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2023 DKG VT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD



At the September 2023 DKG VT ETA membership meeting, it was an honor for Ann White, DKG VT ETA member and DKG VT Achievement Award Committee Chairperson, to present DKG VT ETA member and DKG VT Woman of Distinction Committee Chairperson Hayley Grossman with the 2023 DKG VT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD.

DKG VT and DKG VT ETA CHAPTER HONORS YOU, HALEY!



(L) DKG VT ETA member, DKG VT Woman of Distinction Committee Chairperson and 2023 Achievement Award Winner Haley Grossman.

(R) DKG VT ETA ETA member and DKG VT Achievement Award Committee Chairperson, Ann White.

Join in a 2024 DKG Conference

The 2024 International Convention will be held at the Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center in National Harbor, Maryland, U.S.A. The Gaylord National Resort overlooks the Potomac River with waterfront terraces at its back door and the bustling town of National Harbor at its front. From malls to boutiques, live entertainment to casinos, wine bars to restaurants, and ferry terminals to Ferris Wheels, National Harbor has whatever might be your interest. And, if you desire, take the short trip over the river to Washington D.C. and Alexandria, Virginia.



Of course, the convention will also offer all the excitement you have come to expect and more: enjoying keynote speakers, engaging in breakout sessions, networking with members, connecting with old friends, and using your member voice when you vote on proposed amendments to the Society's governing documents.

Save the date! July 9 - 13, 2024.





What's Inside?



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BE A LEADER IN YOUR CHAPTER!

- · Welcome & mentor a new member
- · Reach out to members who have been absent
- · Communicate with shut-ins
- Create a call list for reminding members of meetings & activities
- Head up a chapter project
- Accept a committee appointment at the chapter or state level
- Participate in DKG Vermont Events

Mary Ann Riggie Co President

Newsletter Editor Note

Hello! This is Meg Boraski Quinn here. Happy New Year! A few things: we now have a Instagram and Facebook page that you can follow and check out what we are doing statewide here:

https://www.instagram.com/dkg_vermont/ We also have a Facebook page!

https://www.facebook.com/groups/6047618441474

https://www.dkg.org/: DKG International Website https://alphalambdavt.weebly.com/: DKG VT site If you have any questions or want something in the Newsletter contact me at boraskim431@gmail.com or 413-364-1254.

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Together,

Everyone

Achieves

Much

MEMBERSHIP TIP

MEMBERSHIP TIP "THINK TWINS! One strategy for recruiting new members is to invite TWO women who know each other, are close friends or work closely together. They will likely enjoy joining together. I applied this when recruiting Carol and Cal - they are great friends and colleagues, who encouraged each other to join and support each other as new members."

Jennifer Scott, Gamma membership chair.



Co Presidents Letter

Mary Ann Riggie & Nancy James



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Dear DKG Vermont Members.

You bestowed on me the privilege of being your CoPresident. I sincerely thank you. I am deeply grateful for your support that allowed me to attend the new state officers training in Dallas – Fort Worth this summer.

The training was conducted by DKG International officers and staff members. The focus was on the kind of changes that we need to make as an organization in order to be **relevant** for today's educators. Today teachers work in a more intense environment than at any other time in modern history. I applaud all of you for the

enormous effort that you are making to educate today's students academically and socially.

We were reminded that the real work of DKG is done at the chapter level. We need to make chapter programs and projects relevant for our members who are staffing our schools and giving precious time to attend chapter meetings and activities.

As many astute observers have noted, all living things must undergo continuing change if they are to survive. I am confident that we are "Vermont Strong" and can make thoughtful changes at the

chapter level that will provide **relevance** and vitality for educators and their students.

With warm regards,

Mary Ann Riggie DKG VT State CoPresident tranquil@myfairpoint.net





Dear DKG Vermont Sisters,

Serving as one of your DKG
Vermont State Co-presidents is
truly an honor. Thank you Kindly
for allowing me this opportunity. I
am grateful to Mary Ann Riggie for
her support and willingness for us
to work together. Together we will
continue moving forward with our
DKG purposes. We were both
fortunate for the opportunity to
attend both the Leadership
Conference in Dallas, Texas and
the International Conference in
Phoenix, Arizona this past
summer.

