



President Cindy Says:

“A teacher affects eternity; he (she) can never tell where his (her) influence stops.” – Henry Brooks Adams

Happy September, Alpha Kappa Sisters! I always look forward to this time of year with the promise of new beginnings, both for our students and for ourselves professionally. I have been retired from actively teaching for eighteen years now but I am still invigorated when I look out my window at the bus stop in front of my house and see the students waiting for the challenges that will face them during their day. I think of my years in the classroom, both as a student and as a teacher, and I prowl the aisles of the local stores examining school supplies. This year I purchased a box of 120 crayons with 4 bonus. I guess that’s a little odd since I taught high school English! I won’t even mention the new school clothes!



As your President for this biennium, I am also looking forward to our new year with Alpha Kappa Chapter, continuing our traditions and looking forward to exploring new opportunities. Under the leadership of Immediate Past President Nancy Chrimer, we made great strides in increasing our membership. Our goal is to continue our momentum in this area. We will also explore the other aspects of Pennsylvania State President Barbara Gasparini’s mission. In addition to Membership, they include Scholarship, Leadership, Mentorship, Fellowship, and Friendship. During the International Convention in Austin this summer, several changes were made to DKG’s bylaws. These present us with some challenges but

also with different ways to approach our vision as we strive to work for the betterment of women, children, and education.

Please join us at our first chapter meeting on Thursday, September 20 at 6 p.m. at the Mifflin County Library, 123 N Wayne Street, Lewistown. In an effort to get to know each other better, we will begin the meeting with our own version of Show & Tell. Just like when we were kids, please bring an item to show and then tell about its importance to you. Plan to speak for just a minute or two. This is our entertainment for the evening! We will follow this with a short business meeting and then Molly Kinney and I will go over our mission for this biennium and address the bylaw changes. Our planning team is proposing a diverse range of meeting programs and will be offering some chances for amusement and entertainment as well as education, things to appeal to both those who are actively teaching and those of us who are no longer in the classroom but still maintain a dynamic interest in our profession.

I look forward to seeing each of you on September 20...and I may just bring my box of crayons!

Cindy Kennedy

Thursday, September 20 @ 6:00p.m. – Mifflin County Library

“Show and Tell” Adult (but not X-rated) Version and Business Meeting

Monday, October 22 @ 6:00p.m. – Juniata County Library

A conversation with Jane Cannon Mort, editor of the Lewistown Sentinel’s *School Days*.

Copies of the book will be available for purchase. A short business meeting will follow.

Saturday, November 10, 10a.m.-1p.m. – Mifflin County Library

Book Art Camp and Card Making. Come and bring a friend, even if you don’t have the ‘craft’ gene.

Monday, December 3 @ 6:00p.m. – The Springhouse at Lost Creek Golf Course

Come share some holiday cheer. A short business meeting to follow dinner.





Join the Alpha Kappa Facebook Page

Our chapter has created a Facebook page to share information about chapter, state, and international news, as well as our members. If you are a "Facebooker," LIKE and FOLLOW our page, Delta-Kappa-Gamma-Alpha-Kappa-Chapter-PA

Treasurer's Report

We begin our year with \$8,444.28 in our account. Kay Varner did the audit 6/28/18, and it is accurate with the bank.

We added \$1,506.23 to our account this year.

Sisters need to be thinking of fundraising opportunities to replace our BonTon funds that will not be available any longer.



From Kay and Nancy, Membership

Our goal for this year is to have at least 10 new members for our chapter. Please help us find new members by thinking of and looking for good teachers who would be an asset to us, and to whom we could give the benefits of our society. We will give you more information soon as to the procedures we will be following this fall to get any new members invited, voted on, and initiated as soon as possible.

Thank you for your help!



Just In....no time to wait.....

Miller Cinemas in Lewistown is having a special showing of the classic film "Gone with the Wind"

Sunday, September 9 at 12:30pm!

Tickets are \$8 for adults and \$6 for seniors and children. This is one of President Cindy's all time faves and it would be fun if some - or all! If you would care to go to the movies and maybe a bite to eat after at the Downtown OIP. (The film is almost four hours long!)

You may either buy tickets at the door or at anytime prior to the event during their normal business hours. Let Cindy know if you want to go.



That is NOT Vivien Leigh.....
it's our own sister, Molly Kinney!

Raffle Baskets at Meetings

Each month we will have a basket to raffle and tickets will be \$.25. Money will go to benefit the scholarship fund. September will be a basket of STUFF. Some great stocking stuffers and other items you can't live without; or die a happy woman if you don't own.

If you'd be willing to donate a basket for the December meeting please let Molly know.





MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING

June 9, 2018

The Alpha Kappa Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society met for the annual picnic at the Mifflintown Playground at 12:00 p.m. on Saturday, June 9, 2018. Ten members were present. Following grace offered by Tena Kauffman, the group enjoyed a delicious lunch.

A brief business meeting conducted by President Nancy Chrismer followed. Those present were asked to fill out a survey assessing past meetings and achievements and list suggestions for any improvements for the next biennium. The minutes were approved by a motion made by Molly Kinney and seconded by Pam Kennedy. Treasurer Pat Brown shared the treasurer's report showing a balance of \$8,468.18. The books will be audited by the end of the summer. Shirley Covert stated that Mifflin County High School senior Tara Gardner and Juniata High School senior Karrigan Zeiders received our Grant in Aid scholarships. (Note: Juniata received award this year because East Juniata failed to have any applicants.) Sisters Jill Funk and Mary Ann Zook are recovering from health issues and get well cards and wishes would be appreciated.

Assisted by Shirley Covert and Tena Kauffman, Outgoing President Nancy Chrismer conducted the Installation of New officers for 2018-2020 biennium. The slate is as follows:

President	Cindy Kennedy	1st VP	Molly Kinney	2nd VP	Kay Varner
Recording Secretary	Beverly Berich	Corresponding Secretary	Bonnie Seigler		
Treasurer	Pat Brown	Parliamentarian	Tena Kauffman		

New officers were presented with a red rose.

Newly installed President Cindy Kennedy passed out a list of Standing Committees and their responsibilities. The list includes some additional committees to help oversee chapter business.

She plans to hold an officers' meeting in July. Meeting adjourned at 1:45 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Beverly Berich, Recording Secretary

Members in Attendance

Cindy Kennedy	Bonnie Seigler	Molly Kinney	Shirley Covert	Nancy Chrismer
Pam Kennedy	Tena Kauffman	Pat Brown	Bev Berich	Cindy Van Gavree

