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 Row 2: Kim Wells, Gwen Hamilton, Anne Chaffin, Dianna Valdez.
 Row 3: Ella Kelly, Lonna Griffin, Becky Walker, Carmen Pennington.
 Row 4: Sheri Williams, Ina Jean Barnes, Kay Hannum

DKG International Convention Held in July

from Yvette Moore's notes

Fifteen Theta State members, including 3 who were attending their first International convention, attended the convention in Spokane July 20-24. Washington welcomed the group Tuesday night with a "Gather by the River" concert by Spokane's premier jazz band, Six Foot Swing.

The opening session followed with the beautiful Presentations of the Flags. Everyone cheered for our new state organization, Panama. John Brock, son of DKG member Anise McDaniel Brock and Coca Cola enterprises CEO, presented "Leadership in a Global Society." Mr. Brock told us he had learned three principles: 1) Work hard but be smart; 2) Always have a vision; and 3) Be who you are, never compromise! Then we all sang the Coca Cola song and prepared for Washington Night. Entertainment included a rousing welcome by the Angus Scott Bagpipe Band; performances by the Harlan School of Irish Dance; a Power Point presentation featuring the Washington terrain; Scottish dancers; and a choir performance including medleys and the song "We Sing for the Children," composed by Janice Moen, a DKG member.

General Session 2 opened Wednesday morning with a presentation by Dr. Beth Ann Richey, New Jersey, "A Vision for the Future – Creativity." When Corlea Plowman called the roll of states, New Mexico shouted, "Buenos Días!" The Mexican sisters cheered!

Two of the motions adopted were:

- To investigate the establishment of a 501 C(3) corporation to administer DKG funds such as the Eulah Temple Holden fund, Golden Gift, and others.
- To support Schools for Africa, a humanitarian project of UNICEF.

On Thursday, the Credentials Committee reported that 1,434 DKG members were registered at the conference. Dr. Sigrun Klara Hannesdottir, Iceland, recognized Women of Vision and Action, including Theta State members Ina Jean Barnes and Yvette Moore. Phyllis Hickey, Texas, recognized the treasurers and informed the Society that \$1,564,554.06 was given in scholarships by chapters, states, and International.

The Birthday Luncheon was beautifully appointed. The cake (see picture) was spectacular in a Picasso kind of way. Dr. Beverly Helms, our International representative when the Theta State Convention was held in Albuquerque during Jeannette Vigil's biennium, received the International Achievement Award.



On Friday, Christopher Rants (an Iowa legislator and son of Dr. Carolyn Rants) spoke about educational legislation from the perspective of the legislators. He discussed the impact of federal stimulus monies on education. He then gave the assembly tips for creating lasting relationships with legislators, who are people, too.

During the business session, Ina Jean Barnes gave the Finance Committee report and made New Mexico proud! Motions were adopted to publish the $\Delta K \Gamma$ News six times a year and the *Delta Kappa Gamma Bulletin* four times a year. Print versions will be mailed to members.

Those attending the Regional Breakfasts Saturday morning contributed \$28,000 for the Emergency Fund.

The portion of our annual dues designated for International may be adjusted according to COLA every other year, if the Executive Board so decides. We can invite women to membership regardless of the number of years they have served or the number of years they have been retired. We can wear our key pins on our lapels.

The committee structure of International has changed completely, but chapters do not need to change to match. However, when the new Constitution and Standing Rules are published, chapters may then look at their own structures and adjust as they see fit. Most importantly, chapters have the final say as to whom they will initiate and how each will organize committees. And, good news, the dues may not go up for a long time!

Vignettes by Yvette

I hope all of you are rested as summer draws to a close and as many of us go back to school. Some of us spent part of our summer in Spokane, WA, at the Delta Kappa Gamma International Convention: *From Vision to Action: Advancing the Society*. And, boy, did we advance! We each received a draft copy of the International Constitution and Standing Rules in the spring. For the most part, that Constitution and Standing Rules passed with very few changes. Our Society is advancing into the future. Guest speaker John Brock, CEO of Coca-Cola Enterprises, reminded us of the characteristics of a leader; Amanda Gore, inspirational speaker, inspired us to have "TA-DA" moments that elicit the response, "EXCELLENT," from all. Ann Marie Rhodes, Missouri, introduced us to *Culture Waves* – a trend recognition group. As you might imagine, social networking is the "hottest" trend. You might want to access the social networking site www.dkg.org. Finally, Christopher Rants, legislator from Iowa, talked to us about the impact DKG can have on state legislatures.

