



CALIFORNIA STATE, AREA XIII
BETA MU CHAPTER

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September-October, 2022
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WELCOME BACK!



Jean Bristol's lovely patio was the setting for the first meeting of the year as fourteen of us enjoyed lunch together on September 24. The program for the year was presented, and Sharon Komoto once again has put together an inviting list of events. Mark your calendar for October 17 at 6:00 for our next gathering!

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Presidents' Patter

It is fall, a time for new beginnings for those in education. Schools have opened and are on close-to-normal schedules after the last two crazy COVID years. Our year in Beta Mu is off to a flying start. We've had our annual potluck at Jean Bristol's home, and have already grown by two new members!

We had a relaxing summer after our virtual Mystery Tour in May of the Alf Museum at the Webb School in Claremont. The State Convention in Burbank urged us to "Unlock our Imagination" to fill our biennium with programs and projects that embody the Seven Purposes of DKG. Our Executive Board has met and is in agreement with our Chapter goal of increasing our membership – "Each One Bring One". The California State website is a treasure trove of ideas for accomplishing this; we hope all members will take time to check it out – dkgca.org.

Meetings this year will be mostly in-person with a Zoom option available for those who can't make it to the site. Our first meeting, at Bonita High School's library on October 17, will offer this option. Our wonderful Program chair, Sharon, has lined up a year of stimulating and worthwhile meetings for us, including our Christmas fundraiser luncheon at the Peppertree Café in Glendora. The rest of the Board is busily setting up a website, publicizing us in local papers, keeping our Love of Reading project going, putting together our Yearbook, and keeping our finances straight, among many other things. We can't thank them enough for all the help and support they have given us as we start our term as co-presidents. There is lots of room for more helpers for all these jobs, though. If you have an idea for a community or literacy project, contact Debbie or Penny or anyone else on the board. DKG's work is never done, always moving forward in service to our sisters and students.

Coming together is a beginning

Keeping together is progress

Working together is success

- Henry Ford

Penny Keach and Debbie Sims
October 2022

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Our **next meeting** will be on **Monday, October 17, at the Bonita High School library at 6 p.m.** Speaking will be Dr. Stephanie Vernon-Hughes, PhD, who will make a presentation on "**Mindfulness**". Dr. Varnon-Hughes is the Dean of Teaching, Learning and Leadership, a graduate online program at the Claremont

Lincoln University. She is an award-winning public school teacher and community educator. She was the co-founder and editor-in-chief of “The Journal of Inter-Religious Studies”, a peer-reviewed journal, and its sister publication, “State of Formation”, an online forum for emerging ethical leaders. She holds a PhD from Claremont Lincoln University, and an MA and STM (Master of Sacred Theology) from Union Theological Seminary.

- Sharon Komoto

The Hostesses for the October meeting are Sharon Komoto, Betty Butler, and Gloria Holcomb.

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Buck-A-Book will be back at the October meeting. Check your bookshelf to see what you’d like to pass on to someone else. Bring your already-read books, and take a new one home!

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There will be space in each issue for Committee Chairs to report or solicit information as they wish. For this edition: We have an opening for someone who would be able to assume the responsibility of the **Woman in History** event for this biennium. The program will be **presented in January**, and it will be coupled with the Grants-in-Aid awards. There is information, and there are also willing mentors, to guide you. Please let Debbie or Penny know if you would **consider this position**.

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Scholarship information

Penne Ferrell Fund Literacy Award applications are due by November 1. These awards of up to \$200 dollars each are available to California women educators in their first through fifth year of classroom teaching, TK-grade 12. The funds can be used to purchase printed books, eBooks, or reading app subscriptions. **These awards are a wonderful way to reach out to prospective members because recipients cannot be members of DKG.** November is quickly approaching, so think of a teacher you can sponsor for the award, and get started with her on the online application at dkgca.org. If you have questions, please contact Debbie Sims.

