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International Guest, Drs. Trijny Schmitz du Moulin, Regional Director for Europe

Alpha Alpha State Convention

June 13-15, 2008

Weaving Connections

Delta Kappa Gamma members from across the Keystone State will gather together at The Nittany Lion Inn, State College, during the weekend of June 13-15, 2008 for our annual state convention. The convention theme is "Weaving Connections."

"We are many textures; we are many colors, each one different from the other. But we are entwined with one another, in one great tapestry."

Pennsylvania members will welcome Drs. Trijny Schmitz du Moulin as our International guest. Trijny has been involved with the development of our Society in Europe since she joined as charter member of Epsilon Chapter in 1989. She has also been involved with the development of the Society on the International level. During this biennium, she serves as the Regional Director for Europe. Having served as state president of The Netherlands State Organization from 1995-1997, she is now co-editor of their newsletter, *Delta Kappa Gamma Nieuwsbrief Nederland*.

Professionally, Trijny was a teacher of French at Ommelanden College, Appingedam. During 1983-1985, she served as Additional Deputy Head at Ommelanden College in Appingedam. Trijny has knowledge of several languages which is very useful for the work of the European Regional Director.

In 2000, Trijny was awarded the Medal of Merit of the town of Delfzijl. And in 2001, she was knighted by Her Majesty Queen Beatrix of the Netherlands. Trijny has served in her community as a member of the board for several organizations including the Public Library, the Cultural Committee and the Delfzicht Hospital.

Alpha Alpha State Organization members will have many opportunities to weave connections with Trijny during the June state convention. She will join with us Friday evening as we recognize the new members of the Women of Distinction Album and be on hand for the Friday night fun and fellowship. She will give an International update at the First General Session and remarks at Saturday's Presidents' Banquet. On Saturday afternoon, Trijny will join her Golden Gift sister, Suzanne Long and participate in a workshop detailing the benefits of attending the Leadership/Management Seminar in Texas. Making a connection with

Trijny will bring the sense of our international society home to each of you. Don't miss the opportunity to weave your own personal and professional tapestry. Register today for our state convention.

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Lattice of Leadership
(L-R) Alpha Upsilon's Incoming
President, Barbara Gasperini;
State President, Carolyn
Sutton; Co-presidents, Roseann
Currence and Marsha Ewing.

As chapters look to their members to fill the offices for the upcoming biennium, several chapter presidents have reported that chapter members are not volunteering for offices, nor are they willing to accept when asked. Why is this? What are the limitations hindering our members from accepting a leadership role in the chapter? Please remember that each of you is already a leader - a key woman educator, a vital member of an international society. **Remember also that the Leadership Development Committee is offering extensive training for the incoming presidents for the 2008-2010 biennium.** At one time, chapter presidents had very little opportunity for interaction at the state level. Responding to requests for information and guidance, Alpha Alpha State now provides this pre-convention training, a short training session at convention, and a follow-up at the Fall Area Conferences.

A healthy chapter is a chapter that provides a lattice of leadership. A leadership lattice is one in which former officers and committee chairmen are interwoven with incoming officers, providing support and encouragement. Such a lattice provides for the wisdom and passion for leading a successful chapter. And no chapter can exist without the teamwork and participation of its members. No chapter president should be required to do it all. Alpha Alpha State officers and committee chairmen are preparing training workshops for all members that will be held after the General Session on Saturday morning at convention. Presidents, encourage your entire "team" to accompany you this year.

Alpha Alpha State President's Message

By Carolyn Sutton

While recently reflecting on books that have influenced my development over the years, I was drawn back to one of particular note: *Jonathan Livingston Seagull* by Richard Bach. I was reminded that a person (or seagull) needs to keep finding herself, a little more each day. "Look with understanding, find out what you already know, and you'll see the way to fly. **Everything that limits us, we have to put aside.**"

I am thrilled with the plans being made by the Alpha Alpha State officers and committee members for a state convention that will be rich in training and activities for all chapter members. Convention Coordinator, Pat Arnold, along with Protocol Chairmen, Dee Stout and Kate Sillman, are working to produce a smooth schedule. Our new Convention Treasurer, Barbara Tobias, is poised to process your registrations. When completing your registration form, please remember to register for your afternoon workshop.

Come and take part in the **Membership Explosion Celebration**. It will be a sparkling event.

Our International Guest, Drs. Trijny Schmitz du Moulin will bring us updates from the International Administrative Board. As European Director, she will have news about the new state organization of Denmark as well as the expansion into Estonia.

In the meantime, has your chapter decided on a way to support the Ethiopia Reads Project? Together we will exchange ideas for raising the necessary funds to build our Alpha Alpha State Library for the children in Ethiopia.

Start your summer season by becoming an active participant at state convention.

And finally, **don't miss the Creative Arts Retreat.** There are no limits to the fun and fellowship you will experience with your Alpha Alpha sisters as you take your creativity and artistic talent to new heights. I find the Creative Arts Retreat to be among my "top ten best things I can do for myself" list. I hope to see many of you in White Haven.

MEMBERSHIP

Making Membership Connections

By Louann Shrader

Alpha Alpha State Membership Chairman

Connecting members to each other in a chapter creates the energy that sustains and moves a chapter forward. We're all familiar with the parable about the geese. But did you ever think of it as connecting to and nurturing our members. Remember how beautiful and sleek the geese flew in V-formation with one at the head leading the way. The lesson goes on to say that when the lead goose gets tired it rotates back into formation and another takes the reins at the head. Sounds like nurturing to me!

It may be well to remember the geese story as we try to connect with members. We may all be at different stages in our educational careers and personal lives. But regardless of our career stage or personal life we do all need nurturing. Whether a new member, an elderly and long-time member, or that member involved in career and family who is stretched to the limit, nurturing is needed to retain and support each other. The following are some ideas that may help as we think about nurturing each other.

- + Use telephone trees and the Internet to contact members and keep them informed about each other, about programs, or about possible topics they may be interested in.
- + Carpools help members, whether older, inactive, or active, get to meetings. Just sharing some time with another chapter sister may be all that is needed to nurture and actively engage members in chapter happenings. And of course it is far better and more fun to travel with another!
- + Consider offering financial help with members' dues and fees, if needed.
- + Create a buddy system so each member can keep in close touch with another member.
- + Send personal notes to members of a job well done or of a congratulatory nature. Teachers, particularly, need to get more warm fuzzies in the way of personal notes. Encouragement is motivating!
- + Send personal notes or make phone calls to members not attending. Let them know their chapter cares and they were missed.
- + Highlight member strengths in chapter activities. Everyone wants to feel needed and know that they contribute to the group no matter how old or of what experience they may have.
- + Establish a "Care Group" to regularly check on inactive or older members. Rotate the committee

membership so all members serve in this capacity.

