





BLOOMING ROSES

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Message from your Co-Communicators

Fall is in the air already and we wish all the working teachers a very productive and more normal year. You are making a difference! Tune out all the noise and concentrate on your students. They need you! We are here to help you in any way we can so please don't hesitate to contact us. Maybe you just want to go to coffee and talk. We are very good listeners!

Notice our Chapter Officer list has grown. We thank you for taking on a role. Some of you may need a second person to help be a sounding board to brainstorm ideas with and accomplish some goals you have for that position. Please look at the chapter list, call someone who you think you can work well with, or who you want to know better and invite them to join you in your planning. You can be a group of two.

The coordinator's job is to keep yourself informed of what's happening in your activity/project, report monthly to the chapter about what your position or committee has done and share with the group what you would like us to do to help you accomplish your goal(s). Some months you may not have anything to report and that's alright. Our jobs are different. These reports will be used for the chapter newsletter, for Chapter Chatter in *The New Oregon Trail* and for general publicity on chapter activities in our community. To make things easier we will be using our chapter newsletter for the minutes of our meetings.

Every member's job is to keep an eye out for women educators who are good candidates for DKG membership and INVITE them to come to a meeting/program or social event. Remember, an "educator" is a woman who is paid or who has been paid, but maybe retired, who has taught something. If you know of a woman who teaches/trains others for water aerobics, piano lessons or business courses for a corporation they are eligible for membership. We have been told for years to "think outside the box!" Maybe if you invite two doing the same job, they will feel more comfortable coming to meet us.

Summer Recap

- 1. The Dolly Parton Imagination Library (DPIL) project is off and running with the Marion/Polk Early Learning Hub taking it on officially as one of their literacy projects, with our help implementing and many other philanthropic and personal grants adding support. Efforts are underway by a Eugene group to take it state-wide if legislative support and funding can be secured.
- 2. As of August 31, we had 304 students registered to participate.
- 3. Our presence at the Western Oregon University Early Childhood Inclusion Summer Institute on August 10 and 11 was fun and successful. The four of us who went to WOU, while others worked on DPIL, came home with names of 12 women who were interested in joining DKG. Some were from McMinnville, and we have shared their contact information with the state Expansion Committee to contact them about being part of a new Yamhill County Chapter they're trying to charter. Others were from Woodburn that we're inviting to join Alpha Epsilon Chapter for this year and possibly form their own Woodburn chapter in the future.
- **4.** Finally, we had fun at the parks, schools, and the university while we were working.
- **5.** Kathy has a classroom set of the wood necklace pieces and big single pieces of wood to count age of trees left for anyone who would like them for your classroom to study trees.



Thank you, Shirley H. for organizing the cutting of all of these pieces of wood for us. That was a lot of cutting, sanding and organizing You can tell the kids and parents appreciated all your hard work!



A special thanks to all our volunteers!

Deb, Lark, Charlotte, Marie, Shawnie, Shirley H, Cindy, Marie, Kathy



SEPTEMBER CHAPTER MEETING

Date: September 15—Thursday evening

Time: 5 p.m.

Place: La Margarita, 545 Ferry St., Salem

Get ready for some fun and an opportunity to support one of our chapter members.

Program: A wedding shower for Emily Hickman Tarbell! (aka Mrs. Levi Tarbell these days)

A short business meeting will follow the fun and supper.

Theme: Emily says she'd like help and goodies to make **camping and gardening** easier and more fun.

We can come up with something for those topics!

Food: Supper is individual choice and payment.

OCTOBER CHAPTER MEETING

What: Oregon DKG Fall Conference

When: October 8 Time: 9 a.m. to 3

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1328 North Second St. Jefferson, Oregon

Program: PowerPoint on Leadership presented by Kim Brown, Beta Beta/5

Revitalization of Chapters - Four state-wide committees will share ideas and plans:

Relevancy

Leadership

Membership

Communication

Travel: Let's carpool! Call Kathy or Marie to say if you'll drive or would like a ride.

Details: Will be in *The New Oregon Trail* which comes out the week of September 15. Watch your email

for your personal copy.

Cost: Continental breakfast and a fajita lunch together will be \$20.

Registration: No cost for registration. Just email Bonita Fillmore at bfillmore55@gmail.com. Send her your

name, your chapter, your position (if any), and whether you have any food allergies.







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