The Delta Kappa Society International Pennsylvania State Organization Chi Chapter

Spring 2024 Newsletter

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

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President's Message

Please read this newsletter carefully for information about dues for 2024-2025, upcoming social events and the state and international convention.

Get your winning trivia team together for our chapter **Trivia Night**. We are looking for Silent Auction donations and desserts. Our philanthropic endeavors are paid through this fundraiser. Thank you in advance for your support.

Finally, thank you for your support during this biennium. I have truly enjoyed serving as Chi Chapter's President. A huge thank you to the officers, committee chairs and members for your advice, encouragement and positive comments. I feel that Chi chapter has truly SOAR'ed over the last two years with members taking action, seeking opportunities, supporting each other and reflecting on the direction of our organization into the future.



IMPORTANT DATES

Chapter Business Meeting Saturday, April 20, 9:00-11:00 am **Potting Workshop** Thursday, April 25, 2024 6-8pm **Trivia Night** Thursday, May 2, 2024 6pm **Book Club** Thursday, May 9, 2024 6pm

For Upcoming State Events please check the state website.

DUES FOR 2024-2025 FISCAL YEAR

By Paula Long, Finance Chair

At our general meeting in February, the membership approved the due amounts for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. Officially, the window for payments opens **April 1, 2024**, and closes **May 31, 2024**, but you may begin remitting your checks to our treasurer Barb Andrews now. Consider sending your dues along with your RSVP and payment for our April in-person meeting.

The total for Active Members is \$80, for Reserve Members is \$35, and for Collegiate Members is \$30. The dues breakdown is as follows:

	Active	Reserve	Collegiate
International	\$40	\$20	\$20
State	\$17	\$7	\$8.50
Chi Chapter	\$22	\$7	\$0.50
State Scholarship Fee	\$1	\$1	\$1
Total	\$80	\$35	\$30

Please remit your payment to Barb Andrews before **May 31**st to maintain your membership. Barb's contact information is available in our current yearbook.

MOVING BEYOND YOUR CHAPTER IN DKG

By Eileen Little, Rules Chair

Have you thought about attending the PA State Convention or the International Convention this year? DKG is an International Organization in 17 different countries and we have 47 chapters in PA! Imagine the networking and new friends you would make by attending one or both of these conventions! These two events are opportunities for you to see the bigger picture of what DKG is all about beyond your chapter. There are excellent

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keynote speakers and personal and professional workshops. At State Convention, Anne Clifford is our International Speaker. Anne is from Alberta, Canada and will be presenting during the Leadership Seminar and convention. Cynthia Moore is our International Guest and will bring us news and updates from International. At the International Convention, Margot Shetterly, author of <u>Hidden Figures</u> and Andre Bradford, Slam Poet/Author will be our keynote speakers! At both convention there are business meetings so you can be part of the discussions and decisions for the future of DKG! Check out our Spring **Keystonian** and/or the PA State website to learn more and register for PA State Convention June 19 - 21, 2024, at the Marriott North, Pittsburgh. International's website is a wealth of information about the 2024 International Convention July 9-13, 2024, at the National Harbor, MD. Two wonderful opportunities you can drive!

MEDIA RELEASE FORMS

We are still collecting the Photo Permission forms. This allows Chi chapter to publish pictures from our chapter events. If you have not completed the form, there is still time! Use the link below.

https://forms.gle/b6ywkqbWCWZcEEhd9

PROGRAMS AND PROFESSIONAL GROWTH

By Brittany Bertoli, 1st Vice President

Our next meeting will be on Saturday, April 20 at Millersville University with our program by Lindsay Knepp from the Catherine Hershey Schools. We will also have the installation of new officers and induction of new members. Please see the invitation for more details. Please note, after this date, changes to reservation cannot be made as the count has already been confirmed. If you need to cancel after the date, you will still be responsible for payment. Thanks to the additional funds raised from other meetings, we were able to drop the price of this meeting. Please feel free to invite a guest. Looking forward to seeing you on April 20th!