- + Move the meeting to a home, retirement community, or care facility where a member or members reside to permit their attendance.

Sometimes those who have taken the role of the lead goose find the need to drop back into formation due to family responsibilities, career demands, health, etc. Everyone needs help from time to time. More than many other organizations, we are a caring Society that does support each other. Be a lead goose and try leading the formation...there are plenty behind you that will be honking you on in support!



ATTENTION!

Membership Explosion !!!

Membership Explosion continues. Help your chapter get deserved recognition at the state convention and the international convention. The goal is within your reach. Bring in at least 8 new members during the biennium and celebrate your efforts through recognition at the international convention in Chicago. Bring in new members and enjoy the recognition, fun, and "bling-bling" at the state convention. The force is within you!!

President's Schedule

- March 15, 2008** - Visit to Beta Theta, Alpha Kappa, Kappa, and Beta Iota Chapters in Carlisle
- March 28-29, 2008** - Training for Incoming Chapter Presidents, Indiana
- April 5, 2008** - Visit to Eta, Beta Beta, Beta Gamma, Beta Delta Chapters in York
- April 12, 2008** - Visit to Beta Kappa and Omega Chapters, Gettysburg
- April 18-19, 2008** - Training for Incoming Chapter Presidents, Lancaster
- April 25-26, 2008** - Creative Arts Retreat, The Country Place, White Haven
- May 3, 2008** - Visit to Gamma, Alpha Iota, and Alpha Omega Chapters, Erie
- May 16-17, 2008** - Finance Committee Meeting, Bedford
- June 13-15, 2008** - Alpha Alpha State Convention, State College
- July 17-20, 2008** - Seminar of Purposeful Living, Dubuque, IA
- July 21-27, 2008** - International Convention, Chicago, IL

PROGRAM OF WORK

By Susan Stamm, 1st Vice President/Program of Work Chair

As this article is being written in January, the chapter program committee reports are arriving in the mail. I am excited about what I am reading. The reports are showing that some successful programs have been presented, for example, celebrating a chapter's 60th anniversary, celebrating artists and their work, holding a silent auction to raise money for scholarships, sharing member talents with an arts and crafts festival. Several chapters reported their successful programs were linked to their projects. This really shows that as an organization we are concerned with more than just being educators.

Many chapter projects are focusing on children and women with donations of books and quilts to newborns and head-start children, lap quilts for nursing home residents, and collections of items for crisis centers. For the last five years one chapter has sponsored a family literacy night for local school children. One chapter's project had a two-fold purpose: Members made quilt squares that were pieced together and quilted. Then they sold chances on the completed quilt, and the money was used for their scholarship fund. These are examples of our chapters fulfilling the purposes of our Society.

There is evidence that chapters are using the program manual, *Passion for Learning: The Essence of Growth*. If your chapter is not, there is a wealth of material and ideas in this manual to help chapters plan

and develop meaningful programs. Every chapter should own a copy of this resource. The incoming Program of Work Committee that will be assuming office in the summer should find this an invaluable resource. There are all kinds of programs already planned. You can just pick and choose. The Program of Work Committee should take time to get familiar with this resource.

As programs are being planned, here is something to think about: Each member must be inspired to feel excited about coming to Society events and contributing to the fullest. This happens only when practices and policies are followed that engage the hearts and minds of all those who participate. How can we ensure this success through programs? If your program consists of a topic that every woman educator in your community might learn from and enjoy, then you have planned an appropriate program.

Chapter Program of Work Chairmen are urged to attend the Program Committee Workshop at state convention on Saturday, June 14 for idea sharing and valuable information to help with your chapter responsibilities. There will also be workshops at the two Fall Area Conferences. Watch the summer issue of *The Keystonean* for details. Your Alpha Alpha State Program of Work Committee is committed to helping chapters, but the chapter counterparts have to make the effort to attend and receive the help.

I am looking forward to meeting many new chapter Program of Work Chairmen at state convention in June.

Personal Growth and Services Committee

By Rini Wolgarth, Personal Growth and Services Committee

Music: Growing Through the Arts

In contemplating the role of the Personal Growth and Services Committee in my experience as a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, I am always drawn to the memory of music. My own background with creating music stopped at about age 16 when I finally admitted those piano lessons just weren't for me! So, I became a member of the audience and left the music making to the more skilled and dedicated.

Upon becoming a Delta Kappa Gamma member, I was soon exposed to a wide variety of music. Meetings at the local and state levels have resounded with the music of steel drums, a middle school chorus, a jazz quartet, many solo singing and instrumental performances, college groups of musicians, a piano recital, a solo bell ringing performance (I never knew

all those bells could be chimed by only one person!) and our own Alpha Alpha State Chorus, to name a few examples. Talk about personal growth - I never grow tired of these musical offerings. There is always something new and exciting in each one.

In this biennium the international Personal Growth and Services Committee is emphasizing lifelong learning through the arts and literature. Certainly my pleasures with the music of Delta Kappa Gamma have made me a lifelong learner of the arts. After all, in reflecting on President Carolyn's theme of tapestry, I suddenly realized that Delta Kappa Gamma has played a great role in weaving the threads of music into my life's tapestry.

How Will You Help to Grow Our Library in Ethiopia?

By Tracey R. Dusch, Projects Committee Chairman

The Alpha Alpha State Projects Committee has challenged our Delta Kappa Gamma sisters across the state to raise the \$6000 needed to support a fully sponsored library through the **Ethiopia Reads** project. Now we are asking our sisters to share in a different way: We want to know how you and your chapter are raising funds to support our state project. All of your creative ideas can be emailed to tdusch@brockway.k12.pa.us. Please identify the sender and her chapter. These ideas will be shared with our members across Pennsylvania to help them get started. Following are a few ways you and your chapter can participate and help Alpha Alpha State grow our library.

- + Have a large jar or piggy bank at your chapter meetings to collect your members' loose change. It costs \$1.00 to publish a book in Ethiopia. How many books will your pocket change buy?
- + Plan a bake sale, rummage sale, spaghetti dinner or pancake breakfast to raise money.
- + Host a "Bring a book! Buy a book!" used book sale. Members bring gently used books to sell and buy one or two they haven't enjoyed reading yet.
- + "Two for Tea" - There are approximately 3000 Delta Kappa Gamma members in our state. Two dollars a member would raise the \$6000 to grow our library. Send a teabag to each member along

with an invitation to sit in the comfort of her own home and read a favorite book. Include a self-addressed envelope and a donation card to help Ethiopian children read.

More ideas can be found at www.ethiopiareads.org. All chapter donations should be sent to State Treasurer Linda O'Connor. Please be sure to identify your chapter with your donation and that it is a contribution for **Ethiopia Reads**.

