

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society

Beta Beta Chapter

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President's Message

Happy Fall! It is feeling like fall now with the cooler temperatures. Soon the leaves will be turning and there will be frost on the pumpkins!

What a great meeting we had at Miller's Plant Farm in September. Dave told us the sweet corn is better in the fall, and now I am a believer! I always figured with Labor Day, corn season is over. Amazing that staggering the corn planting gives us delicious corn in the fall with the cooler night temperatures.

Our next meeting will be Tuesday, October 17 at Bethlehem United Methodist Church, 109 East Main Street in Dallastown at 4:30. The meeting will be first, then Lori Frome will speak to us about screen time and the Autism Spectrum. She was sick last December when she planned to be at our Christmas dinner. She definitely wants to share her knowledge! Reflection will be Visual and Performing Arts (Sally and Ella Jane); refreshments will be World Fellowship and US Forum (Linda G., Pat L., Linda E., Kim Z., Beth K., Anne M.)

Please mark your calendars and join us for art enrichment painting party at the Glen Rock American Legion 4035 Manchester Street, close to Wetzel's Supermarket from 6-8 on November 3. The talented

Ashley Gonzalez will be guiding us in painting. She will supply all our painting needs. The Legion bar will provide refreshments, at your own cost, while we paint. Come out for a fun meeting with fellowship among sisters! We can get to know each other better-and it's a great way to kick off the month of November. Many stressors fill this month. Bring a friend! The more, the merrier.

Another fun and worthwhile activity is to volunteer 2 hours of your time for the York County 4 Chapters opportunity to work with Girl Scouts and Brownies of York County. The Little Red School House just below Susquehannock High School will be open for a tour, and Aldersgate Church on Tyler Run Road will offer "stations" for the girls. This idea began in Texas with DKG working with the girls. This could lead to future DKG members if they choose a career in education. This will provide teamwork with the other chapters in our county. I will be at the school house and would like 1 or 2 volunteers to help me. The more, the merrier if more sisters want to attend! Dr. Dammann at York College, Kim Bracey, the mayor, and Kristen Philips Hill are invited to speak at Aldersgate. Not sure right now who will be attending.

Cold weather brings cold feet. Once again we will be collecting socks for "Put A Sock In It." Also, please read closely the article written by Ruby. Way to Go Ruby with all the work you do at Goode School!

We have 2 slots for sign up for paper products for the Penn State Raffle Basket in June at the state convention. Many thanks for you who have signed up already! Kathy is collecting the items at any time. She'll then lend her creativity to make our Beta Beta basket look incredible!

Looking ahead to December for the covered dish, this year we decided for those whose last names begin with A-L, please bring an appetizer; M-Z a dessert. Retired teachers only are treating for this occasion. Those working can come, relax and enjoy delicious food, great fellowship, and games!

If you are planning to attend the Painting Party on November 3, please send an e-mail to me so Ashley knows how many to provide for. Please consider inviting a friend too! The cost for the painting is \$30 per person. **R.S.V.P. by October 20.** You can pay ahead, or at the painting party.

See you at the October meeting!

From Our State President, Barb Gasperini

Need Money for Projects, Seminars or Professional Growth?

Go to www.dkgef.org and use your computer bookmark to connect you to the website of the Educational Foundation of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. Take advantage of the opportunities to apply for funds that are available to individuals, chapters and state organizations. Deadlines to apply for the funds are on or before:

- November 1, 2017: The Cornet Seminar for Professional Development Award (CSPD) is granted to organizations within The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International to sponsor professional development seminars open to all educators.
- January 3, 2018: Up to \$10,000 may be awarded to groups or individuals for projects that not only benefit children and education but also encourage intercultural understanding and educational excellence.

· February 1, 2018: Members and nonmembers can apply for Cornet Individual Professional Development (CIPD) Awards to participate in events and activities that occur between March 15, 2018 and October 15, 2018.

October's Secret Sister

Our secret sister is a Red Lion High School graduate and holds a BS degree from Shippensburg. She spent 37 years teaching in Red Lion School District, with 36 years in first grade. 47 years of marriage was celebrated this year. They have a daughter and granddaughter. They both love the outdoors and owned horses for 25 years. Nine fun summers were vacationed at Triangle X Dude Ranch in Wyoming, and 2 seasons she worked at a Wyoming hunting lodge, 7 J Outfitters. The family has never missed a summer at Rehoboth Beach!

