

Delta Kappa Gamma Meeting

Friday, April 26, 2019

RESERVATION DUE MONDAY APRIL 15!

A delightful dinner will be provided by Catering by Paulette

\$15.00 a person

Buffet Menu:

Lasagna

Stuffed Chicken Breast

Rice Pilaf

Parsley Potatoes

Mixed Vegetables

Salad

Dessert

Coffee, Lemonade and Iced Tea

(Please include this slip with your reservation)

Member Name _____

Number Attending _____

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Dear Sisters,



I cannot believe that time is flying by so quickly!

Here it is April already and we are half-way through this biennium. I am so glad spring is on the way and soon will be able to visit with our Psi chapter sisters again!

In looking over my first year, I feel we have made many accomplishments.

During our August meeting we filled lots of new teacher bags which included brochures about DKG. In October, we had a very successful Ways and Means meeting and welcomed our State President, Barbara Gasperini, and Past State President, Carolyn Sutton. We also gave a nice contribution to the International Emergency Fund to help our sisters in need that have suffered from natural disasters in our country. At this meeting four recipients received \$600.00 recruitment grants. Then in November, we held a fun filled successful Mini Arts Retreat.

I am also happy to report that our Girl Scout Project is moving along. The project committee had several meetings and worked out the criteria for a Brownie troop. Chrissy Myers presented the project to a troop in Brockway. After successfully completing the requirements, each girl was presented a certificate, chocolate rose, and Girl Scout patch at their awards ceremony Thursday, March 28. Chrissy will share their scrapbook of accomplishments for all of us to view, and it will be on display at this year's State Convention in State College.

Karen Ball has been working hard on our Standing Rules, and they are up to date with the State's Rules. I will email you an attachment that each of you can print off to include with your White Book.

March 29-31, Linda Stahlman, Phyllis Howard, Karen Ball, Tracey Dusch and I attended the state's Creative Arts Retreat in Ludlow, PA. It is amazing to see all the gifts, talents, and art forms other sisters in the state have to present to us. A few of the workshops these gals attended were, making needle felted sheep, tips about photography, folded star photo albums, Karen Ball's jewelry

presentation, water color, silk ribbon embroidery and folded book art. I highly recommend the time to get away, meet other sisters, and refresh from the normal stressful routines of life. The creative arts retreat will be held again in 2021.

It is the time of year to make plans to attend our state convention. Information is in the spring *Keystonian to register and sign up for sessions*. I want to encourage all of you to go. I know everybody that has taken the opportunity to attend our Convention can say they have many fond memories, met new friends and experienced the operation of DKG on a higher level. PLEASE consider attending. You can go for the entire weekend or come for one day. I guarantee a wonderful experience!!!! Please let me know if you plan to attend this year.

Now concerning *membership*, it is very important for us to keep our chapter fresh and growing. If you know of any potential key women educators that would be able to benefit from our organization, invite them to one of our meetings and share with them the many benefits of this great organization. It is much easier for those still in the school system to reach potential candidates and introduce them to DKG. Also, we now have collegiate membership. College students in education that are in their 3rd and final years of college are eligible to join. Membership is \$25.00 and there are many wonderful networking possibilities for those that become members of DKG.

Finally, it is **VERY IMPORTANT** that *you pay your dues of \$77.00 to Phillis Howard by June 1st*. I would suggest paying your dues at this April meeting. The change has been made by the state to keep up with the international fiscal year. We will not be paying dues in the fall anymore. Also keep in mind your membership card will not be printed every year. I believe you will be able to obtain a copy of your card if needed from the international DKG website.

If you are interested in professional development opportunities, please look into the Cornetet award. The *Lucile Cornetet Individual Award offers financial support* for professional seminars, workshops, lecture series, national board certification (initial certification only), on-line courses, and other non-degree programs. For more details, and to apply, visit www.dkgef.org and click on the "Apply" tab. *The deadline is MAY 1st*. This award was presented to Chrissy Myers in 2015. If you have any further questions, please feel free to talk to Chrissy.

Remember, as you get on the band wagon, we are strengthened by working together for the purposes of the DKG organization. Each of you have something to offer that will allow us to succeed!

Looking forward to seeing each of you April 26!!

Sincerely,
Nancy Hills, Psi Chapter President

DUES ARE DUE NOW!!

BIG change has come to Delta Kappa Gamma when it comes to DUES! Instead of paying them in the fall, members will now pay them in the spring. Unfortunately, that means **payment must be**

made to Phyllis by June 1, 2019! Yes, it seems like you just paid them - you did! BUT, you will NOT have to pay them in the fall! Be ahead of the game and pay them at the April meeting OR mail them now, if you are unable to attend the meeting, so you don't forget!

DUES ARE DUE NOW!!

