

KAPPA CHAPTER NEWS

Alpha Sigma State Kent, Washington



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Happy Fall to you all!

On September 15th our Kappa year had a great kickoff with 28 of our 39 members attending a fun reunion of Kappa sisters organized by the Communications Committee. **Twenty-Eight members** - that's pretty impressive! Now our goal is to invite more women educators to join us. All Kappa sisters are being asked to support this search, not just the

Membership Committee. This committee is the host of the October 27th meeting and you are encouraged to bring a potential member. Think of grant recipients, other teachers you know working in our schools, newly retired friends, and past members. Please attend, if you can, to welcome these possible new women educators to our chapter.

Email Messages and our newsletters are welcoming and encouraging participation from all members to make fleece blankets, supply new or gently used books and support our December Auction. Is there something you would like Kappa to do to support women educators and the students in our schools? Please let your committee chairperson or me know what you are thinking.

Thank you,
Laurie Fisher

What DOES It Mean to be a Member of DKG??

Come to our chapter meeting on Saturday, October 27th, at Zion Lutheran Church for some new and exciting answers to this question. Our program will be "DKG... What It Means to Be a Member" and thus makes it the perfect time to invite guests to our event! We are looking forward to seeing you on that Saturday at 9:30 a.m. for fun, fellowship and information!

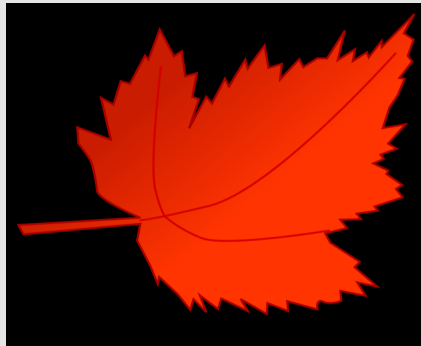
*The Membership Committee

**DKG: Leading Women Educators
Impacting Education Worldwide!**

Fall Board, September 28-29, 2018:

This year's Fall Board was held in Yakima, aka the "Palm Springs of Washington." This was my first Fall Board and I thoroughly enjoyed it. For one thing, it had been a long time since I had been to Eastern WA and had forgotten how lovely it can be...so different but beautiful, especially with the leaves turning color. The theme this year was "Encouraging the HEART...Strengthening Our DKG Legacy of Leaders." The state president, Sherri Wage-mann, often referred to these words as a rallying call for our organization and to recognize the power of women educators. Her message was that we all need to feel cared about and to feel like we are a necessary part of something bigger than ourselves. Attending this state function really helped me see the far reaching effects of DKG.

It was great getting to know some of the women from across the state that are so incredibly involved with DKG (and I must mention our own KAPPA leaders, esp. Barbara McPherson, Janice Moen, and Joy Lauderbaugh, who all have state roles and had a part in these presentations.) I was able to attend



some workshops including: Chapter Leadership Development for Presidents, Vice Presidents, and Membership Chairs (concerning some amendments to the International Constitution that will be shared with the membership at an upcoming meeting.)

Connecting with our State Legislators (discussion about how we can stay aware of WA state legislation that affects education.)

Parliamentary & Secretarial Guidelines (wow, my head was spinning after this one, just thinking about everything I know nothing about, like Parliamentary procedure. I also have a newfound appreciation for all our secretary does for us; thank you Kenda.)

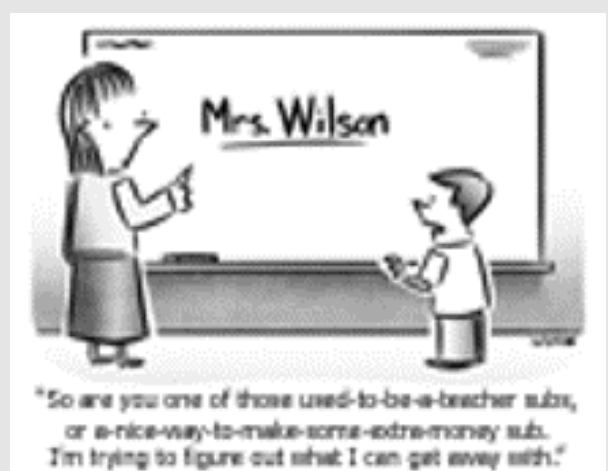
Janice played piano and led us in song throughout the weekend and before we left we watched a Ted Talk (some of you may have seen before but it is entertaining and has a great message) that you can check out on You

Tube (type in Ted Talk Rita Pierson

"Every Kid Needs a Champion."

