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2001 Regional Conference in Boston

Partnerships: Advancing Teaching and Learning

by Ruth Glotfelty, Kappa, and Susan Stamm, Lambda

A Bostonian welcome was given to Delta Kappa Gamma members as they arrived at the Sheraton Boston Hotel and Towers.

The conference theme, "Partnerships: Advancing Teaching and Learning," was carried out throughout the convention with opportunities to attend workshops, tours, and other activities.

The Northeast Conference began with the presentation of the flags to kick off Massachusetts Night. The Mayor of Boston extended his greetings and best wishes for a successful convention. It was gratifying to hear how supportive he is of teachers and education. Young and old entertained with a musical extravaganza. Step dancers, a tap dancer, and male and female choral groups delighted all present.

Dr. Theresa Fecek, retiring Executive Coordinator, was honored with a reception hosted by the Massachusetts State Organization. Dr. Fecek is presently working on gathering data to update the history of the Society.

Evelyn Barron, 1998-2000 International President, has assumed the duties of Executive Coordinator.

Donna Brown, Northeast Regional Director, welcomed all to the 72nd year of Delta Kappa Gamma at the Thursday morning meeting. Gracious greetings came from the Sheraton Hotel. Mary Grace McAffrey commented that the hotel staff had been inspired by all our members and our infectious smiling.

Roll call was made with 638 members in attendance. Pennsylvania had 37 members present.

The keynote speaker, Anne Marie Carlson, Member-at-Large, stepping in for Olara Otunna of the United Nations, challenged us to be more aware of the conditions children are exposed to in fifty countries. We viewed a video, "Children in the Crossfire," which told of the atrocities of war visited upon children. "Words to deeds to action" was the message.

International President Carol Mueller related that it was time for our Society to take "words to action" and make strategic planning more proactive.

On Friday morning nearly 300 members attended the U. S. Forum.

Proposals were presented to establish an advocate to represent Delta Kappa Gamma in the nation's capitol. After much discussion, Option 4—Application for Foundation—received the overwhelming majority of votes at the Northeast Regional Conference. Votes from the other regional conferences will need to be tallied before the final outcome will be announced. There are still a lot of finer details that need to be worked out. We will be hearing more about this in the near future as to exactly how this will all fit together. Members were encouraged to take part in the National Legislative Seminar in Washington, D. C., in March 2002.

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Alpha Alpha State delegation to the 2001 Northeast Regional Conference

Alpha Alpha State President's Message

by Louise Garverick



"DWELL IN POSSIBILITY"
—Emily Dickinson

Not being privy to the facts of the history of tomorrow, I am writing to you not knowing what events will take place in the interlude between the terrorist events of September and the time when you are reading this message.

We Americans have had our sense of security shaken to our very core, yet we are determined to rebound with the sureness that has made our country great.

As key women educators who share a common direction and have a keen sense of purpose, we may face unexpected ramifications from the assault on our country. Now, more than ever, we will seek out new possibilities in the field of education, each of us within the realms of our expertise.

We will find ourselves as partners in community programs, working together with others to help children and families. We will always be identified with Education and will often be sought out for guidance in educational matters. Our leadership will impact our communities in many positive ways.

Let us continue to practice in our professions and embrace our goals with enthusiasm! There has never been a better time than now to "dwell in possibility."

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Dr. Irene Murphy Named Recipient of 2001

Alpha Alpha State Achievement Award

by Rosemary Hulsman



A former "first lady" of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Dr. Irene Murphy, was honored at the Alpha Alpha State Convention in June, 2001. Dr. Murphy was presented with the 2001 State Achievement Award for her years of dedicated service at the International, state and local levels.

In recommending her for this award, Carole G. Hostetter of Nu Chapter described Dr. Murphy in this way: "Dr. Irene Murphy has always been visible in the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International at all levels of membership. She is stately and poised when presenting herself at any function. She goes the second mile by being persistent regardless of the obstacles in her way. She is a wonderful training leader for the state and her local chapter. She is responsible and caring and task-committed in her approach to all jobs. There are never any loose ends, as she is detailed and thorough in her approach to tasks. All sisters dealing in any way with Dr. Murphy will find her warm, friendly and wonderful to be around."

