 2025 Fine Arts Gallery

Submitted by Lena Kanemori, Kappa Chapter

Kappa chapter is proud to announce that two of **Dr. Joyce Ono's** watercolor paintings have been selected by jurors for the **2025 Fall DKG Fine Arts Gallery in the Painting/Pastels Category**. The watercolor pieces are: "Sheer Delight" and "Stairway at Le Vieux Couvent, France". "Sheer Delight" is based on photos she had taken on a train ride with her grandson who befriended a fellow passenger and they were playing with bubbles. The "Stairway at Le Vieux Couvent, France" was painted on site during a watercolor workshop she participated in and she had to take these ancient, charming but treacherous stairs multiple times each day to her room. Dr. Ono, a resident at the Arcadia Retirement Community, is sharing her expertise by currently instructing watercolor and drawing classes for interested residents. Congratulations to Dr. Ono on this distinguished achievement!



Sheer Delight



Stairway at Le Vieux Couvent, France



Red Roses



Theta Chapter Honors Two Retirees

Submitted by Peggy Pavao, Theta Chapter President



Deanne Kanekuni, a longtime member of Theta Chapter, retired from 'Iolani School this past July. She dedicated 22 years to serving as a school counselor at 'Iolani and previously spent 19 years working in the DOE. Throughout her career, Deanne provided individual and group counseling, advised the student mediation program, and supported the Lower School Big Brother/Big Sister program. She also introduced mindfulness practices and delivered SEL lessons in the classroom. In retirement, Deanne looks forward to traveling to Antarctica and sharpening her golf game.



Leigh Okazaki retired in August 2025 after 46 years in early childhood education. The first 28 years at the First Chinese Church of Christ Preschool (14 years in the classroom and 14 years as the director/principal) and the last 18 years at Lehua Elementary School as a special education preschool teacher. Leigh's passion has always been working with preschoolers as they are eager to learn new things and for the gratification of seeing the light go on in their eyes. One of her favorite preschool activities was experiencing the life cycle of a butterfly with her students. While at Lehua she was a mentor to new teachers, served as GLC (Grade Level Chair), and was active in school committees. She was inducted into DKG in 1995 under the sponsorship of **Shuk Fon "Fooney" Yuen**. Currently, Leigh is enjoying lazy mornings and developing healthier habits.



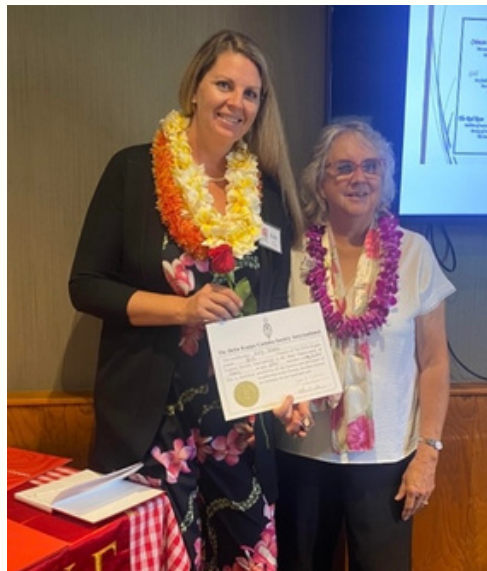
White Roses

*Submitted by Christine Putzulu
Epsilon Chapter President.*

Ruby Sui Hung Lee Donlin, 81 of Waimanalo, passed away on August 12th, 2025. A dedicated DKG member for 33 years, her service included Epsilon Chapter President and First Vice President. She taught music at Mokapu Elementary. She loved singing in the choir at Kawaihou Church. We were blessed to have her in our lives. Her loving spirit of Aloha will be missed. Alohapumehana Epsilon Sisters.

Chapter News

New member welcome



Newly initiated Beta Chapter member, **Katie Tanaka** (L) and her sponsor, **Claudia Kaneyuki** (R).



Beta Chapter members at their May meeting; pictured left to right: **Katie Tanaka**, **Jandi Nagasawa**, **Sandi Tuitele**, **Beverly Ikalani**, **Patricia Lau**, **Aloha Dayton**, **Claudia Kaneyuki**, **Zoe Green**, **Patti Urso**, **Elsie Gushiken**, **Pamela Minn**, **Laurie Pe`a**, **Lisa Kuwasaki-Kim**, **Robin Awa**, **Beth Uale**.



