



Alpha Alpha State

Sigma Chapter was organized November 1, 1947

"How many lessons of faith and beauty we should lose, if there were no winter in our year!"

--Thomas Wentworth Higginson

As winter approaches I think of this quote. Driving around the Susquehanna Valley I am mesmerized by the beauty of the trees with their glorious leaves. Our valley is so lovely at this time of the year and it amazes me every autumn as I drink in the splendor of our home. As we prepare for the next Sigma meeting in December, may we look forward to the brilliance of winter?

Meeting: Saturday December 10, 2016 at the Pine Barn Inn, located in Danville at 10:00 AM

The hostesses for the meeting are Susan Cromley, Joanne Aurand and Lois Paden. The cost of the meal is **\$13**. The brunch will be served buffet style, with the following on the menu: scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage patties, home-fried potatoes, cinnamon French toast, freshly-baked muffins and Danish, seasonal fruit, fat free/low fat yogurt, juice, coffee and hot tea.

Executive Board: Officers and committee chairs will meet prior to the meeting at 9:30 AM

Program: Our special guest, State President Tracey R. Dusch, will be providing the talk. This is the second year of her biennium and she is a member of Psi Chapter. We are looking forward to her visit and her presentation. Let's give her a big Sigma Welcome and have good attendance at the meeting.

There will be an Ice Breaker where we will get to mingle and get to know each other and have fun.

World Fellowship: December is the time when we collect funds for World Fellowship. World Fellowship is a program to aid women in more than 100 countries to receive fellowships to enable them to pursue advanced study in the United States and Canada. Carole Hepner, World Fellowship Chair, will be ready to take up our collection. If you are unable to attend, please send your donations with someone who can.

New Members: December is the time where we vote on new members. If you have someone who is interested in becoming a member, please submit the forms for membership to Second Vice-President Aimee Diehl. These forms need to reach Aimee by **November 1**. Mary Reinhard will be talking about the Educator Panel that is planned for the spring. This idea may bring in new members for 2017-2018. We will be placing Prospect Cards on the tables again in December and March. If you have a Prospect Card completed from the last meeting, please give it to Aimee Diehl. And lastly, we are planning on having a tea in late summer.

Sigma Scrapbook: If you have any items for the scrapbook, please bring them to share at the meeting.

Program: Fundraiser: Cindy Tarr has arranged for another fundraiser at Wendy's. This time it is the Wendy's at Shamokin. The date is December 20 from 5 PM until 8 PM. No coupons or vouchers are necessary and Sigma receives 10% of sales during the time period. Come out and support Sigma.

Marilyn Frear is also arranging a fundraiser through Lemongrass. This will take place at the March meeting with delivery at the May meeting. Sigma will receive 15% of the order.

Committee Reports- Community Outreach-The Executive Committee recommended Sigma take up a collection of items for the three local Women's Shelters within our 5 county region. There is a list of items that would be appreciated by women and children who stay in the shelters. The collection of items will take place at the December meeting. Instead of playing a game and purchasing holiday gifts for each other, it was thought that helping others would be more beneficial. This is a voluntary collection.

The next meeting is Saturday March 4, 2017. Hostesses are from Lewisburg and Milton will have the raffle basket.

I am looking forward to seeing all of you at the December meeting.

Fondly,

Carol Kruskie

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