



July 12, 2010

Dear Chapter President:

This is the Annual Dues Packet. (If you are not the chapter president, please pass it to her as soon as possible). Thank you for all you do on behalf of the Order and the Kingdom.

Instructions:

- **On Chapter List**- Update all information (address, phone, email, etc)
Mark out incorrect information and write corrected information
- **On Dues Payment Form**- List only the Daughters whose dues are paid in full; do not send partial dues payments for any Daughter. Have your treasurer deposit the money and prepare a check for the full amount. Mail one check by August 15 with Dues Payment Form.
***Even if not everyone in your chapter has paid dues, send in the amount collected from the Daughters who have paid so they will not receive second dues notices.*
- **On Officers' Form**- Fill out *new* and *previous* officers' information.
All officers must be current with their dues.
- **For your records**-Make copies of all submitted items (including check).

Send back to National Office

1. One check for dues
2. Dues Payment Form with names of Daughters who have paid
3. Updated Chapter List
4. Officers' Form

Senior dues are \$35.00. Junior Dues are \$15.00. Lifetime dues are \$700.00. Make one check payable to "Daughters of the King" and mail by August 15.

Note: Dues must be received by September 1, 2010 for a Daughter to remain in good standing.

Please call with any questions.

Yours in Christ,
National Office Staff
(770) 517-8552

DUES PAYMENT FORM

*****New members admitted before May 1 will owe dues by Sept 1, 2010.**

This year only, in celebration of our 125th birthday, the Council is giving all new members admitted after May 1 a dues free year (Sept 2010-Aug 2011).

PLEASE COPY THIS FORM IF YOU REQUIRE ADDITIONAL SPACES FOR MEMBERS

	Member #	Name (Daughters included in check)	Amount Paid
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Senior Daughters ____ **X \$35 each = \$** _____ **SUBMITTED BY:**

Junior Daughters ____ **X \$15 each= \$** _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____ **Check #** _____

**SUBMIT NEW MEMBER APPLICATIONS AND ORDERS SEPARATELY
WITH SEPARATE CHECKS**



Officers' Form

Mail original form to DOK National Office
Send copies to 1) Province, and 2) Diocese

Date: _____ Province: _____ Diocese: _____
Church Name: _____ Chapter Name: _____
Church Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Fill out *new* and *previous* officers' information. All officers must be current with their dues.

New Officers' Information

President: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Telephone: (_____) _____ Cell: (_____) _____
Email: _____

Vice President: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Telephone: (_____) _____ Cell: (_____) _____
Email: _____

Secretary: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Telephone: (_____) _____ Cell: (_____) _____
Email: _____

Treasurer: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Telephone: (_____) _____ Cell: (_____) _____
Email: _____

Junior Directress: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Telephone: (_____) _____ Cell: (_____) _____
Email: _____

Previous Officers' Names

President: _____ Vice President: _____
Secretary: _____ Treasurer: _____
Junior Directress: _____



Endowment Fund

All Saints Day, November 1 Annual In-Gathering

The Endowment Fund was created by the 1928 Triennial "to further the work of the order in the extension of Christ's Kingdom." Later it was established as a Trust Fund. Today we celebrate that our sisters in the years past established this fund to provide resources for the present. We are committed, as they were, to ensure endowment income for future generations of the Order. Donations are made the following ways:

Memorials and Thanksgivings: Contributions of at least \$10 may be given by an individual, chapter, diocese or province as a MEMORIAL to honor a loved one, or as a THANK OFFERING for any reason. The name of the honoree and the reason for the honor should accompany each gift. It will then be recorded in the "Book of Remembrance" located at the DOK National Office, and published annually in *The Royal Cross*.

Bequests: One of the most lasting and loving gifts made to the Order is a BEQUEST. As you plan your estate, prayerfully consider including the Order. Shares of stocks, bonds, and mutual funds are also accepted.

Lifetime Membership: At the 2003 Triennial the Order voted to raise the Lifetime Membership amount to **\$700** for the one-time contribution.

Gifts: Financial donations can be made directly to the Endowment Fund as a gift to 'Glorify Our Lord and Savior'. Individuals, dioceses, and provinces can make contributions to the Endowment anytime of the year, but are encouraged to do so at the annual **In Gathering, November 1, All Saints' Day**. Shares of stocks, bonds, or mutual funds are also accepted.

