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2009 Alpha Alpha State Convention



Composed by Janet Flinchbaugh, Beta Xi

State College was the site for the Alpha Alpha State Convention. Two hundred and seventy six

attended.

The activities and programs are well worth a mention.

The organizers should indeed be commended.

The Paterno Library was the destination for early arrivals, Where they are keeping our Society's state history. Seventy-two years of our archives are guaranteed safe survival. Our past accomplishments will never be a mystery.

Forty Women of Distinction were honored Friday night With accolades and awards they deserve. The Album of Distinction their accomplishments will cite. As educators, they continue to serve.



L-R Judith Schaffer, Professional Affairs Chair, Kathryn Firestone, awardee, and Barbara Gasperini, Alpha Upsilon President

Baskets were delivered and rehearsals took place. Each first timer received a warm greeting. Is it possible to continue to keep up this pace? Yes! The day's "work" ended with an Executive Board Meeting.

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State Achievement Award Recipient

Dr. Lynda B. Schmid, became the twenty-first Alpha Alpha State Achievement Award Recipient for 2009 and has woven another thread into the tapestry of stories for this biennium. Dr. Schmid was awarded the State Achievement Award Saturday, June 13, 2009, during the evening festivities at The Nittany Lion Inn in State College. A short presentation, "She's got the whole

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Outgoing president, Carolyn Sutton, hunds the gavel to incoming president, Susan Stamm

Spaces - you will find it a great stress releaser. And I always read the article entitled, "What I know for sure." Oprah ends her magazine with it.

Now that my biennium as your state president is ended, I share these thoughts with you.

What I Know For Sure is that an amazing group of women educators, armed with an attitude of gratitude and measure of genuine spiritual fellowship, gathered at the Nittany Lion Inn for an awesome state convention. And together we:

Greeted first-timers Amy Miehl, Louise Howard, Mary Lou Van Lieu, Marian Hayduk, Julianne Daller, Lynn Lindh, Karen Watson, Stephanie Kaye, Ann Nowaskie, Bonita Bober, Nancy Fondrk, Jane Finlon, Charlotte Fye, Sarah Caplan, Pam Gall, Patricia Brenner, Kristen Hall, Charlotte Stoughton, Mary Jo Lipski, Janice Gibson, Linda Peters, Jennifer Allebach, Bonnie Lee Barnes, Kathleen Roppa, Kathy Dunn, Dr. Norma Mateer, Janice Duerr, Jan Abelove, Patricia Schulte, Dr. Ann Way and Jane Maneval and others who were presenters or Women of Distinction.

- ☐ Honored forty members who were Women of Distinction. (See page 11.)
- ☐ Became inspired by our guest speakers Charles Youngs and Jane Kurtz
- Listened and learned as seven members shared their expertise as workshop presenters: Shanie Lininger Rita Tamalavage, Dr. Bettie Bertram, Dr. Marianne Bartley, Nikki McWilliams,

Alpha Alpha State President's Message

By Carolyn Sutton

aniel Pink, author of A Whole New
Mind, states that O Magazine, Oprah
Winfrey's publication, which bears its
creator's design sensibility, is one of his favorite
magazines. I have been reading it for years. I
especially like the photography for Breathing

Lu Page, and Linda Koncal-Evans.

- ☐Marveled at the artistic talent of our Artist's Alley contributors: Karen Ball, Janet Flinchbaugh, Suzanne Long, Edna Neeley, Cindy Reynolds, Linda Seifried, Louise Garverick, Pat Arnold, Grace Schauer and Donna Houser.
- Laughed until our sides ached watching our Alpha Alpha Pageant Contestants - Lyn Schmid, Kay Stuart, Louann Shrader, Sue Stamm and yours truly.
- Initiated a wonderful children's author, Jane Kurtz, as a State Honorary Member.
- Celebrated the birthdays of five chapters: Alpha Zeta (55 years); Beta Kappa (45 years); Beta Xi (35 years); Beta Rho (25 years); Beta Sigma (5 years)
- Awarded Certificates of Recognition to nineteen chapters for their chapter newsletters.
- Listened to the International update from Past International President, Dr. Irene Murphy, as she filled in for our International guest, Jensi Sounders, who was unable to attend.
- ☐ Hosted a reception for ten young members who were in the "Under 40" category.
- □ Presented a check for \$12,378 to Jane Kurtz, Board President of Ethiopia Reads to fund a children's library in Ethiopia.
- □ Honored Dr. Lynda B. Schmid, our 2009 Alpha Alpha State Achievement Award recipient.
- □ Awarded \$2950 in scholarships to members Amy Slagel, Lorraine Purcell, and Dolly Anderson.

