

President Cindy Says:



"I cannot endure to waste anything so precious as autumnal sunshine by staying in the house." Nathaniel Hawthorne

... and so it is October and we are planning for our second chapter meeting of the year. I hope that each of you will find the time to enjoy these remaining days of warmth and beauty before the chill of winter descends upon us. As I am writing this, I am eagerly looking forward to the Purposeful Seminar on October 5, 6, and 7 in King of Prussia where I will join with other PA DKG sisters as we explore the story of Women of the American Revolution.

We missed those of you who were not able to be with us at our first meeting. Those who were there got to know each other a little better through our show and tell exercise and then we plunged into plans for another successful Alpha Kappa year. We look forward to our new collaboration with local Girl Scout troops as they work toward earning their DKG patch. Clare Flynn and Bonnie Seigler will be coordinating this program. We also discussed potential fundraising ideas as we continue our established efforts of awarding scholarships.

Everyone is familiar with a version of the old expression "the best laid plans of mice and men..." and soooo...our plans for our October 22nd meeting at 6 pm at the Juniata County Library have changed. Same date, time, and place but Jane Cannon Mort will not be able to be with us due to a family obligation. She is being rescheduled for one of our spring meetings. Instead, we will be entertained by Vince Giordano, Director of the Juniata County Library, who will talk about his hobby of mapping for GPS systems. He updates roads/construction, etc. in Mifflin and Juniata Counties for a company that updates these systems. I guess that this guarantees that "Not all those who wander are lost"!

Vince cannot be with us until 7 pm, so we will reverse our normal order and have refreshments and our business meeting first. We will present an update on plans for our membership recruitment and Shirley Covert will distribute materials for our shoebox project.

Thanks for your enthusiasm and support! I look forward to seeing you on October 22!

Cindy Kennedy

\$72 Dues Are Due

no later than the October meeting. Come and pay at the meeting or mail to:

Pat Brown, 106 Wagon Wheel Lane, Mifflintown, PA 17059



Treasurer's Report

I have deposited the dues from 15 sisters (14 active & 1 reserve) totaling \$1050. I also deposited \$25 from cookbook sales and \$36 from last night's basket raffle. Total deposit: \$1111. I paid \$147.46 for conference lodging. Our balance as of 9/21/19 is \$9407.62.

Reminder!

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

My GPS is Stupid –or– Mapping in the 21st Century with Vince Giordano

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.

Beautiful: The Carole King Musical

Eisenhower Theater, PSU

Saturday, February 23 @ 2 pm



We are excited about our planned “Field Trip” to see “Beautiful: The Carole King Musical”. From the Official Broadway website: “For five years, Beautiful, the Tony and Grammy Award-winning Carole King musical, has thrilled Broadway with the inspiring true story of one woman’s remarkable journey from teenage songwriter to the Rock & Roll Hall of Fame.” Be assured that you will know most of the music!

Tickets are \$68 apiece; \$53 for age 18 or younger. There is a \$4 service fee for each ticket if purchased at the box office or \$2 if purchased online. We welcome you to invite family and friends! If we have a group of 10 or more @ \$68, we receive a 15% discount on each of those tickets. (No discount on the tickets for youngsters!) At our September meeting at least 9 members expressed interest, so we should have no problem getting our group rate. I need to do a follow up with group sales at the box office. Additional details will be available at our October meeting. We will begin accepting checks for tickets at that meeting. However, I still need to determine how the checks will be made out and will have to let you know. The deadline for purchasing tickets will be at our meeting on December 3rd.

Cindy

Dear Sisters,

Thank you so much for the thoughtful card I received from the society following the recent death of my father-in-law. I would also like to thank each of the sisters who sent cards to Rachel and me. Your kindness is appreciated! As many of you know, my father-in-law had been our touchstone for the past 13 years. He was a wonderful man who lived a life of integrity. Thank you!

Pat Brown

GRANT-IN-AID SCHOLARSHIP FUND NEWS



Wrap this reminder around a jar,
 And add a dime, quarter, or dollar a week.
 Soon your stash will total an amount so
 Our DKG scholarship fund will successfully peak!
 For in regularly giving a little
 Over the extensive course of a year,
 Each sister can feel good about giving.
 We can feel proud! We can all cheer!



October Raffle Basket

Our October meeting raffle will be beautiful handmade cards.

Tickets are \$.25 each or 5 for \$1.00

Thank you Tonya for donating your beautiful creations!

Book Art Fun



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

Book Art and Card Making. Come and bring a friend, even if you don't have the 'craft' gene. All materials, except scissors, will be provided but if you have embellishments (buttons, beads, stickers, etc.) you'd like to share bring them with you. Light refreshments will be served. Please register at the October meeting, call or e-mail Molly @ 717.527.4152 or drmollykinney@gmail.com not later than November 5th.

Literary Feast 2nd Edition



Alpha Kappa Chapter's
 fun with
 Recipes and Book Titles
 2016

We had such fun creating our 1st cook book we decided to try for a 2nd Edition. All sisters will need to supply 3-5 recipes and connect them to book titles; include a bit about yourself such as your favorite book, or where the recipe came from. All recipes should be sent to Joy Sheaffer, who will compile them. Her email is: jmsheaffer@pa.net. Please have your recipes to Joy no later than, January 30, 2019.

