

September Meeting

Tuesday, Sept. 17 4:15 snacks
4:30 meeting

Location: Opal Upshaw's house –
 2617 Williamsburg.

Program: Crafting, DKG Chapter
 NU Information, Report on DKG
 International Convention

Inspiration: Opal Upshaw

Hostesses: Marty Louthan, Susan
 Simmons



Vicki Cabler and Judy Cells,
 new initiates

The NU Network



Sept 2024

Opal Upshaw, Kay Morris and
 Sue Reynolds handed out flyers
 to teachers at the Back-to-
 School Rally.



May review...

On Tuesday, May 14, 2024, ten members and twenty
 guests met at the Tyler Memorial Library in Dewey, OK.
 After welcoming members and guests, President **Opal**
 gave a brief history of the founding of DKG.

Essay Chairman **Kay Morris** presided over the Essay
 winners as each one was introduced to read their essay.
 The topic this year was, "What do you want to be when
 you're an adult? Explain why you'd choose that career OR
 what you'll do to prepare for it." Students wrote about
 careers as a martial arts instructor, a nurse, a librarian and
 a becoming a brain surgeon.

After out-going officers were recognized, two new
 members **Vicki Cabler** and **Judy Cells** were initiated.
 Officers for the 2024-2026 biennium were inducted.



Essay winners: 8th grade 2nd place
 Hallie Nelson, 8th grade 1st place
 Caly Booher, Brendan Benyshek 7th
 grade 2nd place, and Brooklyn
 Hamilton 7th grade 1st place. She
 was also chosen 1st place state
 essay winner.



Parliamentarian **Charlene Wells**, Co-treasurer **Jeanie
 Benner** (**Susan Simmons** not present), secretary **Opal
 Upshaw**, vice president **Betty Keim**, president **Kay Morris**.



Kay's Kudos

Who is the DKG Key Woman Educator?

A Woman who is:

- A Potential Leader
- Able to bring out the best in others
- Authentic
- Responsive to feedback
- Results oriented
- Adaptable
- A Conceptual thinker
- Motivated to make a difference

NU chapter has benefitted from the exceptional leadership of Opal Upshaw for longer than her recent tenure as President.

How strong are you? What gifts and talents do you possess?

Many times, it's difficult to be strong but God gives us strength to endure. Philippians 4:13 says, "I can do all things through Christ, who gives me strength."

It is humbling to think of ourselves as having gifts and talents. 1 Peter 4:10 "Each of you should use whatever You have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's gracious gift in various forms."

Some of us have strengths in organization, attention to details and tenacity. Some are gifted in strategic thinking and influencing others.

If you have ever taken a leadership assessment like Clifton's strength assessment or a spiritual gifts survey, you may have been surprised to see the results. If you don't know me very well, you may not see these strengths, gifts and talents but in some situations and circumstances certain ones become more evident than others. I desire to have talents of organization, attention to details and tenacity like my predecessor but God gave me gifts of teaching, knowledge, exhortation, service/helps, and mercy and strengths of restorative, developer, empathy, harmony and deliberative (Clifton's strengths assessment, Tebow-Herrington Leadership training for DKG OSO 4/29/2023).

Our organization benefits from diversity and change. As leaders change roles, they use their strengths adapt to the new situations in which they find themselves. Adaptable leaders can manage change and take advantage of opportunities which can help the organization achieve its goals. By staying adaptable, leaders can effectively manage change, seize opportunities, and mitigate risks like time and stress, ultimately leading their organization to achieve its goals.

We are all **Key Woman Educators in DKG** with our own strengths and gifts. Each of us is unique and strong in her OWN way. Use them to change and grow. Kudos to you, Kay.



Kay Morris presents 1st place 7th grade essay winner Brooklyn Hamilton with a certificate and \$50.



Kay Morris and Brendan Benyshek of Maddison Middle School receives his certificate and \$40.



Kay Morris present 8th grade 1st place winner Halie with a certificate and \$50.



Kay Morris with 8th grade 2nd place winner Kalie Beever



Kalie reading to guests and members Kay Morris, Sue Reynolds, and Judy Cells.



Guests and members enjoy snacks prior to program.