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October Birthdays

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Beta Mu Book Club By Dr. Jackie M. Allen

History

Our first meeting was in 2016 at Jane Pendergast's home. Interested Beta Mu members gathered together to discuss *The Curious Incident of the Dog in the Night-Time* by Mark Haddon and enjoy some delicious refreshments. According to Sue Fernandes, Book Club fan and member, we have discussed about 60 books over the years. Highlights were field trips to Pomona Vietnamese Restaurant Po Ha- to discuss *The Sympathizer* by Nguyen and the tour of Los Angeles Library with lunch afterwards at Café Pinot to discuss *The Library Book* by Susan Orlean.

Initially we met in members' homes and enjoyed their tasty refreshments, sometimes a full lunch. With Covid it became necessary to meet online. Since one of the initial founders had university access to WebEx we began meeting online for a couple of years. Now, with the lifting of Covid restrictions and vaccinations in place, we have begun to meet again in person.



Jackie, Penny, Gloria (Gloria again, in place of Betty!), and Carolyn

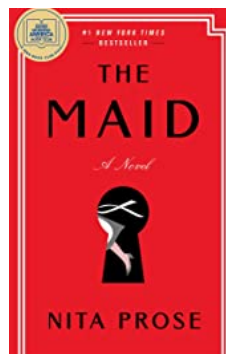


Sue, Sharon, and Jean

Recent Reads and Eats



We read very interesting books each month, and now have added lunch spots to enhance our reading experience.. Two months ago, as a follow up to *The Queen's Secret* by Karen Harper, we had our meeting and lunch at an English pub, The Black Watch, in Upland. In September, after reading *The Maid* by Nita Prose, we had lunch at the Montclair Olive Garden, as that was the main character's favorite restaurant.



Future Plans

Plans for the next two months are a November 4th meeting at Enchanted Rose Tea Parlour, where we will discuss Agatha Christie's first book- *The Mysterious Affair at Styles*. Our December meeting will be at a local restaurant to be announced with consideration of discussing *Testament of Youth* by Vera Brittain, renowned British author of World War I memories. *Testament of Youth* is now a major motion picture starring Alicia Vikander, Kit Harington, Hayley Atwell, and Taron Egerton.

Come Join Us

We meet once a month on Friday at 1p.m. to enjoy lunch and fellowship together, as well as discuss some great literary works and contemporary award-winning books. Please feel free to join us; let either Jackie Allen- jallen@laverne.edu or Sue Fernandes- libraryladysue@gmail.com know if you are interested in joining our group- all are welcome.

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From the Editor:

This space is for all members!

- We encourage you to share your creativity, be it a poem, a drawing, a photo...
- We would rejoice with you and your happy events, such as special anniversaries, additions to the family, accomplishments, or awards...
- We would enjoy stories from your teaching career that may be helpful to young teachers, or just fun to relate...

Please send your contributions to Diane Deal at lavernedeals@gmail.com.

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The minutes of the last meeting and the Annual Financial Report / Budget for 2022-2023 are available here, as well as our Program schedule for the year.

DKG Beta Mu Chapter Minutes

September 24, 2022 Potluck at the home of Jean Bristol

We sang a blessing to the tune of Edelweiss and Gloria Holcomb shared an inspiration about September. Then, after sharing a delicious assortment of lunch favorites, the meeting was called to order at 2:15 p.m. by Co-President Penny Keach.

Members present: Jean Bristol, Betty Butler, Candy Campbell, Diane Deal, Sue Fernandes, Kathy Henkins, Gloria Holcomb, Penny Keach, Sharon Komoto, Liz Miller, Karen Oaks, Lavon Oaks, Edith Orcasitas, and Debbie Sims

Treasurer's Report: Sue Fernandes handed out copies of the proposed budget for 2022-2023. There is a balance on hand of \$9,693.28. Sue mentioned that the "program" budget was increased to a total of \$900.00, to cover the cost of speakers and a Zoom license. Kathy moved to accept the budget as proposed, and it was seconded by Gloria. The members voted unanimously to approve the budget.

September Birthdays: Penny acknowledged the following member birthdays for this month: Carolyn Gomm on the 7th, Candy Campbell on the 13th, and Debbie Sims on the 30th.