I am grateful I was able to attend and thanks to other KAPPA attendees; Laurie, Barbara B., Janice, Barbara M., and Joy.

Lynn Thompson, 1st V.P.





Do you have children's books that need a new home?

If you have new or gently used books that you no longer need, please consider bringing them to the September or October KAPPA meeting. Our KAPPA sister, Marlene Hamell, works at Park Orchard Elementary supporting the Active Reader's Program promoting literacy. The program gives away books to students that read at home and can verify with a parent signature. This program is always in need of books, as they have students that participate regularly and they are always getting new students. Thank you!!

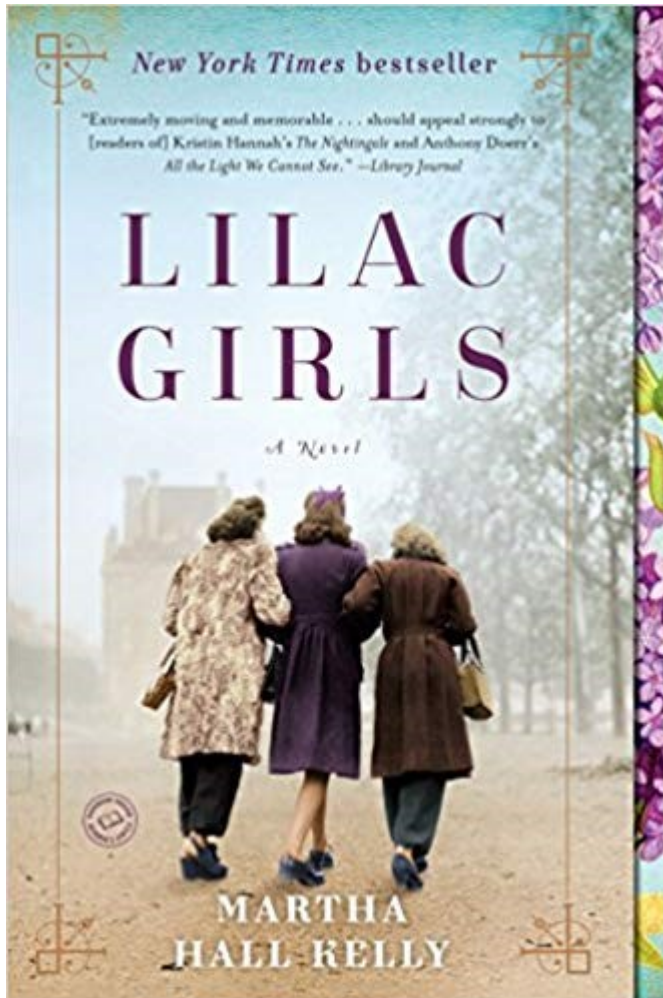
Thank you to all the members who attended our September Kappa meeting and paid their dues. For those who were unable to attend, dues for 2018-19 are \$99.00 and can be brought to the October meeting or mailed to me. Make checks payable to "Kappa Chapter."

Barbara McPherson, Treasurer



SAVE THE DATE:

On Saturday, December 8th, Kappa Chapter will hold our Annual Holiday Brunch and Auction. Do invite all your friends and family!!



Do you have time for a good read? If so, try this . . .

Lynn

NEW YORK TIMES BESTSELLER • For readers of *The Nightingale* and *Sarah's Key*, inspired by the life of a real World War II heroine, this remarkable debut novel reveals the power of unsung women to change history in their quest for love, freedom, and second chances.

New York socialite Caroline Ferriday has her hands full with her post at the French consulate and a new love on the horizon. But Caroline's world is forever changed when Hitler's army invades Poland in September 1939—and then sets its sights on France.

An ocean away from Caroline, Kasia Kuzmerick, a Polish teenager, senses her carefree youth disappearing as she is drawn deeper into her role as courier for the underground resistance movement. In a tense atmosphere of watchful eyes and suspecting neighbors, one false move can have dire consequences.

For the ambitious young German doctor, Herta Oberheuser, an ad for a government medical position seems her ticket out of a desolate life. Once hired, though, she finds herself trapped in a male-dominated realm of Nazi secrets and power.

The lives of these three women are set on a collision course when the unthinkable happens and Kasia is sent to Ravensbrück, the notorious Nazi concentration camp for women. Their stories cross continents—from New York to Paris, Germany, and Poland—as Caroline and Kasia strive to bring justice to those whom history has forgotten.