

Mu State: Beta Alpha Banner

Possibilities for the Chapter

Literacy Project: Storybooks for Students will continue during the 2011-2012 school year. Please continue to bring your books to chapter meetings

Toot Our Own Horn at the 2012 District V Meeting Please send your information, including photos to Judy Zelinski about your individual awards, achievements, and community service **ASAP**

Happy Dollars may give members the vehicle to support the new DKG International Project: *School for Africa*.

Strategic Action Plan. Chapters have been asked to develop a chapter Strategic Action Plan (SAP) this year. This will be done based on members' input and the use of the Mu State SAP template.

Possibilities for Members

Biographical Sketches Needed
Please send your sketches to Peg ASAP. Your sketches will be showcased on the chapter website, in the chapter newsletter, and on the chapter display board at the District V Meeting next spring.

Newsletter Editor Needed Please contact Peg ASAP if you are interested. Starting this year the newsletter will follow the state schedule and publish 4 annual issues during each season of the year.

Arts in Education Members will have an opportunity to showcase their artistic talent and creativity this year in the chapter newsletter, in recognition of DKG support for the Arts in Education

Professional Development Credits. Members can earn in-service points by attending state and international meetings

Beta Alpha Birthdays

August

- 7 Pat Bernard-Mark
- 25 Susan Kaplan Teller

September

- 7 Debbie Terrill

October

- 17 Adrienne Khan
- 31 Ali Cabrera

November

- 3 Alice Schmidlin
- 4 Betty Bunnell
- 18 Ann French

Thank you Elaine for the beautiful hand-made cards



Up-coming Fall Meetings and Programs

August 8

New Member Tea
Susan Teller's Home

August 29

Annual Back to
School Dinner
Seawatch Restaurant
5 PM

September 3

Joint Broward
Chapters Initiation
Breakfast
Renaissance Hotel
Plantation
Hosted by
Beta Alpha Chapter
this year.

8:30 AM
*Please RSVP the
Evite for these
meetings*

September 16-17

*Mu State
Fall Workshop
Orlando*

October 29

Annual Craft
Meeting
Nancy Wengen's
Home

November TBA

Cooking Demo at
Art Institute

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President's Message



This spring Beta Alpha was one of 6 chapters in the state to receive the *Mu State Communications Award* at the convention in April. Beta Alpha Members Dr. Peg Dunn-Snow and Sally Finley were two of 6 state members inducted into the *Mu State Hall of Fame* in 2011. Congratulations Beta Alpha Members

This summer the chapter audit, finance, nominations, fall initiation breakfast, and executive committees met to plan for our 2011-2012 year.

August Meetings August 8 New Member Tea, August 29 Annual Back to School Dinner

This fall A new tradition started at our May Meeting, called **Happy dollars** will begin. At each meeting members will have the option to giving a one dollar donation to honor their current celebrations in life. It is also a great way to get to know each other better. At the May meeting we found out that **Dena Wolfisch** has recently become a first-time grandmother.

DKG Educational Foundation Awards and DKG Scholarships are available on the International website

*Please bring your storybooks to the chapter meetings during this biennium and support the chapter literacy project : **Storybooks for Students***

DKG International World Fellowship Fund Raffle Baskets

Please continue to donate your items to Sally (baskets too) for the raffle baskets , supporting our chapter contribution to the **DKG International World Fellowship Fund** . Thanks goes Sally for her willingness to make up the baskets so one can be raffled off at each meeting during this chapter biennium



New Member Tea August 8, 2011

DKG International has provided chapters with new orientation materials with a new approach to providing information to prospective members . Beta Alpha Chapter will use these materials for the first time on **August 8** at our annual **New Members Tea** at the home of **Susan Teller**. Come join us and meet our new members prior to the Joint Broward Chapters' Initiation Breakfast on **September 3**.



Please RSVP to the Evite for these meetings

Let's Toot Our Horn at the District V Meeting



Please email **Judy Zelinski** and let her know about the kinds of community service activities you are involved in, especially if you are mentoring a new teacher. In addition... Are you a Girl Scout Leader? Do you participate in a ministry in your religious community? Do you volunteer at a hospital, or a food bank?