Don't forget the **Afghan Teacher Project!**

Pennsylvania is still supporting teachers in Afghanistan. Contributions can be made and sent to Linda O'Connor.

Finally, we will be keeping track of our project progress by means of our book-ometer. As we raise the funds for our library in Ethiopia, our stack of books will grow. Watch in future *Keystonians* as we approach our goal of \$6000. And don't forget... Yemiyanebu Yabebu...those who read, bloom.

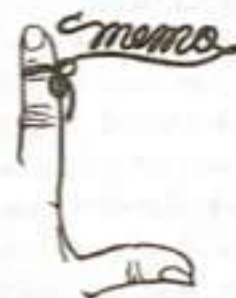


Monique Lautenschlager, Chairman

Research Reminder:

Are you keeping your chapter profile current?

The Research Committee can help you with this project. Come to convention to receive the new guidelines to help with your chapter profile.



BUDGET REQUESTS

Due
April 1, 2008

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Welcome, New Initiates and Reinstated Members!

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Mrs. Linda Althouse
Miss Andrea Hockman
Mrs. Faye Werley
Gail Braun
Carol Leininger

Gamma

Terri Bohen
Traci Bowman
Elise Kay Graham
Mary Harrison-Youngs
Mary Pat Haven
Kathleen Anne Keys
Diane Nowak

Delta

Dr. Mary Claire Brown
Mrs. Sydney Hartman

Epsilon

Barbara Steinback
Lisa Jackson

Zeta

Mrs. Paula Marciniak
Mrs. Denise Shumsky
Mrs. Kristy Ziggas

Eta

Mrs. Sarah Dorward
Miss Amy Slagel

Theta

Ms. Ilene Lesser
Mrs. Nancy Mell
Dr. Norma Ratti
Ms. Sharon Schurman
Mrs. Susan O'Toole
Mrs. Gina Reichert
Mrs. Melissa Wagner
Ms. Rachel Zinger
Jane Fogle
Antoinette McGrath

Iota

Mrs. Janet Yon

Lambda

Mrs. Jessica McMenamin
Mrs. Claudia Sigmund

Nu

Miss Julie Baumbach

Mrs. Marcia Dohner
Mrs. Heidi Eck
Mrs. Karen Mills
Mrs. Elaine Stoll

Tau

Maria Bowman
Ann Grimes VanLoon

Upsilon

Mrs. Elizabeth Kovach

Phi

Mrs. Barbara Lutat
Ms. Joanne Tagle

Chi

Miss Amy Smith

Psi

Mrs. Nancy Hills
Mrs. Wendy McKinley

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Mrs. Marcia Hickman
Mrs. Katherine Kough
Mrs. Kelly Messinger
Mrs. Cheryl Onelius

Ms. Vicki Rinehart
Mrs. Julie Shrader

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Mrs. Parletta Davis
Mrs. Patricia Hawksworth
Mrs. Stephanie Hills
Ms. Linda McCahan
Mrs. Pamela McDonald
Ms. Debra Price

Mrs. Patricia Rupert

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Mrs. Christine Bibby
Mrs. Jan Bowman
Mrs. Linda Drusak
Mrs. Karen Ferry

Alpha Epsilon

Ms. Jodell Barner
Mrs. Julie Rook
Mrs. Nichole White

Alpha Zeta

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Ms. Ruth Olson
Mrs. Diane Place

Alpha Theta

Mrs. Laura Jane Bartosh
Mrs. Jean Quinn

Mrs. Tammie Bash-Wilson
Jaime Fry
Carolyn Hancock
Mrs. Jennifer Hrabovsky
Mrs. Janine Lazor Dropcho
Jennifer Speil
Mrs. Brandy Stover
Mrs. Tracey Zeigler

Alpha Iota

Ms. Ellen Bane
Ms. Rhonda Champion
Mrs. Emily Evans
Mrs. Melinda Heasley
Mrs. Charlise Moore
Mrs. Mary Popadak

Alpha Lambda

Mrs. Bridget Camp
Shelly Hann
Mrs. Michelle Harbaugh
Miss Julie Krivus
Mrs. Kelly Thacker

Alpha Pi

Mrs. Kimberle Haley

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Mrs. Alexis Edwards
Mrs. Anne Marie Lohin
Mrs. Eileen Petrillo
Ms. Lucille Sireno
Ms. Eileen Wolfe

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Jennifer Allebach
Jenine DeSalvo
Alice Jane Haines
Donna Neff
Brigitte Scala
Christina Vitale

Alpha Upsilon

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Mrs. Alyssa Imler
Mrs. Adrienne Kurpakus
Mrs. Lisa Linden
Ms. Kathleen Varano

Beta Alpha

Jacqueline Magagnose

Beta Beta

Ms. Linda Keech
Mrs. Colleen Lilley
Mrs. Pamela Myers

Mrs. Belinda Sabaka
Mrs. Ann Partlow
Ms. Beth Stump

Beta Gamma

Linda Martin

Beta Zeta

Mrs. Deborah Binotto
Miss Annette Hauser
Emily Homitz

Beta Iota

Mrs. Raeleen Eckerd
Mrs. Rose Anna
Stillwagon

Beta Kappa

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Mrs. Lisa Harman
Mrs. Pat Lewis
Mrs. Tammi
Swartzbaugh
Mrs. Darlene Weidner
Mrs. Deborah Yargar-Reed

Beta Mu

Ms. Jean Ann Saville

Beta Xi

Mrs. Linda Hendrickson
Mrs. Isabelle Billet
Miss Donna Crock
Mrs. Pamela Dunn
Mrs. Robin Lallement

Beta Omicron

Mrs. Gail Carroll
Mrs. Gail Ludin
Dr. Kay Moore
Miss Courtney Shagren
Mrs. Jill Whalen

Beta Pi

Bernadette Cook
Sue Dahlstrom
Anne Pass
Melanie Skatz
Barbara McElvogue

Beta Rho

Miss Emily Alt
Mrs. Tonya Boatman
Ms. Jill Burnham
Mrs. Cris Wiswell

STATE COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS

- **Historical Records:** Alpha Alpha State records now housed at Paterno Library in State College.

By Carol Goodman, Historical Records Chairman

The Historical Records committee is pleased to announce that 70+ years of Alpha Alpha State records are now safe and sound at the Paterno Library at Penn State University. They are in a temperature and humidity-controlled environment, and will be safe from fire, flood, and the damage caused by transporting them from person to person around the state.

