

The Delta Kappa Gamma Society

Beta Beta Chapter

Southern York County, Pennsylvania

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President's Message

Happy Autumn, Sisters!

I am still on a high from our September meeting. We had 26 members in attendance and welcomed back Crystal Mueller, voted affirmatively on a new member, Judy Alwine, and potentially have three or four more prospects. We already voted on Maryann Trinkle in May. So we should have a wonderful group to initiate in December. Our program was very interesting and I am sure many of you either checked out your living wills to see if they represent what you wish or will be making a living will if you already have not done so. The refreshments were delicious and cute – loved the watermelon rice krispie treats. We were taken by surprise, when we arrived, to learn that the room was booked at 6 PM right after us. **That was not in the original plan.** We greatly apologize for the hasty retreat, but it was out of our control. We just needed to take a deep breath and be flexible. But didn't Kathy do a great job on signs to get us to our destination?

It was with regret that we accepted the resignation of Doris Miller. Due to health issues, she just cannot attend any longer. I did offer reserve membership but after some thought, she decided to just resign. She was a past president and very devoted member for 49 years. She will be missed.

Our Monday, October 26th, meeting is at 7 PM in the chapel at Country Meadows off of Leaders Heights Road. We will have a sign language presentation by Jeannie Himmelberger, a retired elementary teacher from York City, who continues to teach night classes in sign at York College. The reflection is Scholarship Committee (Kitty Reinholt). Refreshments are: Visual and Performing Arts (Sally Chase) and Nominations (Deanna Wagner) Committees. Ladies, please contact your committee members to help with this.

Kathy and I hope to see even more members at this meeting and we promise to have more leisure time to socialize.

Until October 26th Pat Walker and Kathy Lauer, co-presidents

NOMINATIONS AS CHAPTER OFFICERS

We must have our slate of officers for the next biennium for a vote at the December meeting. Deanna and her committee will be calling on you to either fill an office or chair a standing committee. Everyone must serve on at least one committee. (The president will assign you to one.) I would like to quote some excellent points from past state president Kay Stuart. Each of you is a leading educator who stood or stands before many students, parents, and peers on a daily basis. **You were invited to membership because someone recognized the specialness about you as an educator.** You each possess unique skills. Each member should consider it an honor to be asked to hold an office or chair a committee. Doing the work of Beta Beta is fun! You will be surrounded by caring, supportive members. You receive coaching and help from the state as well as within from the many past presidents we have. You do not work alone – we are a team. What you do makes a difference in Beta Beta as well as within our community. Please search your heart and when called upon to serve, do so cheerfully. Those of us who have served as president for 2 or 3 terms, cannot do so again. I have loved getting to know so many of you on a closer basis as a result of being president 3 times and would willingly volunteer for some other position. Who will be the lucky, fortunate woman or women to replace Kathy and me next April? If you have a preference for some office or committee, please let Deanna, Kathy, Kim Zarfoss, or me know at the October meeting. Thank you.

BUDDY CONTACTS

Don't forget to contact your buddy before the next meeting to see if she is attending and needs a ride. Kathy gave out buddy assignments at the last meeting. If you need yours, contact Kathy.

SHOUT OUTS

To Bonnie Thompson for a well done year book
To Judy Tyson..... for her efforts on our fund raiser and the great visuals
To Crystal Mueller..... for being reinstated as a member
To Ruby Schmidt.....for modernizing our scrap books (you will hear more about this at the October meeting)
To Becky Cohenour and Judy Tysonfor bringing in new members
To Debbie Mitzel.....for always having a great and timely newsletter
To Linda Ehrhart.....for being able to attend our meeting – it was so nice to see her.....and Lolly Dick for helping with transportation and bringing a guest
To Linda Gallagher.....for also attending after a rough summer with a broken hip. She is getting around quite well.
To Phyllis Hildebrand.....for printing and distributing new chapter rules.

BINGO

We are sponsoring BINGO again this fall at Country Meadows on Friday, November 20th, at 1:30 PM. They supply the game, caller, and refreshments. We supply help (though most do not need it) and most importantly, the **prizes**. They love chocolate candy and cookies (don't get sugar free), little flashlights, big print word puzzle books, note pads, post it notes, greeting cards, stamps, and did I mention chocolate candy and cookies? **Bring these items to our October meeting and give them to Judy Tyson. Also let her know if you can attend.** It is fun!