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\$77.00 checks made out to **Delta Kappa Gamma**

WAYS & MEANS



Past State Presidents Tracey Dusch and Carolyn Sutton with State President Barbara Gasparini, look forward to shopping at Psi's Ways and Means! The tables were covered with repackaged jewelry and many wonderful hand crafted items! There were also many delicious food items that were too tasty to pass up! Bingo was a FUN time as always with many winners! A BIG Thanks to the committee for a fantastic job!! Co-Chairs Debbie and Kim reported that we made \$2533.93 this year!!!



RECRUITMENT GRANTS



Becky Raybuck, Professional Affairs Chair, presented \$600 checks to each of the four Recruitment Grant Recipients. They were Delaney McMeekin, Kira Smith, Jamie LaBenne, and Jordan McGee (for her sister Lauren). Fortunately, Lauren was able to make the meeting later and receive her check. Psi Chapter wishes the Best of Luck to each of these worthy ladies in their future endeavors.

MINI ARTS RETREAT

On November 3, Psi Chapter held it's Second Mini Arts Retreat. Making scones, Playing the Ukuleles, learning Mah Jong, Book Club. Everyone had a great time! Thanks to our planning committee and instructors!



STATE CREATIVE ARTS RETREAT

Phyllis Howard, Linda Stahlman, Nancy Hills, Karen Ball and Tracey Dusch attended the Arts Retreat in Ludlow.

Creative is the key word - lots of wonderful projects, songs, dance/movement and ideas were produced during the weekend. Of course, friendships were made and renewed, laughter was a high priority, and fellowship was an integral part of the delicious meals that were served. Make plans to attend the next one!

STATE CONVENTION

The State Convention will be held June 14-16, 2019 at the Nittany Lion Inn in State College. All of the information needed - registration and room reservations - can be found in the Spring Keystoneian. You will also find the bios of the guest speakers, descriptions of the workshops, and nominees for the 2019-2021 State Officers, helpful hints for the convention and the convention schedule. Psi members always have a fantastic time at the convention - do not be left out! Make your plans NOW!!!!

2019 WAYS & MEANS

Karen Ball

I hope you are quickly adjusting to the time change. Unfortunately, it always sends me into a tailspin for a few weeks until I get my sea legs. Recently I was reading an article on crafting that caught my eye. Do you know that the crafting industry is a **44 BILLION DOLLAR a YEAR Industry?** Personally, I know I have done my part to add to this total. One of the things that always gets to me is the fact that I need one-maybe two small items, but they are only sold in a bag of 25 or 50.

So, what do you do? You try to substitute with something else, and trying unsuccessfully, you wind up going back to the store to grudgingly buy that package of 25! Now I am stuck with something I have to store, ugh!

Well, it's time to clean out all your storage bins, ladies! Free yourself from the **"clutter bug"** and at the same time earn some money for our Recruitment Grant funds! Barb Clark and I are collecting any of the items listed below, and we will take them, organize and price them, and present them for sale at Ways and Means!

Won't you do your part and help us along? Hey! You might even have neighbors that are in the same boat and would like to just get rid of the clutter knowing it is going for a great cause.

Spread the word!

Please talk to the Psi sisters in your geographic area and collect as a group. Then contact Barb or me, and we will arrange to meet and pick up all of your goodies.

I urge you to do this while the weather is too lousy to get outside and also to give Barb and me enough time to dig into the tons of loot that you all will provide. The items that remain after the Ways and Means sales will be donated elsewhere. Remember. . . **"If each one, brings one. . .or two guests"**, we can have 80 or more people present to buy our goods and increase our sales!

Looking forward to collecting your bags and bins full of goodies!

Contact me when you need pick up!

Christmas- Leftovers

- 1 Cards
- 2 Gift Bags
- 3 Gift Tags
- 4 Ribbon
- 5 Wrapping Paper

Jewelry Making

- 1 Beads
- 2 Findings
- 3 Magazines
- 4 Patterns
- 5 Wire

Crochet/Knitting

- 1 Books
- 2 Magazines
- 3 Needles
- 4 Patterns
- 5 Thread
- 6 Yarn

Painting

- 1 Acrylic- Paint
- 2 Brushes Foam
- 3 Brushes - Art Bristle
- 4 Canvases
- 5 Chalk- Paint
- 6 Craft- Paint
- 7 Stencils
- 8 Watercolor Paper
- 9 Watercolor- Paint
- 10 Wax
- 11 Wax Brush

Cross Stitch/ Embroidery

- 1 Aida Cloth
- 2 Beads
- 3 Books
- 4 Floss
- 5 Hoops
- 6 Kits
- 7 Magazines
- 8 Needles
- 9 Patterns
- 10 Ribbon