Alpha Alpha State was always proud of Dr. Murphy as she traveled the world representing the Society as International president. In 1997 she received the International Achievement Award at the Northeast Regional in Sweden. She was also the recipient of an International Scholarship as well as being selected as a participant in the Golden Gift Leadership Management Seminar.

Dr. Murphy wears many hats as a wife, a mother, a golfer and, since retirement, a substitute teacher in all areas from music to woodworking.

No one deserves the Alpha Alpha State Achievement Award more than Dr. Murphy. Congratulations, Irene. ♡

Alpha Alpha State Officers and Committee Chairmen Meet

by Susan Stamm, Lambda

On August 11 and 12, 2001, the newly elected state officers and newly appointed committee chairmen met at the Best Western Country Cupboard in Lewisburg. After dinner on Friday, the officers held an evening meeting. President Louise Garverick presented her goals for the biennium: teamwork among officers and members, better communication, membership increase, recognition as an Act 48 provider, recognition of educational endeavors across the state, legislative awareness, and emphasis on programs and projects. The other officers who heard the president express her goals were First Vice-President Carol Ulrich, Second Vice-President Lyn Schmid, Recording Secretary Sue Stamm, Treasurer Linda Fisher, Parliamentarian Suzanne Long, Immediate Past President Polly Delaney, Leadership Development Chairman Terri Stetler, and Rules Committee Chairman Rebecca Place.

Other pertinent business conducted during the evening was an explanation by Terri Stetler about the new structure for the Fall Area Meetings. This year there are three area meetings with a variety of workshops carrying Act 48 credit. Two fall area meetings will be planned next year to train all incoming chapter officers and committee chairmen. These working society meetings will be continued in even-numbered years. Beginning in 2003 and continuing in odd-numbered years, several chapters will be clustered together, and the meetings will address problems and concerns.

Plans for the 2002 State Convention to be held at the Penn State on June 7-9 were also made. President Garverick has asked Dr. Sarah Tambucci, principal from the Pittsburgh area, to be Keynote Speaker.

There will be a Gallery Challenge for personal exhibits and a roundtable discussion on the Focus 2000 proposals, along with the familiar activities. The president planned to include in her letter to chapter presidents the proposal form for workshop presentations. (The form also appears on page 19 of this *Keystonian*.) There will be 24 chapters celebrating birthdays at the Birthday Luncheon. (See page 14.)

During the first hour on Saturday morning, committee chairmen had the opportunity to pass materials and/or information on to the newly appointed women. Then the whole group convened, and President Garverick restated her goals for her biennium. The new committee chairmen were introduced and had the opportunity to make comments.

The resignation of Nancy E. James as editor of *The Keystonian* was accepted with regret and thanks. Alpha Alpha State is now soliciting applications for that position.

Polly Delaney, Nominations Chairman, is looking for women who would be willing to be nominated for International participation. She reminded those present that next year chapters will be requested to furnish information about new officers and committee chairmen for inclusion in the state directory. Irene Murphy moved to support the nomination of Jean Gray for International President.

Suzanne Long summarized data from the 2001 State Convention evaluations. Although there was only a 37% response, it was the consensus of the group to continue with the evaluations because they provide valuable feedback and help in planning for future conventions. ☺

2001 Recipients of Alpha Alpha State Scholarships and Enrichment Grants



Scholarship recipients, L-R: Royce Ann Boyd, Alpha Beta, Laura Braun Award; Diana S. Duncan, Alpha Sigma, Margaret Wolf Award; Rochelle P. Evanousky, Xi, Dr. Irene Murphy Award; Karen Lynn Lindbergh, Beta Epsilon, Blanche Foster Award; F. Kay Stuart, Pi, Past State Presidents Memorial Award. Not pictured: Barbara Jablonski Lipo, Alpha Rho, Carolyn Davis Award.



Enrichment Grant recipients, L-R: Jane A. Carney, Gamma; Margaret Y. Krider, Gamma; Helen E. Page, Gamma; Dolores A. Stout, Beta Xi; Anna F. Wolfe, Gamma; Mary F. Kinney accepting for Joan P. Moore, Gamma. Not pictured: Mary Jo Kramer, Alpha Upsilon; Kim Y. Young, Eta.