Don Quichote
 (A slow cooker recipe)

8 eggs
 1 cup milk
 1 cup Original Bisquick mix
 2 cups chopped fresh spinach
 1-1/2 cups crumbled feta cheese (6 oz.)
 1/2 cup chopped roasted red bell peppers and/or sun-dried tomatoes
 1/4 cup chopped fresh basil leaves
 1 teaspoon finely chopped garlic
 1 package (9.6 oz.) fully cooked sausage crumbles
 1/4 cup crumbled feta cheese for garnish, if desired

- Spray 4-to 5-quart slow cooker with cooking spray. In slow cooker, beat eggs, milk and Bisquick mix with whisk until well mixed. Add spinach, 1-1/2 cups feta cheese, bell peppers and/or tomatoes, basil, garlic and sausage; stir well.
- Cover; cook on high heat setting 3 to 4 hours or on low heat setting 5 to 6 hours. Quiche is done when center is set and edges are deep golden brown.
- Cut into pieces to serve. Garnish each serving with a sprinkle of feta cheese.

A clever take on a great classic! This is our immediate past president, Cindy Kennedy's contribution to this project. Don Quichote, fully titled "The Ingenious Gentleman Don Quixote of La Mancha," is a Spanish novel by Miguel de Cervantes Saavedra.



MINUTES FROM THE LAST MEETING



September 20, 2018

The Alpha Kappa Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society met at the Mifflin County Library, Lewistown, PA at 6:00 p.m. on September 20, 2018. Sixteen members were present. Hostesses for the evening were Dottie Peiffer, Clare Flynn, Jennie McCardle, Deb Filson, and Beverly Berich.

The program for the evening consisted of our own version of "Show and Tell". Each sister spoke briefly about something in her life that was important to her. All agreed that we came away knowing more about each other.

After refreshment break, President Cindy Kennedy conducted a brief business meeting. With a motion made by Clare Flynn and seconded by Pam Kennedy, the June minutes were approved as written. Treasurer Pat Brown reported a balance of \$8,444.18, with all bills paid. It was noted that Kay Varner had audited the books this summer. Pat is collecting annual dues (\$72) and asks that payments be made on or before the October 22 meeting.

Membership Committee members Kay Varner and Nancy Chrismer ask that we help our chapter grow by contacting any interested people. With this in mind, Pat Brown suggested that we make the handwritten notecards of appreciation given to female educators in Juniata and Mifflin County last spring an annual event. She received favorable responses from several recipients and this may help us find new members.

Under Old Business, Shirley Covert will have shoeboxes for the Shoebox Project available for pick up at the October meeting. The completed boxes will be returned in the spring. Molly Kinney suggested that any sisters who are Trivent members can form a team and submit a request for a \$250 gift card to help defray costs for the shoebox contents.

Under New Business, Shirley Covert is working on new pages for the membership handbook. Members with email can receive these pages electronically and print them off. Printed pages will be available at next meeting for those without email. Molly Kinney noted that she has a chapter facebook page up and running and asks members to "like" the site. This may be another tool to attract younger members. Clare Flynn and Bonnie Seigler are working together to initiate a program involving collaboration between DKG and the Girl Scouts in Mifflin and Juniata Counties. Brownies up to Ambassadors can follow a suggested curriculum and earn a patch while learning about the girl scouts and DKG purposes. With a motion made by Clare Flynn and seconded by Jennie McCardle, the project was approved. DKG will provide the patches.

Several Fundraising opportunities were discussed. At each monthly meeting a raffle basket donated by a member will be available. Proceeds will benefit the scholarship fund. Jill Funk was the lucky winner of the September basket and the scholarship fund earned \$36. Tonya Tabb and Tena Kauffman volunteered to provide the baskets for the October and December meetings. Molly Kinney discussed the creation of our 2nd Edition Cookbook. (Sales of our first edition generated \$150.) She stressed that to create the next cookbook all sisters will need to supply 3-5 recipes and connect them to book titles. All recipes should be sent to Joy Sheaffer who will compile them. Project deadlines will be in newsletter. We would like the cookbooks finished and ready for sale at next year's State Convention.

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Finally a paint party in March is being considered. We need volunteers to coordinate this event. Any other suggestions are welcomed.

As for Upcoming chapter events, Molly reminded us of the craft event scheduled on Nov. 10 at the Mifflin County Library. This involves book art and card making projects. More info will be in newsletter. Cindy discussed the opportunity to see "Beautiful" on Feb. 23, 2019 at the Eisenhower Theater in State College. A Sign Up Sheet of interest was passed and more info will follow. Finally, a joint Chapter Meeting with Sigma Chapter of Snyder County was discussed. More info will follow.

Cindy shared that there have been some Standing Rule Updates made at the State level. They are as follows:

Membership will be by invitation only.

No more Greek names for state organization .We will be referred to as the Pennsylvania State Organization of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, formerly known as Alpha Alpha State.

A candidate becomes a member when her dues are paid and not when she is initiated.

"Initiate" has been replaced with the word "induct" to have less of a sorority connotation.

Initiation can be held at any time or not at all.

Dues have been aligned with the fiscal year. This means that dues collected by October 31, 2019 will be paid again in June for 2020.

Electronic voting is permitted.

Our chapter will have to update our Standing rules to align with the changes.

With a motion made by Pam Kennedy and seconded by Molly Kinney, the meeting was adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Respectively submitted,

Beverly Berich, Recording Secretary

Members in Attendance

Fran Mackneer	Cindy Kennedy	Clare Flynn	Bev Berich	Shirley Schlegel
Tonya Tabb	Bonnie Seigler	Pat Brown	Kay Varner	Tena Kauffman
Jennie McCardle	Nancy Chrismer	Jill Funk	Deb Filson	Pam Kennedy