Scrapbooking/Cardmaking

- 1 Adhesives (glues, dots, photo squares)
- 2 Album page covers
- 3 Album pages
- 4 Albums
- 5 Cutting tools
- 6 Embellishments (brads,ribbon etc)



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| | 7 Ink pads and inks |
| Fabric | 8 Magazines |
| 1 Bindings | 9 Paper |
| 2 Elastic | 10 Ribbon/ Washi Tape |
| 3 Fasteners | 11 Scissors |
| 4 Felt | 12 Stamps |
| 5 Interfacing | 13 Stencils |
| 6 Magazines | 14 Stickers |
| 7 Material- (any size) | |
| 8 Patterns | |
| 9 Polyfill | |
| 10 Quilt Batting | |
| 11 Thread | |

GIRL SCOUT PROJECT

A Brownie Troop in Brockway completed the DKG/Girl Scout Project and received their certificates, a chocolate rose, and patches during a ceremony March 28,2019. What a wonderful

accomplishment for the girls and our committee! Thank you for presenting this to the Troop, Chrissy!

MEMBER NEWS

Members in the Newspaper:

Sue Stapleton: Sandy Lick Mountain Dulcimer Players played at Clearfield Center for Active Living in October

Barb Emmer: Wrote the article on Psi Chapter's Scholarship Recipients

Allison Sayers: Toys for Tots event at re.invent.ed and

Kris Swope: Penn Highland DuBois Auxiliary Charity Ball

Kristin Hills, Becky Raybuck, Nancy Hills: DuBois Area Community Band Christmas Concert

Nancy Jones: VanDyke & Company article

Phyllis Howard: Musicians Workshop at Fusion Cafe in Brookville & Redbank Valley Community Center Volunteer Spotlight

Other information:

Tracey Dusch: Knee replacement surgery and her father was in a car accident; he is recovering well

Vanessa Olivio: Became engaged

Whitney Lewis Brown: Baby girl, Brooke, arrived early and is now home and doing great!

Molly DeSantis: New address - 75 Hemlock St. Brockway, PA 15824

Norma Beveridge: Mother-in-law passed away

Linda Stahlman: Mother passed away

Kim Curtis: Going to be a Grandma!

Nancy Hills: Going to be a Grandma twice in August!

Barb Clark: Attended the DKG 4-Chapter meeting in Malvern with her daughter Amy; Beta Omicron, Beta Pi, Beta Alpha, Beta Mu

Psi Chapter had two members pass away - **Sandi Hanes and Dottie Hughes**

Psi Chapter Meeting Minutes

October 20, 2018

Punxsutawney Country Club, Punxsutawney PA

Call to Order

- This was our Ways and Means meeting. Informal shopping occurred from 8:30-9:30 and delicious scones made by Donna Anderson were enjoyed with fresh clotted cream, coffee and tea.
- With a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 9:36 AM. Psi President Nancy Hills led the meeting with a welcome.

Guests

- Delta Kappa Gamma State President Barbara Gasperini and Past State President Carolyn Sutton were in attendance.
- Karen Ball brought Georgia Brumbaugh, Carol Marcie, and Maryann Webster
- Carolyn Rhoades brought her daughter Kim and her granddaughter Sophia
- Kassandra Loudon brought her mother Tina, her grandmother Rose, and her friend Jamie LaBenne, who is a grant recipient this year.
- Yvonne Ransbottom brought her mother Carol Lundberg

- ? - Mother Laurie
- Becky Raybuck introduced guests Kira Smith, a grant recipient, and Kira's grandmother Pam.
- Becky also introduced guest Jordan McGee, whose sister Lauren received a recruitment grant this year and will accept it in her stead.
- Tracey Dusch brought grant recipient Delaney McMeekin and her mother Beth McMeekin
- Karen Heinrich and Kelsey Wilcox Boyles from Riverview Intermediate Unit 6 were both in attendance as guests.

Member News

- Norma Beveridge became a grandma for the first time on Saturday October 13.
- Barbara Emmer had an article about her work for the historical society published in the newspaper.
- Tracey Dusch and Lisa Rutherford were in an article in the newspaper for her roles in "Lend Me a Tenor". Tracey was an actress in the cast and Lisa directed.
- Allison Sayers was in a newspaper article about her business, Re.Invent.ed.
- Linda Stahlman informed the membership about her heritage. A presentation about finding her roots will be presented at the Punxsutawney Historical Society at 10:00 am on Saturday October 27.
- Tracey commented that the Brockway Rovers girls' soccer team is undefeated and that district playoffs begin Thursday, October 25. Her niece, Chanell Britten, currently has 111 career goals.
- Karen Ball thanks the membership for the prayers for her son and daughter-in-law during Hurricane Michael - their house came through with minimal damage.

