



August 2023

## President's Message

Have you smelled the new crayons and markers? Have you succumbed to the temptation to buy more than you need for school? The beginning of the new school year is full of excitement and possibilities! Sharing knowledge is a noble action and we are a part of it!

DKG has a remarkable history and purpose. As I look at "Purpose # 6, "to stimulate the personal and professional growth of members and to encourage their participation in appropriate programs of action", I believe our planned programs for this next year will stimulate and encourage us. Whether we are active in teaching or assisting those who are teaching, our meetings this year will be purposeful and educational.

I look at each of us as a "semicolon". "A semicolon links two independent clauses that are closely related." We are each an independent clause and our DKG chapter, Alpha Sigma allows us to link together for the greater good.

Robert Kennedy said, "You're the happiest while you're making the greatest contribution." Let us each continue to contribute what we can to our schools, community, and each other.

I look forward to having a semicolon in my sentence as I connect with each of you.

Sonja

## Upcoming Meetings

- August 19 11:00 am.** Cheffie's Café, Collierville. 956 E. Winchester Healthy Foods and Healthy Eating by Laura Evans
- Sept. 23 10:00 am.** Memphis Botanic Gardens Tour begins at 10:30; \$10 for non(MBG) members; Contact Kelly if you plan on lunch after
- Oct. 28 11:00 am** Memphis/Shelby County DKG Fall Celebration; Germantown United Methodist Church; Reservations by **Oct. 12**; \$20 per person for lunch; Baskets will be raffled; Bring NEW socks for veterans.

## Chapter Activities



Pat Spencer, Martha Bailey (AL), Alice Winburn, Rhettta Watkins, Betty Only, Linda Eller (AL), Martha Baker; Kelly Beach, and Becky Cross visited Iva's

## Future Events

09/16/23 TNSO Committee Planning,  
Madison, TN

05/30/24. TNSO Convention, Sewanee, TN

## Member News



Leanne Bailey reinstated her membership to join Alpha Sigma in July. She was formerly a member of Gamma Alpha chapter.

President Elaine Vaughan provides many important Society announcements in her monthly Leadership Links. Here are some that might be of interest to you.

There is a Connection Survey produced by the Chapter Strengthening Committee at <https://www.tndkg.org/leadership-links> that must be completed by **September 30, 2023** in order for our chapter to receive Maycie Points.

The Membership Moments booklet can be accessed at [https://www.tndkg.org/\\_files/ugd/4ad137\\_72ad2fda6a504ff99238137fd326ed82.pdf](https://www.tndkg.org/_files/ugd/4ad137_72ad2fda6a504ff99238137fd326ed82.pdf)

It is not too late to sign up for a TNSO committee. Visit [tndkg.org](http://tndkg.org) to do so!

## Legislative Update

In May, Governor Bill Lee announced the conduction of a special legislative session regarding firearms and public safety to take place **August 21**.

The goal, he said, is to pursue “thoughtful, practical measures that strengthen the safety of Tennesseans, preserve Second Amendment rights, prioritize due process protections, support law enforcement and address mental health.” Quite a tall order!

If you have not done so already, I urge you to

DKG International website: [dkg.org](http://dkg.org)

TNSO website: [tnkdg.org](http://tnkdg.org)

Chapter pages: [alphasigmamaxistate.weebly.com](http://alphasigmamaxistate.weebly.com)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1526984997534255>

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