# 2023-2025 Nominees for WSO Elected State Positions

### **President: Kathleen Clouthier (Pi Chapter)**



Kathleen is nominated to serve a two-year term as 2023-2025 WSO President. She was inducted as a member of DKG in 2002. She holds a BS degree from Dominican College and an MS degree from Marquette University. Kathleen taught math for 30 years at the junior and senior high school levels and was the Mathematics Department Chair. She was named REA World Class Teacher in 1995, received the Phi Delta Kappa Outstanding Educator Award in 2017, and is listed in Who's Who Among America's Teachers.

An active member of Pi, Kathleen has served as chapter treasurer for eight years, copresident for four years, corresponding secretary for two years, and Membership and

Professional Development Chair.

Kathleen has shown extensive leadership skills on the state level as she has served on the Membership Committee, Ad Hoc Leadership Committee, Nominations Committee, Financial Review, and two terms on the Finance Committee. In addition, she has served as treasurer of a WSO Convention and as WSO Vice-President.

# Vice President: Christine Shewczyk (Chi Chapter)



Christine is nominated to serve a two-year term as 2023-2025 WSO Vice President. She was inducted as a member of DKG in 2010. Christine earned a BA in PK-9 and Cognitive Disabilities and an MA in Reading and Learning Disabilities and retired after 20 years as a professional educator.

She has served Chi in many leadership roles, including Membership Chair for five years, Educational Excellence Chair for six years, and one term as chapter president. In addition, on the state level, Christine has served as Educational Excellence Co-Chair for three years.

Christine was chosen to participate in the prestigious DKG IGNITE: Leaders Empowering Leaders program.

# Secretary: Kay Ziegahn (Lambda Chapter)



Kay is nominated to serve a two-year term as 2023-2025 WSO Secretary. She was inducted as a member of DKG in 1999. She graduated from the University of Sydney with a Diploma (BA plus MA) in Education. Her vast teaching experience includes 5 ½ years in Australia; 1 year in Montpellier, France; 1 year in Munich, Germany; and 26 years at Richland Center High School. In addition, she ran the German Sister School Program, which included student semester exchanges and group visits every other year in France and Germany.

Her leadership roles in Lambda include treasurer, president, Executive Board member, and Finance Committee. Kay has served on the EEC Committee and Communications Committee at the state level. In addition, she was editor of *Wisconsin (Sigma) State News* for seven years.

# WSO Finance Committee: Nominated to serve as members for the 2023-2025 biennium *Bobbi Momchilovich (Psi Chapter)*

Bobbi was inducted into DKG in 1980. She holds a BS and MS degree in Home Economics Education and an EdS (Educational Specialist) degree in Guidance and Counseling. Bobbi served as an educator/school counselor for 36 years. She earned recognition as Outstanding Young Educator and Wisconsin FHA Advisor of the Year. In addition, she received the Outstanding Jaycette Award.

As an active Psi-Northwest WI member, she serves as vice president. Additionally, she has served as Fundraising Event Chair and is on the World Fellowship/Educational Excellent Committee. On the state level, Bobbi is the WSO Action Grant Chair.

#### Rachel Schultz (Lambda Chapter)

Rachel was inducted as a member of DKG in 2001. From UW-Madison, she received a BS in Science Education, an MS in Educational Administration, and an Educational Specialist degree in Educational Administration. Rachel taught middle school science. In addition, she has served as the Richland School District Business Manager and later as the Superintendent. Upon retirement, Rachel was a Wisconsin Association of School Boards Consultant.

In her Lambda chapter, Rachel is on the Communications and Marketing and Educational Excellence committees and has served two terms as president. She is also a Sigma State Foundation Director and served on the 2019 WSO Convention Committee.

#### Kathy Zautner (Beta Alpha Chapter)

Kathy was inducted as a member of DKG in 1985. She earned a BS and MS degree in Business Education and taught, among other subjects, high school accounting. She is listed in Who's Who Among American Teachers and was named Muskego High School Teacher of the Year.

Her leadership roles in Beta Alpha include president and treasurer, and she is currently the corresponding secretary. Kathy served for ten years as treasurer for Sigma State Foundation and was involved with WSO financial reviews for several years.

# Nominations Committee: Nominated to serve as members for the 2023-2025 biennium

#### Nancy Herrmann (Zeta Chapter)

Nancy was inducted into DKG in 2002. She received a bachelor's degree from Holy Family College and taught high school for 33 years. In addition, she was the Lincoln High School and Manitowoc County Youth Apprenticeship Liaison and was named Wisconsin School-to-Work Educator of the Year.

Nancy has been a Zeta president/co-president since 2016. In addition, she is Zeta's Action Grant Chair and a member of the Literary Competition Committee. She is on the state Mary Jo Nettesheim Literary Competition Committee, is a Sigma State Foundation Director, and was a 2017 Sigma State Convention Co-Chair. In 2014 Nancy was awarded a Hunziker Scholarship for travel to Tanzania, Africa, to visit St. Agnes Nutrition School, Chipole, Tanzania, the school that, through Zeta, received five DKG Educational Foundation Project Grants.

#### Isabel Maria Piana (Delta Chapter)

Isabel was inducted as a member of DKG in 1979. She holds a BA and MA in Education from Mount Mary College. Isabel was a teacher and unit leader in the Milwaukee Public Schools for 34 years and served as Post Baccalaureate Supervisor for seven years at Mount Mary College. Before her retirement in 2018, she was the director of the Teacher Resource Center at Mount Mary.

An active member of Delta, Isabel serves as the chapter's corresponding secretary and co-treasurer. She was the 2019-2021 WSO World Fellowship Chair and WSO State Secretary. Isabel is the recipient of a Kohl Fellowship for Teachers, the WI Bell Teacher Recognition Award, an Ameritech Teaching Award, the Mount Mary University Madonna Award, and the Sacred Sisters of Notre Dame Heritage Award.

#### Julie Trafton. (Pi Chapter)

Julie was inducted as a member of DKG in 1997. She earned a BA in Art Education K-8 and Art Therapy and an MS in Art Therapy, both from Mt. Mary University. She retired from North Park Elementary School after 30 years. Julie received the Racine Unified Encore Award, Phi Delta Kappa Kenosha-Racine Chapter 1123 Outstanding Educator Award, and Meritorious Service Award Racine Unified.

At the chapter level, Julie is currently serving as president after serving as 1st vice president. She is on the Action Grant Committee and has chaired the Communications Committee and Literary Competition Committee. Julie is currently chairing the WSO Convention Committee.