

KAPPA KAPERS

President's Message by Donna Houser



The 2012 election is over and we can return to watching our favorite TV commercials. During the next four years we know that government spending must be brought under control so that America does not fall over the financial cliff. This means that serious cuts in programs will be necessary and taxes will be raised for some people. Funding for education will once again come under fire. Let's trust that President Obama will make education funding a top priority. In his 2012 State of the Union Address, President Obama said that "... the best possible education has never been more important than it is right now. And that's because in today's world, a good job requires a good education. . . . Over the next ten years, nearly half of all new jobs will require a level of education beyond a high school diploma. . . . The reality is too many students are not prepared across our country for these types of new jobs in our country. . . . Today, as many as a quarter of American students are not finishing high school. . . . America has fallen ninth in the proportion of young people with a college degree. We used to be number one!" Back in March 2011, the president said that "*No Child Left Behind Act* is ridiculous." The question is: What will he do about it?



Welcome New Chapter: Japan became the Society's 80th state organization and 18th country during ceremonies on October 14 in Kochi. Japan represents the first Asian country to become a member of the Society. Japan was sponsored by Hawaii State Organization. Sixty educators were initiated into Alpha Chapter.

When Dr. Blanton was still a child; she began to feel the discriminatory difference of what prospects were available to the different sexes as far as career opportunities. Women's inability to compete with their male colleagues gave way to Dr. Blanton's dreams and goals. Her dream was simple: to enhance the opportunities for women and to unite women to bring them together. It was her belief that women united around common issues and working together could accomplish worthy goals. Dr. Blanton's wide circle of acquaintances, her organizational and leadership abilities, and her resolute passion led her to the founding of Delta Kappa Gamma in 1929. Here we are, eighty-three years later with 80 state organizations, 18 countries and over 12100,000 members having expanded Dr. Blanton's vision into a global initiative—Leading Women Educators/Impacting Education Worldwide.

A teacher affects eternity; she can never tell where her influence stops. -Henry James



Our founder, Dr. Annie Webb Blanton





Kappa Chapter celebrated Margee Wolf's 90th birthday during our October meeting with a card shower and a birthday cake. Margee was our Kappa president 50 years ago from 1962-1964. In 1984 the Margaret J. Wolf Award for Graduate Study in Primary Education was established commemorating Margee's 18 years on the State Scholarship Committee. We're so fortunate to have Margee as a member of Kappa Chapter.



Don't forget to keep DKG updated on your information. If you move, change emails, or change your phone number, be sure to contact Linda or Pat so they can update our sisters and maintain accurate records.

Future Meeting Dates

- **March 16, 2013** @ 11am, Allison Church, Carlisle
"Ireland and Irish Food"
- **May 18, 2013** @ 9:30am, Zion Lutheran Church, Newville
"Grant in Aid Recipients & Chapter Birthday Bash"
- **September 17, 2013** @ 5pm, Carlisle Police Station
"Identity Theft"

Dates to Remember

~**Saturday, January 12, 2013** at 10:00 A.M. Board Meeting at home of president, Donna Houser

~**Saturday, March 16, 2013** at 10:00 A.M. Celtic Celebration (Irish luncheon, program dialogue on the Emerald Isle presented by Kappa members who have traveled to Ireland) in Allison UMC Fellowship Hall

~**April 26-28, 2013** Purposeful Seminar: **Living in Color** at Best Western Country Cupboard Inn, Lewisburg, PA

Kappa Chapter

Our October Program

Cathay Snyder, adjunct professor in the history department at Messiah College was our speaker on October 27. Cathay discussed the recruitment process and life of Native American girls who attended the Carlisle Indian School. The typical student was between fourteen and eighteen years old, although some were much younger. Boys and girls were segregated by sex, the boys wearing military-style uniforms and the girls European-style dresses. Boys were put to work learning occupations like printing and tinsmithing, while girls were trained in domestic arts such as sewing and cooking. About 10,000 students attended the Carlisle School from its founding until it closed its doors in 1918, representing more than seventy different tribes. The vast majority of these students stayed in Pennsylvania for only a year or two.



FUNDRAISER UPDATE

Thank you to all who supported our Chapter with the sale of the Bon-Ton Community Day booklets. We raised \$665.00 for our educational grants. As yet, we have not received any money from Bon-Ton. Many thanks to Marlene Moul, Barb Allen, Lillian Rowland, Linkey Green, and Mary Wilhelm for helping to sell the booklets at the store.

Mary Fetrow, Projects



October meeting pictures of the sisters in attendance enjoying the food that was provided.

On-going Projects:

- ✓ Kash for Kappa Kow collected at each meeting for Project S.H.A.R.E.
- ✓ Support for Early Career Educators (SECE) bring classroom items and supplies for teachers
- ✓ Schools for Africa



Holiday Tea

Sunday, Dec. 9, 2012
2:00 P.M.
St. Paul's
Lutheran Church
Carlisle, PA

- ❖ *Bring a tea cup & saucer, ½ dozen cookies, and \$5.00 for the tea.*
- ❖ *Dress is Christmas attire. Hats are optional.*
- ❖ *Please bring a guest to the tea to help celebrate Christmas and fellowship with our DKG sisters.*



RSVP to Marlene Moul by December 2.

- I will be attending the Tea & Social.*
- I will not be attending the Tea & Social.*
- I will be bringing a non-member teacher guest.*

NAME: _____

RSVP to Marlene and include your \$5 for the tea:

Marlene Moul

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or

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