The Society has a new project: Schools for Africa/UNICEF. If you would like to view the DVD as part of a program, please contact me. I am ever impressed that DKG, at the chapter, state, and international levels gave \$1,564,554.06 in scholarships to members. We are truly a benevolent organization.

I am excited about our upcoming Fall Meeting and Birthday Luncheon at the Best Western Rio Grande Inn in Albuquerque. As many of you remember, three more ad hoc committees were created to investigate options for Theta State's future. You will all want to attend the Executive Board meeting to hear from these committees as they report on archiving, convention sites, *Theta State News*, and alternative funding. While not all can vote, you can attend and hear the discussion about the future. The International theme, *Embracing Our Vision – Designing Our Future*, is about all of us, and the Society is all about the members who are members of chapters, first! We can make a difference in education, so let's go forth professionally into this year!

Right: *Theta State ladies all "prettied up" for the convention banquet*



Professionalism Point #5

by Yvette Moore

In the last issue of *Theta State News*, we began an acrostic for PROFESSIONALISM. In this issue, we will consider F, E, S, and S. I hope you find the information useful.

F is for **Friendly and Forthcoming**. Common courtesy seems to have gone by the wayside. But that is all "friendliness" is about, common courtesy. Smile, get to know the people you work with and let them know you are interested in what happens in their lives. A friendly person is also helpful. She seeks ways to enrich the lives of those with whom she comes in contact. To be forthcoming means you are truthful and transparent. No behavior sabotages a project like deceitful behavior. If you want people to be honest with you, be honest with them. One who is transparent has no hidden agenda and does not seek to elevate herself above those with whom she works. If you don't know how to do something, ask. If you lack confidence, seek support. If you err, learn from the mistake, admit you made a mistake, and go forth.

E stands for **Elegant, Even-tempered, and Efficacious**. I am sure you have heard the saying, "Pretty is as pretty does." The professional does not show up for work as if she were going to work in the garden. The elegant woman is graceful and well-appointed. If you have pierced ears, wear earrings. If you have physical flaws (rolls or generous endowments), cover them. When you sit, do not cross your legs. When you eat, keep your mouth closed. You know all these rules for proper behavior. By donning professional attire and deportment, teachers give students and their colleagues positive role models. The elegant woman does not draw inappropriate attention to herself. She is even-tempered. If you yell at someone, you are drawing inappropriate attention to yourself. Have you ever had to apologize for being too hot tempered? I have, and it was embarrassing.

The professional is efficacious. She is a woman who gets a job done and makes it look easy. I have been asked, "How can you teach and be state president?" I smile and say that I am busy, but I am having fun. Efficaciousness is balance.

S stands for **Studious**. The professional stays current with educational research and is a resource for her colleagues. As a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, she reads the Society publications. She knows the governing documents because she has studied them. She is respected for her knowledge and ability to communicate that knowledge with others.

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Leadership Retreat Participants at Las Cruces, June 3 - 5

Row 1: *Gay Simpkins, Upsilon; *Ernestine Hagman, Beta; *Dianna Valdez, Gamma; Melody Bassing, Alpha Epsilon; Cathy Everitt, Alpha Theta; Jeannette Vigil, Gamma; *Lavon Hamblin, Alpha Zeta. **Row 2:** *Peggy Bishop, Pi; *Monika Velez, Pi; *Ella Kelly, Alpha Epsilon; Mary Jean Reese, Lambda; Nadyne Gartman, Lambda; *Cathy Jones, Lambda; Terri Owen, Alpha Epsilon; Faye Dunn, Phi; *Diana Hamilton, Kappa; Yvette Moore, Omega. **Row 3:** *Jennifer Bolanos, Alpha; Sue Cook, Kappa; Gail Hartman, Alpha Omicron; Gladys Hielkema, Upsilon; Susan Swope, Pi. **Row 4:** Ina Jean Barnes, Psi; Megan Savage, Alpha; Nola Miller, Alpha Theta; *Melissa Blaine Harris, Alpha Delta; Clare Galloway, Alpha Theta; Gwen Hamilton, Alpha; Shar Happe, Omega; Kay Hannum, Alpha Lambda. (* indicates a chapter president)