Beta Chapter News & Updates

Submitted by Robin Awa, Beta Chapter President

New Member Initiation – May 2025

Beta Chapter proudly welcomed its newest member, **Katie Tanaka**, during their May 2025 initiation meeting. Katie is an educator at He`eia Elementary School. Beta Chapter celebrated sisterhood and service as we embraced our new sister into the DKG family in hopes to strengthen our chapter's ongoing work and future initiatives. Congratulations to Katie!

Beta Sisters in Service: Leadership and Community Service

Beta Chapter formed a service program last year which focuses on developing communication, relationship, and leadership skills through small meaningful community goals. Through mentorship, collaboration, and volunteerism, members engage in projects that enhance both personal and professional growth while making a positive impact in the workplace and our local communities. This program venture continues to embody our values of service and leadership in action.

Looking Ahead – December 2025 Meeting

Beta Chapter's upcoming December meeting will feature their annual Holiday Book Drive to benefit children at the O'ahu Children's Justice Center in support of literacy and the empowerment for children in need. Beta Chapter will also be working on reviewing and amending chapter bylaws to ensure full alignment with both DKG International and Hawai'i State bylaws.

Beta Chapter is grateful for the DKG sisterhood and for each other. Every sister has given their time, ideas, and hearts in making a positive difference in the lives they live. Here's to finishing the 2025 year with purpose, sisterhood, and a shared spirit of service!



Eta Chapter Celebration

Submitted by Sarah Iha, Eta Chapter

Eta Chapter celebrated a very special birthday at our fall meeting: **MaryAnn Kusaka** turned 90 in September! MaryAnn is our oldest active member and currently serves as Parliamentarian. Her beloved presence and boundless energy inspire our entire chapter. Happy birthday, MaryAnn!



Kappa Kicks Off 2025-2026: Balancing Sisterhood, Service, and Growth

Submitted by Ann Takazono, Kappa Chapter President

Kappa Chapter began the 2025-2026 year with 18 of 19 members present on August 9, 2025, at Arcadia Retirement Residence. It was an engaging, informative meeting for all our Kappa Sisters as we shared about our favorite subject, learned more about each other, and met in our respective committees to discuss goals, timelines, and initiatives for 2025-2026. It was especially great to hear each committee's plans and share what we could look forward to in 2025-2026. One of the events planned



by the Membership Committee to increase and maintain membership is a festive December celebration, "Jingle and Mingle," to be held at the Arcadia Retirement Residence. In order to increase our membership, Kappa Sisters have been encouraged to invite prospective members to our December event. Another project in progress is a community service activity being planned by the Communication Committee for Arcadia residents to assist them in the use of their smartphones and iPads. The "Jingle and Mingle" recruitment and fellowship event and the Communication Committee's valuable community service project demonstrate our commitment to both membership growth and meaningful service projects.

State Initiated Activities

DKG Sisters Brightens Halloween with "Trunk or Treat" at Kahauiki Village

Submitted by Sharon Inamine, Mu Chapter

DKG Hawai'i State sisters continued its commitment to community service by successfully hosting a "Trunk or Treat" event for the families and children of Kahauiki Village on Wednesday, October 29th.



Decked up in their costumes are: (left to right) **Sharon Inamine**, **JennyLee Tam Sing**, **Mae Matsuo-Kop** and **Ellen Tanoura**. These dedicated sisters volunteered their time, dressing up in costumes and transforming a vehicle trunk into a festive display of Halloween goodies. The cheerful atmosphere provided a wonderful opportunity for fun engagement as the DKG sisters distributed treats. The event was a memorable occasion that fostered positive interaction between the DKG members and the village community.



Lifting Our 'Ohana: A Thankful Sisterhood

Submitted by Aloha i ke Akea Team

T - To lift our voices with an Aloha plea,

H - Heartfelt devotion for our society

A - Always bound by friendship, strong and ever true,

N - Nurturing the good that is in all we do.

K - Keeping our dear sisterhood like 'Ohana near,

F - For the joy you bring and futures we can steer.

