



ΔΚΓ DK GRAM

Omicron Chapter

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Our Mission: The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International promotes professional and personal growth of women educators and excellence in education.

Our Vision: Leading Women Educators Impacting Education Worldwide

MEETING: Wednesday, May 9, 2018 at 5:30 p.m.

Santino's Restaurant

100 S. Main St.

Jersey Shore

Phone: 570-865-6557

RESERVATIONS due to Michelle by Friday, May 4

Please RSVP to me. You can email your reservation for the May 9, 2018 meeting to me at Hopyy14@comcast.net or call and leave message (570-326-9234). We need the count so that Santino's can accommodate us. We will be ordering from the menu and you can check that out at your leisure before the meeting (google Santino's Jersey Shore – Menu) or when you arrive.

OUR PROGRAM FOR THE EVENING:

Jerry Walls will speak to our chapter about the Susquehanna Greenway Partnership and we will have the installation of officers for the next biennium.

In case you missed our March meeting:



At our March 2018 meeting Natalie Smith, chemistry and science teacher from Montoursville Area High School, was welcomed as a new member. Tammy Morgan, left, was her sponsor and Carmen Banfill conducted the initiation. The program was a presentation on Literacy by Kathy Gephart, a retired science teacher from Keystone Central School District.

Inside our Chapter:

Deb Leonard and her husband Dennis visited Iceland in March with 3 other couples, spending 3 days in Reykjavik and taking a city tour. We spent an evening at Laugarvatn Fontana, experiencing geothermal baths and then searched for the Northern Lights. Unfortunately they were elusive that night and we saw only the white mist that may develop into the brilliantly colored sky. A day tour of the Golden Circle, including Gullfoss waterfall, Geysir and Strokkur hot springs eruptions and Pingvellir National Park where we walked between the North American and Eurasian tectonic plates and where the Vikings met to establish their first government. It was an interesting trip; parts of it were extremely cold due to the winds. The temperatures, however, were very similar to those here. My other news is that our older daughter is marrying her partner of 10 years on May 5 in Cold Springs, New York. Their wedding will be a new experience for us but we support her and are looking forward to an exciting day! The same weekend our grandson turns 1 so lots to celebrate!

FROM OUR CHAPTER PRESIDENT:

**New to this notion called retirement,
I did as I said I would.
For the last 3 months (Jan-March)
I slept and read, and read and slept
to my heart's content.**

**Then April came and I got busy-
watching grandchildren became a joy.
While at their home I got back to living
running them to the bus stops and visiting
history days and science fairs.**

**I watched their wrestling match (they won!)
and softball practice, too.
And while they were in school,
I had 8 hours of searching my
family roots.**

**So I'm home for awhile to plan social
meetings I will attend.
And oh those doctor appointments, blood work and
such that need to be done.
See you all May 9th at Santino's.**

Looking Ahead:

The state convention will be held on June 15-17, 2018 at the Nittany Lion Inn in State College. Diane, Michelle, Jackie, and possibly Tammy will attend.

From our Alpha Alpha State President:

Dear Chapter Presidents,

April 9, 2018

Spring is here. I repeat Spring is here, we just can't find it. I am hopeful.

Please pass this information onto your chapter. As you know we applied for the 2020 International Convention to be held in Pennsylvania and I am happy to report that we have been selected to coordinate the 2020 International Convention. We are very excited and plans have started. Dr. Lyn Schmid will be the Chairman of the Steering committee. More details will follow.

I will be excited to meet the new 2018-2020 Chapter Presidents at the Leadership and Professional Development Seminar on April 13, 14, 2018 at the Penn Stater Conference Center in State College, PA. This is also a wonderful time to meet more members from your chapter for professional development. I am looking forward to seeing you again and continue boarding a new ship to sail into 2019.

The 2018 Choral Retreat is April 27, 28, 2018 at the Presbyterian Congregation Church, 290 N. Union St., Middleton, PA 17057. Beta Theta will be hosting. Nancy Hills, Visual & Performing Arts Chairman, wants anyone to contact her to join in the fun. The choir is a very important part of the convention and would like all those who can, to participate. If you are unable to attend the retreat, you can still sing in the choir at the convention. Please email Nancy at Nancy.hills76@gmail.com We would love to have you join the choir for the convention. What a wonderful voyage you could have.

As of July 1, 2018, the new address for headquarters will be 416 W. 12th St., Austin, TX 78701.

For some of you who could not find the write-up for Marcia Erickson's workshop, it is listed on our web site. Check Workshops and then scroll down.

I am very excited for those chapters who are working with a Girl Scout Troop for our State Project. The official web site is <http://www.dkg.org/girlscout>. For any issues, you are free to contact DKG Asst. Membership Director, Tracey Wilson, at traceyw@dkg.org

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(3 horizontal lines) in the upper left corner.

Join us Friday morning, June 15th, at the State Convention for a Golf Outing at the Penn State Blue Course. If interested in the fun contact Linda Nickerson at lynick@ptd.net.

If wine is your interest join us at the Happy Valley Winery with Kay Stuart. See the reservation form, in the Keystoneian to sign-up for the pre-pay \$5 fee for the event. Travel on your own. Directions at the registration table.

Please encourage your members to attend the 2018 State Convention. The new Incoming Presidents will be honored as they sail on a new Leadership voyage. Society workshops are being planned Saturday morning. Please encourage your officers and committee chairman to attend them.

You are now boarding a new ship yourself, Mentor-Ship. Support and train all those who are embarking on a new excursion.

The Robins are here so Spring must be here!!!!

Sincerely,

Barbara

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We are encouraged to help cut down on printing and mailing costs. At the state convention last June, the subject of the high cost of printing and mailing was brought up. The suggestion was made to encourage members to receive a digital copy of *The Keystoneian* if possible.

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