



Southwest Soundings

SW Regional Conference

SW Regional Conference
 July 17-20, 2013
 Branson, Missouri
 Hilton Branson

The March/April issue of the *DKG News* will highlight the SW Regional Conference in Branson. Look for information on tours, registration, and much, much more.

Sharing Our Successes: Preparing to Share at the Conference

State organization banners will be proudly presented by the incoming and outgoing state organization presidents during the First General Session, Wednesday night, July 17, in Branson.

strengthened your state organization this biennium to Dr. Barbara Baethe, who is coordinating this procession with Margot Resendez. This statement will be shared as you present your banner.

Sharing Your Vision:
 Incoming presidents, please send Aurora one sentence stating your “vision” for your state organization for the 2013-2015 biennium, which will be proudly shared.

Sharing Your Strength:
 All outgoing state organization presidents, please send one sentence stating one way in which you have

During the banquet, both outgoing and incoming state organization presidents will be presented by Aurora Vignau.

Please send the names of the incoming state organization presidents to dr.baethe@earthink.net and auroryx@gmail.com.

We are Southwest!

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| Arizona | Judith Vinson |
| Baja California | Rosa Mari Banaga Castro |
| California | Sandra G. Rushing |
| Colorado | Donna Hoover |
| Costa Rica | Flor M. Perez |
| El Salvador | Mirna de Halimbourg |
| Guatemala | Sonia M. Garzaro de Figueroa |
| Hawaii | Katherine Sakuda |
| Jalisco | Pilar Garcia |
| Japan | Fusa Nakagawa |
| Kansas | Susan Perkins |
| Mexico D.F. | Luz Del Carmen Davalos Murillo |
| Missouri | Beverly Teri |
| Nevada | Gwen Ann Thacker |
| New Mexico | Patricia Burnett |
| Nuevo Leon | Veronica I. Resendez |
| Oklahoma | Kathy Davis |
| Panama | Yadira Z. Ruiz |
| Puebla | Consuelo Rodriguez |
| San Luis Potosi | Laura Aranjó |
| Texas | Joanne Davis |
| Utah | Elizabeth Naccarato |
| Regional Dir. | Heidi Chadwick |

TECH COMMUNICATION Keep Up With DKG in 2013!

The DKG app is available through the Apple App store or the Google Play. Be smart and have DKG on your smart phone! Do you use the DKG social networking sites? Do you blog with International President Dr. Beverly Helms? Stay connected with DKG!

Meet the Block!

When making your room reservations at the Branson Convention Hilton Hotel, be sure to mention DKG for the special room rate. Doing this will put your name into a block drawing happening at every session during the conference.

Would you believe we have two beauti-

ful rose home-made quilts for you to win?!?

The block of rooms we have in the Hilton contract must be filled or we pay a huge penalty. By booking at the hotel, you help us **Meet the Block** and get a chance to win one of many prizes!





A good teacher is one who can understand those who are not very good at explaining . . . and explain to those who are not very good at understanding.

Dwight D. Eisenhower

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Focus on Leadership: Understand Generational Differences

Understanding generational differences is a key factor in leadership. Successful leaders recognize each generation's motivational preferences, core values and leadership styles. When you recognize these differences, you improve communication, reduce

conflict and increase teamwork.

Beth Schieber will present a workshop on *The Impact of Generational Differences on Organizational Leadership* at the Southwest Regional Conference. You won't want to miss this and so many other

excellent workshops during the conference!



Important Dates

March 2013: Regional conference registration opens.

June 15 : Deadline for names and statements to Barbara Baethe and Aurora Vignau (see p. 1).

July 1, 2013: Chapters send Emergency Fund contributions to your State Treasurer, who will present the checks at the SW Regional in Branson.

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Supporting Early-career Educators: BAG (Bring A Gift) to the SW Regional Conference

Bring a small gift bag filled with items for an Early-Career Educator. All bags will be collected at registration and be placed on the tables at the luncheon for decoration. After the close of the conference, all bags will be

distributed to early-career educators.

Items you can place in your bag: Gift cards to Starbuck's or other places, Kleenex, pen, note pad, coffee cup, fancy paperclips, notes, or anything



you think a new teacher would appreciate. Thank You! (See flyer on on next page to distribute to your members!)



Supporting Early-career Educators

BAG (Bring A Gift) to the SW Regional Conference



Please bring a bagged gift for an early-career educator to our Southwest Regional Conference in Branson.

Pick a pretty bag and fill it with goodies that a new teacher would enjoy.

Bring your bag to registration and on Friday you'll see all the bags decorating the tables for the Birthday Luncheon.

After the close of the conference the bags will be distributed to early-career educators.

CONTENT SUGGESTIONS:

- Gift cards
- Pens
- Markers
- Stickers
- Note pads
- Coffee cup
- Pretty paper clips
- Ink pad and stamps
- Erasers