U - Unwavering in spirit, from the land to sea,

L - Love and sisterhood shared for all eternity.

Happy Thanksgiving !



DKG Fall Forum: A Triumph of Teamwork

Submitted by *Tammy Ogata, Delta Chapter President, and Lena Kanemori, Kappa Chapter*



Congratulations to **Tammy Ogata and Delta Chapter** for putting together a fantastic event! Attendees of the DKG Fall Forum were greeted by lovely table decorations of Hawaiian flora, setting a beautiful stage for a day of collaboration and growth. The forum exemplified the power of collaborative effort, achieving success in fellowship, fundraising, and professional enrichment for all. One of the major highlights of the day was the incredible fundraising effort. The following statement by Chapter President Tammy Ogata, summarizes the chapter's key learnings from organizing the Fall Forum.



The Market Place netted approximately \$2400, which will directly support DKG's initiatives.

"In planning, needless to say it would take a lot of time and energy, but at all times and never a doubt in our minds, we felt DKG members deserved the best! So we were determined to work hard, and as we did, we realized each other's strengths. Working toward a common goal, our sisterhood bond grew stronger as we learned a little more about each other. After the forum, as DKG members expressed their satisfaction in attending, Delta members knew that we had accomplished our goal."

DKG Fall Forum: A Triumph of Teamwork

Submitted by Tammy Ogata, Delta Chapter President, and Lena Kanemori, Kappa Chapter

The comments below serve as a strong testament to the event's success:

- "I appreciate President Tanoura's focus on the DKG mission/goals. I am impressed by her efforts to be inclusive and make DKG closer and a more cohesive organization. I am inspired by her theme of 'Moments of Lift!'"
- "The guest speaker was the highlight! Dr Hong shared tender memories of her life that touched my heart."
- "Dr Hong's presentation was truly inspirational! She was an excellent keynote speaker, and I look forward to reading her book!"
- "Everything was great. I especially like the breakout sessions where we could meet in committees. A lot of great ideas were exchanged!"
- "The two sessions I attended, Aloha I Ke A Kea and Website were most important"
- "Overwhelmed by all the details on decorations, signage, giveaways, quality of food and getting to know other DKG sisters as amazing individuals"
- "Very well done, nicely made bags, good use of facility, and excellent bento"
- "The Country Store offered a variety of items and lunch was delicious"
- "I really love the setting of WCC! Also appreciated the very reasonable cost of the forum"
- "I'm a new DKG member and this was my 2nd DKG conference, so I feel I'm still an observer. I felt that there was an exciting vibe that emanated from the group and so many were happy to reconnect with each other. I was very impressed by how well organized the conference was and all the lovely pouches (tea bags), lovely table arrangements, and useful recyclable bag"



Delta Chapter deserves sincere thanks and congratulations for all the dedication, effort, and time they invested in organizing this memorable event. The photos in the Photo Gallery highlight the event's success.



"A sisterhood is like a perfectly choreographed group project: we each bring our best, we share the shine, and when we combine our efforts, the goal we reach is always bigger and brighter than the one we could have achieved alone."

DKG Fall Forum Photo Gallery



Great organization & teamwork, Delta sisters!



DKG Fall Forum Photo Gallery



**Productive
breakout sessions!**



DKG Fall Forum Photo Gallery



No one cares how much you know
until they know how much you care.”
(Barbara Hong)



We join in Hawai'i Aloha



Failing Up

Dr. Barbara Hong, Keynote speaker at Fall Forum

Content shared with permission from Dr. Barbara Hong



In her memoir *Failing Up*, Barbara describes growing up in Singapore project housing in the 1970s, repeating grades from kindergarten through high school, and being called a “cabbage head” — meaning *incapable of learning* in Chinese — by her teachers and even her own mother. School felt like a prison. At home, she faced an abusive and alcoholic father, an illiterate mother, and long hours working in a sweatshop environment. She recalled, “When you’re trying to find a way to survive every day, you’re not able to dream about what tomorrow may be.”

Determined to rewrite her future, she worked as a custodian, saved every dollar she could, and bought a one-way ticket to Hawai’i, arriving with no family and no relatives. Yet Hawai’i embraced her for who she was.