Committee Reports: Ist Vice-President (Programs): Sharon Komoto handed out copies of her program plans for the coming year. She thanked Jean Bristol for hosting today's meeting at her lovely home. The next meeting will be on Monday, October 17th at 6:00 p.m. at the Bonita High School Library. Our speaker will be

Dr. Stephanie Vernon- Hughes, who will be speaking about “Mindfulness.” The November meeting will be on the 14th at 6:00 p.m. also at Bonita High School Library. Professor Benjamin Brown will speak on a subject related to horticulture.

The Christmas Fundraiser will be held on December 3rd at the Peppertree Cafe in Glendora. The banquet room holds about 70 people and Karen Oaks will be allowed to play her keyboard at our event. Members are asked to bring little door-prizes, and as everyone checks in, their name will be put on a ticket for drawings later in the meeting. Tickets for the event will be \$30.00, \$10.00 will go towards a donation to our chapter.

2nd Vice-President (Membership): At our planning meeting on September 19th, Jean Bristol reported that she reached out to our recent Grants-in-Aid recipients and that Christina Quon and Nicole Neeley have agreed to join. Jean has also contacted members who haven't been active lately.

Ways and Means. Diane Deal handed out a sign-up sheet for members to provide refreshments at our October, November and January meetings.

Communications: Candy Campbell reported that there will be a yearbook this year, coming out in a couple of weeks. Debbie sent out an e-mail to members, asking for any needed changes in information for the yearbook to be sent to Candy. Candy asked for someone to help her proofread it and Diane and Kathy volunteered. Candy will then send out the Yearbook to members digitally and it should be in printed form at our October meeting.

Diane Deal has agreed to be in charge of our Newsletter, the Bond. Please send her information from your committee or office assignments, and/or professional achievements (don't be modest) that should be included in the newsletter.

Legislation: Kathy Henkins reported that the League of Women Voters support voting yes on Proposition 28 (Art and Music K-12 Education Funding) and yes on Proposition 31 (Flavored Tobacco Products Ban Referendum).

Website: Kathy has agreed to update Beta Mu's website. Candy reminded us that there must be signed consent forms from members whose pictures appear on the website or in our newsletter.

Scholarships: Debbie Sims reported that the Penne Ferrell scholarship is for non-DKG members who are in their 1st through 3rd year of teaching. The money can be used for supplies, etc. The deadline for applying for the International Scholarship is November 1st and the deadline for the Educational Projects Awards is March. Debbie also stated that dkgca.org has all the information about available scholarships and she encouraged members to check it out.

Announcements: Debbie will be making a presentation at Bonita High School soon and the librarian there will be inviting teachers to attend. This will be an opportunity to recruit new members to our Beta Mu Chapter.

Debbie also said that she will be using Paperless Post to send out invitations to meetings, and for voting.

Penny announced that we need someone to do the flyers for our meetings and someone to be in charge of our Woman in History award.

To increase our membership, Debbie's challenge is "Everyone bring one." "Buck a book" will start again at our October meeting.

It's important to keep helping teachers, not just in the classroom, but in any way they need assistance. THAT hours can be submitted at any time online.

The basket for collecting toiletries for the Inland Valley Hope Partners will be

available at all our meetings.

Candy reminded members who shop on Amazon to check the AmazonSmile link that contributes a percentage of sales to various charities. Chi State Learning is for Everyone Foundation is one of the charities listed.

The Area XIII Conference will be on February 4th at Kellogg West. It will cost \$40.00 and be sure to get your reservations in early. We will be responsible for contributing three gift baskets for this event, but the baskets don't have to be expensive or very elaborate. We will be selecting our most valuable member (which is announced at the conference) at our October meeting.