Members of the Historical Records Committee, Barb Emmer and Rosemary Ruhl, spent a weekend at the home of Chairman Carol Goodman to sort through 16 scrapbooks and dozens of other records. Some of the scrapbooks are 19x24 inches in size, weigh 30 pounds, and cover three or more presidents' bienniums. Repairs were made to many scrapbooks, the items were catalogued, and some wonderful discoveries were made. One of the scrapbooks contains a telegram from Pearl S. Buck, apologizing for not being able to attend the scholarship meeting where her scholarship was to be awarded!!! Also included was a newspaper clipping of Miss Buck meeting with members of Alpha Alpha State. We have tapes of interviews with Vesta Watson and Dr. Mary Willard, first and third presidents of Alpha Alpha State that will be transferred to CD's as soon as possible. These records will be available to anyone who



DELIVERING THE RECORDS: Paul Dzyak from the Paterno Library at Penn State, receives the Historical Records of Alpha Alpha State from Carol Goodman. The records will be housed permanently at the library and accessible to any interested parties.

has interest in the contents of the records, with no restrictions, as recommended by International. Alpha Alpha State officers and members of the Historical Records Committee may remove the records from the library by going through proper procedures set up by the library. A list of current members and officers will be presented to the library at the beginning of each biennium. A "field trip" to the Paterno Library will be possible during convention 2008.

It is expected that many members of Alpha Alpha State will visit the Paterno Library on their own to look at our history. It is truly a wonderful journey.

Other members of the Historical Records Committee are Marlene Popnik and Linda Stahlman.

- **Letter To Editor:** From Alpha Epsilon State (Indiana) Communications Chairman

My name is Beth Lysinger and I am the Alpha Epsilon State (Indiana) Communications Chairman. I read your winter 2008 newsletter, *The Keystonean*, and was very impressed! What a great Creative Arts Retreat you have planned in April! I'm sure everyone who attends will go away very enriched!

I especially enjoyed reading your Historical Moment #3 highlighting all the advancements Alpha Alpha State has made during the past 70 years, the section entitled Chapter News, and Barbara Clark's article, *Blog? What's a Blog?*

Thanks for including Alpha Epsilon State on your mailing list!

Best regards,
Beth Lysinger

CHAPTER PRESIDENTS

Please check the Alpha Alpha State website.

Evaluation forms for *The Keystonean* Editor, Treasurer, and Webmaster are now online. Each chapter is assigned a position to evaluate each year. Instructions, duties and responsibilities, chapter assignments and evaluation forms are under *Evaluation Forms* on the website.

Please complete your evaluation form and submit to:
Wanda Keller
830 Fernwood Place
Johnstown, PA 15905

Forms may be submitted electronically or in the mail. Chapter presidents will only receive their assigned forms in the mail if they do not have an e-mail address in the directory.

Contact Wanda if you have any questions.

CONVENTION WORKSHOPS

By Judith Schaffer, Professional Affairs Chairman

► Registration Required

Alpha Alpha State Professional Affairs Committee has scheduled seven educational workshops for the afternoon session at the 2008 State Convention. This year, conference attendees are asked to pre-register for the workshops. This will help the committee assigning room space, as well as enable the presenter to prepare the workshop materials.

Select from the workshop list and register your choice on the registration form on page 10 of this newsletter.

ENERGIZE YOUR LIFE - Personal Growth & Services Committee

Too much stress? Not enough time or energy? We seem to live our lives in a fast moving, stressful world. This workshop will provide a variety of practical ideas for reducing stress and helping us find extra time and energy for ourselves.

HOW TO START A BOOK CLUB - Millie Pipman, Alpha Upsilon Chapter

Have you ever thought about starting or joining a book club but are too busy with your job, family and other commitments and don't think you have enough time to do one more thing? This workshop explains how you can weave a literary connection in your Delta Kappa Gamma chapter or community by establishing a book club. Topics discussed include how to get a group organized and how to lead a book discussion. Lists of suggested titles and ideas for starting an intergenerational or mother-child book group will be presented.

UNDERSTANDING THE GED - Joyce P. Kerrick, Alpha Zeta Chapter

The General Educational Development (GED) Diploma is the diploma offered to people who drop out of high school without graduating. In order to attain the GED, the individual must pass a five-part exam that tests basic educational skills in the areas of Critical Reading, English Grammar and Essay Writing, Science, Social Science and Humanities, and Mathematics. This workshop is designed to provide the participants with an overview of the GED test, information about the programs available to study for the test, and the development and norming of the test. Participants will also be challenged to see if they are "smarter than a GED graduate."

GET AMERICA SINGING.....AGAIN! - Donna L. Houser, Kappa and Barbara M. Rankin, Alpha Xi; Visual and Performing Arts Committee.

Many educators, including music educators, are beginning to be concerned about whether or not people are singing anymore. What is at risk by this trend is that a big part of our American culture is being lost to future generations. Singing provides a sense of spirit, commonality and community within our families, towns and cities, and our nation. Does your Delta Kappa Gamma chapter include singing at every meeting? This workshop will provide ideas, resources and a common song repertoire that Americans of all ages should know and sing. The second objective is to promote community singing in our schools, clubs, private meetings, church, camp, scouts, with your children and grandchildren. We need singing leadership from Americans in every walk of life-not just from music educators.

GIRL CHILD EDUCATION IN CENTRAL AND SOUTHERN AFRICA - Mary Furlong, Omega Chapter

Keziah Musonda, Giveness Galufu and Catherine Chondoka have limited choices simply because they have been born in Central and Southern Africa (Zambia, Malawi, Tanzania, Namibia). The challenges of accessing primary or secondary education for the girl-child in Africa can be and is being addressed with community and parent interest and support. The reality of arranged marriages, the reality of HIV / AIDS from "sugar daddies" and the sheer lack of schools and teachers are factors that can be countered with initiatives to encourage young females to seek the implementation of the EFA (Education for All, 2000 Document). This workshop will give insight into education for girls in the African countries.

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITIES - Drs. Trijny Schmitz du Moulin, Epsilon Chapter, The Netherlands and Suzanne Long, Beta Theta Chapter

This workshop will discuss the Delta Kappa Gamma Leadership/Management Seminar and the opportunities for continued personal growth, leadership education, and much more. Our own Pennsylvania Golden Gift recipients will share their experiences. Are you ready to try for a "Golden Opportunity"?

TOUR OF THE PATERNO LIBRARY – Carol Goodman, Beta Rho, Historical Records Committee Chairman

Visit the Paterno Library and see the new home of the Alpha Alpha State Historical Records – 70 years worth.