Here, for the first time, teachers looked past her circumstances and saw who she could become. They challenged her, believed in her, and gave her permission to dream bigger than her past. Their encouragement set her on a path that led to becoming an international scholar, author, and professor. “Embrace failures and let success embrace you back,” she challenged us.

In her keynote, Barbara reminds educators that what changes a student’s life isn’t curriculum—it’s caring.

Now a dean in Massachusetts, she continues to live by the ethos that “no one cares how much you know until they know how much you care.”



EDITORS' CORNER

submitted by Aloha i ke Akea Staff



In a Flash: Your Snapshot

In our spring issue, besides the assigned articles, we’re looking forward to **photos with captions** of new members, special events, and especially membership initiatives. This is your chance to highlight recent events in a snapshot.

We also want to extend a huge “mahalo” to **Beta, Delta, Epsilon, Eta, Gamma, Kappa, Theta, and Zeta** for their chapter news and **Bylaws, Membership, Legacy Project, and Scholarship Committees** for their submissions to our Winter issue. Your contributions set a high standard, and we look forward to featuring everyone in the spring. We are using A.I. to help create poems ¹⁷ and tidbits of wisdom!

Invest in Education Worldwide This Giving Tuesday!

Taken from *Belinda Clift, SW Regional Director*



Organization Name

Together
We Give,
Together
We Share

A Giving Tuesday Event

December 2, 2025
8:00 AM to 5:00 PM
123 Anywhere St., Any City

Contact us to sign up
@realitygreatsite.com
123-456-7890

GIVING TUESDAY

Mark your calendars! DKGIEF is proud to be participating in **Giving Tuesday on December 2, 2025**. What better way to contribute to a better future for educators and students worldwide than by donating on this special day?

Your Contribution Makes a Lasting Impact

The DKGIEF utilizes your generous contributions to foster and promote educational excellence worldwide. Every donation supports essential DKG programs that have a lasting impact, including:

- Grants and Scholarships for dedicated educators.
- Professional Development activities and special projects.
- Sponsoring innovative Speakers and much more!

[CLICK HERE](#) to the DKGIEF
Donate page.



Mission Statement

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



CENTENNIAL CHALLENGE

STATES growing their membership by **100 OR MORE** by our 2029 Centennial Celebration will earn the prestigious title of **CENTENNIAL STATE ORGANIZATION**. A lasting legacy of leadership, growth, and commitment to the future of DKG!

(Net growth of 100 new/reinstated members from 2025 to 2029)

LET'S SEE HAWAI'I STATE ORGANIZATION ON THE LIST IN 2029!



100 NEW MEMBERS

WE CAN DO IT!



Save the Date

DKG Hawai'i State Spring Convention in Hilo

Submitted by **Kahanu Nguyen, Zeta Chapter President**

Please save the date for **April 18, 2026** for the **DKG Hawai'i State Spring Convention** at Keaukaha Elementary School in Hilo. You can look forward to an inspirational local keynote speaker, a variety of breakout sessions focused on personal and professional development, as well as a Country Store with one-of-a-kind items. We are also kindly asking for donations to our Country Store. We can't wait to share with you the simple charms of Hilo! Look out for more information that will be shared in the Spring Aloha i ke Akea.

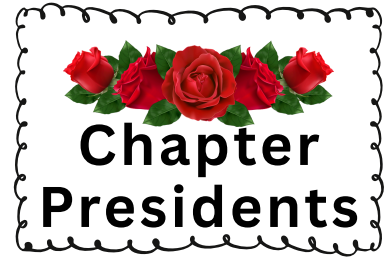
Leadership Development Workshop in person - June 6, 2026. Place to be determined

International DKG Conference - June 30 – July 4, 2026 . Aurora, Colorado (Gaylord Rockies Resort & Convention Center)



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Iota	Camille Masutomi
Kappa	Donna Shiroma & Ann Takazono
Lambda	Cynthia Choy
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[CLICK HERE](#) TO PROVIDE A COMMENT OR QUESTION CONCERNING ANY OF THE ARTICLES OR FEATURES IN THIS ISSUE.
MAHALO!

**ALONE WE CAN DO SO
LITTLE; TOGETHER WE
CAN DO SO MUCH.**