Grant Recipients

- Becky Raybuck presented Delaney McMeekin, Kira Smith, Jamie LaBenne and Jordan McGee (in place of sister Lauren) with their grants.
- Details on each grant recipient can be found in the August and September 2018 Minutes.

Treasurers Report

- The balance as of 10/20/18 is 16,534.84
- Phyllis reminded the membership that next years' dues are due May 1, to correlate with Internationals fiscal year.

Committee Reports

Membership

- One more new teacher bag was available and was distributed to Ridgeway.
- Nancy Hills has extra gift cards if anyone gets a new teacher in their schools later in the year.

World Fellowship and Scholarship

- Candace Patricelli and Kristin Hills presented about the information about the different scholarships available to the membership at the State and International levels. They passed out a very useful handout with details about each award. They reminded membership that the deadline for postmark on most awards is February 1.

State awards and scholarships include:

- Achievement Awards
- Album of Distinction
- Rosebud Recognition
- Enrichment Grants
- Marion Spitzer Robling Scholarship
- Nancy Grove Visionary Fund.

*** Current State President Barbara Gasperini informed us that changes have been made to the process of nominations for the Album of Distinction and members should check the State website for those changes before nominating.

International awards and scholarships include:

- Educational Foundation Awards
 - Lucille B. Cornetet Award for Professional Development
 - International Scholarships
 - Leadership Management Seminar
- Candace and Kristin informed the membership that DKG has scholarships up to 3,500.00 for women who want to work on their Master's, Doctorate, Principalship, Superintendency, and Certificates. These must be postmarked by February 1, 2019

Where to find more information:

- All updates can be found at <https://dkgpa.weebly.com>
 - Rubrics and requirements for everything can be found on the State website
 - The International DKG website is www.dkg.org. the username is your 6-digit member ID, and the password is dkg2014society (all lowercase letters)
- Tracey passed the basket for World Fellowship.

BINGO TIME!

Old Business

Girl Scout Project Update

- Cassandra gave a brief update on the progress of the Girl Scout Project.
- Chrissy Myers printed a copy of the slideshow for the membership to view and will be presenting to the first troop in Brockway on November 1, 2018.

Purposeful Women Seminar

- o Debbie Britton and Nancy Hills attended the Purposeful Women Seminar in Philadelphia, PA October 5-7. They learned about the women of the American Revolution. They took a bus Saturday morning and toured Valley Forge National Park, then traveled downtown for a wonderful lunch at City Tavern. They had the most delicious Colonial Turkey Pot Pie and Apple Cobbler. Then they went onward to the Museum of the American Revolution where they watched a short film and attended a program on Revolutionary Women's writings about the war, which was presented by Eileen Little's colleague, Emily Smuckler-Fraktur, artist and art educator. Day two included a "Breakout" escape room style session. If interested in using an escape room in your own classroom, go to www.breakout.edu.

New Business

- The membership is interested in contributing monies to the victims of Hurricane Michael. Last year, 490.00 was given to the victims of last year's hurricane. Discussion questions were posed and answered. Membership wanted to know where the money for last year's donation came from and it was determined that it was from Ways and Means overage.
 - Linda Stahlman suggested just passing the hat and donating the collected amount
 - Members wanted to know how the money was distributed and Phyllis informed the membership that a check was cut for \$490.00 to International and the money was distributed by them.
- Donna Anderson moved to give the amount of one recruitment grant from the Ways and

Means fund only if the money needed for next year's recruitment grants is raised and there is an overage.

- Tracey Dusch seconded the motion
- The motion carried unanimously

Lunch

- A delicious brunch of quiche, salad and spice cake was served and enjoyed by all.

Hostesses

- The meeting hostesses were Nancy Jones and Donna Anderson and were presented with a token of appreciation.
- Ellen Rose was also acknowledged and thanked for the fabulous job on the centerpieces.

Wrap up of Ways and Means

Debbie Britton and Kim reported that we made \$ 2,533.93 at this year's Ways and Means. Great job ladies!

Announcements

- A special thank you to everybody for making this Ways and Means so successful.
- The Mini Arts Retreat is November 1. There is still room for you and guests. Please let Nancy Hills know ASAP if you plan on attending.
- The State Creative Arts Retreat will be held at Olmsted Manor March 29-31. Check the Keystonian for registration information. It fills fast so get your reservation in promptly if you plan on attending.
- The convention planning meeting is coming up and they are looking for interesting and worthwhile workshops. If you would be interested in presenting a workshop the application will be in the next Keystonian. Presenters do not have to be DKG members and all presenters will receive a complimentary luncheon at the convention.
- The next meeting will be held Friday April 20, 2019 at 6:00 pm.

Adjournment/Song

The 2018 Ways and Means Meeting was adjourned at 12:12 pm. Kristina Keith led the membership in singing the Delta Kappa Gamma Song.