Convention Site Committee Reports

from Ernestine Hagman's report

The ad hoc committee charged with creating a rotation for Theta State convention sites will bring several recommendations to the Executive Board meeting in November. They recommend grouping the chapters into North and South regions, with the North comprising chapters in Farmington, Gallup, Grants, Santa Fe, Los Alamos, Albuquerque, Rio Rancho, and Belen/Los Lunas. The South would consist of chapters in Silver City, Deming, Las Cruces, Alamogordo, Hobbs, Roswell, and Portales.

The rotation schedule would have the North hold fall Executive Board meeting with the spring convention held in the South. The following year, the schedules would be reversed and continue on an alternating basis so that no region ever hosted both the fall meeting and the state convention. Within the regions, the committee proposes a clockwise rotation of chapters.

ΔΚΓ MISSION STATEMENT

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

Theta State Presents Literacy Awards

submitted by Ernestine Hagman

Librarians at Pecos and El Rito Elementary Schools were pleasantly surprised to find out that their schools' applications for the Theta State literacy grants had been accepted. El Rito hopes to use the \$500 to purchase a listening station with a new CD/mp3/cassette player and 8 headphones, as well as a few audio books. Pecos would like to use the \$500 to purchase an LCD screen. Both schools thanked the key women educators of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International for their generosity.



Left: El Rito Literacy Coach Gina Terrazas, Principal Ben Trujillo, and Library Assistant Elaine Archuleta accept a check for the El Rito Elementary Library from Ernestine Hagman, on behalf of Delta Kappa Gamma.

Right: Beta Chapter member Patricia Rivera presents a check for \$500 from Delta Kappa Gamma to Pecos Elementary Principal Debra Sena-Holton for the school library.



Theta State Members Help Present Workshops at International Convention

Theta State was honored to have at least three of our members assisting with workshops at the International convention in Spokane: Ina Jean Barnes, Finance; Kay Hannum, Golden Gift Star Leadership; and Carmen J. Pennington, Membership.

Finance: Ina Jean Barnes, Theta State treasurer, has served four years on the International Finance Committee. She has just completed a term as chairman of that committee, and was elected to the International Personnel Committee. She is pictured above (she's on the left) with the other presenters at her convention workshop.



Golden Gift: Kay Hannum, Theta State parliamentarian, writes:

"Supporting – bonding – mentoring – encouraging – and networking brought the 30 members and two leaders of the Golden Gift Star Leadership Management Class of 2008 together the past two years in a delightful way to experience success in weight loss and general good physical and emotional health.

"Half of the members report weekly through an e-mail group the actual achievements in losing weight and/or the time spent in activities, such as purposeful walking, that promote healthy lifestyles. One member prepares a chart of each participant's input.

"Eight members of the class presented a workshop highlighting the successes of the participating members in not only developing good habits, but also in strengthening and inspiring one another in all aspects of life.

"The main thrust of the workshop, 'The Golden Gift – Inspiring Healthy Lifestyles,' was the importance of having a support group to cheerlead the efforts of all."

Membership: Carmen J. Pennington was asked to join with members of the International Membership Committee in presenting a workshop titled "When the Shoe Fits, Keep It, and Find More!" This workshop informed members by sharing ideas and suggestions for locating, inviting, informing and retaining potential DKG members. It was stressed that mentoring a new member is especially important.

Carmen writes: "I was asked to bring 40 copies of my material for the workshop, which I did. We were expecting about that many members to attend. We ended up having 140 members attend our workshop, so I've had to e-mail copies to those who did not get them. I will be happy to e-mail copies to our Theta State members. Just contact me at carlpennington1004@yahoo.com for your copy."

Reflections on the Convention

Nadyne Gartman, Immediate Past President of Theta State, said, "This was one of the friendliest conventions I have attended. You just felt like you could talk to anyone, from the International staff to the person sitting next to you in any venue. I made some wonderful friends once more.