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MEMBERSHIP

A H.O.P.E. for a "Shoe-In"

Circle the Bases, Strive for the Home Run!

By Louann Shrader, Alpha Alpha State Membership Chair



The very thing that has sustained our Society through times of economic vulnerability, international conflicts, and internal stress and apathy is simply the heartfelt commitment of each member - a commitment we all made during our initiation and one that has transcended generations of Key Women Educators. This commitment has given us the power to continue fanning the burning embers that have kept the vision of our Society's founders ignited. Membership is the heart of the Society. Keep that heart pumping!

The International Society's "Shoe-In" Challenge with our H.O.P.E. initiative can enable each member and chapter to lay the foundation for the next generation of educators as has the present been laid out before us. The steps to recognition at the 2010 International are

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- Awarded \$14,200 in Enrichment Grant monies to members Gail McFadden, Linda Clapper, Mary Furlong, Carole Smith, Sylvia Wood, Karen Stazer and Patti Rial.
- Raffled wonderful gift baskets donated by the chapters to help defray convention expenses and gleaned over \$2000.
- Spent money at the chapter focus tables to put money in those chapter's projects.
- ☐ Bought Lucinda Rose Pins to make funds for NERC.
- Gave homage to Past State President Esther Grander and other departed sisters.
- ☐ Installed the 2009-2011 state officers of the Pennsylvania organization.

What I know for sure is that the future of Alpha Alpha State is now in very capable hands. The Rig Veda said, "At every crossing of the threads, there is an individual." In our organization's lattice of leadership, that individual is Susan Stamm and I know for sure that her vision includes promoting personal and professional growth of women educators and excellence in education.

Fondly, Carolyn easily within our reach. If your chapter maintains the same number of members in May of 2010 as your chapter had in January of 2009, your chapter will be recognized. This means that if you have lost members either through death ('Honor the Legacy' and be stewards of your chapter) or through resignation, your chapter should invite others to membership to keep the same amount of members on the books. (Your first hit - a single!)

"Offer the Gift of Membership" (H.O.P.E. Initiative) and increase the overall number of members from January 2009 through May 2010 ("Shoe-In" Challenge). For example, if you initiated 5 new members and your former members maintain their membership, your total number will reflect an increase of 5 members. This is your double or hit number 2 and would lead to recognition at the 2010 International Convention in Spokane, Washington!

Hit number 3 - the hard to achieve triple! The power of the vision is realized by the pride of the membership and our passion in promoting our pride. Add a member from an educational environment not currently represented in your chapter and your chapter will be recognized at the International convention in 2010. For example, invite a new member from a school who has no current members in your chapter, like a college or community college instructor. Or more creatively, think outside the box. What about looking at the following: day-care centers, community outreach programs, inschool aides, public library programs that involve children, YMCA or YWCA instructors that work with children or teach evening classes offered to adults - the possibilities for recognition are limited only by the extent of your sharing your pride and passion.

All members have the power to create a winning future. Congratulations to those chapters who have already begun rounding the bases and are meeting the International "Shoe-In" Challenge. They are well on their way towards activating the vision and scoring a home run for the Society. As Key Women Educators we are all power hitters! So get swinging!

PROGRAM OF WORK

Successful Chapters for the 21st Century

By Susan Stamm, Program of Work Chairman

ummertime is a great time to rekindle our energy level. But is also the time, as chapter Program chairman, for you to plan your chapter's programs for the second year of your biennium. Did you evaluate the programs that you planned and carried out last year? What worked for you? What needs to be changed? This is a great time for you to gather your committee together and start working. Everyone needs to be included in this process. How can Personal Growth and Services promote growth in your chapter members? What can Professional Affairs do to enlighten members about the profession and keep them informed on current legislation? How can Visual and Performing Arts lend support? What projects can your chapter support? What can Research tell you about your chapter and its members? All of these questions should be addressed in your planning sessions.

The purpose of all chapter programs is to meet the needs and interests of your members, whatever age they may be. That may seem like a daunting task, but if you include members from all the different age groups in your planning, this can be accomplished.

In the January-February, 2009 issue of *The Delta*Kappa Gamma News there are some points on meetings and programs worth noting if you are going to create successful chapters for the 21st century:

From the Research Committee...

