

October– November

Beta Kappa Banter



2016

Beverly Utz
President

President's Message

The best thing to hold on to is each other. Audrey Hepburn

As I reflect back to my first several months as President, I certainly agree with Audrey Hepburn's statement. With so many concerns, needs, tragedies, and life trials within our membership, I can honestly say that our Beta Kappa sisters have held on to each other. For those that missed our first dinner meeting, you certainly missed a wonderful fellowship. With the members present, we came together as a proud group to be in. Let us join together at our November meeting to expand our minds and invigorate ourselves in sharing with our sisters. A great program is planned at the library. Amazing, Regional conferences are planned in 2017. Looking ahead, the 2018 International Convention being held in Austin, TX, the home of DKG headquarters, would be a wonderful chapter trip! We can't forget our 2017 State convention in June. For those members who have not experienced any of these conferences, you are missing a benefit of membership in networking with other members worldwide. Make that global connection by simply connecting via email and finding new friends you made at conventions and conferences through the DKG website. Directions are included in the newsletter. Please feel free to contact me for support with the website. We could always include this in a meeting if the need is there. I always told my students in computer class: "All of us are on different levels with technology and always will be; we can learn at our own pace." We can't hurt that computer, but it wouldn't hurt to reach out to a friend you talk to every week or an acquaintance with whom you only recently made a connection. Better yet, reach out to one of our sisters or find a possible new member. I know that I have been truly blessed as a member of Beta Kappa. I hope this year we can join together to build a stronger membership.

CHAPTER website:

www.betakappapa.weebly.com

STATE website:

www.alphaalphapa.com

Delta Kappa Gamma International

www.dkg.org



DKG Website Directions

Log in to the DKG Website to update your profile, get information and access resources.

You already have an account: Use your six -digit member ID as your username and the default password, DKG2014society. Change your password to a preferred password after logging in.

After logging in to the DKG Website, go to the "My Account" area under the My DKG tab. Choose the "My Participation" tab in your account area and scroll to bottom of the page. There, you can choose to opt in by clicking the checkbox beside "YES-Include my DKG Profile in the Members Only Online Directory". By choosing this option, your profile will be visible to any other DKG members who have logged in to the website. If you prefer to not be listed in the member directory, simply leave the checkbox blank.

If you wish to create a profile, remember to add a photo and update your personal information. To manage additional information in your DKG Profile, click on the "DKG Profile" button at the left side of the My Account area.

October

15 Mary Ann Dissinger-
Amspacher

18 Jane Little

26 Fran Ruda McDermott

November

19—Kristine Reynolds

28—Anji Eisenhart



52ND ANNUAL APPLE HARVEST FESTIVAL

Apple Harvest

Beta Kappa will receive a donation from both Lions' Clubs for volunteering our time. It will be nice for Beta Kappa to be seen volunteering. Thank you to all the members for signing up to work either the Arendtsville Lions Club or the Upper Adams Lions Club.



October 1, 2 ,
8, 9

2016

Daily 8
am—6 pm

First two
weekends
in October



Pride of Pittsburgh Purposeful Seminar

The Purposeful Seminar held in Pittsburgh on September 23-25, and attended by Kristine and Deborah was a wonderful experience. The weekend started on Friday with a delicious Taste of Pittsburgh meal including apple stuffed pork, cheese pierogies, tiramisu, and an Eat 'n Park Smiley cookie to take with us. Cindy Reynolds of Beta Rho chapter portrayed Rachel Carson and told us about her many accomplishments.

After breakfast on Saturday, we boarded three buses and headed to the Duquesne Incline, which we rode to the top of Mount Washington for a cloudy, yet great view of the city skyline. From our vantage point, our tour guide Kelly, who was phenomenal, began the Lights, Camera, Pittsburgh tour of movies shot in and around the city including Jack Reacher, Striking Distance, and Flashdance to name a few. This tour continued on the bus as we drove to various filming locations such as Heinz field (The Dark Knight Rises) and PNC Park (Abduction). The tour paused for us to have lunch at the elegant Grand Concourse at Station Square where members enjoyed chicken, salmon, or a salad followed by either an apple dumpling or the BEST chocolate mousse ever! After lunch, we were off to the Strip District for a short shopping trip. Next, the Heinz History Center (part of the Smithsonian) welcomed us for a 90-minute tour where we saw Mr. Rogers and the set of his show as well as artifacts and memorabilia from various centuries in Pittsburgh and US History. Dinner was again delicious - filet mignon, potatoes, broccolini, and cheesecake. Judy Sutton, a volunteer at the Heinz History Center, spoke about the Women of Pittsburgh to end the evening.