"I attended the networking workshop and learned about all the new tech terms such as blog, twitter, WIKI, and our websites. The terms had me scared to death, but I went anyway, and came away confident that I, too, can do this. I am already signed on to the DKG Network. I lugged my computer all over the place, and then didn't need it! Computers were available from the conference rooms to the 'Cyber Café' which was set up for us.

"According to one lady who wore a pedometer all the time, our hotel was half a mile from the convention center, and we made the round trip two or three times a day, not to mention all the walking inside the center going to meetings. For someone who does not like to walk, this was a major undertaking. A shuttle was available, but my roomies (Anne and Kay) preferred to walk, so walk we did. I am 3 inches shorter and 5 pounds heavier!

"Ella Kelley was a first timer, and she was totally blown away by all of it. Other first timers were Gwen Hamilton and Becky Walker."

Nadyne added: "I have attached a speech made by a new doctoral DKG member and first time attender at the convention. [This is printed on page 5.] She was young, a genXer, and very personable. After I heard her speak, I requested a copy of her speech. If our members could just get a taste of what the Society really does at these meetings and the impressions they make, it couldn't help but make a difference."



See if you can locate any of our ladies!

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First Time Impressions

Marine Avagyan, Ed. D.

Chapter President, Epsilon Epsilon, California

Bari Luys! That's good morning in Armenian... Preparing for this, I spent quite a bit of time searching for the right word to describe my feelings, making certain that it expressed the full extent of my excitement and appreciation, as well as my learning and growth. After, I guess, the 98th revision, I concluded that the word is simply WOW! Yes, I know, it's not quite the sophisticated word you'd expect from a doctoral graduate, but it certainly was the first and most frequent reaction that I had last summer in Reno and again here in Spokane.

My first WOW came about on the shuttle ride from the airport to the hotel in Reno. A fellow DKG member asked me where I was from, to which I responded, "Glendale." It was her puzzled face that made me realize, "WOW, these are my DKG sisters from other states," so I immediately added, "California!" experiencing the reality of our Society's size. Two days ago, all geographic boundaries completely disappeared during roll call, as I sat in the presence of our European, Canadian and Latin American sisters. WOW!

My second and more significant WOW came about as I met many members and learned about the phenomenal work each of them has done for the advancement of education. "WOW!" I feel honored to be in the presence of these dedicated educators whose commitment to the profession and the Society is nothing short of inspirational...WOW!

The next resounding WOW is for the remarkable planning and organization of these events where members are offered a holistic professional development which includes visual and performing arts; leadership and professional growth; learning and teaching; connecting mind, body and spirit; understanding legislation; exploring, experiencing and enjoying adventures. Being an avid reader of all things professional, including everything on the Society's website, I was thrilled to have the chance to ask questions and learn about the things I had only read about. Among many things, Southwest Regional and International Convention have taught me about the International Speakers' Fund, World Fellowship, Golden Gift, U.S. Forum, expansion, International Achievement Award, and the Educator's Award.

Finally – constitutional revision – WOW! What a marvelous and historical time to be a member and be present at the International Convention! What a memorable experience it is to be developing the new chapter in DKG's history. WOW!

My conclusion as a first timer is that DKG's global reach and impact (17 countries), its powerful leadership, and tremendous service to the community and the world are unquestionably WOW-worthy.

I have over the years been a member of many professional organizations, paying dues twice or three times my DKG membership, attending conferences and reading the publications they have produced. Nowhere do I feel such great pride and appreciation for being a woman educator as I do when I am among my Delta Kappa Gamma sisters.

Delta Kappa Gammans are the **Women of Wonder**. So in the style of Amanda Gore, I would like to ... honor all of you, the phenomenal women of wonder – WOW!

Alpha Iota, Albuquerque

by Alyce Cummins

Alpha Iota's Program Committee met in June to plan the chapter's activities for the coming year. We start the year on August 23, with our traditional salad supper and meeting with Sigma Chapter. This year, Sigma Chapter is the host and will supply the salads, and Alpha Iota members will bring desserts. Afterward, the chapters separate for their respective meetings. This will be the sixth year for these two chapters to observe this tradition.