By Monique Lautenschlager

As my biennium is coming to a close, the Alpha Alpha State Research Committee and I want to thank you for your cooperation in completing the data requested on the chapter demographics survey. The collected data was used to observe chapter profile changes from the last biennium report and to provide information for membership recruitment.

We hope that the materials distributed at the Alpha Alpha State Convention will motivate your chapter Research and Membership Chairmen to work together to analyze and use the membership profile results in developing a plan for increasing your chapter membership.

Have a Happy and Relaxing Summer!

- Four to six meetings a year, excluding "field trips" and Executive Board/committee meetings
- Relatively informal meeting structure, yet efficient and quick-moving
- More refreshment-only meetings than meal meetings
- Average length of 1 ½ hours, including refreshments, fellowship, business, and program
- Members' social needs met, but not to exclusion of professional/personal enrichment
- High-quality, interesting programs that often highlight community initiatives
- Open meetings and activities, non-member participation encouraged
- Members' talents and expertise widely called upon
 Keep the purposes of the Society before you as you
 plan for the year. Make sure your programs are fulfilling these purposes. And finally, be sure to include a
 program on your founders. Many of our younger
 members don't know the history of our organization.
 We must keep this alive if Delta Kappa Gamma is to
 remain a society for key women educators and not just
 another social club. Our founder Dr. Annie Webb
 Blanton wrote that "the best feature of Delta Kappa
 Gamma is the new friendships which it brings." Make
 sure your chapter meetings provide the opportunities for
 this to happen.

Have Your Elevator Speech???

An elevator speech is a quick statement you make describing (rather than naming) the organization. This may elicit follow up conversation. It is short enough that is can be said while riding several floors on an elevator. Below is one example of such a speech, but each member is challenged to develop her own elevator speech!

"We are an honor society that represents all levels of education. We provide professional and personal growth apportunities for members, support educational legislation, recognize outstanding women and provide leadership training for women educators at the local, state and international level."

A CREDO for Lifelong Learning

By Joan O. Peters
Personal Growth and Services Committee Member

In WEAVING CONNECTIONS to determine the tapestry of our lives, everything we experience - both directly and vicariously - affects the integrity and the beauty of the ultimate design. Whatever we do in cooperative encounters, collaborative efforts, and shared goals and objectives will blend in variegated patterns to evolve into what is uniquely our individual profiles.

Leo F. Buscaglia, Ph.D. (with whom I had an inspiring personal correspondence for well over a decade) wrote a very compelling book entitled *Living*, *Loving*, and *Learning*. Some of his foci are these: To live is to love; to love is to live; and in between is LEARNING. This concept is, to me, suggestive of an inseparable trio. We are not the same persons today that we were yesterday. And, tomorrow we'll be different from today. To LEARN, we must reach out and touch as many aspects of life as possible, communicate genuinely and gently ALL that we understand, and irrevocably change the emphasis from I and ME to WE and US.

Embrace life. Inspire love. Cherish learning. Take a few risks when necessary. Lead well when you are convinced of your stand. Follow the positive leadership of others and LEARN when their modus operandi and constructive ideas seem superior or more likely to prevail in specific circumstances. Giving of ourselves in love and service to others may draw us into situations that sometimes lead to unexpected dilemmas or limited uncertainty at any turn in our lifestyles, but this potential can often enhance, strengthen, and encourage real harmony and balance within our lifelong learning.

The day we were born we were given the world as our first birthday gift. Indeed, we often do know sorrow, which we can turn into joy. We often have pain, which can pivot into well-being. We often feel despair, which can be reversed into hope. We always claim the opportunity to LEARN from all life's challenges and to emphasize the positivity and the reciprocity which are the spirit behind individual choices.

Let us be grateful for the gift of love. Let us be responsible for the gift of life. Let us be ever cognizant of the prodigious chances we all enjoy to learn and to keep on learning as long as we can acknowledge our power to transcend the immediate and to soar to greater and more magnanimous levels of truth and beauty and goodness. Such, in my opinion, is lifelong learning. What we are to be, we are now becoming! Furthermore, it is very likely the proper response to what may be the key to eternity when we are asked, "Given your talents and skills, in your search for self, did you really try to become YOU?"



"Beads for Education"

By Lu Page, State Projects Chairman and 2008 Enrichment Grant Recipient

In Vanuatu, all women are called 'mama.' In many villages in Vanuatu, the women will gather on their handwoven mats to talk about village needs and daily life. They call this "The Mama Center." It is an oral meeting since most of the women do not read or write. However, it is their dream to provide an opportunity for their children to attend school. All parents who send their children to school in Vanuatu must pay tuition and provide school supplies.