Thank you DKG Vermont Sisters for enabling us to attend and to acquire valuable information to strengthen our organization.
Change is in the air as we have moved into Autumn. Change is also in the air for DKG as we strive to increase and retain membership. Our theme for this biennium is from the following quote credited to Mahatma Gandhi "Be the change you wish to see in the world."

According to the Miriam
Webster Dictionary, the definition
of "world" is as follows ...: the
earth and all the people and
things on it.

For our purposes, "world" will focus on DKG global, national, regional, state and/or local chapters. The real change for our organization to grow and sustain needs to begin in our chapters. During your chapter meetings,

please use the tri-fold board and post-it notes your chapter president received in September at the DKG Vermont Executive Board Meeting. The following questions may be used as guidelines toward a plan of action for ...

- * "What needs to change?
- * "What needs to happen to make change?"
- * "What will be the outcome of change?"

As members of DKG Vermont, our goal is to build and retain membership so we may continue to serve children and educators in all aspects of our "World".

Best to you all, Nancy R. James DKG VT State Co President nancyjamesvt@gmail.com



State Chapter News

SISTERHOOD FOR PEACE LEADING WOMEN EDUCATORS IMPACTING EDUCATION WORLDWIDE



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GAMMA News

Gamma is looking forward to learning, growing and connecting with our sisters over the next few months. We have some wonderful venues planned including the Wonderfeet museum, Pittsford Proctor Country club, Mill River High School, The Maples, The Brandon Inn and the Fox Room at the Library. We are looking forward to hearing some wonderful speakers including the Wonderfeet Museum Director, Tatum's Totes, Cassie Horner, Rutland Magazine Editor and author, Reinbow Therapeutic Riding Center, Principal's Share: Veteran and New and Banned Books. It's always so wonderful getting together to learn and help those in our community. ~Gamma President, Lisa Boerner

Submitted by Lisa Boerner & Wendy Savery

BETA News

BETA Chapter will have their annual book project on November 1st. All members bring new or lightly used children's books to Dummerston School to create boxes of books for use in Dr.'s offices, Family Crisis centers, etc. We place bookplates in the front of each book with BETA Chapter's name on them.

We are working on choosing an Early Educator for the \$100, award named in honor of Alice Carrier.

We are planning a very special event in October 2024. Children's author, Ann Braden, who lives in Brattleboro, will be speaking to Windham Southeast Supervisory District teachers. We will open this event up to all teachers and paraprofessionals in our district. The date will be Monday, October 18th at 4:30 at Dummerston School, All DKG members from all chapters around the state are invited to attend.

Submitted by Rita Corey



Delta Chapter Charcuterie Smorgasbord at Sandy Wells' home on Saturday, October 14, 2023 Pictured are Sandy Wells, Terri Vest, Rebecca Emerson, Cassie Major, Caroline Pellon, Winnie McCormick and Grace Sweet Lian Brehm took the photo.

Delta Chapter members Sandy Wells, Grace Sweet and Caroline Pellet remember Ernestine Genini with a wine and cheese party at Quarryworks Theater. The production was On Golden Pond.



Zeta Chapter has had two meetings this fall. In September we had a dinner meeting with a new State Representative, Allen Demar talking with us about his first session at the State House. In October we had a brunch meeting, at which we all brought books to donate to the Franklin County Book Mobile. We also brought donations to go to the United Church of Johnson which was flooded in July. We are donating them in honor of Alice Whiting. She has been part of Zeta for nearly 60 years and is a member of this church, having hosted many Zeta meetings there. Our meeting program in October was a pound auction. We will add the proceeds from the auction to our individual donations and send a check for \$300 to the church. In December Kaye M. will once again host our wonderful Christmas Tea at her home. We will bring Winter Warmth to the meeting to donate.

Submitted by Jill Wilkens

DELTA News

Delta Chapter held their October meeting at Sandy Wells' house with a harvest pot luck and charcuterie board. Members got to watch the partial eclipse and hear a presentation on Peru by our NEA Global Fellow Terri Vest.

Submitted by Sandy Wells





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ETA News

Encouraging **T**houghtful **A**ction

THANK YOU for being a DKG VT ETA Chapter MEMBER! ETA is so happy that we continue to maintain our number of members and add a couple new members to our roster! Positive communication is a huge part of our ETA Chapter. The more we communicate with one another the better we know each other. Communication is important in promoting professional and personal growth in women educators and excellence in education. That's our MISSION!