Sunday's speaker was Lucy Stewart, a curator at the Carnegie Museum of Art, who spoke about arts in education and the various programs offered at the museum. Raffle baskets were given out before all departed for home with their goodie containers that included Pittsburgh "goodies" - a milk chocolate bar, a Clark bar, and Heinz pickle and ketchup pins. Even the breaking down of the third bus that Kristine and Deborah were on did not ruin the fantastic weekend and seminar.



Standing in back Row: Mary Ann Dissinger-Amspacher, Jane LeVan, Louise Garverick, Barbara Montgomery, Kelly Williams, Liz Fair, Esther Williams, Doris Large, Gayle Griffie; Sitting in second Row: Tammy Deardorff, Peg Lady, Lurie Slaybaugh, Beverly Utz, Charlotte Bergmann; Kneeling/

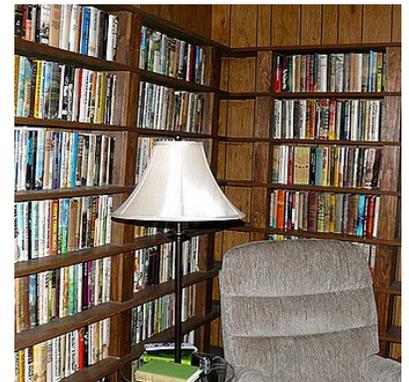
Sitting in front row: Deborah Yargar-Reed, Ann Ratay, Marge Keller, Kristine Reynolds; Missing from picture: Jen Sauble, Jennifer Kane

REMEMBER: November Meeting

Invite friends and potential new members to come and join us for our November meeting, November 12th at 9:30. It would be nice to see all of our members join us at the Harbaugh-Thomas Library in Biglerville. Sara Edmiston, Community Relations Librarian, will provide us with more resources available to those with current Adams County Library cards. Even our Franklin County sisters can get a card without being a resident of Adams County. There was an interest in March from our members to have a follow-up meeting. Please bring your tablets, computers, phones, iPads, etc. if you choose to do so. If you don't have any of those electronics, come and join us anyway. You will enjoy finding out all the wonderful information that is available to us.

“I would be the most content if my children grew up to be the kind of people who think decorating consists mostly of building enough bookshelves.”

Anna Quindlen



Dues News

Active members

\$85

Reserve members

\$50

Initiates \$95

Dues remain the same for 2016-2017, and are payable by October 31st. Send to Kristine Reynolds. Thank you to those members who have already paid their dues.

Plan to attend a regional conference next summer and expand your DKG experience.

Northeast— July 12-14, 2017

Windsor, Canada



UPCOMING DATES



November 12, 2016 (9:30)

East

Personal Growth & Services Sara Edmiston
Community Relations Librarian, Digital Resources
Thomas Harbaugh Library
Biglerville

January 21, 2017 West

Executive Board

Fran Ruda McDermott's Home,
782 Franklin Square Drive, Chambersburg

March 4, 2017 West

Visual & Performing Arts

Enrichment Grant – Louise Garverick
10 meeting/11:30 lunch
Waynesboro Country Club, Chambersburg

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

Corresponding Secretary

Terri Westfall has decided to resign at this time from the position of Corresponding Secretary. Words can not express the wonderful job she has done. Many thanks go her way for the outstanding work she has done for Beta Kappa. During the time that I have been doing the work of secretary, I must mention a couple members that have given me the support and help I was grateful for. Marge Keller and Peg Lady have truly shown me what our group is all about. Thanks to the two of them for all the help you have given me. Now for the best part, Jen Sauble has volunteered for the position of Corresponding Secretary. Let us support her in this new position. All correspondence will be given to Jen.

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Many blessings to all of you,
Beverly Utz