Jared Boxes: We do not currently have a member to chair this project, and we are waiting for hospitals to let us in again.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:02 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Betty Butler

**BETA MU CHAPTER
DELTA KAPPA GAMMA
Financial Report Budget**

Annual Report for 2021-22		Proposed Budget for 2022-23	
Total carryover	\$12,190.00	Total carryover	\$9,693.28
RECEIPTS		RECEIPTS	
Dues	\$ 2,380.00	Dues	\$2,380.00
Induction fees	\$ -	Induction fees	\$5.00
Donations		Donations	
Book Sales	\$ -	Book Sales	\$20.00
Area Conference Registrations	\$ 550.00	Area Conference Registrations	\$600.00
Schools for Africa	\$ -	Schools for Africa	\$40.00
Christmas donations	\$ 1,150.00	Christmas donations	\$1,000.00
Spring donations	\$ 1,140.00	Spring donations	\$1,000.00
Other Fund raisers:		Other Fund raisers:	
Christmas boutique	\$ -	Boutique	\$500.00
Raffles (December)	\$ -	Raffle	
Other Misc. Inc. (In & Out)	\$ -	Other Misc. Inc. (In & Out)	
Total receipts	\$ 5,220.00	Total receipts	\$5,545.00
DISBURSEMENTS		DISBURSEMENTS	
Dues (Area State & Internatl.)	\$ 1,908.00	Dues (Area State & Internatl.)	\$1,908.00
State fees (incl. Insurance)	\$ 126.00	State fees (incl. Insurance)	\$126.00
Induction/Honorary exp.	\$ -	Induction exp.	
Supplies	\$ 157.72	Supplies	\$100.00
Printing	\$ -	Printing	\$50.00
Postage	\$ -	Postage	\$50.00
Courtesy/Pres. Discretion		Courtesy/Pres. Discretion	\$200.00
Programs	\$ 415.00	Programs	\$900.00
Conferences:		Conferences:	
Area	\$ 680.00	Area	\$640.00
CA State	\$ 280.00	CA State	\$1,000.00
Other workshops		Other workshops	\$200.00
Sunshine Fund	\$ -	Sunshine Fund	\$100.00
Global Awareness (Gifts)	\$ -	Global Awareness	\$88.00
Schools for Africa	\$ -	Schools for Africa	\$40.00
Citizenship Awards	\$ 2,650.00	Citizenship Awards	\$2,600.00
Grants-in-Aid	\$ 1,500.00	Grants-in-Aid	\$1,500.00
Luncheon Expenses	\$ -	Luncheon Expenses	
Other fund raiser expenses		Other fund raiser expenses	\$20.00
Gifts		Gifts (Area baskets)	\$100.00
Jared Boxes	\$ -	Jared Boxes	
Love of Books Project	\$ -	Love of Books Project	
Miscellaneous (In & Out)		Miscellaneous (In & Out)	
Total Disbursements	\$ 7,716.72	Total Disbursements	\$9,622.00
BALANCE July 2022	\$9,693.28	Projected Balance July 2023	\$5,616.28

Approved 9/24/2022

DELTA KAPPA GAMMA

Beta Mu Program Schedule 2022-2023

Date	Location	Program	Time
September 24 Saturday	Jean Bristol Home:1341 Rockdale St., Upland CA 91784	Welcome Back Pot Luck Luncheon - Introductions -Business Meeting	1 p.m.
October 17 Monday	Bonita High School Library 3102 D Street La Verne	Dr. Stephanie Vernon-Hughes, Dean of Teaching , Learning and Leadership at Claremont Lincoln University Graduate Program. Her presentation will be on "Mindfulness"	6:00 p.m.
November 14 Monday	Bonita High School Library	Presentation by Benjamin Brown, Professor of Horticulture at Mt. San Antonio College	6:00 p.m.
December 3 Saturday	Peppertree Cafe 1020 E. Rt. 66 Glendora	Christmas Fundraiser Luncheon at Peppertree Cafe Banquet Room	12-3 p.m.
January 17 Tuesday	Bonita High School Library	Grants in Aid Women In History	6:00 p.m.
February 4 Saturday	TBD	Area XIII Conference	8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
March 18 Saturday	TBD	Spring Fundraiser	TBD.

April 18 Tuesday	Trinity United Methodist Church 676 N. Gibb St. Pomona	Citizenship Awards	6 p.m.- 9:00 p.m
May 27 Saturday	TBD	Mystery Tour and Lunch	10 a.m. - 12 noon