On September 26, 2023 ETA Chapter had our annual Potluck Dinner. Retired Teachers bring the food to share. The September Program was titled **Diversity, Equity and Inclusion.**

The presenters were Local teacher and DKG Member Lisa Flynn and Local Teacher, Sara Wadja. Activities were focused on the Change Sings book by Amanda German with a writing contest, art projects, poster contest, and a bookmark contest. The Change Sings book by Amanda Gorman was our meeting attendance prize.

At our September Meeting, ETA Members brought school supplies to donate to area schools. This is just one of many tables of our school supplies donations.

WELCOME BACK TO SCHOOL

DKG VT ETA Chapter welcomed Bennington area Faculty and Staff back to school. We delivered a **Welcome Back To School** sign and a Mum plant to schools in the ETA region of DKG VT. The faculty and staff really appreciated receiving the plant and our kind words as their new school year begins.

During the month of October, DKG VT ETA members will deliver to area schools the **DKG VT Membership** pamphlets with information about joining our DKG VT ETA Chapter.

For National Education Week, November 13-17, 2023, DKG VT ETA will send local educators cards with kind words of support.

On December 2, DKG VT ETA Chapter will have a BASKET RAFFLE Fundraiser table at the Molly Stark School Bazaar in Bennington, VT. Money raised will support our ETA Chapter annual Scholarship and will also let the community know what DKG is and who we are!

ETA MEMBERSHIP MEETING DATES 2023 – 2024 SOCIAL TIME 3:45 MEETING AT 4PM 12/7/23 (Old First Church) WINTER WARMTH Donations 3/19/24 5/23/24 ETA TEAM & COMMITTEE CHAIR MEETING DATES 2023 – 2024. Second Congregational Church 4PM 8/21/23, 11/13/23, 2/26/24, 5/6/24

ETA Chapter will continue to have a positive attitude and do what we can to move forward and help our local educators. DKG VT and ETA Chapter are a part of the conversation and collaboration that provides support to all learners, their families, and communities. We show kindness to others.

ETA OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE
CHAIRPERSONS are on the DKG VT Website.
2023 DKG VT ACHIEVEMENT AWARD. The
purpose of the DKG Vermont Achievement Award
is to recognize and honor a member who has given
distinguished and outstanding service to DKG
Vermont and has promoted the purposes of the
Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.

Submitted by Donna Stone

EPSILON News

Epsilon chapter met in September and October. In September they inducted two new members. We are excited to welcome Barbara Connelly and Nancy Croteau to Epsilon Chapter. We also enjoyed a presentation about the Upward Bound program at Lyndon Institute. In October we met in Island pond for a pot luck dinner and enjoyed fellowship.

Submitted: Michelle Gillman



Membership Update

Marcia Barron



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Taking on a leadership role in DKG is not difficult compared to what teachers do each day, month, and year. Our members are more than capable, but stepping up is the first, most difficult step. Last April, I was extremely fortunate to have Ellen Knapp do exactly that when she volunteered to move into the role of state membership chair. Because Ellen is a new member to DKG, we are embarking on a year of mentorship and cochairmanship. We began this summer by passing along via

email pertinent information about the duties and more. Then we met face to face and in front of the computer to review the state membership list and discuss questions/details.

I cannot express adequately how capable Ellen is, how eager to learn, and how easy it is to work and communicate with her. What a delight! When discussing the crazy mathematics of our VT/NH challenge, she devised a chart that we can look at to see how

each chapter (and state) is doing in losing and gaining members. Please see below.

Our state committee meets via zoom every other month to discuss how we are meeting our two main goals: inducting new members and encouraging/recognizing member participation. Sadly two chapters cannot fill this position and I hope a member or two will read this article and step up as Ellen did. We will welcome you warmly.