Other programs and activities for the year will consist of a presentation by an expert on Tai Chi; a program on nutrition for women; a presentation by Oasis on their travel alternatives; and a discussion on table decorations.

The Marathon Bridge committee has begun preparations for this fund-raising activity which will go from September through May. The proceeds from this activity are donated to the UNM Music Prep School directed by Diane Bonnell. Two luncheons are also being planned for the 28 players, one in November and the other in March.

Epsilon, Silver City

by Betty Himes

Officers for the new biennium were installed at the May meeting along with the initiation of three new members into Epsilon Chapter. Pictured on the right are Frances Kelly, Corresponding Secretary; Betty Himes, Reporting Secretary; Cathy Maxwell, President; and Janice White, Vice President.



Outgoing President Barbara McKee and Membership Chairman Genevieve Johnston conducted the initiation of three new members into Epsilon Chapter. Initiated were (L to R): Mary Spragg, recently retired administrator and teacher at Cobre High School; Sarah Pineda, art instructor at Cobre High School; and Dr. Shirley Weaver of Western New Mexico University.

Following the installation of officers and initiation of new members, a program on gardening was conducted by Pete Walden, County Extension Agent.

Information Sheet for Theta State Fall Meeting and 76th Birthday Luncheon

Saturday, November 6, 2010

LOCATION & LODGING:

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Special room rates: approximately \$88 + tax

(Ask for Theta State, DKG rates)

**SCHEDULE:**

7:30 a.m.	Registration and check in for workshops and luncheon - Lobby and Aztec Ballroom
8:00 - 9:30 a.m.	Executive Board meeting - Aztec Ballroom
9:45 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.	Workshops - Sandia or Manzano Rooms
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon	Exhibits - Zia Room
12:00 noon	Luncheon check in - Aztec Ballroom
12:30 p.m.	Birthday Luncheon - Aztec Ballroom
2:45 - 3:30 p.m.	Theta State Administrative Council meeting - Manzano Room

LUNCHEON KEYNOTE SPEAKER:**2010 New Mexico Teacher of the Year**

Peggy S. Jackson is a 30-year veteran teacher at Moriarty High School. She is a National Board Certified Social Studies teacher, a Golden Apple finalist, and teaches AP U.S. government, economics, U.S. history, and sponsors the *We the People* group. Her *We the People* team continues to travel annually to Washington, D.C., to visit historical sites in our country's capital and to lobby for civic education.

Ms. Jackson finds new, innovative ways to teach and keep students interested in subject matter through use of a variety of technologies such as a Wiki space, texting main ideas to peers, sharing opinions of political issues on her Twitter, and the use of Socratic seminars to discuss controversial issues in civil deliberation.

She even spent part of her summer at Space Camp this year. She plans to share this and other professional experiences when she joins us for the Birthday Luncheon.

(The New Mexico Teacher of Year Program is sponsored by the American Federation of Teachers - NM, Golden Apple Foundation of New Mexico, SMARTer Kids Foundation, PNM, Sandia National Laboratory, Los Alamos National Laboratory, Santa Fe Capital City Florists, Ortiz Printing of Santa Fe Team Sales, and the New Mexico chapter of the National State Teachers of the Year.)

SALES: Exhibitors wishing to sell at the Fall Event are invited to send \$35 per table to Jeannette Vigil (see registration form).

Fee includes: 1 six-foot unskirted table; tablecloth; set up at 8 a.m./breakdown at 12 noon.

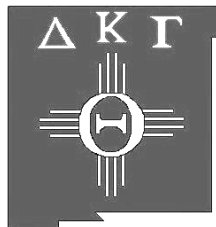
DEADLINE FOR SPACE RENTAL: OCTOBER 1, 2010