2001 Northeast Regional Conference

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The Birthday Luncheon celebrating our 72nd was held on Friday. Grace Corrigan, Christa McAuliffe's mother, was a speaker.

The Educator's Award for 2001 was presented to Carol Maxym and Leslie B. York for their book *Teens in Turmoil: A Path to Change for Parents, Adolescents, and Their Families*. Leslie York accepted the award. The book was available for purchase after the luncheon.

During the luncheon the Emergency Fund collections was made. This fund is used to help members in need if a disaster strikes. The collection totaled \$3,214.48.

At the second General Session on Saturday morning, brief reports on Society business were given. The Educational Foundation reported that over \$2 million was given for educational purposes in the Society. The final registration totals were 670, of which 118 were one-day registrations. This was the first time ever for one-day registrations at a conference like this.

Invitations for conventions and conferences were issued by Little Rock for 2002, Greenbrier for 2003, and Cleveland for 2007.

Saturday evening the Presidents and Founders Banquet was held. Our own Louise Garverick and Polly Delaney represented Pennsylvania. The highlight of the evening was the presentation of the International Achievement Award. Jean Gray, Maryland, was selected. In her remarks earlier in the evening, Jean said, "If the light goes out in the chapter, the organization ceases to exist." Think about this statement as our membership is decreasing. We all need to work to make this light shine brighter.

Pennsylvania was well represented throughout the conference. Many members were timers, presenters, presidors, and recorders for general sessions and workshops.

The 2001 Northeast Regional Conference was truly a laboratory for teaching and learning. Each of us experienced opportunities for personal and professional growth, with the historic city of Boston as our classroom. ♡

Position available June 30, 2002:

EDITOR, *The Keystonean*, Alpha Alpha State Newsletter

Honorarium and other benefits

Applicants should possess excellent word-processing skills and be familiar with newsletter design and layout techniques. Apply by March 1, 2002 to Michelle

Committee on Teaching about the United Nations Environment, Education & the United Nations: Working Toward Sustainable Development CTAUN Conference, Friday, January 11, 2002 United Nations Headquarters First Avenue and 46th Street, New York City

This conference for educators interested in learning more about current environmental issues, along with the related work of the United Nations and its agencies, is open to all Delta Kappa Gamma members. Prominent speakers from organizations actively engaged in environmental and sustainable development issues will present; panels showcasing student and school environmental projects will be featured; and an information fair, sharing complimentary teacher resources, will be included. The registration fee for the day is \$30.

At the start of the 21st century, no issue looms larger than the global environment and its many problems. Increasing pollution, devastating storms, and advancing deserts sound the alarm for the future of our well-being on planet Earth. Increasing world population and the need to fight poverty put further strains on the environment. None of these threats can be confined within one nation or even one continent. None of them will go away any time soon. That is why we need to give our children the best possible education on this complex issue, so that when their time comes, they will be able to act knowledgeably and wisely on behalf of us all.

The United Nations is uniquely equipped to help us to think clearly about all aspects of the environment. In 1992 the UN led the way by focusing on the issue at the UN Conference on Environment and Development in Rio de Janeiro, and soon the UN will hold a 10-year evaluation of this landmark event. This time there is an added dimension: how to fight the battle against poverty through sustainable development that does not increase pollution or desertification. Progress has not been easy, as is shown by the recent controversy over the Kyoto Protocol on Climate Change.

CTAUN is pleased to make the global environment the focus of its 2002 conference for educators at the United Nations and to make available to all participants the fascinating range of resources the UN has been gathering since Rio to enable teachers to come to grips with this critical subject which is crucial to the survival of us all.

For more information: (1) Please look at CTAUN's website at www.teachun.org; (2) Contact Anne-Marie



Collaborate— Communicate— Commit

by Carol Ulrich, Program Chairman

"Dwell in possibility" is President Garverick's theme for our new biennium, and in light of the events of September 11th we need that kind of encouragement and motivation. The program theme, "Education in a Global Community: Collaborate, Communicate and Commit for an Optimal Future" continues to be the focus of planning for the next year. A new program manual will be approved in Little Rock next summer and be available for 2003 planning. Continue to use the team approach in preparing your programs, and *collaborate, communicate and commit* your chapter's team to making your programs the best they can be.