Judy Cells signs the record book as Vicki Cabler looks on.



Sue Reynolds, Kay Morris and Opal Upshaw served sandwiches to HOPE Clinic volunteers in August.

Welcome New Officers for 2024-2026



Kay Morris - president



Betty Keim – vice president



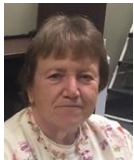
Jeannie Bennett – co treasurer



Susan Simmons – co treasurer



Opal Upshaw - secretary



Charlene Wells – parliamentarian

Mission Statement

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

The Society Vision Statement

Leading women educators, impacting education worldwide.

Nu Vision Statement

Chapter NU promotes learning and professionalism among women educators.

WEBSITE INFORMATION

NU Website: www.dkgoknu.org

This website has links to websites to International and Oklahoma for easier access.

Headquarters: www.okdkg.org

Username – Use your ID# on membership card

Password: dkg2014society

Oklahoma: www.okdkg.org

Protected password is in Yearbook

Note: **Schools for Africa** is now called **GIRLS INITIATIVE TO REVITALIZE LEARNING AND SUCCESS (G.I.R.L.S.)**

We will have a new **early career educator** this fall. **Jessie Eckert** is teaching kindergarten in Dewey.



Happy Birthday
Marty Louthan
September 25

Purposes

1. To unite women educators of the world in a genuine spiritual fellowship
2. To honor women who have given or who evidence a potential for distinctive service in any field of education
3. To advance the professional interest and position of women in education
4. To initiate, endorse and support desirable legislation or other suitable endeavors in the interests of education and of women educators
5. To endow scholarships to aid outstanding women educators in pursuing graduate study and to grant fellowships to non-member women educators
6. To stimulate the personal and professional growth of members and to encourage their participation in appropriate programs of action
7. To inform the members of current economic, social, political and educational issues so that they may participate effectively in a world society

PROGRAMS

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Oct. 15, 2024 (Tuesday)

4:15 snacks/4:30 meeting

Location: Bartlesville Area History Museum – 401 S Johnstone Ave.

Program: Organizations

Inspiration: Marty Louthan

Hostesses: Vicki Cabler

Nov. 19, 2024 (Tuesday)

4:15 snacks/4:30 meeting

Location: Bartlesville Public Library, 2nd floor Large meeting room

Program: Literacy

Inspiration: Jeannie Bennett

Hostesses: Sue Reynolds, Linda Grady
Donation: **G.I.R.L.S.** – Make checks to DKG, Chapter NU

Dec. 3, 2024 (Tuesday)

4:15 snacks/4:30 meeting

Location: Martha's Task, 718 S. Johnstone

Program: Martha's Task Tour

Inspiration: Kay Morris

Hostesses: Judy Cells

Jan. 11, 2025 (Tuesday) 1:00 p.m.

Location: Kay Morris's house 1501 Arbor Dr.
Executive Committee Meeting, **Officer's only**

Feb. 18, 2025 20 (Tuesday)

4:15 snacks/4:30 meeting

Location: Bartlesville Public Library, meeting room C

Program: Cindy Dronyk presentation of Antarctica

Inspiration: Sue Reynolds

Hostesses: Sheryl Scholl, Betty Keim, Charlene Wells

Donation: **World Fellowship** - Make checks payable to DKG, NU

March 15, 2025 (tentative)

(Saturday) 12:00 p.m.

Location: Luigi's Italian Restaurant, 1409 SE Washington Blvd.

Program: Scholarship recipient Kessi Cabler and SEE educator

Inspiration: Darla Tresner

Hostesses: Opal Upshaw

April 15, 2025 (Tuesday)

4:15 snacks/4:30 meeting

Location: Sue Reynold's house – 1201 Arbor Drive

Program: Past Presidents' Auction; Begin collection of dues for

2025-2026; Basket for State Convention

Inspiration: Cindy Dronyk

Hostesses: Cindy Dronyk, Jeannie Bennett, Lois Bergstad

May 13, 2025 (Tuesday)

3:00 for members/4:00 for guests

Location: Tyler Memorial Library, 821 N. Shawnee, Dewey, OH

Hostesses: **Everyone**