PURPOSE OF THE ENDOWMENT FUND:

Donations to the Endowment Fund provide a multi-purpose for the Order: the principal remains in the Fund as a Trust and acts as a hedge of protection for emergency situations pertaining to the Order; and the annual interest earned from the Fund can be transferred to the Operating Account with the approval of the National Council. The annual earned interest is distributed as follows:

- 1) to pay the annual dues of Lifetime Members (for National, Provincial and Diocesan distribution) and to offer financial scholarships for Daughters who need assistance to pay annual dues, and
- 2) to contribute to the operating fund of the Order.

HOW TO MAKE A DONATION:

A contribution form is found at the back of the *DOK National Handbook and Bylaws* and on the website www.dok-national.org. For further information, contact the Endowment Chair (see *The Royal Cross*) for current information. Send the form and contribution, payable to 'The Order of the Daughters of the King, Memo Endowment', to the DOK National Office, 101 Weatherstone Drive, Suite 870, Woodstock GA 30188.

Remember the Self Denial Fund!

In 1896 the Fourth Convention of the Daughters of the King received a request from Miss Lily Funsten Ward, a missionary who taught in a girl's school in Wuchang, China. She asked that the Order unite in prayer for the Church in China. In response, the convention set aside the last week of Epiphany 1897 as a week of self-denial as well as prayer, and sent the money collected to China. The following year they resolved to make the self-denial week a regular practice, and devote the money collected to support a missionary in China. When Miss Ward died in 1898, the Fund was named in her honor: The Lily Funsten Ward Self Denial Fund. Later the Order made the Feast of the Presentation in the Temple, February 2, the ingathering day for the Self-Denial Fund.

The Fund continued to support women missionaries to China through the 1930s. The last was a Canadian, Elda Joyce Smith. When competing armies overran China, she was reassigned to Honolulu, where she could continue to work with a Chinese community. She retired in 1956.

In 1952, The Order took on the support of Carman Wolff, a former missionary to China, in her mission to the Episcopal women of Brazil. Later they supported Elizabeth Daniel and Pat Powers in their ministry in Brazil. Pat initiated the first DOK Chapter in that country.

Once the focus of the Fund shifted away from China, it evolved into a program of grants for a range of missionary projects, both domestic and foreign. The rapid growth of the Order in the 1990s enabled the Fund to grant funds more widely, since by 2000 gifts to the Self-Denial Fund added up to forty or fifty thousand dollars annually. Many of these grants have gone to Daughters engaged in short-term mission trips, or to schools and clinics serving children in need. The report in the 2009 Triennial booklet lists 55 grants for work in many places, including support for a new well project in Mozambique, a VBS in Puerto Rico, an infant nutrition program in Haiti, dairy cows for women in Kenya, a Seeds of Hope project in Atlanta, a Godly Play program at Lillian Valley School for native Americans, and on and on. The Self Denial Fund had disbursed \$188,622.68 in grants over the three year period, an average of \$61,874, 23 annually.

Yet a year ago the February ingathering resulted in only \$30,000 for the Self Denial Fund. By November, the Fund was very low, and the chair, Kim Ferguson, put the applications she had received on hold until the next ingathering. Donations that came in this February were about \$15,000. Over \$6000 of that amount is designated for Haiti, leaving only about \$9000 available for other mission projects. Kim Ferguson says she has already received grant applications for about \$30,000; unless a great many more donations come in, she will have to say "no" to the majority of them, or give the applicants only a third of what they have requested.

There are obvious explanations for the drop in giving, of course. Many Daughters experienced financial hardship in 2009. In spite of that, the terrible needs in Haiti after the January earthquake spurred great generosity—\$6000 from Daughters will go to relief in Haiti, and most of us gave in other ways as well. In an emergency, it is right to dig deeper to help the immediate need, but sometimes it means that regular giving comes up short.

Please remind your chapter that no percentage of Self Denial gifts is used for overhead. The Self Denial Chair and her review committee all volunteer their services. The National Office staff, supported by our dues, handles the paperwork and cuts the checks, and the records are audited annually.

Giving through the Self-Denial Fund is one of the chief ways Daughters keep their vow to serve others. If your chapter hasn't gotten around to making a contribution this year, won't you do so soon? And celebrate the gifts—we are told God loves cheerful givers!