Since most of your program planning may be completed, it is now time to prepare your legacy for the next biennium. May I suggest the following from the present program manual:

CARE

- ♦ Create an action plan for Personal Growth & Services
- ♦ Apply information to Professional Affairs
- ♦ Realize the ramifications through Research
- ♦ Emphasize important aspects with Music and other Arts

The state Program committee is available to assist you in your future planning and to provide resources. The chairmen are listed below. Please contact them directly with concerns or ideas.

Program of Work Committee



The Legislative Link

by Patricia A. Shedlock
US Forum State Liaison

Do it! Just do it! These words seemed to be the message Delta Kappa Gamma members received at the Northeast Regional Conference in Boston, as they were urged to become active in legislative matters.

- ✓ Know your legislators.
- ✓ Make an appointment to visit them and go as a team.
- ✓ Know what causes are important to you and back them up with documentation (pictures, news articles, board reports).
- ✓ Have an agenda.
- ✓ Take information with you about the Delta Kappa Gamma Society.
- ✓ Make your voice be heard.

To quote Plato, "You will be governed by your inferiors if you don't get active in politics."

A lively and controversial exchange took place regarding the proposal for a Legislative Advocate. Option 4, Application for Foundation, was chosen by the Northeast Regional members as the way to implement the legislative advocate position. This means the US Forum Committee would apply for nonprofit status. The foundation would apply for grants to train members to advocate for education, women, and children's issues. It could provide scholarships for members to attend the national Legislative Seminar. ☞

Theta Chapter Wins Newsletter Contest

by Michelle Sama, Communications Chairman

The Thetan Tatler is the winner of the Communications Committee's newsletter contest. Congratulations to editors Janet Falkowski and Jennifer O'Connor, and past editor Jennifer Cohill. The *Tatler* is informative, artfully arranged, and timely. Look to future *Keystonians* for interesting ideas from Theta and other participating chapters.

Twenty-eight chapters participated in the newsletter contest. They were Theta, Beta Theta, Alpha Sigma, Omega, Alpha Upsilon, Beta Kappa, Alpha Phi, Alpha Rho, Alpha Nu, Beta Beta, Alpha Beta, Alpha Omicron, Chi, Eta, Alpha Kappa, Alpha, Beta Rho, Kappa, Omicron, Alpha Pi, Tau, Alpha Tau, Alpha Delta, Nu, Lambda, Beta Phi, Beta Delta, and Phi. The committee has collected many great ideas to share with you over the next year. If you would like to share your chapter's ideas, send newsletters or notes to Michelle Sama, 169 W. Main St., Westfield, PA 16950. ☞

Projects Update



by Haddie Weber, Projects Chairman

"Thank you" to all of our chapters who have been so supportive and active in projects during the past biennium.

Special recognition goes to Beta Pi Chapter. Barbara Giuffrida and her chapter have made 72 quilts for the ABC Quilt Project. Books were donated by the members and packaged with each quilt. Thanks to the chapter for outstanding work and love put into this project.

Thanks to the other chapters who brought quilts to the state convention or gave them to their area coordinators. At the time of this writing, more than 300 quilts have been donated.

At the convention, chapters were presented with certificates indicating the number of quilts donated. If your chapter donated quilts and did not receive a certificate, please contact me, and I will make sure this is taken care of immediately. Also, please let me know if you need quilt labels, or if I can be of assistance in any other way. Remember that Jo-Ann Fabrics gives a 10% discount to teachers.

This biennium's projects will be the continuation of ABC Quilts and Parents Anonymous. If you were unable to attend a Fall Area Conference, please check with your chapter president for the information.

At the fall conferences, members assembled packets for Parents Anonymous. This activity not only saved Parents Anonymous many hours of staff time, but also gave our sisters a hands-on project that united them in fellowship with one another.