DKG State Membership Data

As of 10/16/2023

Chapter	Active	Reserved	Honorary	Collegiate	Total Members	White Rose	Dropped
Beta	12	0	0	0	12	0	2
Gamma	68	4	0	0	72	1	2
Delta	21	4	0	1	26	0	1
Epsilon	37	3	0	0	40	1	3
Zeta	24	0	0	0	24	0	2
Eta	39	6	3	0	48	1	3
State	1	0	0	0	1	0	0
Total	202	17	3	1	223	3	12

DKG State Membership Data for New Members

As of 10/16/2023 - (included in membership numbers in the graph above)

Chapter	Number of New Members
Beta	1
Gamma	13
Delta	1 (C)
Epsilon	4
Zeta	1
Eta	1
State	0
	Total new members: +21
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Loss/Drop -16 members

New Members +21

As of 9/6/2023 State membership increase of ± 5



DKG Regional Conference in Phoenix Experiences



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Conference in Phoenix.

In July four Vermonters attended the DKG Regional Conference in Phoenix. Yes, it was 110 degrees. As long as one did not stand directly in the sun's rays, the low humidity made it possible to spend time outdoors and observe the desert environment. The conference itself provided opportunities to hear keynote speakers and to select workshops offering a variety of topics. One of the best experiences was chatting with DKG members who live throughout North America as well as in other lands. We enjoyed one another and shared information about DKG successes and challenges in our various locales.

The Vermonters had left home a day early in order to take in some of the sights before the Conference began. Two of us chose to visit the Grand Canyon. Two of us explored an excellent local museum with a knowledgeable friendly docent.

Next summer DKG International will be holding a convention in Baltimore. This means that attendees have an opportunity to take part in discussions about proposed changes to the DKG Constitution that governs our activities at all levels of the organization. There will also be breakout sessions and workshop presentations. Best of all, we can use ground transportation to travel to Baltimore. I am starting now to put money in a piggy bank to cover my expenses.

Attending an International Conference/Convention does bring home that we are members of a world-wide organization sharing a common purpose and mission.

Submitted: Mary Ann Riggie





Co-presidents, Nancy James and Mary Ann Riggie, flanking Carol Barbagallo, and Maggie Rafter

DKG International Conferences ~ Dallas, Texas 👸 & Phoenix, Arizona 🌵

This past June the DKG International Leadership Conference was held in the Dallas, Texas area. Mary Ann Riggie, Claire Molner and I attended. We were enlightened about our roles as DKG State Presidents and First Vice President. We came away with our brains FULL of information, valuable plans of action and sizzling with the heat of Texas in June (down right chilly compared to Phoenix!).

Then there was Phoenix in July during record breaking national news making high temperatures ~ one day the temperature was 118 degrees! Oh, how I wanted to find an egg and fry it on the pavement; however, I instead worked to remain focused and engaged by attending workshops, volunteering and making connections with DKG Sisters from the USA and foreign countries. Your DKG Vermont was represented by Mary Ann Riggie, Carol Barbagallo, Maggie Rafter and me.

Please know I am grateful to our DKG Vermont organization for supporting our attendance at these conferences.

Thank you Kindly,





DKG Regional Conference in Phoenix Experiences (cont.)



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Venturing to Phoenix

One of the great advantages of being a member of DKG is venturing around the country to interesting venues to meet open minded, talented, genial women from around the world. This year, four DKG Vermont Sisters were lucky enough to travel to Phoenix, Arizona for the 2023 DKG International Conference.

The Vermonters had left home a day early in order to take in some of the sights before the Conference began. Two of us chose to visit the Grand Canyon. Two of us explored an excellent local museum with a knowledgeable friendly docent.

Despite record-breaking temperatures in the hundreds, co-presidents, Mary Ann Riggie and Nancy James, Maggie Rafter, and I enjoyed getting reacquainted with old friends, attending wonderful breakout sessions, listening to invigorating keynote speakers, enjoying a performance by Native Spirit hoop dancers, giving and receiving warm hugs, and laughing a lot.

Keynote speaker, World Fellowship recipient, Alona Kladieva from the Ukraine and breakout session presenter Southeast Regional Director, Dr. Teresa Cowan, both gave electrifying talks. Reiterating that even when life hands you lemons you should make lemonade. These resilient women motivated us to look inward and "Live an inspired life."

Next year, DKG women will have the opportunity to attend the DKG International Convention in National Harbor, Maryland, just outside Washington DC at the Gaylord Hotel. I encourage each of you to seriously consider joining other Vermont sisters, to experience the wonderful camaraderie and intellectual stimulation that I have enjoyed at each DKG conference and convention I have attended. I'm sure you'll be happy you did.