► **Convention Menus**

As per your request on last year's convention evaluations, the convention menus are being published here:

CAMPUS CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST

Assorted Bagels, Pastries, Muffins; Fresh Fruit, Yogurt and Granola; Orange Juice, Cranberry Juice, Coffee, Hot Tea

LUNCHEON MENU

Mélange of Fresh Fruit, Turkey Club Wrap with Bacon, Lettuce and Mayonnaise, Dill Pickle and Mixed Greens; Marble Cake, Iced Tea, Coffee, Hot Tea

DINNER MENU

Chef Folse's Sweet Potato Soup, European Breast of Chicken, Stuffed with Pennsylvania Apple & Dried Cherry Dressing, Vegetable du Jour, Rolls & Butter, Chocolate & Vanilla Creamery Ice Cream with Chocolate Sauce; Coffee, Hot Tea

NITTANY LION BREAKFAST BUFFET

Scrambled Eggs, Bacon & Sausages, Home Fried Potatoes, Hot Oatmeal, Fresh Fruit Display, Assorted Pastries and Muffins, Bagels with Cream Cheese, Jellies and Butter, Cold Cereal Selection, Orange Juice and Cranberry Juice, Coffee, Hot Tea

Did You Know That....?

The Women of Distinction began at the 2000 Alpha Alpha State Convention. It began as a "Millennium Masterpiece Celebration." Thirty-six members were recognized during the convention luncheon for various achievements and honors they had received during that year. The Album of Distinction was created by the Program of Work Committee chaired by Louise Garverick. Suzanne Long, 1999-2001 Professional Affairs Chairman and 1999-2001 Personal Growth and Services Chairman, Patricia Arnold participated in the program. From 2000 to 2007, over 150 Alpha Alpha State sisters have been included in this prestigious honor. Has your chapter nominated a member?

New This Year at Convention

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETING SLATED FOR FRIDAY EVENING AT CONVENTION

There is a very important schedule change for this year's Alpha Alpha State Convention. The annual Executive Board Meeting will be Friday evening at 8:30 p.m. in Board Room 2. The Executive Board includes all chapter presidents, state officers, state committee chairmen, and past state presidents. This change is the result of the evaluations from previous conventions that indicated the schedule for Saturday was too tight, not allowing time for genuine fellowship, chapter focus tables, or other exhibits. By moving the Executive Board Meeting to Friday evening, it is the goal of the convention committee to stay to the printed time schedule on Saturday. For this change to be a success, all board members need to be seated in the Board Room promptly.

Registration Required for Workshops

All participants are asked to indicate their choice of workshop for the Saturday afternoon sessions on their registration form. (See page 10) Thank you!

Menus List

Menus for each meal function are listed on this page. For special dietary needs, inform Barbara Tobias, Convention Treasurer.

Paterno Library Tour

Visit the Paterno Library and see where our Alpha Alpha State Historical Records are now housed.

**Hear the latest news
on the upcoming**



**Northeast Regional Conference to be held
in Hershey, PA, 2011.**

To offer your services for this Delta Kappa Gamma event contact:

Royce Boyd, Conference Coordinator
814.623.6562 or
email rboyd@everett.k12.pa.us



Alpha Alpha State Convention Schedule

The Nittany Lion Inn
State College, PA

June 13-15, 2008



Weaving Connections

Friday, June 13 Casual Dress

- Noon-3** Check in to the Nittany Lion Inn
Registration Opens and Raffle Ticket Sales Begin in Rotunda
Chapter Presidents sign in and collect Convention Materials
- 5-6:30** Entertainment Rehearsal in Mt. Nittany
- 6-8** Chapter Focus Tables Open in Atrium
- 7-7:30** First Timers' Meeting in Mt. Nittany
- 7:30** Presentation of Women of Distinction by their presidents in Assembly
- 8:30-9** Entertainment Rehearsal in Mt. Nittany
- 8:30-9** Executive Board Meeting in Board Room 2
- 9** Friday Fun and Fellowship in Alumni Lounge and Lobby

1:45-2:45

3

3-4:30

4:45

5:30

Saturday Evening, June 14, Best Dress

- 6:00** 2008-2010 Chapter Presidents' Reception in Alumni Lobby
General seating for banquet in Alumni Ballroom
Introduction and Procession of Past Presidents and Head Table Guests
Presentation of Chapter Presidents
Ticketed Banquet
Connections by Dr. Trijny Schmitz du Moulin
Musical Interlude
State Achievement Award
Singing of The Delta Kappa Gamma Song

6:15

Saturday, June 14, Business Dress

- 7:15-7:45** Entertainment Rehearsal in Mt. Nittany
- 6:45-8:00** Ticketed Continental Breakfast in Alumni Lobby
- 7:45-11:15** Registration and Raffle Ticket Sales in the Rotunda
- 8:00** Presentation of the Flags and Procession of Officers in Alumni Ballroom
First General Session in Alumni Ballroom
- 10:15-11:15** Workshop Sessions I: Society Business Presidents, Parliamentarians, Nominations, Membership and Expansion, Program of Work, Communications, World Fellowships, Historical Records, Scholarships and Enrichment Grants, Rules, Finance and Chapter Treasurers.
- 11:15-11:45** Chapter Focus Tables Open
- 11:45** Ticketed 71st Birthday Luncheon in Alumni Ballroom
Recognition of Birthday Chapters

Sunday, June 15 Casual Dress

- 7:30** Morning Meditation Service
- 8** Celebration of Life in Assembly
- 9** Ticketed Honors Breakfast in Alumni Ballroom
- 9:45-10:45** Second General Session in Alumni Ballroom
Presentation of Scholarships and Awards
Retiring of the Flags
Executive Committee Meeting of Officers and Committee Chairmen in Board Room I
- 11-Noon**
- Noon** Check out of Hotel

Directions

The Nittany Lion Inn

200 West Park Avenue, State College PA 16803
800-233-7505 814-865-8500
814-863-5002 Reservations FAX
www.pshs.psu.edu

From Harrisburg:

Take 322 West, past Lewistown, to State College and take the Penn State University/Innovation Park Exit. For The Nittany Lion Inn, turn right at the stop light and follow Park Avenue. Travel Park Avenue to the stop light at Allen Street. Turn left on Allen Street and then right on Fischer Road; enter the Nittany Lion Parking Deck on your left.

From Philadelphia:

PA Turnpike West to Exit 19, Harrisburg East and follow signs for the next 15 miles to Route 322 West. Take 322 West, past Lewistown, to State College and take the Penn State University/Innovation Park Exit. For The Nittany Lion Inn turn right at the stop light and follow Park Avenue. Travel Park Avenue to the stop light at Allen Street. Turn left on Allen Street and then right on Fischer Road; enter the Nittany Lion Parking Deck on your left.

From Pittsburgh:

Route 22 East to Duncansville. Then take Route 220/I-99 East bypassing downtown Altoona and Tyrone. After Port Matilda, take Route 322 East to State College. For The Nittany Lion Inn, stay on Business Route 322/North Atherton Street, past a variety of businesses. At the light at Park Avenue, turn left. The Inn is on your right.