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday, October 26th – Beta Beta meeting at 7 PM at Country Meadows
Friday, November 20th – BINGO at 1:30 PM at Country Meadows
Wednesday, December 9th – Beta Beta meeting with initiation at St. Paul's UM Church in Red Lion at 5 PM

PROJECTS

Continue to bring in beanie babies or similar stuffed animals for Memorial Hospital children.

Continue to bring children's books either to York Hospital or Lolly Dick.

New fund raiser to begin either in October or December (dependent upon the timely response from coupon businesses). Judy explained this well at the September meeting and we will revisit it again in October.

Come one, come all, to the bingo hall! If you can't attend, at least don't forget to bring to bring some prizes to add to the cause during the October meeting. Our first bingo outing will be on November 20th at 1:30 at Country Meadows (On Leaders Heights Rd.. All we do is hand out bingo supplies, serve refreshments, bring and set up prizes (and you can bet the people will be watching and making their selections as you're putting them out!). We also help anyone who may need help with the bingo, though there aren't many who do, and generally you get to socialize with the residents. We also help with clean up. Ask anyone who went last year, we had a blast!!!

Some suggestions for prizes that the people really liked last year were:

small flashlights (with batteries help)

chocolate candy

large print puzzles

butter cookies

mints

notepads

seasonal items

writing materials

hand creams

greeting cards

*NOTE They are not allowed to have candles unless they are the electric candles.

The Dollar Store is a great place to shop for your items. You can get a lot of items for a little money!

The second bingo get together will be May 14th at Normandie Ridge between 9:00-9:15. It's a Saturday, so anyone can take time to join the fun for this one.

Please don't forget those little ones in the hospitals who need our support with a little cuddler of a beanie baby or someone to read to them, then allow them the

pleasure of having that same book to look at and read to them time and again because it's now theirs.

Our major fundraiser of the year can be quite profitable for our group if everyone can all do their part. It is called the Scratch and Help fundraiser. When you go to someone to sell to them, they scratch off three spaces. The spaces cost anywhere from 50 cents to \$3.00, so the most they might have to owe you is \$9.00. After they've scratched off their spaces and paid you, they get a coupon from your book. (By the way, they're all the same.) Each coupon has its own conditions for use. We already have Miller's Plant Place and Pizza Hut. If we pay for our booklets up front, we get 20% more that we ordered. (EX. we order 15, so we get 3 extra for free.) Our logo will be on the front of the booklet and can be sent one week after we send all the information to them.

This fundraising can net Beta Beta \$1,830 after paying a \$30 set up fee for customizing our coupons. The monies we raise will help us give money to York College students and it will help in an outreach program effort precipitated by the last program of the year that ends with us making booklets to be sent out to districts to use to reduce their stress while teaching. (We ALL know what that is) Hopefully this will be perceived as a goodwill offering to them and will be seen as a perk to entice new, qualified, interested, dedicated, and still-working teachers. (Ideas for the booklets will come from our last program presented by Toby Ortmyer, our brainstorming, and ideas from still working teachers.

This will require a bit of construction time over the summer, but I think it can really be a project that can pay off in a large measure in the end to Beta Beta. So let's go Ladies- show that never ending spirit. I know we can do it! Maybe we can double our membership next year!!!

YEARBOOK INFORMATION

Please check your personal information in the new yearbook for accuracy and report any discrepancies to Bonnie Thompson for correction. Also add:

Crystal Mueller 9-15-15 reinstated 428-0454

4 Ness Court Seven Valleys, PA 17360

E-Mail: Craig 3641@msn.com

Retired

BS - Edinboro University MS – Millersville University

MEET OUR NEWEST MEMBER

In April, we initiated **Trish Bowersox** into our chapter. Here is some information about Trish to help you know her better. She is a Dallastown graduate. I first met her in Middle School when I had the pleasure of being her guidance counselor. She graduated from Central Penn Business School as a medical assistant. She has been married to Dave for 30 years. Some of you may know his father, Pastor Ron. They have three adult children. Andrew just recently moved back home from NY to start a new job in the sports management arena. Twin daughters, Julia and Morgan, both still live at home and work in the insurance field. Trish commented on the current “full nest” which is wonderful from the stand point that family means everything to her. She has been a pre-school teacher at Bethlehem United Methodist Church in Dallastown for 7 years and has served as the head school administrator for the past 3. She is in charge of the 3 year old program and all of the enrichment classes. Activities include being an avid reader (she reads 3-4 books a week), walking her dog, hanging out with family, and being involved in various church activities. All of her creative energy goes to the pre-school. Having had both my grandchildren in her classes, I know this to be true. She is also a very caring, positive individual. When they travel, vacations are mostly spent in warm climates that have palm trees. She has appreciated the warm reception she has received from members. If you have yet to introduce yourself to Trish, please take time to do so in October. (Pat Walker)

REMEMBRANCE

If anyone knows of a member's illness or death in her immediate family, let Ella Jane Hess know so she can send a card.