Our sister loves card games, tennis and is currently playing on 4 tennis teams. One team has gone to nationals three times in Arizona. Once they placed third and won the national championship twice! She has been a member of Beta Beta since 1984. Her love of reading has led her to be a board member at Kaltreider Library in Red Lion. She is still active in Friends of Kaltreider, volunteering at the Book Nook, a store in Windsor, selling hardback books for \$1.00 and paperback books for fifty cents.

Who is this very active, busy sister? Find out at our October meeting!

Bingo

We will be sponsoring bingo at Country Meadows on Friday, October 20. We need a few people to help distribute prizes to the players. The

game begins at 1:30 so we should be there about 1:10. Also, we need more prizes. Candy and cookies are always a favorite. They also like large print puzzle books and flashlights. Lotions are not very popular. Hope to see you there.

Bonnie

GET ON BOARD AND LEAD!

From the Fall Keystonian, State President Barbara Gasperini has challenged each member to board a new **ship** on her DKG journey. So how about **leadership**? Have you ever served as our chapter's president, first or second vice president, secretary, treasurer, or chaired a committee? If you think you can't lead as an officer, please reconsider. You have already proven your leadership abilities by leading in the classroom, your school building, your church, and community. You were asked to join DKG because of your outstanding qualities. **Each of you has the capacity to lead.** All of your Beta Beta sisters will support, encourage, and help you. If you have a particular interest in a position, please let me know by October. If you have questions about a position, ask the current sister who is in that role. After the October meeting, the nominations committee will be meeting and filling the officers' positions. We must have a slate and vote on our officers at the December meeting. The new president will fill the committee chairs and their members. If you have a particular committee that you would like to chair or serve on, please let the new president know in December as she will need to complete her list by March. I ask each one of you to sincerely consider how you can be of service to our chapter. Serving in a leadership role is so rewarding, giving one much self-satisfaction knowing you are contributing to a meaningful organization. The **biggest bonus** is the **relationships** you build with your sisters as you work side by side with them. I welcome any dialog and questions about our chapter's future and its leadership.

Would You Like a Penpal From The States or Another Country?

DKG Personal Profile - A Connection to DKG Members Have you ever wanted a pen pal? Have you ever considered discussing your favorite book with someone from Finland? Or do you want to know strategies and tips on DKG membership? The Society's website offers the opportunity for each member to make these and many other connections with DKG members around the world. First, you need to sign in to the dkg.org website with your membership number and password. You are now in a secure website available only to members. Second, create an account by going to MyDKG from the top menu bar. By filling in a very brief personal profile, you can then join communities and also be listed in the Member Directory. We are able to join, or even create, a Community. Create an account on our dkg.org website and find a Community you'd like to join. Share your thoughts and ideas, questions or concerns, hopes and dreams with other members around the world.

Doing Good For Goode

Crystal asked me to write a small article for this newsletter regarding my volunteer work at Goode Elementary School.

I am the Social Action chairperson for "Doing Good for Goode". The project was started by Temple Beth Israel approximately 4 years ago. Temple Beth adopted Goode school as its outreach program in the community. The project was named for Rabbi Alexander B. Goode. He is one of the Four Chaplains who lost his life when the WWII ship Dorchester sank. Rabbi and three other chaplains gave up their life vests so others would survive.

Approximately 700 students attend Goode School. Goode serves students from Pre-K to 8th grade. Projects that we sponsor at Goode

include: a back to school supply drive, organize and purchase items in the nurses' closet and work in the courtyard garden. This year, our Back to School supply drive provided spiral notebooks, pens, pencils, and crayons for over 700 students. With some funds from TBI, I supply uniforms, personal hygiene items and purchase underwear. You remember from teaching how frequently little students have accidents and need clean underwear.

How can you help? At December's meeting, I am asking for gifts of underwear and/or sweatpants. For the underwear, we need sizes 6-8, 8-10, 10-12 for both girls and boys. I could also use small size women's underwear. Sweatpants are needed for girls and boys- small, medium and large-sizes 6-12. Walmart carries all these items and I find that they have the best prices.

