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PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

When I flip the page of my calendar to October, I start to get a rush of excitement and a little anxiety as my mind starts to think “Next month is November, in which I have one concert, two festivals, and Thanksgiving....and then the next month is December and I have about ten concerts, and I’ll have to get ready for Christmas....and then its 2018!!”

I’m sure many of you are like me and are continually looking ahead at what’s next on your ‘to do list’. However, I was forced to slow down on the drive to our October 7th chapter meeting. As I was driving, I noticed how truly beautiful the shades of the autumn leaves were as they still hung onto the trees. Then at the meeting, Melanie and Cindy had beautiful fall table decorations and favors, with Melanie reading a poem about autumn (which she will share again at our Tea).

Hopefully all of you sisters will take a moment to enjoy the autumn colors, the change of the season, and the fall harvest. Take some time to fellowship with others, write some letters, read some books, take a walk, sip some pumpkin spice tea, or just relax and breathe.

Enjoy the beauty of Autumn,

Mari Grace

2017-2018

Mark Your Calendars:

Sunday, October 22-“PUMPKIN SPICE AND EVERYTHING NICE” TEA

November 4, 2017 - Initiation and meeting at Kosta’s 10AM (3 new members!)

March 24, 2018 - Chapter Meeting at Kosta’s

May 12, 2018- TRI-CHAPTER-hosted by Iota



PROJECTS

BACKPACK PROJECT

Thanks to all of your generous donations, on August 10th, we were able to fill and distribute 141 backpacks to 14 area schools!!

**Also - continue to collect throughout the year for backpack supplies, hygiene supplies, and our preschool projects

CHAPTER FUNDRAISER

Sunday, October 22, 2017 at 2PM at St. Michael's Catholic Church
in St. Michael, PA

THEME - *"Pumpkin Spice and Everything Nice Tea Party"*

How can you help?

**We will need sisters to help set up the hall on Saturday, October 21st at 10AM.

**Bring fall decorations to share for the event

**Donate cookies

**Donate baskets for the basket raffle

Lastly and most importantly - **SELL TICKETS PLEASE!!!! We are selling 100 tickets at \$20 adults/\$15 children

Amy Dobbins has created a Facebook event page that you can share to spread the word and help sell tickets.

This event will help fund all of the wonderful projects in which our chapter participates. Along with the delicious tea and food, and basket raffles, we will present two high school students from the Johnstown Youth Symphony Orchestra on violin and a guest speaker - Miss Universal - Kristina Marinkovich. This should be a fun time for all attending!!

**CELEBRATION OF 50 YEARS IN DKG -
LEORA RAGER**

At our September chapter meeting, it was an honor to present Leora Rager with a 50 year DKG membership pin. Thank you Leora, for all of your years of service to DKG and for continuing to serve and be a key woman educator!



NOMINATIONS COMMITTEE

Marcie Erickson and the Nominations committee will present the ballot of the 2018-2020 Beta Epsilon Chapter Slate of Officers at next month's chapter meeting for voting. Thank you for serving as an upcoming chapter officer. Your dedication and passion is noted and appreciated!

President - Susan Blazosky

First Vice President - Amy Dobbins

Second Vice President - Marcie Erickson

Recording Secretary - Melanie Dudak

Corresponding Secretary - Cindy McCombie

DKGNext!

DKGNext 2017 involved a diverse mix of DKG members in a weekend Think Tank event in Austin, September 29-30, 2017. Our own Marcie Erickson was selected to participate. She presented at our October meeting and will continue to update us on upcoming issues.

PROFESSIONAL GROWTH OPPORTUNITIES

Check out www.dkgef.org to take advantage of the following opportunities:

Cornetet Seminar for Professional Development Award - due November 1

Cornetet Individual Professional Development Award - due February 1

FROM OUR STATE PRESIDENT:

Barbara Gasperini asked the chapter presidents to share with their members that Margee Wolfe from Kappa Chapter will be celebrating her 95th birthday on October 21st. She has a scholarship named in her honor and has been a very active DKG member. Barbara is asking members to have a card shower for her. If you would like to participate, her address is:

Margee Wolf, 3933 Concord Street, Harrisburg, PA 17109

COMMUNICATIONS

Remember to check our chapter web page at <http://betaepsilondkgpa.weebly.com>, and our Facebook page at www.facebook.com - Beta Epsilon Chapter DKG Pennsylvania. Plus Marcie welcomes pictures and information sent to her to be added to the site as well!

Happy Fall and I hope to see all of you at our Tea fundraiser for our projects and at our November 4th meeting!