



Ideas for Involvement

Ideas for getting chapters involved with forums:

1. Use the U.S. Forum brochure to teach members about the Forum in a chapter meeting (available at dkg.org – U.S. Forum link at the bottom of the homepage).
2. Invite speakers and provide panel discussions on topics of interest.
3. Contact local and state representatives/legislators.
4. Establish partnerships with groups that are concerned with the same issues.
5. Invite members to learn, plan, and take action.
6. Network, volunteer expertise and advocate for education.

Additional information concerning the Forums may be found via a link on the dkg.org homepage.

Plug-in for the News

DKG is on Facebook!

You can be, too! Find out what is happening in DKG in other states and countries. Follow the issues and initiatives on behalf of women, children and education.



Check out the following DKG Facebook pages:

- [International Organization](#)
- [U.S. Forum](#)
- [Educational Foundation](#)

In order to participate in Facebook, you must have a Facebook account. Visit www.facebook.com and follow the directions to set up your own account. When the signup form is complete, Facebook will send you an email. Click the confirmation link in the email to complete the sign up process.

Now you will be able to view the International, U.S. Forum and DKGEF Facebook pages and post comments.

The Facts on Forums

Forum: a place, meeting, or medium where ideas and views on an issue are shared

The DKG Society International has four forums, each with its own representatives, which include Canada, Europe, Latin America and the United States. Forums meet during regional conferences and international conventions to share information and take action on educational issues that pertain to the individual forum groups.

The **European Forum** consists of nine countries, languages, cultures, school systems and histories! These forum members seek to find common issues to present at regional and international meetings.

The **Latin American Forum** works to improve teamwork and communication. It promotes opportunities for members within the Society and encourages Latin American participation at International events.

The **Canadian Forum**, comprised of eight state organization provinces, studies educational issues that impact Canadian members and their communities and takes action on issues as appropriate.

The goals of the **United States Forum** focus on identifying and selecting major issues affecting women, children and education upon which members may take action.

All International forums focus on our Society's Purpose #4, *"To initiate, endorse, and support desirable legislation or other suitable endeavors in the interests of education and of women educators."*



Pictured (l to r) Barb Whiting, Cory Peters and Corlea Plowman.

Committees Communicate



The **International Speakers Fund Committee** has been very busy this summer. Committee members presented information on the International Speakers Fund at all of the regional conferences.

State organizations and provinces are looking for ways to cut costs. The International Speakers Fund provides an opportunity to do so. This fund pays for the speaker's transportation and the state organization or province pays for the speaker's lodging and meals.

Donations are the only source of revenue for the International Speakers Fund. To keep the fund going and to assure it is never depleted, we

encourage members to make generous contributions to the International Speakers Fund!

The committee has taken on a new project! It seeks to market the International Speakers Fund to outside organizations. Letters with information about the International Speakers Fund and the speakers available are currently being drafted. This project is in the initial stages and will require collaboration with other international committees to complete. The committee is very excited for this initiative to be implemented during the current biennium.

Visit the International Speakers Fund Committee [webpage](#) on the DKG International website.

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