If you have photographs please send your pictures to Judy too.

Also, if you are the recipient of a recent award, let Judy know that also.

Our Digital Board will go on display at the **District V Meeting next April.**

Newsletter Editor Needed

Please contact Peg if you are interested in filling this chapter role. Starting in 2011-2012 Beta Alpha will publish 4 seasonal newsletters annually in order to continue to receive the Mu State Chapter Communication Award.



Meet Beta Alpha Member Sally Finley



Sally was born & raised in a suburb of Pittsburgh, PA. She taught full-time for 42 years, and continues to teach gifted online courses for Broward Virtual University. She was named Florida's Gifted Teacher of the Year in 1992 & has been Board Certified since 1999. She writes for Multimedia Schools Magazine. A 20 year member of DKG, she served two terms as chapter president, chaired many committees, & now serves

as treasurer. She has also served as District V Director, on the Mu state nominating committee, as state corresponding secretary, & as Mu state & International special events chair. She is a frequent presenter at all levels of the Society. She was inducted into the Mu State Hall of Fame in April. She is president of the Coral Springs Chapter of the Southern Handcraft Society & Co-Director of Vacation Bible School at the First United Methodist Church.

2011 May Founders' Day Meeting

A jam-packed meeting in May that included a chapter initiation ceremony for Jeri Jo Florez, a productive business meeting, a clever presentation on DKG Founders given by Nancy Wengren, and some great games of

BUNCO planned by our consummate hostess, Judy Zelinski. The Food was out of this world too. For those who could not attend you were missed.



Beta Alpha Chapter Women in the Arts

Newsletter Deadline Dates for submissions are:

Fall Issue August 1

July 15

Winter Issue November 1

October 15

Spring Issue March 1

February 15

Summer Issue June 1

May 15

In support of DKG's Women in the Arts initiative and efforts to recognize the importance of the arts in education, this page is dedicated to show-casing Beta Alpha Members' artistic talents and creativity.

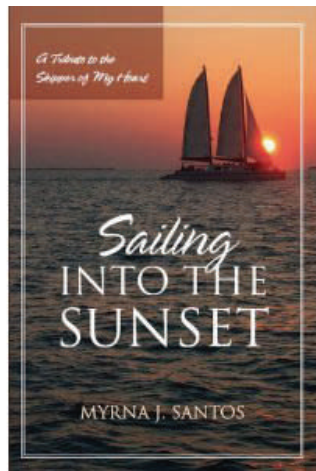
Please consider submitting for publication any form of art or creative activity you pursue. Articles, poems, photographs, images of paintings, drawings, sculptures, mix-media, sewing or needlework, other handcrafts, or recipes are only a few examples of what can be published on this page.

Please email your submissions to Peg Dunn-Snow at this time. Text should be sent in doc files and photos should be sent as jpg files.

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Let's Fill this page in the next issue of the newsletter and showcase our members artistic endeavors.

A MEMOIR by Myrna J. Santos



Beta Alpha members may purchase Myrna's book through Amazon.com or Barnes & Noble .com

Delta Kappa Gamma
International Society for Key Women Educators
Mu State Florida



Joint Initiation
Broward Count
September 3, 2011
Renaissance Hotel
Plantation
Hostess Chapter Beta Alpha
Cost \$26 including tax and gratuity

Menu

Fresh Squeezed Orange Juice
Assorted Breakfast Pastries
Fluffy Scrambled Eggs, Crisp Bacon & Country Sausage
Breakfast Potatoes & Sliced Fruit
Coffee, Decaffeinated Coffee & Assorted Herbal Teas

Please send your check to Sally Finley, Beta Alpha Chapter Treasurer 5033 N 99th Terrace, Coral Springs, FL 33076, before August 22, 2011. The hotel is requiring us to pay the bill in-full by August 27, 2011. Thank you for your cooperation.

We will have a chapter business meeting after the ceremony. If you have not sent in your dues for 2011-2012 by the date of this meeting please bring a check for Sally Dues are still \$80.00 and checks are made payable to DKG Beta Alpha Chapter.