BETA BETA MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 15, 2015

The Beta Beta Chapter of Delta Kappa Gamma met at Memorial Hospital at 4:30 p.m. Co-President Kathy Lauer called the meeting to order and welcomed those in attendance.

Our reflection was given by Norina Bentzel.

Kathy introduced John Pizzoli, our speaker tonight, who is a crisis manager in the ER. John talked to our membership about Advanced Directives and Living Wills.

BUSINESS MEETING

TREASURER'S REPORT –Eleanor

- Nothing has happened in our accounts since June.

- Checking balance: \$2,646.34
- Savings: \$6,188.33
- We have changed our bank to M&T because they are more accommodating to our needs.
- Deadline for dues is for October 12th – send your money (\$75) to Eleanor ASAP

SECRETARY'S REPORT – The minutes from the May meeting were approved with no corrections. CORRESPONDENCE – Bev - no report

STANDING COMMITTEES/Society Business

- MEMBERSHIP – Becky
 - Crystal Mueller has returned to Beta Beta.
 - Letter of resignation from Doris Miller was accepted and approved with regret.
 - Gladys Slenker has requested reserved membership.
 - Maryann Trinkle will be initiated in December.
 - Letter of recommendation was read for Judy Alwine for membership
 - Vote was made and approved for acceptance in our December meeting.
- RULES – Phyllis
 - Revisions made:
 - VI. Officer and related personnel – #2 change the section to “D.3”, rather than “C.3”
 - XIV. Conventions and Workshop Expenses – #2 “regional” should be changed to “Leadership training”
 - Motion was made and seconded for approval; motioned passed.
- PROJECTS – Judy (see new business)

OLD BUSINESS

NEW BUSINESS

- Committees for October reports
 - Committees need to be active in our meetings. Please look for information that will pertain to your committee to share with the general membership at our meetings.
 - Look in the yearbook to find your committee assignment.
- Buddies for meetings for reminders and rides
 - Please contact your buddy prior to meetings to encourage them to attend – look at the card that was handed to you at the September meeting.

- Projects (Judy Tyson)
 - Pediatric unit book collection for York Hospital.
 - Beanie Baby collection for Memorial Hospital.
 - Bingo Dates: 11/20 @ 1:30 p.m. at Country Meadows; 5/14 @9:00 a.m. at Normandie Ridge
 - Prizes being collected are candy (REAL) chocolate; butter cookies, seasonal items, note pads, etc. Please bring these items to the October meeting.
- Fundraiser information (Judy Tyson/Pat Walker)
 - Scratch and Help fundraiser – Cards are scratched three times to get the coupon card for local businesses. Amounts range between \$0.50 and \$3.00 for the cost of the coupons. More information will be given out at our next meeting.

Announcements

- Next Meeting- Monday, October 26th@ 7:00 p.m. Country Meadows

ADJOURNMENT

6:00 p.m. adjournment.

Respectfully Submitted,

Emily Olenick, Recording Secretary



**Save the
Date!!!
Four Chapter Brunch**

& Installation of Officers

April 2, 2016

at Normandie Ridge

TREASURER'S REPORT SEPT 15, 2015

Balance – June 30, 2015	<u>\$2646.34</u>
Checking Account	
Receipts	
Disbursements	

Total Disbursements

Balance – Sept 15, 2015	<u>\$ 2646.34</u>
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Balance June 30, 2015	<u>\$6,181.55</u>
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Savings Account – Book Grant Fund	
Deposits	
July interest	2.84
August interest	3.94
Total Deposits	\$ 6.78

Disbursement

Total Disbursements	\$ 0.00	
Balance – Sept 15, 2015		<u>\$ 6188.33</u>

TOTAL ASSETS	
CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$2646.34
SAVINGS ACCOUNT	6188.33
TOTAL	8834.67

Eleanor Lawyer
Treasurer