Parents Anonymous, Inc., is committed to providing a culturally responsive service that meets the diverse needs of families across America. Parents Anonymous programs integrate the values, languages, and strengths of local communities. Parents Anonymous has been strengthening families in Pennsylvania since 1974 and is a vital partner in the prevention and treatment of child abuse. Fall conference packets contained a list of Parents Anonymous affiliates in each county. If you need to contact Parents Anonymous, call 1-800-448-4906 or see www.parentsanonymousofpa.org.

Remember that April is Blue Ribbon Campaign for Child Abuse Prevention Month. More information about our involvement will be forthcoming.

Thank you for all your support and encourage-

Visual & Performing Arts

Committee Chairman, Shirley Newhart



As state chairman of Visual and Performing Arts, I feel it is important to introduce myself and to share my philosophy and how I envision my service to Delta Kappa Gamma.

I am Shirley Newhart, elementary vocal music educator for the Lower Dauphin School District near Harrisburg, church organist and choir director at St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Middletown, wife, and mother of three children ages 20, 17, and 16. I have been a member of Delta Kappa Gamma for three years and have served as "cheerleader" at the 2000 State Convention and guitarist for the 2001 State Convention. I have also sung in the state chorus under the direction of Florence Sherwood for the past two years. My experience as a music educator has included elementary, secondary, and college levels, and vocal and instrumental music. I have also taught piano, organ, guitar, and voice privately.

In preparation for the area meeting and fall area conferences, I have thought about ways in which I integrate the arts into my classroom and how I can best share that information with you. Although my presentation time at these meetings is brief, I have made an effort to share activities that will, hopefully, encourage you to incorporate the arts into your life, be it for personal enjoyment or for your students' enrichment.



Cheerleader Shirley

Looking forward to a great year,
Shirley Davis Newhart



Membership Milestones



Birthday Chapters



The following Alpha Alpha State Chapters will be honored at the Birthday Luncheon, Saturday, June 8, 2002, at the Penn Stater Conference Center

60 YEARS

Delta, December 5, 1942
Gamma, March 28, 1942

55 YEARS

Upsilon, November 22, 1947
Tau, November 15, 1947
Sigma, November 1, 1947
Rho, September 27, 1947
Pi, September 20, 1947
Omicron, September 20, 1947
Xi, June 28, 1947
Nu, June 6, 1947
Mu, May 3, 1947
Lambda, April 26, 1947
Kappa, April 12, 1947
Iota, March 1, 1947
Theta, February 15, 1947
Eta, February 8, 1947

45 YEARS

Alpha Rho, November 23, 1957
Alpha Pi, June 8, 1957
Alpha Omicron, May 1, 1957

40 YEARS

Beta Epsilon, October 6, 1962
Beta Delta, May 19, 1962
Beta Gamma, May 19, 1962
Beta Beta, May 19, 1962
Beta Alpha, April 28, 1962

ALPHA ALPHA STATE WELCOMES NEW MEMBERS

Alpha Rho

Laurie M. Ayre
Linda M. Houck
Jacquelyn J. Kelly
Nancy M. McLaughlin
Marita Mike

Alpha Nu

Jacqueline L. Cloud
Carol J. Kalbact
Gail T. Mastropietro
Nancy A. Murray
Millicent Cameron Neff
Shelley P. Perry
Gerry F. Sproesser

Beta Delta

Wendy Brouillete
Mary E. California
Bonnie Church
Carol L. Sizemore



In Memoriam

Theta

Mrs. Gladys B. Shaner
April 29, 2001

Pi

Miss Wilda B. Wilcox
August 6, 2001

Chi

Miss Dorothy E. Jackson
February 2, 2001

Alpha Beta

Miss Dorothy G. Felton
January 18, 2001

Alpha Kappa

Mrs. Inez Parker
July 30, 2001

Beta Alpha

Miss Clara J. Kracsun
February 19, 2001
Mrs. Margaret H. Williams
January 31, 2001

Beta Zeta

Mrs. Alice Lockhart
June 14, 2001
Mrs. Gwendolyn Nicholson
July 30, 2001

Beta Iota

Mrs. Elizabeth C. Bitner
July 21, 2001

Speaking of celebrations . . .



*Happy 25th Birthday to
Puerto Rico State Organization!*

Who Can Be Invited to Active Membership?

