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NEW DKG WEBSITE

Every XI member is strongly encouraged to look at the new International DKG Website. Go to dkg.org and follow the instructions to explore. You will need to use your membership number. If you have misplaced your number, please contact Claytinawv@gmail.com and she will give it to you. Prospective members who are approved in March and have paid their dues by June 30, will receive a membership number.



WEST VIRGINIA STATE ORGANIZATION 2023 CONVENTION

Please register for the West Virginia State Convention to be held in Flatwoods, April 21- 23. This is a good year to have a record attendance from XI Chapter. Reserve a room at the Flatwoods Days inn and Suites by April 10, 2023. See attached registration form.

Attendees are asked to bring school supplies to support flood-devastated areas of Kentucky. I am going to ask the women who come to our March meeting to bring supplies that we will make sure gets to the convention. I also am going to ask for two or three volunteers to do a themed basket to take to the convention. This basket will be part of the silent auction to raise funds for the state organization. So even if you are unable to attend, you are encouraged to contribute.



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XI CHAPTER MARCH 13 MEETING

Joanne Gregory, our West Virginia State DKG president will be attending and speaking at our March meeting. This meeting will be at the Beckley Area Foundation building on 1210 South Kanawha Street. We will start promptly at 4:30 pm and finish at 6:00 pm. Hostesses for this meeting are Julia Mollahan, Joy Bailey, Patricia Farley and Beverly Francesca. They will be asked to set up by 4:00 pm. Natalie Coots has promised a salad bar, regular or Caesar dressing, grilled chicken topping, fresh bread or rolls, and a berry, chocolate, or lemon trifle. Drinks of bottled water and juices are included. The cost will be \$10. If you already know you will attend please let me know. I will send the list of members who sign up early to the hostess committee. Please bring school supplies that will eventually be delivered to flood areas in Kentucky.

Suggested items are construction paper, tape, plastic page protectors, dry-erase markers, erasers, glue, pencils, crayons, and two packet folders. Those of us going to the state convention will take the supplies to Flatwoods.

We have sent invitations to 16 prospective new members. Prior to the March meeting, I will send the list of women accepting XI's Invitation to all of our XI members. We encourage each of you to find out more about each woman. We will accept all of these women at the business meeting to be held March 13 at BAF.

2023 - 24 DKG DUES



Dues will remain at 60 dollars for the 2023-24 year beginning July 1, 2023. All of our dues need to be collected by June 30, 2023. Claytina will be ready to collect your dues at the March and May meetings. Last year, everyone paid their dues by June 30. This made it easier for the Finance Committee to plan for 2023-24. Thank you in advance for getting your dues in early or on time.



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FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS

1. April 25, 2023 - New Member Orientation at Dr. Wait's Home in Glade Springs. This will start at 4:30 pm and be concluded by 5:30 pm. In addition to the new members, current members are welcome to attend. Claytina Shepherd and Glenda will provide the orientation.

2. DKG Founders Day and induction of new members will be held Saturday, May 13, 10:00 am until 1:00 pm at Black Knight Country Club. Our buffet lunch will be \$15.00 per person including tip. We will have a record number of new members to induct. Hostesses for May will be Linda Kutliek, Karla Baatz, Dana Melroy, and Kathy Anderson.

3. September 7, 2023- We will have a change of location. When that is determined we will let you know. I need three more members to be hostesses for the September meeting. If you did not hostess in 2022-23 please consider volunteering.

4. October 9, 2023 - The meeting will be at the Beckley Area Foundation Building. I need four hostesses for this meeting. If you did not hostess during the 2022-23 year, please consider volunteering.

5. November 11, 2023 - "Chat and Chew" 3. Early planning is in progress.



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"Do not grow old no matter how long you live. Never cease to stand like curious children before the Great Mystery into which we were born." ~ Albert Einstein



Soon it will be Spring. For some of us, it will not come soon enough. The purpose of this newsletter is to connect and communicate information about programs and events to come. We value your participation and leadership in XI activities.



IMAGINATION LIBRARY

XI chapter is a community partner with the Rotary club of Beckley and has received a matching funds grant from Rotary International. For the Love of Reading will kick off on February 14. If you are available, we invite you to come to the 12:00 pm meeting of Beckley Rotary. Our First Vice President, Marcia Dunlap, will be one of the speakers. When you sign in, mention that you are a Delta Kappa Gamma XI Chapter member.

Xi Chapter has committed to supporting the Imagination Library for Beckley. The Dolly Parton Foundation selects, mails, and funds the purchase of books for children in Beckley. The funds XI chapter secures are used for processing and mailing the books to our children.

Your donation of \$25 provides a book to a child monthly for one full year. A donation of \$125 provides a child with a book a month from birth to age 5. Please help support this local effort by bringing a donation to our next DKG meeting on March 13. You can also mail your check for XI Chapter Imagination Library to Linda Kutilek, 302 Far County Drive, Daniels, WV 25832.