

# *Birdella M. Ross Scholarship*

## **PURPOSE**

The DKG Society promotes women exhibiting excellence in education. This \$4000 scholarship may be used for a graduate degree, licensure or travel credit.

## **QUALIFICATIONS**

Eligible applicants have belonged to the MN State Organization of the DKG Society International for at least two years and are pursuing a post-baccalaureate degree or licensure.

## **APPLICATION & SELECTION PROCESS**

The application form can be found online by going to [dkgmn.weebly.com](http://dkgmn.weebly.com) Under the "More" tab on the far right side, select "Scholarships and Grants" in the drop down menu. The application must be submitted by February 15.

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## *Recent Recipients*

2001	Ellen Delany	Sigma
2003	Diane Rauschenfels	Kappa
2011	Shelly Lundborg	Alpha Meta
2015	Julie Bauer	Alpha Beta
2015	Karen Malin	Alpha Beta
2015	JoAnn Strolpa	Alpha Beta
2023	Tamra Ragan	Mu
2023	Julie Stauber	Kappa

*The first Birdella M. Ross  
Scholarship was awarded in  
1954. Since then, over \$70,000  
has been awarded.*



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**Could this be YOU?  
Step forward and reach  
for your dreams....  
Do apply.  
It's worth a try!  
The door is open...**



# About Birdella M. Ross



**Birdella M. Ross**

**1904-1990**

*She was an extraordinarily capable and remarkable woman with a gracious personality.*

- She was a charter member of Alpha Chapter in 1939.
- Although absent from October through March of her senior year in high school, she graduated with her class in Minneapolis.
- She earned a bachelor's degree in English at the University of Minnesota and a master's degree at Columbia University.
- She taught her first year in Annandale, MN then taught English for 35 years at Edison High School in Minneapolis, MN.
- She was involved in many organizations. The Minneapolis branch of American Association of University Women named her a Woman of Distinction in 1956.
- She labored nearly eleven years at the DKG chapter, state and national levels. She organized and helped to orient 22 chapters.
- She was the only state president to serve two terms and the only Minnesota member to become a DKG national president.
- A record of tasks well performed at all levels of DKG won for her the Coveted Achievement Award in 1947.
- In after school hours she enjoyed gardening, reading, knitting, collecting folk records for her Hi-Fi, and doing genealogical research.