

# Beta Kappa Banter



December- January

2016- 2017

Beverly Utz

President

## President's Message

### The Gift of Imagination

“Imagination is everything. It is the preview of life's coming attractions.”

Albert Einstein

Big blankets, warm summer nights, and a sky full of stars are the perfect setting for lying on the grass, watching for shooting stars, and thinking up stuff. Can you tell I love summer? Under these circumstances, it is easy to just let our imaginations run wild. Our imaginations are among our greatest gifts. The trouble is, many of us never exercise our imaginations. We just live our lives as though our present world is the best it can be. Deep down, though, we know it can be better. It will just take a little imagination-and work-on our part.

Today, I will give my imagination free rein. May I imagine that you and your family and friends have a most blessed and wonderful holiday season. Since dreaming is an act of pure imagination, hopefully my dreams will experience much joy and happiness, and good health to all of my Beta Kappa sisters.



CHAPTER website:

[www.betakappapa.weebly.com](http://www.betakappapa.weebly.com)

STATE website:

[www.alphaalphapa.com](http://www.alphaalphapa.com)

Delta Kappa Gamma International

[www.dkg.org](http://www.dkg.org)



Thank you in advance to the following members for volunteering for a total of 4 1/2 hours of time to ring the bell for the Salvation Army: Louise Garverick, Kelly Williams, Tammy Deardorff, Marge Keller, Beverly Utz and Charlotte Bergmann

May you be truly blessed for the time you have given to your community. The money stays within our area to help with the needy, to feed the homeless and to assist with disasters.

Our time is for Monday, December 5th at Wal-Mart in Gettysburg with 3 - 1 1/2 hours of duties from 4:30-9. Some of our Franklin County Sisters are ringing the bell in their county. Thanks to Barb Montgomery.



### December

- 18 Anita Schulze
- 27 Beverly Utz
- 31 Esther Sanders

### January

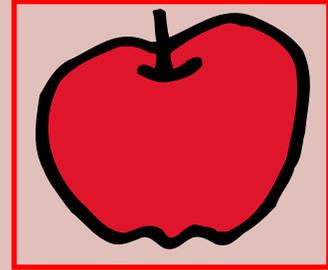
- 4 Jenine Grove
- 7 Gretchen Mackey
- 9 Jane LeVan
- 21 Jennifer Kane



# 53RD ANNUAL APPLE HARVEST FESTIVAL

## Apple Harvest — 2017

Our chapter will be working at Apple Harvest with Omega at the scarecrow tent. We will fill 24 time slots earning \$450.00 for Beta Kappa. There will be 3 of our members with 3 of their members for each time slot. A breakfast ticket will be given to the morning people and a lunch ticket given to the afternoon people. Lurie Slaybaugh will be the contact person for signing up and the contact person for Omega.



October 7, 8, 14, 15  
8-12:30 and 12:30-5  
for each of the 4 days



**Deborah Yarger-Reed, Tracey Dusch, and Kristine Reynolds attended the Purposeful Seminar in Pittsburgh on September 23, 25, 2016.**



At the Hanover Area Arts Guild 2016 2nd Annual Open Exhibit, Sally Becker received the Award of Excellence in the "Other Media" category for her 6x6 inch encaustic painting called "Glimpse No. 1". This exhibit featured over 200 works of art from area artists and was judged by N. Ry Fryar, professor of fine art at York College. The exhibit took place during the month of August 2016. Sally was also presented the Award of Distinction at the annual York fest Juried Art Exhibit that took place in the Agricultural and Industrial Museum in downtown York. The juror, Breon Gilleran, artist/curator/educator from Baltimore juried three of Sally's pastel paintings into the show and chose "Ruminating" a 27x43 inch pastel painting for the award.