From the West

Take I-80 E in PA to Exit 161 (Bellefonte). Follow PA 26 S to US 220 S, and take Exit 74 for Innovation Park/Penn State University. Stay in the left lane of the exit and follow the sign for Penn State University. This will become Park Avenue. Travel Park Avenue to the stoplight at Allen Street. Turn left on Allen Street and then right on Fischer Road. The Nittany Lion Parking Deck will be on your left, followed by the Nittany Lion Inn.

Save These Dates

March 28-29, 2008

Training for Incoming Chapter Presidents, Indiana

April 18-19, 2008

Training for Incoming Chapter Presidents, Lancaster

April 25-26, 2008

Creative Arts Retreat, The Country Place, White Haven

June 13-15, 2008

Alpha Alpha State Convention, State College

July 17-20, 2008

Seminar of Purposeful Living,
Dubuque, IA

July 21-27, 2008

International Convention, Chicago, IL

July 2011

Northeast Regional Conference
Hershey, PA

**International Convention,
Chicago, IL**

July 21-27, 2008



Join your Alpha Alpha State sisters for the International Convention in Chicago, IL. This convention promises to be an extraordinary event, filled with the wisdom and passion of members from all over the world. There will be tributes to Women of Vision and Passion, a juried art show, and workshops including Professional Development, The Arts, Cultural Enrichment, Lifelong Learning, and the Society at Work.

A special gathering will be held Thursday evening when Alpha Alpha State members enjoy dinner together at their biennial **Pennsylvania Night**.

Register now for this opportunity to meet and greet key women educators from all member states of our Society.



THE LEGISLATIVE LINK

By Patricia Kardambikis, Ph.D.

Ready, Set, Vote

In this election year, it is the challenge of the US Forum to have every member of Alpha Alpha State utilize their right and freedom and vote, not only in the General Election, but also our state's Primary Election. The deadline to register to vote in Pennsylvania is March 24, 2008 for the Primary Election and the deadline for registering to vote in the General Election is October 6, 2008. Further information concerning absentee voting, alternative voting or finding information on practicing using your county's new voting machines can be found on the PA Department of State's Webpage under the Bureau of Commissions, Elections & Legislation: <http://www.votespa.com/>

Key Dates to Remember

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|-------------|--|
| March 24: | Primary Voter Registration Deadline |
| April 22: | Primary |
| October 6: | General Election Voter Registration Deadline |
| October 28: | Deadline to Apply for Absentee Ballot |
| November 4: | General Election |

Update on Children's Health

On October 25, the House passed H.R. 3963, the revised Children's Health Insurance Program Reauthorization, by a vote of 265 to 142 - with 222 Democrats and 43 Republicans voting YES. Then, on November 1, the Senate also passed the bill - by a veto-proof margin of 64 to 30 - with 45 Democrats, 17 Republicans, and 2 Independents voting YES. The President vetoed the bill on December 12. On January 23, the House voted on the revised Children's Health Insurance Program bill. House Republicans again narrowly sustained President Bush's veto, with a vote of 260 in favor of passage and 152 against, despite the veto-proof margin in the Senate.

NEA on Educator Tax Relief: Supports

NEA supports expanding the educator tax deduction because it recognizes the sacrifices made by educators who work in America's public schools. Many teachers and education support professionals reach into their own pockets to ensure that classrooms have adequate books, pencils, paper and art supplies.

◆ Educators are spending more of their own funds each year to supply their classrooms with essentials such as pencils, glue, scissors and facial tissues. NEA's 2003 report, Status of the American Public School Teachers, 2000-2001, found that teachers spent an average of \$443.00 a year on classroom supplies.

◆ The National School Supply and Equipment Association found that in 2005-2006, educators spent out of their own pockets an average of \$826.00 for supplies and an additional \$926.00 for instructional materials - for a total of \$1,752.00.

◆ NEA supports legislation to make the educator deduction permanent, increase it to \$400.00, and expand it to cover professional development expenses.

◆ Expand the Educator Tax Deduction

Take Action!

Improve Access to College for Working and Parenting Student

Announcement from our US Forum "Grassroots Activists"

Our federal financial aid system is designed with the traditional college student in mind, yet part-time and nontraditional students are now the norm on college campuses, and such students are disproportionately women. These students more frequently must balance work, school, and family commitments but have limited access to financial aid. **Representative Rush Holt (D-NJ) will soon be introducing the Part-Time Student Assistance Act, which would allow students to exempt more of their income from student aid calculations, provide more on-campus child care, allow for year-round Pell grants, and create a part-time assistance pilot program to develop comprehensive programming aimed at enrolling and graduating part-time students.** AAUW strongly supports this legislation, because it takes important steps towards providing nontraditional students greater access to higher education. Nontraditional students-those who are part-time, working, older, or parenting-face unique challenges as they seek to finance a college education. In light of the increasing number of nontraditional and parenting students, legislation must create programs that help these students enter college, stay in college, and earn a degree.

Take Action! Urge your representative to support increased access to higher education for working and parenting students.

BETA CHAPTER MEMBERS ATTEND CTAUN CONFERENCE

By Lu Page, Expansion Chairman



Left to Right: Barbara Day, International President, Phyllis Hickey, Business Services Administrator, Corlea Plowman, Executive Coordinator, Holly Smith and Lu Page, Beta Chapter Members

Lu Page and Holly Smith from Beta Chapter joined over 500 educators at the United Nations on February 1, 2008 for CTAUN's (Committee on Teaching About the United Nations) tenth annual conference. The theme for this year's conference, Teaching and Learning in an Interdependent World, focused on living, learning and working together in a global society. Approximately 80 of those in attendance were Delta Kappa Gamma members.

The conference was an opportunity for educators at all levels to come together and explore what it means to live in a global society and how we can best prepare our students for the challenges and rewards that the interconnectedness of a global society provides. As the conference brochure so realistically reminded us, "...all of us are linked internationally through the media and telecommunications, culturally through our social interactions, economically through trade, politically through our treaties, and environmentally through the air we breathe."

More information on the US Forum's Webpage at www.deltakappagamma.org

INFORMATION ON HOW YOUR CONGRESSMAN VOTED ON KEY BILLS:

<http://projects.washingtonpost.com/congress/110/bills/>

REMEMBER THIS FACT:

FIVE CONSTITUENT CONTACTS WILL CAUSE A LEGISLATOR TO PAY SERIOUS ATTENTION TO A GIVEN ISSUE

Renowned keynote speakers and panelists from around the world explored topics that included how educators can incorporate in their curriculum ways in which we can "...teach our children to communicate across cultures, function in the global marketplace, respect diversity, prevent the conflicts that arise with environmental destruction and to help them truly believe they are capable of making a difference, no matter how small."