WORKSHOPS:	9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.	10:35 a.m. - 11:20 a.m.	11:25 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.
SANDIA ROOM	#1. What's Up? What's New? Yvette Moore (TSPres.): Get the "hot off the press" news about International's constitutional changes and chapter presidents' up-to-date information. Nadyne Gartman (Webmaster): Learn how to Tweet, blog, & WIKI! No more fear! *	#3. Anonymous Aviators. Natalie Stewart-Smith: The Women Airforce Service Pilots (WASP) of WWII finally received the Congressional Gold Medal on 10 March, 2010. Army veteran Natalie Stewart-Smith shares the amazing story of these unknown women who made their mark on our country's history.	#5. Anonymous Aviators This will be a repeat of Workshop #3.
MANZANO ROOM	#2. Tidbits for Treasurers. Theta Sstate Treasurer: Come learn "tips" that make being Treasurer easy. **	#4. Hospitality on a Dime. Janna Wooley & Pat Burnett: Table decorating + Big Lots + Dollar Store = The WOW Factor (No zeroes here! Everyone can do it!)	#6. Hospitality on a Dime This will be a repeat of Workshop #4.

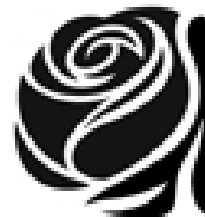
* Every chapter president (or her representative) should attend Workshop #1. Others are welcome.

** Every chapter treasurer (or her representative) should attend Workshop #2. Others are welcome.

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Chapter _____ Position _____

Guest(s) _____

Birthday Luncheon with 2010 NM Teacher of the Year, Peggy Jackson

Cost: \$17

Indicate Meal numbers:

- Caesar Salad, Garlic Bread, Dessert cupcakes, coffee and tea
Grilled Chicken in Alfredo sauce
Pasta Primavera with fresh vegetables

Dietary restrictions: _____



Workshop Registration Fee: \$5 per person to attend all workshops

- *Please send a form for each individual participant.
**complimentary for 1 per chapter, presenters (1 per session), State President

Fill in your workshop choice(s) (See descriptions on Fall Event Information page.):

Workshop _____ Workshop _____ Workshop _____

Please indicate if you are using a complimentary registration.

Complimentary Registration for: _____ presenter for session _____

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Workshop Fee
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Make checks payable to CCC and mail to
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Red Roses



Claire Miller, president of Alpha Iota, is also a competition ballroom dancer. Recently she competed in a national competition in Boston. She said she only danced 24 dances, but took 24 first places. That gave her a 100% score and resulted in her receiving the Top Dancer Award.

Claire danced against the 60 and 75 & up groups. Her training in the Dance Masters program is the same as that for professional dancers. She has completed two other Masters programs: School Administration and Brazilian Literature, but insists that the Dance Masters is the most difficult.



White Roses

Rose Martinez of Beta Chapter passed away April 24, 2010 at the age of 97. When she was 8, she left her home in Chimayo to attend Loretto Boarding School, then later graduated from Spanish American Normal School in El Rito.



While her husband was overseas during World War II, she applied for an emergency certificate and taught at Glorieta, NM. Her father would drive her and her son there each Sunday to the one room cabin where they lived until Friday. Her other son stayed with her mother.

After the war ended, she pursued her teaching degree at Highlands University, taught at Tesuque for 12 years and then at Kearney Elementary for 15 years. When she retired, she missed school so much that she substituted for another 10 years. She was a 60-year member of Delta Kappa Gamma.

In Memoriam



Maria Elena de Alcalá will be remembered fondly by all who attended the Theta State Convention in Santa Fe, where Maria was our delightful International representative. She passed away in her beloved El Salvador on June 28, 2010, and was buried at a special grave in a church called "San José de la Montaña" in San Salvador.

Footprints in the Sands of Time

by Ernestine Hagman

In her will, **Lida B. White** provided an endowment of \$10,000, stating that the proceeds/earnings were to be used for the benefit of a female student graduating from Santa Fe High School. If possible, preference was to be given to applicants who had attended Carlos Gilbert Elementary School, where she had been its first principal.



This arrangement worked well for about 30 years; the bank would let DKG know that a specific amount was available, and Beta Chapter would select the student. In the mid 1980's the bank advised DKG that the account could not sustain the practice. With some legal aid, Beta Chapter took over the administration of the funds. The money was put into a long term investment with advice from a financial advisor. It is in a Fannie Mae product, earning 7% per annum. We continue to select the student and abide by the wishes expressed by Lida B. White.