**Front Field**



**Sally Becker**



**Fall Shadows**



**Ruminating**

**Glimpse #1**

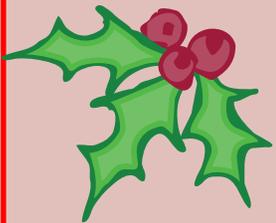
Our November 12th meeting was held at the Harbaugh Thomas Library in Biglerville. Sara Edmiston, Community Relations Librarian at the Adams County Library, presented the program for our meeting. She continued her presentation from March on available databases for the library. Learn a language with Mango by going to the library site. The E-Resources included information of the US States and Territories, free maps of the world, and the Global Road Warrior to view all the cultural aspects of the countries in the world.



Nellie Gospodinova is our World Fellowship Scholar. She is from Bulgaria and attending Lehigh University. Charlotte Bergmann reported her birthday is January 7th. It might be nice for her to receive a birthday card or any type of correspondence. In regards to the privacy act, publication of her address will be excluded at this time. If you would like that information, contact Charlotte or Beverly for Nellie's contact information.

**Fran Ruda McDermott, Tammy Deardorff, Sally Becker, Peg Lady, Louise Garverick, Kristine Reynolds, Beverly Utz, Ann Ratay, Kelly Williams, Jill Miller, Terri Westfall, Gayle Griffie, Anita Schulze, Marge Keller, Deborah Yargar-Reed, photographer**

Please note that our executive board meeting will be held at Perkin's on January 21, 2017 at 10 am. Join us for breakfast.



**I will honour Christmas in my**

**heart, and try to keep it all the year. I will live the Past, the Present, and the Future. The Spirits of all Three shall strive within me. I will not shut out the lesson that they teach!**

**-Scrooge, A Christmas Carol,**

**Charles Dickens**



### Library Corner



So Many Books—"A book lying idle on a shelf is wasted ammunition." Henry Miller

There are so many books—all filled with varied information and insight. I wonder if I'll ever read even the ones I already own? What about the ones in the small library across the street? And what about the ones at the big library downtown, and at all the bookstores, and online, and the ones my friends have offered to share? I suppose the way to do it is: one sentence, one paragraph, one page, one chapter— one book at a time.

Today, I will begin to read the books I already own. Just think of the great conversations I'll be able to start.



Scholarship Information  
Feb. 1st Deadline

A benefit of being a member for at least three years in the Delta Kappa Gamma Society is the opportunity to apply for various scholarships and/or grants.



The forms are found on the state website for the scholarship and enrichment grant.

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## UPCOMING DATES



**January 21, 2017 West**  
**Executive Board-**  
**breakfast-meeting at 9:30 am**  
**Perkin's—Franklin Center, 1324 Lincoln Highway,**  
**Chambersburg**

**March 4, 2017 West**  
**Visual & Performing Arts**  
**Enrichment Grant – Louise Garverick**  
**10 meeting/11:30 lunch**  
**Waynesboro Country Club**

**April 21-23, 2017 Creative Arts Retreat**  
**Olmstead Manor, Ludlow, PA**

**May 12, 2017 East**  
**Executive Board/Planning/Founder's Day**  
**St. John's Lutheran Church, Fairfield**

**June 9-11, 2017 State**  
**PA State Organization Convention**  
**Nittany Lion Inn State College**

**June 15, 2017 East**  
**Beta Kappa/OMEGA Picnic—Ann Gomer's home**  
**45 Sachs Road, Gettysburg**

**July 12-14, 2017**  
**Northeast Regional Conference**  
**Windsor, Canada**



## Beta Kappa Recruitment Grant

Beta Kappa awards a \$500 recruitment grant to a high school graduate or worthy college student.

Candidates are to be selected based on but not limited to academic proficiency, varied interests and achievements, financial need, and/or evidence of responsibility.

This year, the grant will be awarded to a recipient from a school in Adams County. The Recruitment Grant Committee will be working on selecting a female student with the coordination of the school's guidance counselor. The grant is typically given to the student during an end-of-the-year awards ceremony in the recipient's district. Sally Becker will begin the process with the help of the committee.