If you have any future ideas for programs, please reach out to Brittany Bertoli.

THANK YOU TO ALL

By Nancy Schnelli, Projects

The Project Committee would like to thank all that contributed and helped to assemble the Millersville Student Teacher DKG gift bags. We all know what it is like to be a new teacher/ student teacher. Today there are so many demands on teachers, a little kindness and support can go a long way.



If you have any ideas for next year's projects, please share them with anyone on the committee. Chi projects is the heart of DKG in supporting education within our community.

Thank you again for all your support,

Project Committee: Amy Smith, Sue Fritz, Carol Heintzelman, Denise Calhoun, Sue Allen, and Nancy Schnelli

WAYS AND MEANS

By Anna Fulton, 2nd Vice President

Delta Kappa Gamma Trivia Night Returns!

May 2, 2024 Doors open at 6:00, food served at 6:30, trivia starts at 7:00 JOIN US FOR FOOD, FUN, DRINKS, GAMES AND PRIZES Lititz Springs Inn (formerly the General Sutter Inn) 14 E. Main Street, Lititz, PA \$30/person or Teams of: 8 players - \$220 7 players - \$190 6 players - \$170 For tickets contact Anna Fulton

Bring your family and friends for a great night of fun and games

Silent Auction - We are in need of auction items for our silent auction. If you have anything you are willing to donate, Anna will come and pick it up at your convenience. Gift cards, baskets, jewelry, purses... anything is welcome and greatly appreciated.

Desserts - We are again providing desserts for our trivia night. If you would like to donate a baked good or a monetary donation please use the link below.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/4090C49AAA729A31-48576269desserts



CONNECTING WITH CHI SISTERS

By Marj Paradise and Carol Hartley, Co-Chairs

Do you wonder how some of our less active Chi sisters are doing? Would you like to get involved with contacting and connecting? A new opportunity is being created for just that. While the information was shared at the February meeting, we later realized that the Sign-Up Sheet did not make it to all tables. Thank you for your enthusiasm for these efforts!

Many of us reach out to members and that is a wonderful thing! In an effort to expand this, we have created a committee to recruit more members to get involved. Some of the loving tasks will include sending cards, planning visits, gaining updates or even becoming a "meeting buddy" (check in with a member to assure that reservations are made, a ride is secured, etc).

Do you see yourself getting engaged in this exciting venture? Contact Marj or Carol for more information on where you would best fit in!

LET'S GET CONNECTED!

By Melissa Ostrowski

Chi Book Club

Book club will meet the on May 9, 2024 6pm, at Panera on Rohrerstown Rd. to discuss "Personal Librarian" by Marie Benedict.

Join Us for a Potting Workshop

Join Chi sisters on April 25, 2024 from 6:00-8:00 PM at **Tudbinks Nursery**, 610 Stone Hill Road, Conestoga PA 17516 for a potting workshop. Cost is \$10 payable to Marj that evening. Bring your own planter or buy one there that evening! Sandra and Marj will have refreshments to enjoy while we pot away. Potting soil and fertilizer are free. You pay for your plants/flowers. Please RSVP **before 4/11/2024** to Marj Paradise



Eighth Chi Program and Business Meeting

2022-2024 Biennium

Installation - Breakfast - Business Meeting - Induction - Program

Program: Lindsay Knepp - Catherine Hershey Schools

Saturday, April 20, 2024 9:00-11:30am

Millersville University

Gordinier Hall & Bolger Conference Center

30 South George Street, Millersville, PA 17551

University and Kline Room

Free parking across the street

The cost is **\$20.00** per person for breakfast burritos, sausage links, home fried potatoes, assorted doughnuts, fresh baked biscuits, fresh fruit, fresh coffee, assorted teas and orange juice.

Not eating? The cost is **\$10.00**.

Casual dress is encouraged.

RSVP using this <u>link</u> by April 5. Please note, after this date, changes to reservation cannot be made as the count confirmed. If you need to cancel after the date, you will still be responsible for payment.

Checks should be mailed to:

Barbara Andrews, Treasurer