

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International Pennsylvania State Organization Alpha Nu's Letter Winter Edition, 2024 Volume 9, Issue 3 Editors: Kathy Simmons & Karen Fisher

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Winter Greetings Ladies!

Kathy and I hope this finds you healthy and happy in the New Year! I had a conversation about the snow we had received earlier in January. One person had commented on the beauty of the snowfall. The other person stated that only people who don't have to shovel snow make statements like that! I would welcome the view of snow over the cloudy skies we have



had recently! I hope you had a chance to get a view of that snowfall and for those who are enjoying the weather in warmer climes, I hope the view out your window is just as lovely!

IMPORTANT UPCOMING DATES

There are some important dates coming up that we want to be sure you have marked on

your calendar. Here they are:

DKG PA State Convention at the Pittsburgh Marriott North in Cranberry Township from June 19 to June 21, 2024.



February 15	2024	Arts & Humanities Submissions for Spring Galley
March 1	2024	Album of Distinction nominations due
March 1	2024	Bulletin/Journal Submissions due
March 15	2024	Rosebud Award nominations due
May 1	2024	DKGIEF Cornetet CIPD Application due
June 19-21	2024	DKG PA Convention, Cranberry, PA
July 9-13	2024	DKG International Convention, National Harbor, MD
		1 day registration \$175.00.
		Gaylord National Resort and Convention Center, Group
		Rate, \$177.00 plus \$20.00 resort fee.
		2024 International Convention (dkg.org)

We are in the news!

Thanks to the skill of our wordsmiths Assunta Deliman and Kathy Simmons, Alpha Nu has been in print lately. Look for our article in the *Newtown.Gazette*, *Yardley.Voice?or. Morrisville.Times* written by Assunta. It provided a spotlight on our Comfort Bags program and also gave some attention to the good works at the Kin Wellness Center. Look for Kathy Simmons' article on our Write Read Write program in the DKG International website. We are featured in "Project Spotlight", and I am providing the link, but you will need your 6-digit member number to sign in. It is on the roster that Isabel sends out to us. Here is the link: <u>Project Spotlight (dkg.org)</u>

Looking Back

Our December meeting was an enjoyable day filled with laughter and plenty of cheer! We had the chance to raise money for our grants-in-aid with our always popular Cookie Raffle. After the



business meeting, we got down to the program which was a spirited game of Gift Exchange Bingo. It was a wonderful way to kick off the month. Unfortunately, our trolley tour of Princeton for the next day was cancelled due to weather, but thanks to Carole Harris and Janice Gibson for processing the refunds for the participants.

LOOKING AHEAD...



At our March 2 meeting, we look forward to Chico's Fashion Show with Alpha Nu live models. The photo at left is not a recreation of the event. If you participated in Write Read Write, don't forget to bring your book to the March meeting. If you can't make it to the meeting, plan to get your book to Kathy Gabriel or a member who is attending the meeting. Also, while at the March meeting, discover who will guide Alpha Nu forward in the 2024-2026 term. More on that from Joyce Bigley...

DKG Nominations Committee Report

Ladies, we are progressing with our search for women to serve as officers for the 2024-2026 term. At this time, we have half our offices filled (!), but need to fill a few others. Please contact Joyce Bigley or Lynn Gordon if you would like to volunteer your service for the next two years as one of Alpha Nu's officers. **We love volunteers!** Joyce and Lynn will continue to call members to complete the officer's slate for March 2. Thank you so much ahead of time!

Editors' Note: Don't miss this opportunity to develop a deeper relationship with your sisters in DKG and also gain a better understanding of the society. There are many ways you can be involved which can range from serving on the Nominations Committee to overseeing Write Read Write. Of course, the penultimate opportunity is to serve on the Executive Committee!

Book Club

The last book selection, *Tom Lake*, was discussed in January. Beth Auwarter kindly led the discussion which had received some mixed reviews from the group. Mary Lelinski reports that the next book for the book club will be *Horse* by Geraldine Brooks. The group enjoyed the private room and lunch at Greystone so much last time they will meet there again on Thursday, April 4 at 12:30 PM.



Mark Your Calendar

Activities Committee Co-Chair Cathy Caliguiri has lined up *Grease* in New Hope for Wednesday, August 21, 2024. She is not asking for signup or money yet.

Books and Blankets News!

Thanks to our B&B ladies Linda Seifried and Alice Kirby for coming through! After a last-minute request from Americans for Native Americans, Alpha Nu was able to provide 7 more sets of books and blankies for families in New Mexico at this holiday season.

Wishing you all the best as we enter February!