Submitted: Carol Barbagallo

ON FIRE:
Living An
Inspired Life
Alpha PN Chapter (NC DKG: Asherville, NC)
Dr. Teresa H. Cowan, SERD



Native Spirit dancers

Traveling Mishap....

What an experience attending a DKG Conference can be! The conference in Arizona was no different...well maybe just a little. We arrived a couple of days early to tour the southern rim of the Grand Canyon. Our tour left bright and early the day after our evening arrival. If you haven't been there we highly recommend it! Both Nancy James and I can attest to that. Our weather was perfect...a little warm in Phoenix but not bad up at the canyon north of Flagstaff.

After we viewed the canyon and walked some of the paths, we stopped at the gift shops. This is where the mishap starts! I lost my wallet which included my credit card, cash and license! It was a small wallet not my usual one. When we returned to our hotel that night I called the last shop where I made a purchase. The stars were aligned that day (and lots of prayers) as it was found in that shop with everything in it! That said, they couldn't get it to me before I was to fly out. I couldn't just drive to go get it as that would have meant renting a car and a six hour round trip. I also needed to be at the conference the next day. I didn't need anything in the wallet at the conference as I had extra cash in my suitcase and they had my card on file. Upon verification and payment I had it mailed to Vermont where it arrived after I did.

After attending a wonderful conference it was time to head to the airport. To say that I was feeling anxious would be an understatement! I had all my information on my phone but they wanted the real thing. I had to go to a separate area where the interrogation began. Questions were asked about specific information such as where was your social security card issued, last four digits of primary phone number and so.

Dr. Theresa Cowan



DKG Regional Conference in Phoenix Experiences (cont.)



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By the way, if you answer any of the questions incorrectly you have to go through the whole process again but not until 24 hours later. It was certainly a nerve wracking experience. After I answered them correctly it was onto the search of my carry on and me! When that was all finished I was free to go to my gate area where Carol, Nancy and MaryAnn anxiously awaited my arrival. Yes you can fly without you ID but I definitely don't recommend it!

As always it was another great DKG International Conference...only this one had a little extra excitement!!!! I'm so looking forward to the DKG International Convention in 2024 at the Gaylord National Harbor in Maryland minus the extra excitement!

Submitted: Maggie Rafter



What drew you to DKG? Why is DKG Important to You?

A veteran teacher for whom I had great respect invited me, a novice teacher, to join the local chapter of DKG. I nervously looked forward to joining the ranks of experienced teachers, learning from them, and enjoying their friendship.

Why is DKG important? DKG focuses on two key ingredients: for successful schools; the well being of students and the continuing professional growth of teachers.

Submitted: Mary Ann Riggie

What drew you to DKG? Why is DKG important to you?

- It was an honor to be nominated for membership in DKG.
- · I am committed to excellence in education.
- I really like the member friendship. We are "DKG Sisters"!
- Excellent connections to support educators and education.
- As a Teacher, I always set a goal to make a difference in education and every DKG member is a
- · leader that wants to make a difference!

Submitted: ETA Chapter

To A Working Teacher 3 Years later How is Covid Still Impacting the Classroom?

- · Learners coming back to school are a year or more behind academically.
- Teachers are working through a lot of social-emotional learning in their classrooms.
- · Learners have more difficulty staying focused and connected.
- There is an increases in clinical mental health conditions among their learners.
- There is a need for support for students in recovering unfinished learning and broader needs.

Submitted: ETA Chapter



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Registration deadline October 26, 2023

Jan Danziger Arts Day BROC Distribution Center, 45 Union Street, Rutland, VT October 28, 2023 8:30am -3:00pm

DKG Vermont's Jan Danziger Arts Day is on Saturday, October 28, 2023 in Rutland, VT at BROC Center. It is from 8:30-3:00pm. Breakfast Snacks and Pot Luck Lunch. There is still room for people to register if they send in the form via email to reczekc@comcast.net by late Thursday, October 26th. Workshop 2- The Handkerchief Angel workshop is full. Workshop 3- Sea Glass Art is full. There are still 7 other engaging, artistic workshops shown here with space available. It will be an enjoyable creative day!! Hope to see you there.