Particularly exciting for Lu Page was the opportunity to lead a delegation of administrators and teachers from the Hathboro-Horsham School District to the conference as part of the implementation of "The Keith Valley Connection: Enhancing Students' Cultural Literacy and Global Awareness at Keith Valley Middle School," an inter-disciplinary project designed and written by Lu which promotes and includes the participation of all teachers and students in sixth, seventh and eighth grades. This project will be guided by teachers and administrators, but led by student creativity and engagement. This year's CTAUN's conference addressed the very topics the students will explore with their peers in countries across the globe.

**"This was the best conference
I have ever attended!"**

It was a fantastic experience for all in attendance. As one teacher excitedly commented at the day's conclusion, "This was the best conference I have ever attended! It gave us specific information that we can transfer to the classroom and was presented by the people who conduct the research and write the articles we read!"

► NOTICE:

The U.S. Forum Committee of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International offers a FREE e-newsletter (U.S. Forum Connection) to any member wishing to subscribe. The U.S. Forum Connection seeks to keep members informed about legislation which impacts women, children and education.

Any member wishing to subscribe may do so by sending a subscription request to:
Angela.Bedenbaugh@usm.edu.

CHAPTER NEWS

THETA



Rachel's relatives: *New initiate Rachel Zinger is surrounded by (L-R) her aunt, Julianne Daller; mother, Patty Zinger; and great aunt, Julie Venditto (seated)*

In November of 2007, Theta Chapter welcomed four new members. Susan O'Toole, Gina Reichert, Melissa Wagner, and Rachel Zinger were inducted as fellow Thetans and members of Delta Kappa Gamma. One of those members has attended special chapter events since she was three years old. Rachel Zinger's mom, Pat Zinger is the current Theta Chapter president. In fact, Delta Kappa Gamma has become a way of life in the Zinger family. Rachel's aunt, Julianne Daller, is the Visual and Performing Arts Chairperson of Theta. Julie Venditto, Rachel's great aunt, is a long-time member of the Alpha Sigma Chapter. Retired after 45 years of teaching in the New Castle School District, Julie was able to travel to Pittsburgh and attend her great niece's induction.

BETA ALPHA



Sara Dimitri, Beta Alpha Treasurer for 20 years, with husband, Nick, a great supporter of ΔΚΓ

Submitted with photo by Ellen Barucca

Theta Chapter Celebrates 60 Years

Theta Chapter celebrated its sixtieth birthday on May 20th with a luncheon overlooking the downtown area and the intersection of Pittsburgh's three rivers. Special recognition was given to those long-term members with 25-40+ years of service to Delta Kappa Gamma, as well as Theta Chapter's founder and first president, Laura Braun. Broadway entertainer, Tommy Rocco wrote and performed several songs that spanned the last sixty years, adding lyrics especially for Theta. We will never forget the "Sweet Theta Rose" serenade to Patty Zinger, current president! Three new members were initiated at the celebration. Birthday cake, a wine toast, etched centerpieces and party favors, and that gorgeous view all contributed to a magnificent 60th celebration of women educators in Pittsburgh.



Theta President, Patty Zinger and Broadway entertainer, Tom Rocco

Submitted with photos by Janice Ballinger

After twenty years of serving our chapter, Beta Alpha, as Treasurer, Sara Dimitri has turned in her resignation. Her dedication to Delta Kappa Gamma was evidenced through her proficiency and loyalty as a Beta Alpha member. Sara could always be counted on to keep accurate records and offer her help with her years of experience in many matters concerning ΔΚΓ business.

Sara will be sorely missed as treasurer. We thank her for a job well done and wish her much happiness and continued involvement in our chapter.

Beta Alpha celebrated its 45th birthday at a lovely spring dinner May 2007. The occasion was made even more special by the initiation of 10 new members! We were thrilled to meet our membership explosion goal! We are continuing our chapter revitalization and have many new members eager to take on responsibilities to further promote the outstanding work of Delta Kappa Gamma.

Agnes Montemuro, longtime Beta Alpha member, recently received the "President's Award" at West Chester University for outstanding leadership. Congratulations, Agnes...you make Beta Alpha proud!

CHAPTER NEWS

PSI



Love
is in the Air



Tracey R. Dusch, Psi Chapter President, surprised Charter Member, Annabell Oakes, with a certificate of appreciation for all that she has done for Delta Kappa Gamma including over 30+ years of perfect attendance!!!

Yes, that's right, Psi Chapter "loves" Annabell Oakes. You see, without Annabell, Psi Chapter wouldn't exist. Ms. Oakes is the only "Charter Member" left in the area and she just turned 90 years young! Psi Chapter will be celebrating its "60th" Birthday in the Spring and without the women like Ms. Oakes, that took a leap of faith and believed in expansion, we wouldn't be here today!

Tracey R. Dusch, the president of Psi Chapter, surprised Ms. Oakes with a certificate of appreciation for all that she has done for Delta Kappa Gamma including over 30+ years of perfect attendance!!! Ms. Oakes received 90 roses on this her special day as well as 90 cards. Included in her avalanche of cards were greetings from Dr. Barbara Day the International President of Delta Kappa Gamma and Carolyn Sutton the State President of Alpha Alpha State.

Submitted with photos by Karen Ball

ETA



Eta Chapter's holiday meeting in December supported the arts. The Blue Trane Jazz Band, "discovered" by member Mary Goodwillie, presented varied musical selections. The group is composed of eight very young jazz musicians from York County Schools who are 10-13 years old. They have 3-5 years of jazz small group experience. Eta members enjoyed their high energy and uncanny command improvisational skills which made their performance remarkable.

Submitted with photo by Ruth Althouse

ALPHA SIGMA

Silver and Gold

"Make new friends but keep the old, one is silver the other is gold." These words from an old Girl Scout song sum up Alpha Sigma's recent activities. In keeping with the "membership explosion" initiative, Alpha Sigma initiated six excellent new members this fall—four with less than five years' experience, and another being a nursing instructor (finding excellent teachers from diverse educational experiences.) They are:



Jennifer Allebach, Jenine DeSalvo, Alice Jane Haines, Donna Neff, Brigitte Scala, and Christina Vitale - newest initiates of Alpha Sigma

Our second activity was to honor seventeen members who have been members of Alpha Sigma for 30 to 46 years. Certificates and long-stemmed roses were presented to those present. Later, sisters visited absent and reserve members who were unable to attend the meeting to present their "Awards of Appreciation."



(L-R) Marilyn Rider, Sonie Laughead, Patty Tenerowicz, Norma Neeley, Ruth Johnson, Rita Elsesser, Beverly Antis

Charter Member, Mary Edna Stinedurf (Center) is congratulated by Sally Speight (L) and Stephanie Fulena.



Submitted with photos by Stephanie Fulena

HISTORICAL MOMENT #4

Scholarships

The fifth purpose of Delta Kappa Gamma is to endow scholarships and aid to outstanding teachers in pursuing graduate study, and to grant fellowships to women educators from other countries.