A Suggested Chapter Discussion

by Dr. Lyn B. Schmid, State Membership Chairman

Although the final decision regarding membership is the responsibility of the individual chapter, each chapter must adhere to the *Constitution and Standing Rules of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International* in recommending women educators for membership.

The interpretation of the following phrases in both official documents needs to be discussed by each chapter in order to realize that there is great flexibility in searching for and acquiring new members:

- ❖ "women who are employed in educational work at the time of election"
"employed shall mean currently hired by an employer and/or paid a salary or fee for specific educational services"
- ❖ "have had three or more years of experience as professional educators"
"teaching shall be interpreted to include one-to-one as well as group instruction"

A chapter discussion of the above phrases might raise the following questions:

Can we invite pre-school and nursery school educators? Central office personnel involved in instruction? Full-time aides who work in the classroom?

Can we invite professional educators who tutor? Or who teach music or art on a one-to-one basis?

Can we invite librarians instructing in public libraries? Religious educators? Businesswomen responsible for employee training?

Can we invite registered nurses involved in patient education programs? Psychologists, social workers, policewomen directly involved with students on a regular basis?

Are there other professional educators that the chapter could invite if the chapter is in agreement and if the educator meets the flexible membership description in the *Constitution and Standing Rules*?

The answers to the above questions are YES! Any of the women described above could be invited to membership—IF THE CHAPTER AGREES. No decision should make a member in the chapter uncomfortable, nor would it be fair to a new member who was initiated into a chapter in which she would feel she was not welcomed by part of the chapter.

Other questions that a chapter might ask are: What about a president of a PTO? A regular volunteer in a school? A school photographer? A retired educator?

The answers to these questions are NO. If the women are not professional educators, currently employed in educational work, they are not eligible for active membership in the Society.

The Alpha Alpha State Membership Committee urges your chapter to discuss this membership information as you consider how to bring in new, active members to help you grow and thrive. The discussion could strengthen your chapter! 🔑

NEWS FROM THE CHAPTERS

Alpha Upsilon

Delta Kappa Gamma is truly a gift that keeps on giving. Evidence of this appeared in an interesting way at Alpha Upsilon Chapter. This biennium, Jessica Asbaugh has the rewarding task of heading the selection committee to select a girl to receive the chapter's Grant in Aid. Jessica is proud to be at the head of this committee because she had received this award from Alpha Theta Chapter in 1990. She went on to graduate from Indiana University of Pennsylvania and now teaches second grade. Alpha Upsilon Chapter was pleased to present this year's gift to Jessica Speer, a Burrell High School graduate, to help with her educational pursuits at Penn State University, Altoona. Jessica's aspiration is to become an elementary teacher. Hopefully, Jessica will also be a future Delta Kappa Gamma candidate.

Submitted by Carolyn Sutton, Communications Chairman



L-R: Alpha Upsilon Grant-in-Aid Chairman, Jessica Asbaugh; Jessica Speer; her mother, Kimberly Speer.

Alpha Alpha

Alpha Alpha Chapter hosted the first of the three fall area meetings in Bethlehem on Saturday, September 15. In spite of the acts of terrorism to our nation on September 11, forty-one Delta Kappa Gamma sisters gathered to partake of the workshops offered for Act 48 credit.

State officers Patricia Shedlock and Haddie Weber offered sessions on "Awareness! Advocacy! Action!" and Parents Anonymous. Alpha Alpha Chapter provided workshops on writing memoirs and on the arts in the Lehigh Valley area. "Writing Memoirs" was conducted by Jim Comerford, an eighth grade language arts teachers, whose presentation included many handouts of samples on how to get students to become better writers. We learned that there is a difference between memoirs and autobiographies. In memoirs, one can select a theme and be more flexible in the writing. The workshop on the state of the arts in Lehigh Valley was presented by Lynn Berkowitz of the Allentown Art Museum and Dr. Susan Allport-Schneider, Art Department Chair at Kutztown University. The workshop included colorful, educational slides of the various programs offered by the museum. The proposed Academic Standards for Arts and Humanities in Pennsylvania was reviewed.

A handmade afghan knitted by Alpha Alpha's Mary Ann Catino was raffled off to a lucky Delta Kappa Gamma sister.