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Beta

Kathy Billger Mrs. Kathleen Frederick Mrs. Michelle Heckman Mrs. Shawn Weaver

Iota

Dr. Barbara Zaborowski

Kappa

Mrs. Loretta Maddox Mrs. Diana Mettler Mrs. Amy Nesbella Mrs. Tiffany Warner

Lambda

Mrs. Diane O'Donovan Mrs. Terri Persch Ms. Machelle Spence-Scott

Sigma

Mrs. Janice Adair Mrs. Heather Baranoski Mrs. Carol Kruskie Mrs. Mary Stahl

Alpha Alpha

Mrs. Rosemary Kocher

Alpha Xi

Ms. Kathleen Elder Mrs. JoHannah Brawdy Mrs. Amanda Downey Mrs. Clare Rex Mrs. Margaret Matthews

Alpha Omega

Mrs. Gail Sollman Mrs. Nancy Wares

Beta Alpha

Michelle Leddy Theresa Lutz Julia Rees

Beta Theta

Mrs. Kathy Dunn Mrs. Louise Poorman

Beta Rho

Mrs. Ann Gay Mrs. Carol Madill Mrs. Katrina McMahon

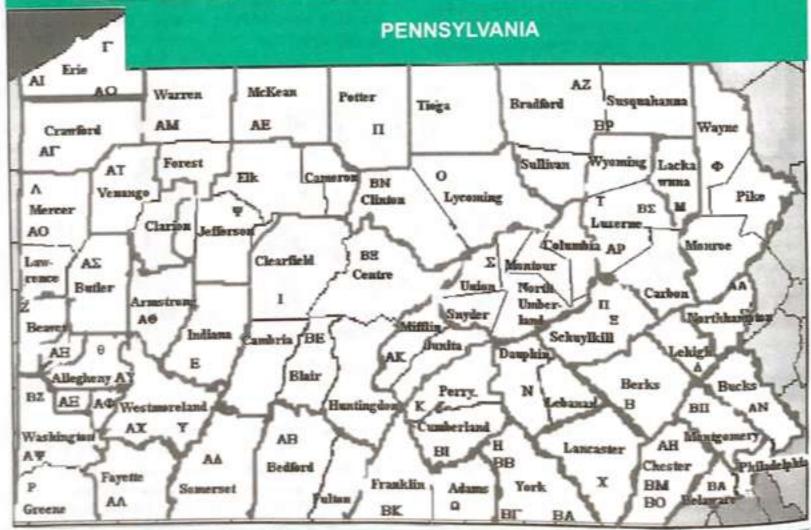
Beta Sigma

Mrs. Molly Sowcik Mrs. Wendy Vasey

Where in the state is ____chapter??? Use the map below to find the location of each chapter. (Note: This map is also found on our state brochure.)

A -Elpha	Σ-Signa
B -Beta	T-Tax
Г-Саппа	Φ-Phi
∆ – Delta	Y - Opolea
E -Eprilon	X -Chi
2-leta	Ψ-hi
H-Eta	Ω-Omega
0 -Theta	AA
1 -lota	AB
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A -Lambda	AA
M -Mu	AE
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Alpha Alpha State Chapter and County Map





THE

LEGISLATIVE

LINK

By Patricia Kardambikis, Ph.D.

"From Vision to Action: Advancing the Society" Through the US Forum



Mission of the US Forum

The United States Forum seeks to serve the interests of members and reflects the purposes and mission of the Society. Emphasis is on sharing information and ideas that explore solutions to common problems.

NEA Priority Areas for the 111th Congress

The 111th Congress is the current meeting of the legislative branch of the United Stated federal government, composed of the Senate and the House of Representatives. It began during the last two weeks of the George W. Bush administration, with the remainder spanning the first two years of the Barack Obama administration. The Congress will last from January 3, 2009, until January 3, 2011.

21st Century Skills - Ensuring that public schools have the resources necessary to prepare students to succeed in work, school, and life. 21st Century skills include: Core subjects, with 21st century content such as global awareness; financial, economic, business and entrepreneurial literacy; civic literacy; and health and wellness awareness;

Learning and thinking skills such as critical thinking and problem solving, communications, creativity and innovation, collaboration, contextual learning and information and media literacy;

Information and communications technology literacy,
Life skills such as leadership, ethics, accountability,
adaptability, personal productivity, personal
responsibility, people skills, self-direction, and
social responsibility.

