



Wisconsin State Organization
Zeta Chapter
April & May 2025

Established ~ October 1939

Mission | The DKG Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

Wisconsin State Organization (WSO) President | Kathleen Clouthier
2024-26 biennium theme | Communication, Cooperation, & Connections to build DKG for the future
Zeta website | Click [HERE](#)

Presidents' Message

Haikus: Most of us know this 17 syllable poem format that is composed of 3 lines with a 5-7-5 syllable pattern. Did you know that haikus originated in Japan in the 17th century? They usually have a nature theme and invoke a feeling. Celebrate International Haiku Poetry Day on April 17 by writing a haiku!

*Cotton puffs on twigs
Signaling a commencement
Time to awaken*

Donell & Nancy



MAJOR NEWS

As previously communicated, Helen Sorenson passed away on February 3. She was a member of Zeta since 1972! [HERE](#) is her obituary. At her funeral, a memorial was established for our chapter. The family donated **\$10,000** and wishes this to be spent on **literacy**.

In order to help direct the funds, Roberta is spearheading a small committee of Zeta members. If you are interested in being a part of this group, please email rjgale@gbonline.com her by May 1.

May 29, Thursday | 5pm

Luigi's Italian Bistro

2733 Manitowoc Rd., Green Bay

Planning Meeting & Dues

Please join us as we line up our thoughts, programming, and dates for next year. Our dinner will be a pizza and salad buffet for a cost of \$15 per member; drinks on your own.

Luigis doesn't have a rental fee for using their space. Because the Village Grill is starting to charge a \$50 room use fee, we are looking into other meeting locations. Please think about spaces that could fit our needs. Also, please put some thought into any activities or programming that we may want to include. [HERE](#) is a starting point for our planning.

Please RSVP to Nancy
(nancyjerryher@charter.net) by May 15.

World Fellowship Collections

[HERE](#) is the document that includes the personal April challenge. Joy Pokel, our treasurer, will collect any donations from now through May 29. Her address is on the bottom of the document. You can also bring your donation to the May meeting.

Challenge: optional

Generosity: encouraged

This collection is used for scholarships with educators who travel to another country for study; it's been around since 1942! Wowza!

Student Scholarships Awarded to Seven

At the April 9 Scholarship Reception, 7 high school seniors were awarded \$1500 each. [HERE](#) is a link to the students. Six previous winners joined us via a virtual meeting. One thousand dollars was given to 2 second year, 6 third year, and 5 fourth year students.

Know Any Retiring Teachers?

If so, please consider inviting them to our May meeting or send them an email about our chapter. Donell can always reach out to them too, if you provide her with an email. Thanks for helping to continue to boost our membership.

Scholarships available to teachers via the Zeta Chapter

Bertler Employed Teacher Scholarship: from Zeta Chapter; up to \$100 awarded for professional development

Click [HERE](#)

Grants available via DKG

Click [HERE](#)

Zeta Membership Dues

Great news! While eggs and inflation went through the roof, your membership dues stayed nice and cozy right where they are!

[HERE](#) is a link to the membership form. Joy will be collecting this at the May meeting. If you cannot attend, her mailing address is on the form.

Directory of Members

Thanks to Marilyn R. for updating and printing the member directory! This was handed out at the student scholarship reception. If you were not able to attend, you will receive yours either through the mail or at our May meeting.

Infinite thanks to Marilyn R for all her behind-the-scenes magic in keeping our directory organized and up-to-date for so many years! She's hanging up her hat and retiring from this role (well earned!), so we are now on the lookout for someone to carry the torch. If keeping people connected is your thing, we'd love to have you jump in! And, we are open to tweaking the directory to perhaps an online version...so, if you love to putter around in Canva, this may be a fun project! Please reach out to Donell or Nancy H by May 29, if you are considering.