Submitted by Mary Louise Russo, Alpha Alpha President

Chi

Deb's House—A Safe Place

from Chi Chapter Newsletter, September 2001

"A safe place for families in crisis," reads the byline for Deb's House. Deb's House is a 24-hour crisis nursery serving Lancaster County children ages birth through 6 years. . . . A parent may call Deb's House to arrange for care of the children during a difficult situation at home. Children remain in the parents' custody during their stay at Deb's House. The family must be willing to work toward long-term stability. Case management services provide individualized guidance and referrals to community support. Counseling assists the family in resolving the current crisis. Parent education and supports are offered.

On August 29, members of the [Chapter] Personal Growth and Services Committee had a working lunch with the staff from Deb's House. We toured their homey, child-friendly facility on North Duke Street. The Deb's House Mission supports Delta Kappa Gamma's goal of working to prevent child abuse. They offered us many suggestions to support their efforts.

Deb's House is working diligently acquiring grants to complete a third-floor play room. Developmentally appropriate toys, books, and art materials will fill this sunlit room. Our committee is enthusiastic about assisting in furnishing this room and in actively participating in other service options. Our woman-power and financial resources will be well used in this community linkage.

Roseanne Rogers

NEWS FROM THE CHAPTERS

Theta

from The Thetan Tattler, Vol. VII, Fall Issue

A first-time event at this year's conference at Penn State was the Great Cookie Challenge. Theta's entry was delicious nut horns, compliments of Judy Karavlan. There wasn't a crumb left on the plate, so we know that they were enjoyed by all. A great big thanks to Judy for her time and wonderful recipe. Here's her recipe for everyone to enjoy!

Judy's Nut Horns

Combine:

2 heaping cups of creamed cottage cheese

½ lb. butter

½ lb. margarine

½ cup sugar

2 tsp. vanilla

Mix in mixer until fine.

Mix in 4 cups of flour by hand. Mixture will be

wet. Scoop out approximately ½ cup=1 ball.

Wrap each ball in plastic wrap, place in plastic bag, and freeze at least overnight. Recipe makes anywhere from 8 to 12 balls=8 to 12 dozen nut horns.

Roll each ball between wax paper. Roll in a circle approximately the size of a dinner plate and freeze flat on a cookie sheet. Must be frozen before cutting into 12 pieces like a pie.

Put on nut mixture. Roll big parts to small (roll while a little frozen). Place on ungreased cookie sheet, sprinkle with sugar before baking at 375° for 15 minutes or until lightly brown.

Nut mixture:

1 ½ lb. ground nuts (grind twice)

3 egg whites (slightly beaten by hand)

1 ½ c. sugar (not real wet)

(Judy uses 2 lbs. nuts, 4 egg whites, 2 cups sugar.)



Beta Mu

It all began in 1988 at Alpha Alpha State Convention, when Beta Mu Chapter celebrated its 25th anniversary. During the birthday celebration, President Deanna Jackson and eleven Beta Mu sisters presented a hat show of some 70 hats. Deanna, author of the original script, and her Beta Mu sisters soon discovered that their "Hysterical Historical Hat Show" was a good source of income for their scholarship fund. Today the shows continue to entertain and educate audiences with models presenting a unique variety of hats from the 1800s to the present day. In addition, Beta Mu awards scholarships yearly to young women studying to become teachers. Hats off to each and every Beta Mu model for their continued dedication to a very worthwhile cause. Your fellow members salute you!

Submitted by Judy Morgitan, Chapter President



L-R: Betty Buckwalter, Janet Getz, Jean Wright, Judy Morgitan

Beta Iota

The Council for Public Education has honored Susan Schubert, a member of Beta Iota Chapter, as Outstanding Special Education Teacher for this school year. The Council is the Capital Region coordinator of support for public education. The award is given at the annual Excellence in Education Dinner at the Hershey Lodge and Convention Center. Susan will receive \$500 and her district will receive \$500. The George M. Leader Family Corporation underwrites the awards.

Susan teaches at Schaeffer Elementary School in the Camp Hill School District. She has taught special education for 26 years. Besides Camp Hill, Susan has taught at Penn State University and for International Unit 13 in Palmyra. Susan's nomination for this award notes her ability in specialized education differentiating each student's strengths and needs.