Economic Recovery - Providing relief to states facing budget deficits, including temporarily increasing the Federal Medicaid match and providing funding through existing state education formulas in order to help stave off devastating cuts to education and other priorities. Also helping families struggling to make ends meet, including extending unemployment benefits and expanding nutrition assistance.

Education Funding/Appropriations - Pushing for increases in funding for key education programs to ensure that all students, educators, and schools have the resources necessary to succeed. Advocacy will be

necessary in finalizing appropriations for the current (FY09) fiscal year, as well as in development of budgets and appropriations bills for fiscal years 2010 and 2011.

ESEA Reauthorization/Education Transformation -

Ensuring passage of ESEA reauthorization legislation that reflects NEA's Transforming America's Public Schools Initiative, including

Supporting the teaching profession as a desired and complex field of study and practice;

Guaranteeing sustained funding for Title I and IDEA for special needs populations;

Ensuring equal access to educational services and supports;

Supporting state-led public school transformation through authentic accountability that is publicly transparent;

Establishing high-quality educational research and development as essential to educational improvement;

Supporting innovation and best practices to accelerate state-based improvement efforts and improve student learning based on proven teaching strategies and programs grounded in sound teaching and learning research.

Health Care Reform - Promoting the Health Care for America Now! Coalition principles for health care reform, which call for reform rooted in and built on our current health care system, but guaranteeing quality, affordable health care for everyone in America. Specifically, the principles support a choice of a private insurance plan, including keeping one's current insurance or choosing a public insurance plan; government setting and enforcing rules so coverage will actually be there when needed; assistance with purchasing coverage based upon a family's ability to pay; and support to small businesses to help them insure their workers. Social Security Offsets (GPO/WEP) - Securing passage of incremental steps toward full repeal of the Government Pension Offset and Windfall Elimination Provision, which unfairly cut or eliminated Social Security benefits for many public employees. For more information go to www.nea.org.

Save the Date

The U. S. Forum National Legislative Seminar is scheduled for March 14-17, 2010, at the Hyatt Regency Crystal City, 2799 Jefferson Davis Hwy, Arlington, VA 22202.

Remember

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



Friday night fun included the "Miss Alpha Alpha State" Pageant.

'Twas the first one (and maybe the last).

The Ethiopia Reads project received proceeds from the event.

Which turned out to be such a blast!



On Saturday Charles Youngs gave the opening address At the First General session of the day. Carolyn Sutton presided over the meeting with finesse: All reports were conveyed sans delay.



New state officers and committee members were duly elected

To serve through the subsequent two years.

State bylaws and standing rule changes were approved as expected.

The hard work of our peers we revere.

Autism and poetry and spirituality and writing Were afternoon topics regarding education. Chapter presidents met to share ideas so exciting To create chapters that warrant emulation.

Focus tables were prepared to help finance chapter projects:

Pins, hats, books, and apples and fine jewelry, And cookies and quilts were the proffered objects, Plus shirts - both denim and "T".



At the Celebration Luncheon we witnessed Jane Kurtz's

Now she's an honorary member and friend. We do welcome her with great adulation, And to her project our support we extend.



Five groups celebrated birthdays as chapters in our Society.

Peg Lady's story we did so admire.

Each chapter "performed" creative lyrics with propriety(?)

And we enjoyed the songs sung by the choir.



To Dr. Jensi Souders we send our condolence. Our thoughts are with you and your loved ones. And thanks to Dr. Irene Murphy, who has our confidence.

You're a great speaker - you got the job done.



Then nine chapter members shared their vast expertise -During workshops that were quite excellent. And ten creative women shared their art skills with ease. Thanks for exhibiting the results of your talent.



The Saturday night banquet will be hard to forget.

All anticipated the elegant procession.

Chapter presidents were escorted by uniformed cadets.

The opening made quite an impression.



The musical background made the scene quite complete. Pianist Donna Houser skillfully played. To hear guest flutist Lori Elliot

was really a treat.

Barb Rankin directed the lovely

Future officers of our state were then installed,

And Jane Kurtz gave the keynote address.

The audience was appreciative and duly enthralled.

To organizers and participants our gratitude we express.

serenade.



Jane Kurtz received a check for more than twelve thousand dollars

For the library project "Ethiopia Reads."

We are so proud to help young future scholars.

We're sure that her plan will succeed.



Scholarship/Enrichment Grant Recipients: Back Row L-R Gail McFadden, Putti Rial, Linda Clapper, Sylvia Wood Front L-R Karen Stazer, Dolly Anderson, Mury Furlong

At the Sunday morning breakfast many honors were awarded

In the form of scholarships and grants.

