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INTERNATIONAL SOCIETY FOR KEY WOMEN EDUCATORS  
**DELTA KAPPA GAMMA™**

## ETA Chapter News Links

May 2020

SISTERHOOD FOR PEACE

### **HELLO ETA SISTERS!**

Hoping that everyone is enjoying SPRING weather and staying healthy and safe. For the past couple of months, your ETA TEAM has continued to communicate by phone and email and share ideas for our future meetings. Even though we have had to cancel our chapter meetings, the ETA TEAM is keeping up to date with filing forms, attending DKG-VT State Meetings on ZOOM and being current with collecting DKG dues. We find it challenging to do essential ETA chapter business in accordance with our DKG governing documents and our own chapter rules, but the ETA Team remains positive as we move forward! **TEAMWORK!** GO ETA!

Remember that our ETA THEME for this year is **Encouraging**

**Thoughtful Action** with a focus on **“WELLNESS AND WELL-BEING”**.

We will continue to incorporate our theme into our meetings and activities. Your ETA TEAM will hopefully be meeting soon to plan our next membership meeting and induct our two new members, Hayley Grossman and Jan Ketterer. We look forward to seeing you for our first meeting of 2020. Keep checking your email for updates from the ETA TEAM. We will also use our ETA PHONE TREE once we make a plan for our next meeting.

**Your ETA Team**

*Donna, Ginny, Linda B., Nicky, Linda M., and Cheryl*

### **READY TO STEP UP AND JUMP IN?**

**Do** you have program ideas for future ETA Meetings?

**Will** you consider joining an ETA Committee or the ETA TEAM?

**Will** you consider being a Secretary for our ETA Meetings?

You could volunteer for one meeting or all 4 meetings!

Please reply by email to Donna Stone [dlstone764@gmail.com](mailto:dlstone764@gmail.com)

or call Donna at 442-4314.

# The DKG Vermont Outstanding Service to Education Award

The **DKG Vermont Outstanding Service to Education Award** recognizes an individual who has made a significant contribution to education in general and/or education of Vermont's children and youth, one who devotes time, energy and caring without thought of recompense. The person may NOT be a licensed educator nor member of DKG.

Donna and Ginny worked together to nominate Dr. Loren Peck, DDS, for the **DKG-VT OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO EDUCATION AWARD**.

**DRUMROLL:**

**Dr. Peck **WON** ....**

**the DKG-VT OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO EDUCATION AWARD**

Besides the nomination form, we gathered three letters of recommendation. Here is a brief summary of what we wrote on the application form.

Dr. Loren Peck, who is a practicing dentist in Bennington, has very quietly been volunteering his time and skills for Bennington's children. Dr. Peck played a role in upgrading a dental health clinic that has been established at Molly Stark School in Bennington to address student dental health issues. He has served on the Bennington Oral Health Coalition for several years through the schools. He has set up plans for the care of children needing special help and provided dental care for them. Dr. Peck has made real differences in children's lives, but he expects no special recognition for all the volunteer work he does. He just quietly works away in the background because he sees a need and has responded to it.

We planned to present the **DKG-VT OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO EDUCATION AWARD plaque** to Dr. Peck at the DKG-VT State Convention on May 2, 2020 in Lyndon, VT, but with our convention being postponed until the Spring of 2021, we had to go to "Presentation Plan B". As of this ETA News Links, we have discussed a plan to present the Award plaque to Dr. Peck at a Southwest Vermont Union Elementary School District Board meeting and also at an ETA Membership Meeting. That's the plan for now. When we set dates, we will let you know so you can hopefully attend the meetings to honor and respect **DR. PECK** and be **ETA CHAPTER STRONG!**



**THANK YOU DR. PECK!**



## ANNUAL DKG MEMBERSHIP DUES REMINDER

**->Due by JUNE 30, 2020<-**

Active - \$71 which includes \$1 for Golden Gift (optional)

Active 80+ - \$58 (with optional Golden Gift)

Reserve - \$38 - (with optional Golden Gift)

Reserve 80+ - \$31 (with optional Golden Gift)

**Mail to our ETA Treasurer:**

**Mrs. Nichole Forest**

**207 Union Street, Bennington, VT 05201**

**Please send your dues check to her address or you can do a direct deposit to our ETA account at the HFCU. \*\*\*Just mention ETA Chapter when doing a transfer or direct deposit and ask the bank teller to put your name in the deposit memo section so that Nicky will credit the payment to you.**

- Check out the updated DKG-VT state website.  
<https://alphalambdavn.weebly.com/>

**DKG-VT PEN PAL PROJECT** - Ten ETA Members have Pen Pals with Gamma Members. It is a great way to communicate and stay connected. We have shared recipes, hobbies, TV shows and have had “BOOK TALKS”! What a great project as we stay home, stay safe and stay well !

**ETA SCHOLARSHIP** - The **Delta Kappa Gamma** ETA Chapter Scholarship for **Five Hundred dollars** is awarded to a deserving Senior student from a high school in the **DKG-VT ETA Chapter** region who intends to pursue an education major in college. Applications are due on June 1, 2020. **Thank you** to Norma and Chris who Co-Chair the Scholarship Committee.

**WE HOPE TO SEE EACH OTHER SOON! Be well!**

**Here's a note from our International President Catherine Dougherty.**  
“Life goes on pandemic or not! I think I have said that to myself a million times, mostly to myself, since the middle of March.”