Susan has worked on a variety of committees for Beta Iota and is currently on the Social Committee.

Submitted by Beth Aciri-Bowen, Communications Chairman



Award Recipients Sought...



Applications Being Received for Scholarships, Grants

Alpha Alpha State Scholarships and Enrichment Grants are available to members in good standing who have held membership for at least three years.

Scholarships will be offered for graduate study leading to an advanced degree or certification, or toward job/self improvement. Credit may be earned during a regular or summer term at an accredited college/university.

A scholarship recipient may apply more than one time, but an individual's total may not exceed the maximum of \$3,500.

Enrichment Grants will be awarded for enrollment in an Elderhostel program, continuing education for personal and professional growth, a travel/study tour, or to develop an approved independent study project or to present a paper to a professional organization.

An Enrichment Grant recipient may receive a one-time award in each of the following categories:

1. Elderhostel or continuing education
2. Travel/study
3. Individual project, research project, or presentation of a paper.

An applicant may not receive more than \$2,500 from Enrichment Grant monies. The following "Alpha Alpha State Scholarship Award Point System" will be used as criteria for selection:

1. Proposed use of scholarship (30 pts.)
 - a. Purpose of proposed graduate work or graduate travel/study.
 - b. Projected time plan
 - c. Extent to which required courses are completed
 - d. Use of scholarship money
 - e. Status of dissertation (doctoral candidate)
2. Society participation (30 pts.)

Officer, Committee Chairman, Committee Membership at Chapter, State, and/or International levels; attendance, participation, responsibilities at conventions/meetings in areas, states, regions, or at International level.
3. Professional involvement (20 pts.)
 - a. Professional organizations
 - b. Job-related activities
 - c. Special honors/awards/publications
 - d. Professional letters of recommendation
4. Other involvement (10 pts.)

Community activities/awards/honors

Application Deadline: February 1, 2002

Contact Nancy Sprenkle, State Scholarship

State Achievement Award Nominations Requested

Nominations are now being received for the Alpha Alpha State Achievement Award, which will be presented in June, 2002 at the State Convention.

Guidelines appear below. Nomination forms were distributed at the Area Meetings in September/October, 2001. Please submit applications by **CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**, postmarked by

ACHIEVEMENT AWARD GUIDELINES Revised 1998

1. Purpose: The purpose of the Alpha Alpha State (Pennsylvania) Achievement Award is to recognize and honor a member who has given distinguished and outstanding service to Alpha Alpha State and has promoted the purposes and the policies of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.

2. Criteria for Selection:

- A. The nominee must be presently an active member of Alpha Alpha State. (Reserve and honorary members are not eligible for this award.)
- B. The nominee must have a minimum of ten years' membership in Alpha Alpha State of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International.
- C. The nominee must have served in a leadership role in her chapter as president or vice-president and must have contributed to the work of chapter committees.
- D. The nominee must have given distinguished and outstanding service to Alpha Alpha State in two of the following leadership roles:
 1. As a consultant or a leader in the conducting of seminars and/or workshops at the state and/or international level.
 2. As general chairman or co-chairman of an activity at a state convention, regional conference, and/or international convention.
 3. As a state, regional, and/or international committee chairman and/or state officer.
- E. The nominee must have been endorsed by either her chapter's executive board or another chapter's executive board with the prior approval of the executive board of the nominee's chapter.
- F. Each chapter has the privilege each year of nominating one member of Alpha Alpha State for this honor. It should be emphasized that the award is given for leadership, not merely the discharge of duties.
- G. Chapters have the privilege and are encouraged to resubmit names of previous nominees who have not been selected. The State Achievement Award Committee maintains all nominations for five (5) years. Any chapter wishing to resubmit a name for nomination must complete the add-on nomination sheet in order for that nominee to be considered for the award another year.
- H. No member may receive the award a second time.
- I. No state officer shall be eligible for the award during her term of office.
- J. The award is presented on an annual basis.
- K. The nominee's chapter Membership and Research committee chairmen may be contacted for information to be used in preparation of the nomination form.