DKGVT is sponsoring Jan Danziger Arts Day to be held this year in Rutland, VT. We will be offering 9 art workshops-Pine Cone Gnome & Wooden Block Reindeer, Sea glass Art, Pebble art, Crochet Pumpkins, Handkerchif Angel, Painted Wooden Ornament, Embossed Velvet Scarf, Mini Holiday Tree or Fall Tree with Ripped Fabric, Reindeer Wooden Block, Knitting- Scrubby Face.

There will be light breakfast refreshments served with tea, coffee, and juice from 8:30-9:00 am on the day of the workshop. That is the time reserved for signing in and paying \$15.00 fee for the day (cash or check only-made out to DKGVT).

The first workshop will start promptly at 9:00 am. There will be signs on the rooms of each workshop area. Participants will be directed to move to the next workshop area at the ending time listed.

Pot Luck Lunch will be at 12:00-1:00pm. Each participant brings a dish with serving utensil to share. Water, tea, and coffee will be provided.

If anyone is coming from a long distance, a couple of Gamma members have offered a place in their homes to stay. Please contact Claire Reczek at reczekc@comcast.netif interested.

We ask that each workshop leader or a person in their group to take some photographs of all the creative works of art that were produced by the members and guests. Especially a final group picture with the art created.

We look forward to seeing you on **October 28th** at the DKGVT Jan Danziger Arts Day.

Fine Arts Committee

Claire Reczek (Chair) Marcia Barron Ann Bannister Cheryl King



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Workshop 1 9:00 -10:30am **Dining Room**

Art Workshop Title: Pine Cone Gnome Workshop Presenter: Claire Reczek Wood Block Reindeer Workshop Presenter: Ann Bannister Materials will be provided. Participants need to bring glue gun with glue sticks. Participants will have time to do both crafts.



Workshop 1 9:00-10:30am **Zoom Room**

Art Workshop Title: Mini Holiday or Fall Tree with Ripped Fabric (must choose one) Workshop Presenters: Tia Poalino and Carol Romeo No fairy lights will be given out at workshop. Need to bring glue gun with glue sticks. Pair of scissors.

There will be fall and holiday fabric available. Other materials will be provided.



Workshop 1 9:00-10:30am **Sewing Room**

Art Workshop Title: Pebble Art Workshop Presenter: Cheryl King Materials will be provided.



Workshop 2 10:35 -11:55am **Zoom Room**

Art Workshop Title: Handkerchief Angel Workshop Presenter: Ann White You can bring a handerchief of your choice if you have one. Materials will be provided. Participants need to bring glue gun with glue sticks.





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Workshop 2 10:35 -11:55am Sewing Room

Art Workshop Title: Knitting -Face Scrubby Workshop Presenter: Ann Kalinoski Learn to knit or refresh your skills with Ann Kalinoski. Participants will knit face scrubbies. Using a cotton material that makes them environmentally sound when used and reused. For example to remove makeup. It is also something that can be given as a gift. There will be more than one pattern, allowing all different levels of ability to participate. Need size 7 needles. Bring your own needles or borrow ones we offer for use. Can also bring measuring tape and scissors. Cotton material will be supplied.



Workshop 2 10:35 -11:55am

Dining Room

Art Workshop Title: Crochet Pumpkins
Workshop Presenter: : Jill Wilkens
Materials
Yarn will be available

and several crochet hooks.

For this project -35 yards of worsted weight yarn and a crochet hook around size 1 or #9

If you can bring your own hook and yarn of your choice that would be great.

The participant should already know



Workshop 3 1:00-3:00pm Sewing Room

Art Workshop Title:Embossed Velvet Scarf Workshop Presenter: Maurine Henry Embossed velvet scarf. Measures 43" x 8" excluding fringe.

Materials will be provided.

Kits will be cut and ready to emboss then sew.

Need to bring: red or black thread per machine

(I prefer black)

Pins or binding clips

Will provide 3 ironing surfaces and 3 irons.

Will provide 5 sewing machines.

Bring your sewing machine if possible.

As people finish their embossing the sewing

machines will be used. People can always share.



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Art Workshop Title: Sea glass Art Workshop Presenter: Claire Reczek

Sea Glass, black pens, small wooden pieces, shells, card stock materials will be provided.

Participants need to bring

a 5 x7 or 8x10 picture frame and a

small bottle of wood glue that dries clear.

Some wood glue will be available.

You might have time to make 2 art pieces.