Because our state society expanded slowly, there was not enough money to offer scholarships during the first 11 years. The Scholarship Fund grew with the help of White Elephant sales at each state convention, until by 1948 the Scholarship Committee planned to give out its first scholarship. The fund had accumulated a total of \$2,700, but when it was realized that only the interest on that money could be offered, the plans of the Scholarship Committee had to be put on hold.

By the state convention in June 1951, the Alpha Alpha State Scholarship Committee had raised enough money to grant their first two scholarships of \$100.00 each. Each year the number of scholarships grew and began to be named after much-admired women, like Miss Blanch Foster and Miss Pearl Buck. By 1982 a total of \$7,000 per year was available. At this time scholarships were usually offered for doctoral study only.

Today, on the flexible, Five-year plan, \$100,000 or \$20,000 per year is available to Alpha Alpha State members for a number of educational activities, including Elderhostel, continuing education, travel, an individual project, a research project or presentation of a paper.

Alpha Alpha State members have been very generous over the years in the support of women from other countries in their endeavors to reach their educational goals. Several years ago, Kavena from Namibia, and Honoratha and Elinami, from Tanzania, became our special friends as they studied for, and received their doctoral degrees at Penn State University.

Alpha Alpha State has a long history of providing scholarships for its members and those in need from around the world. We can be very proud to be ...forward moving ever.

*Historical Moments were presented by
Past State Presidents Marion Miller,
Shirley Lotz, Louise Garverick, and
Carol Ulrich at our 2007 State Convention.*

CHAPTER NEWS

LAMBDA

Lambda Chapter held its September meeting at My Brother's Place, Grove City. The 6:00 dinner was followed by the presentation from Lynn Lindh of a \$500 Grant-in-Aid Scholarship to **Heather Lorigan**. Heather is a senior at Westminster College, New Wilmington, majoring in English Education. In accepting the grant, Heather provided information on her college activities, her interest in education, and her future plans.

Following the business meeting presided over by President Norma Reinhard, Claudia Sigmund was initiated into membership. Claudia is the principal at Mercer Elementary School, Mercer.



*Participating in the initiation ceremony are (L-R):
Novie Donovan, Marjorie Walker and Claudia
Sigmund.*

Submitted with photos by Rini Wolgarth

ACTION ALERT!

ATTENTION: CHAPTER PRESIDENTS

Please observe the following:

April 1, 2008 DEADLINE to submit
2008- 2010 Committee Chairmen's names and
addresses to:

Patricia Shedlock
Corresponding Secretary
1381 Jessica Dr.
Lebanon, PA. 17046

Thank you Beta Alpha and Alpha Sigma for
submitting your forms so promptly.

In Memoriam

Continued from page 20.

Dr. June E. Baskin

November 25, 2007

Dr. Baskin was an active member and past president of Omicron Chapter. Professionally, she was the Supervisor of Art for the Williamsport Area School District. Known for her artistic talents and beautiful works of calligraphy, Dr. Baskin created the certificates awarded to Alpha Alpha State Scholarship recipients during several bienniums.

Rosemary B. Leveault

November 29, 2007

Rosemary was a member of Beta Iota Chapter where she served as chair of the Research Committee, second vice president, Yearbook Committee, and Program Committee. Professionally, Rosemary was employed at the University of Illinois and more recently as a guidance counselor for the West Shore School District before her retirement.

Irma P. Stein

December 18, 2007

A member of Psi Chapter, Irma served the chapter as chapter Treasurer for the past 9 years. Professionally, Irma taught in the Punxsutawney School District as a classroom Reading teacher, Title I Reading Specialist, and Reading Supervisor.

Catherine M. Frantz

December 22, 2007

Catherine, a member of Alpha Iota Chapter, served the chapter as president, in other offices, and on various committees over her 50-year membership in the Society. Professionally, she was an Elementary Librarian and was known for her musical talents that were shared with her chapter as well as her church.

Margrieta C. Hewey

December 27, 2007

Margrieta, a member of Alpha Epsilon Chapter, served on various committees at the chapter level. Professionally, Margrieta taught in the Bradford Area School District prior to her retirement in 1975.

Florence E. Barnhart

January 10, 2008

Florence, a member of Nu Chapter for 48 years, was a teacher of English, math, and history at the Hartford School for Girls in Moyamba, Sierra Leone, West Africa. Upon her return to the United States in 1959 Florence taught English in both junior and senior high schools in the Derry Township School District.

Ethel V. Wilt

January 13, 2008

Ethel, a member of Nu Chapter, served the chapter as treasurer for many years. She was also active on the State level serving as State Photographer from 1971-1980. Professionally, Ethel taught in the Lewistown and Hershey School Districts.

Jean C. Patton

January 13, 2008

Jean was a past president of Beta Iota Chapter. She also served the chapter as parliamentarian, first vice president, and chaired the program, yearbook, and nominations committees. Professionally, Jean was a Junior High School English and History teacher.

Please send all notices of members' deaths to:

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205 Oak Hill Road
Hanover, PA 17331-9445
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lshrader@embarqmail.com

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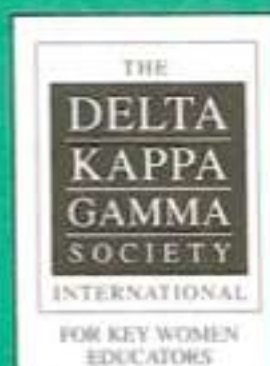
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DEADLINE FOR THE KEYSTONIAN June 1, 2008

In Memoriam

Helen S. Gorse

March 19, 2007

Helen was a dedicated member of Tau Chapter for over 50 years. She devoted 43 years to teaching, retiring from the Hazelton Area School District.

Henrietta Wilt

June 12, 2007

Henrietta, a long time and dedicated member of Beta Beta Chapter, chaired the chapter's Historical Records Committee. Professionally, Henrietta taught Home Economics in York County.

Elisabeth F. Neubauer

July 27, 2007

Elisabeth, a member of Alpha Alpha Chapter, taught Special Ed., Secondary English, and Home Economics. President of both the Eastern Region Department of Pupil Services

and President of the State Department of Pupil Services, she was honored as a PA School Social Worker of the Year 1989-1990.

Helen M. Lohman

September 7, 2007

Helen, a member of Omega Chapter for over 42 years, served on various committees at the chapter level. Professionally, Helen taught English at all levels as well as piano and organ.

Leah W. Fritz

October 3, 2007

As an active member of Xi Chapter, Leah was an inspiration to her chapter. Leah, dedicated to her career and students, taught elementary school for 42 years, beginning her career teaching grades 1 through 8 in a one-room schoolhouse.

*Every good life
leaves behind the
fiber of it inter-
woven forever in
the work of the
world.*

John Ruskin