Thanks so much,
Ruby

Treasurer's Report September 19, 2017

Balance - June 30, 2017 **\$2241.53**

Checking Account

Receipts

Yard sale \$250.00

Returned check #1039 50.00

Total Receipts **\$300.00**

Disbursements

Judy Tyson - convention \$360.92

Total Disbursements 360.92

Balance - Sept 19, 2017 \$2180.61

Balance - June 30, 2017 6392.89

Savings Account - Book Grant Fund

Deposits

June interest - \$.53

July interest - .54

August interest - .54

Total Deposits \$1.61

Disbursement

Total Disbursements 0.00

Balance -Sept 19, 2017 \$6394.50

TOTAL ASSETS

CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$2180.61
SAVINGS ACCOUNT	6394.50
TOTAL	\$8575.11

Eleanor Lawyer
Treasurer

Thanks to everyone who has already paid their dues! There are a few people left and you should have received a dues reminder in the mail with a stamped envelope to return your dues to me. Please take care of that as soon as possible. I will not be at the October meeting, so mail them rather than waiting until the meeting.

Thanks!
Eleanor

Beta Beta Minutes

September 19, 2017

Welcome: Sisters went on a tractor tour of Miller Plant Farm grounds and learned about the history of the farm, as well as helpful tips for growing a variety of things.

Reflection

- Norina shared a reading called "All I Need to Know" - Robert Strand

Approval of minutes: Emily

- Motion was made by Pat and seconded by Connie for approval; Minutes were approved

Correspondence: Connie

- None at the time
- Joanne arrived later to read the thank you notes from our York College scholarship recipients.

Treasurer's Report: Eleanor

- Checking account balance: \$2180.61
- Savings account balance: \$6394.50
- Motion was made and seconded to approve the budget; motion passed.
- Please take care of dues for the next meeting! (\$100)

Committees:

- Finance - none
- World Fellowship - Linda asked us to check out pg. 14 of the Keystonian
- Historical Records - Ruby expressed how great our new yearbook turned out. The photos are a nice touch!
- Visual Performing arts - none
- Scholarship - none
- Nominations - Pat put an article in the monthly newsletter about our nominations, check it out, new slate of officers for next year need to be decided for November
- Programs - Trish announced to check for future programs in the yearbook.
- Program of Work - Joanne created a brochure for Beta Beta/DKG, listed are our meeting times and dates. Pat and Joanne will talk more at our next meeting about their meeting at York College.
- Projects - Bonnie reported that we made money from our yard sale, so it was a success; Still working to schedule a Bingo day for

Country Meadows for after next meeting; Continuing with the car wash again; Christmas tree will be set at our December meeting for donations to be made for our scholarship

- US Forum - none
- Communications - none
- Remembrance - none
- Membership - Becky read a letter from Hester Hemminger who will resign from Beta Beta; motion was made by Ella Jane and seconded by Deanna to approve this resignation.
- Rules - none

Unfinished Business:

- Secret Sister - The secret sister from our newsletter was Diana Ferrandino.
- State Conference - Kathy made festive hats for conference attendees to celebrate our 55th birthday; during the remembrance part of the conference, Kathy made a bookmark with a dragon fly, which looked lovely.

New Business:

- A sign up was passed around for paper products and decoration donations to fill our "Entertaining Throughout the Year" basket to take to convention. Two sisters represent each month. Donations should be brought to the meetings and given to Kathy.
- Paint night is scheduled for our November 3rd meeting at the American Legion in Glen Rock. SES art teacher, Ashley Gonzales

will bring all the supplies needed to set up the night. The cost is \$30, \$25 for the art and there is a \$5 donation for room rental.

- Girl Scout Sunday scheduled for November 12th; a DKG patch will be issued to the girls, following along the lines of what was done by a chapter in Texas.
 - All 4 York County chapters of DKG will work collaboratively to set up the Sunday activities.
 - It will be held at the Little Red School House in Glen Rock, down the hill from Susquehannock High School from 2-4p.m

Announcements:

- Door prize - Lolly won!
- Please check the yearbook for any changes or updates that need to be made with your personal information, so it can be changed for next year.

Next meeting will be on October 17 at 4:30 p.m. - Bethlehem United Methodist Church, Dallastown. Lori Frome will be our presenter.

Respectfully submitted,

Emily Olenick, Secretary