You can bring 2 frames if you choose.



Workshop 3 1-3:00pm Zoom Room

Art Workshop Title: Wooden Ornament

Painting

Workshop Presenter: Julie Vanderhoof

Julie will lead us in painting a picture on a wooden ornament.

Materials provided.

Jan Danziger Arts Day, October 28, 2023 BROC Center, Rutland, VT 8:30-3:00pm Registration deadline October 20, 2023

First Name	Last Name	
DKGVT Chapter	Guest	
Address*. Street Address		
CitySt	tate	Postal / Zip Code
• Phone Number*	• E-mail	*
Workshop Sign up- Put one check on I Day -Saturday, October 28, 2023. Cash and 9-10:30am	ine per session. The \$1	**************************************
Workshop 1 Pine Cone Gnome & Wooden Reindee	er _	
Mini Ripped Fabric Tree (pick one)	Holiday Tree	Fall Tree
Pebble Art		
10:35-11:55am Workshop 2		
Crochet Pumpkins		
Handkerchief Angel		
Knitting - Face Scrubby		
Potluck Lunch. 12:00- 1:00pm Each p	oerson brings a dish v	with serving utensil to share.
1-3:00pm Workshop 3		
Embossed Velvet Scarf		
Painted Wooden Ornament		
Sea Glass Art		

Please have someone in each art workshop take some pictures of participants at work and then a few group pictures with completed art work at end!! Then we can share via the DKG Vermont website and DKG Vermont Face Book Page. Thanks so much!!



In Remembrance



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GISELE C. GASKIN FEBRUARY 13, 1931-JUNE 2, 2023 EPSILON

Gisele Celine Gaskin, 92, of Lyndonville, Vermont, passed away June 2, 2023. She was born February 13, 1931, at home in East Hardwick, Vermont, to Edmund and Diana St. Hilaire, the 7th of 11 children.

Speaking only French when she entered elementary school, she challenged herself to learn the English language quickly and discovered a passion for learning. She attended schools in Hardwick, Lisbon NH, and St.Johnsbury, Vt. graduating from Mt. St. Joseph Academy. She attended Notre Dame College in Staten Island, NY, and eventually earned her degree in Education at Lyndon State College with B.S. + 30 credits.

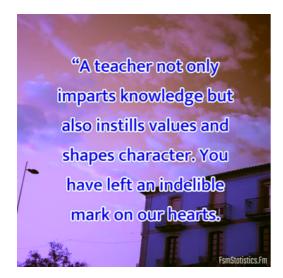
In 1952 she met the love of her life, Ernest H.Gaskin and married him later that year. Six children later, she returned to the classroom and began her teaching career. Most of her 32 teaching years were in St.Johnsbury VT. Middle School, but she especially enjoyed the challenge of teaching in a one-room school in East Haven, VT. She was a demonstration teacher for Title IV. In the early 80's

she was appointed to the State Commissioner's Council of Education and served several years as a demonstration teacher across the state. She worked closely with Lyndon State College mentoring future teachers. She held different offices and served on various committees in the ST.Johnsbury Teacher Association. She retired in 1996.

Outside the classroom she taught Sunday School at St. Elisabeth's Parish for 25 years. Loved working along side her husband in their business, Elisabeth Chase Candies. The two loved dancing and Whist games. Saturday evenings at the Gaskin House usually started with baked beans and ended with cards. The two also loved collecting antiques and travelled to shops and flea markets around New England. She loved horse racing, craft making, reading, flower gardens and sharing what she learn form the Bible Studies she attended.

Gisele was a member of America Legion Auxiliary for many years running the food booth at Caledonia County Fair. She also belonged to the VT. Retired Teachers Association, St. Elizabeth Catholic Church and Epsilon Chapter VT. of Delta Kappa Gamma for 25 years.

Thank-you Gisele for being a blessing to so many people.







What We've Been Up To!



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Thankfully, the only snake we spotted in Arizona!!! At the Phoenix Confrence



Nancy James and Maggie Rafter on the edge of the Grand Canyon ~ spectacular!!!



Newsletter editor Meg Boraski-Quinn from BETA welcoming home the newest member of the family Huckleberry Quinn.





Epsilon September Chapter meeting inducting two new members, Barbara Connelly and Nancy Croteau at the Lyndon Baptist Church.