

Jens' Gems

October 2023

Moving Forward with Manageable Leadership

Dear NYSO DKG members,

Greetings to all on this extended weekend in October!

I hope you have all taken a few minutes to read the recent issue of *Pi Lights*, our quarterly newsletter for NYSO members. This issue of *Jens' Gems* highlights the important deadlines that are quickly approaching. I am also **so excited** to announce the Virtual Workshops being offered this fall. These events presented at the state level by our EEC are a new addition to our **Benefits of Membership**, a goal initiated last biennium that is now coming to fruition!



Please continue reading for reminders and new information on:

- upcoming VIRTUAL workshops offered in November/December through our NYSO Educational Excellence Committee
- Personnel applications for NYSO Executive Secretary, Webmaster, FDF Administrator and Treasurer
- upcoming fall Area Council Conferences - registration still open for Oct. 24 and 28th events
- hotel reservation link for the 2024 Executive Board meeting/Seminar on April 19-20, 2024 at the Delta Hotel in Utica

As always, please feel free to email NYSO Officers with any questions. You may find our contact information at the end of every *Pi Lights* and in the membership directory.

Best,

Jen

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NYSO VIRTUAL WORKSHOPS

The Educational Excellence Committee (EEC) is delighted to announce three upcoming Virtual workshops for our members! Please see the flyer below for workshop descriptions and dates. To register, click on the workshop title to access a Google Form.



Members who indicate they would like CTLE credit will be contacted separately by our CTLE Coordinator, Karen Jones.

NYSO EEC VIRTUAL WORKSHOP FLYER

Registration Forms

- [Canva and your Chapter](#)
- [Google 101](#)
- [Book Club featuring the winner of the 2023 DKG Book Award](#)

I hope you consider taking advantage of these **free** "Benefits of Membership: from the comfort of your home, presented by skilled educators within our organization!



Call for Applications - NYSO Elected Personnel

The Personnel Committee is currently accepting applications for NYSO Elected Personnel positions that expire on June 30, 2024:

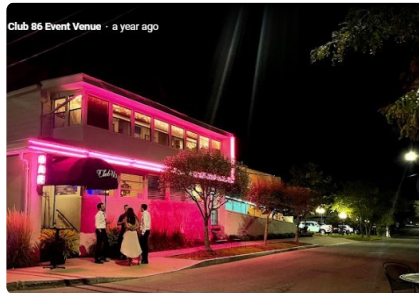
- **Executive Secretary**
- **FDF Administrator**
- **Webmaster**

In addition we are still seeking a member to fill the expired term of **NYSO Treasurer** through **June 30, 2026**.

Please review the job responsibilities as well as the [Application Form](#) on the NYSO website, and consider the opportunities to serve our membership at the State level of leadership. All of these positions do have a stipend to recognize the additional level of service to our organization. Applications must be received by the Personnel Chair, Mary Ellyn Levy, melevy@hvc.rr.com by **NOVEMBER 15, 2023**.



Letchworth State Park



Club 86, Geneva



Delta Lake Bible Conference Center

Fall Area Council Conferences

Area Council Conferences are events held around the state offering NYSO DKG members opportunities to gather to learn and spend time with other Key Women Educators! I am pleased to share we have three conferences planned for this fall. Members are welcome to attend any of the events.

Please open the link for [Area Councils](#) on the NYSO website to for more information and to access the registration form for our events. **Registration is still open for the East Central and North Central conferences - please look closely for the deadline dates.**

West Central Conference - October 14, Letchworth State Park - "*HIStory and HERstory - WP Letchworth and Caroline Bishop*" (**registration deadline has passed**)

East Central Conference - October 24, Club 86, Geneva - **DEADLINE OCTOBER 10** "*Women's Night Out - with Senator Pamela Helming*"

North Central Conference - October 28, Delta Lake Bible Conference Centre, Rome - **DEADLINE OCTOBER 13th** "*The Future is Now...Educational Opportunities to Prepare Students for Jobs of the Future*"

I hope you can join us for one of these "Benefits of Membership" in DKG!



Make Your Hotel Reservation for the Spring 2024 NYSO Executive Board Meeting/Seminar

As shared in the September issue of *Pi Lights*, the hotel room block is open for the **2024 NYSO Executive Board Meeting/Seminar, April 19-20, 2024** at the Delta Hotel in Utica. In

2022 the room block sold out and some members needed to stay at another nearby hotel. **Please do not let that happen to you - make your reservation early!** If we learn soon that we need more rooms, we will do our best to secure additional accommodations at the Delta Hotel. Please see the ***President's Message*** in *Pi Lights* for an explanation about how the number of rooms are set for the hotel block. For your convenience, the reservation link is included below. We have a great room rate of \$149+taxes/night, effective Thursday, April 18 - Sunday, April 21. This allows members to extend their stay before or after our event and enjoy the Upstate New York area!

[Delta Hotel NYSO DKG reservation link](#)



NYSO DKG website has applications for Awards, Grants-in-Aid and Scholarship

One of the many benefits of your membership in NYSO DKG is recognition for your achievements as well as funding to meet your personal and professional development needs. Please see our

[NYSO DKG website](#) to find applications for all of our Awards, Grants-in-Aid and Scholarships. **Many of the applications are now fillable forms.** As a reminder, completed applications are due by **February 15, 2024** to the appropriate committee chair.



Jennifer Lee-Alden, NYSO DKG President

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