

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International  
Alpha Alpha State Convention  
Second General Session  
Alumni Ballroom, Nittany Lion Inn  
State College, PA  
June 12, 2016



## **I. Call to Order**

Alpha Alpha Pennsylvania State Organization President, Tracey R. Dusch, Psi called the Second General Session of the 2016 Alpha Alpha Pennsylvania State Convention (79<sup>th</sup> Convention) of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International to order on Sunday, June 12, 2016, at 9:45 a.m.

## **II. Welcome and Introductions**

President Tracey welcomed all members and guests of the Alpha Alpha Pennsylvania State Organization to the Second General Session. President Dusch introduced the head table.

## **III. Inspiration**

An inspirational message of her DKG journey was presented by Karen Ball, Psi Chapter.

## **IV. Report of the Chapters Present**

Linda Konczal-Evans, Theta, and State Recording Secretary, gave a report of the Chapters present: 36 chapters represented out of 58 and a total of 150 members present. A quorum was present for the meeting.

## **V. Report of the Convention Registrar**

Barb Tobias, Nu, and Convention Treasurer reported 190 members recorded registrations with 41 chapters represented for the day and two guests.

## **VI. Review of the Minutes**

Linda Konczal-Evans, Theta, and State Recording Secretary, presented the minutes of the Second General Session of the 2015 State Convention held on June 14, 2015. The meeting minutes were read and approved by the Committee to Approve Convention Minutes. A copy of the approved minutes was sent to each member of the Executive Board prior to the convention. Copies were available on

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the state website. Hearing no objections to the minutes, President Tracey declared them approved and stated the minutes will be filed. The committee to read/approve the minutes for the 2016 Second General Session is:  
Terri Stetler, Eta Chapter  
Carol Hartley, Chi Chapter  
Marcie Erickson, Beta Epsilon Chapter

## **VII. Scholarship Committee Report**

Lois Brown, Chi, and Scholarship Committee Chair, announced the awarding of three (3) scholarships and ten (10) enrichment grants.

### Scholarships

Kristina Strohm, *Chi-Marian Spitzer Robling Award*  
Whitney Lewis, *Psi – Margaret J. Wolf Scholarship Award*  
Alyssa Elliott, *Omega-The Laura Braun Award*

### Enrichment Grants

Leanne Calver, *Alpha Delta*  
Polly Delaney, *Alpha Rho*  
Louise Garverick, *Beta Kappa*  
Melody Hannegan, *Alpha Xi*  
Janet Lee Hay, *Alpha Delta*  
Norma Mateer, *Beta Theta*  
Ann Nowaski, *Sigma*  
Karen Snyder, *Beta Gamma*  
Kathy Varano, *Alpha Upsilon*  
Mary Wilhelm, *Kappa*

## **VIII. Point of Privilege**

- Cindy Reynolds, Beta Rho, and State Achievement Award Committee Chair, asked for a point of privilege. Cindy asked that the name Kathleen Kelly, Beta Alpha Chapter, and The 2016 Rosebud Recognition recipient be noted as such in the minutes. Cindy thanked President Tracey and, “...seasoned members for mentoring young women to become actively involved in the Society at and beyond the chapter level.”
- She also reminded members that another responsibility of her committee is to award the Alpha Alpha State Achievement Award. Cindy challenged members to nominate for the award to be given in 2017.

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- Cindy announced that the seven remaining sun catchers, to be given to future Rosebud Recognition recipients, were donated to our Alpha Alpha State Organization by the owner of Tingley Glass, Harford, PA.
- Louann Shrader, Omega, and Past State President, requested a point of privilege. Louann asked that the name Amy Dobbins, Beta Epsilon Chapter, be noted in the minutes as The 2016 Nancy Grove Visionary Fund Award recipient.

## **IX. Unfinished Business**

Finance Chairman, Joyce Kerrick, Alpha Zeta made the following motion:  
To adopt the 2016-2017 budget for the Alpha Alpha State Organization of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.

President Dusch called for the vote and the motion was successful. President Tracey thanked Joyce and her committee for their hard work in presenting a fiscally responsible budget for the state.

## **X. New Business**

No new business was discussed.

## **XI. Recognition**

Mary California and Barbara Hartle, Beta Xi, were thanked by President Dusch for their work as Alpha Alpha State Organization Convention Protocol Chairmen.

President Tracey thanked Southeast Regional Director, Becky Sadowski for her presence as the International Board representative for this convention. A gift was presented to her.

Present Tracey thanked Dr. Marjorie Paradise, Chi, and Professional Affairs Co-Chair for her introduction of Heather Lister, Keynote Speaker at the First General Session of this convention and expressed appreciation to Heather for her keynote presentation and workshop on Saturday.

## **XII. Announcements**

- Candace Claar, Alpha Beta, thanked the members of her chapter for their basket work. She reported that \$3,437 was raised from the basket raffle.

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- Red roses were given to the Past State Presidents. President Tracey asked for volunteers to take a red rose to Past State Presidents Shirley Lotz, Alpha Sigma, and Carol Ulrich, Nu, not present at this State Convention.
- A convention floral centerpiece was given to Margaret Wolf, who had the longest tenure as a member who was in attendance at this 2016 convention. Margaret is past State Scholarship Committee Chairman in whose honor a current scholarship is named. 2016 Rosebud Recognition recipient Kathleen Kelly, Beta Alpha, and Past State President Becky Place, Beta Rho, were also given convention floral centerpieces.
- President Tracey thanked First-time Karen Tinstman, Alpha Sigma, and Convention Coordinator, and Barbara Tobias, Nu, and Convention Registrar, for their efforts in making this a successful convention.
- President Tracey also thanked Eileen Little, Chi, and Second Vice President and her Committee for the beautiful Celebration of Life service. Vice President Little asked that Tracey take the floral arrangement from that service as a remembrance of her mother.
- President Tracey asked that Chapter Presidents, Treasurers, or designees who had not picked up Educational Excellence Committee materials, to remember to do so.
- Members were reminded to turn in their evaluation forms.
- President Dusch asked for anyone planning to attend the International Convention in Nashville to let her know so that she can finalize plans for the reception for Dr. Lyn B. Schmid, our International President.

### **XIII. Adjournment**

President Tracey R. Dusch adjourned the 2016 State Convention and the 79<sup>th</sup> year of the Alpha Alpha State Organization of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International at 10:40 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Linda Konczal-Evans, Theta  
State Recording Secretary