We're pleased that the hard work of our sisters is rewarded

And their enthusiasm as educators is enhanced.

Our new experiences have augmented our tapestry's length With new stories created and read.



It continues to be intertwined and increases in strength:
We weave with imperishable thread.

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L-R Accompanying Dr. Lyn for the Achievement Award presentation are Gisele Siebold, Chi Chapter President, carrying her infant son, Rowan, and Ann Ratay, member of the committee.

World in Her Hands," by 'The Achievement Airs' introduced the recipient.

Dr. Schmid's achievements in Delta Kappa Gamma are many. 1980 was the year Dr. Lyn began her career in Chi Chapter. She has served as chapter president, vice president and second vice president. She has been chairman for Membership, Program, Nominations,

Projects and Initiations for her chapter.

On the state level she served as president in 2005-2007. Other offices Dr. Lyn has held are first vice president 2003-2005 and second vice president 2001-2003. She has been the chairman for Membership, Program, Leadership Development, and Nominations committees. She has served as a member of the Professional Affairs and World Fellowship committees.

Dr. Schmid is active on the International level as well. She is presently serving on the Leadership Development committee. Dr. Lyn developed a program to train chapter presidents so they might work to stimulate their own growth as well as have positive growth for the chapter. The chapter presidents and chapters in Alpha Alpha State have benefited from this training. She served on and chaired the World Fellowships committee. Dr. Lyn is very dedicated and passionate about World Fellowships and Leadership Development.

A very proud moment for Dr. Schmid was when she was awarded the Annie Webb Blanton International Scholarship while she was working on her doctoral studies in the field of education.

Dr. Schmid enthusiastically embraces the purposes of Delta Kappa Gamma on all levels of our Society. Dr. Lyn's wonderful sense of humor is ever present and incorporated into teaching both young and the young at heart, be it in a kindergarten class or wherever she might be in the world.

It is with much pride and great joy the 2009 State Achievement Award be presented to Dr. Lynda B. Schmid. Congratulations, Dr. Schmid!

Once Upon a Time...

by Tracey R. Dusch, Projects Committee Chair

The final chapter in the story of the 2007-2009 Alpha Alpha State Projects Committee has a wonderfully happy ending...for three very good reasons.

- Jane Kurtz, author and board president of
 Ethiopia Reads, spent the whole weekend with
 us at state convention. She learned all about
 our Society and got to see Pennsylvania's
 members in action, raising money to plant our
 library in Ethiopia at the Miss Alpha Alpha State
 Beauty Pageant (over \$300.00 was raised as
 Louann Shrader won the crown) and at the Projects
 Committee's focus table. A variety of Jane's books
 were sold, and she was gracious enough to spend
 time Saturday afternoon signing those books.
- 2) An excellent workshop on writing was presented by Jane Saturday morning, and at the Birthday Celebration luncheon she was initiated as an Alpha Alpha State honorary member. Now we all have a Delta Kappa Gamma sister on the Ethiopia Reads board!
- 3) and most remarkable of all, at the conclusion of Jane's keynote address at the Presidents' Banquet, it was my privilege to announce (as President Carolyn wrote out the check) that Alpha Alpha State was donating \$12,378.00 to Ethiopia Reads! It was Carolyn's wish come true, twice over!

You, the members of Alpha Alpha State, are responsible for this happy ending. You can be so very proud of what our organization has done to bring books to the children of faraway Ethiopia.

Yemiyanebu Yabebu! Those who read bloom!



Shown tending the fund-raising table for Ethiopia Reads, are L-R: Tracey Dusch, Projects Committee Chair, Eileen Little and Lisa Kiss: Absent from the photo are members Gisele Siebold, Deborah Seng and Sharon O'Connell



THE DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY INTERNATIONAL - ALPHA ALPHA STATE
WOMEN OF DISTINCTION

2009

Donna L. Anderson Joanne Aurand Elizabeth Brewer Mary Lou Brown Joy E. Dietrich Sally M. Everhart Kathryn Firestone Philippa H. Follert Nancy Fondrk Charlotte S. Fye E. Margaret Gabel Marlene Jane Gotjen Donna J. Houser Marianne Karwacki Pamela Kastner Sarah Kowalski Deborah Leonard Suzanne M. Long Barbara MacDonald Therese McLaughlin PSI SIGMA SIGMA PSI CHI BETA KAPPA ALPHA UPSILON BETA RHO UPSILON PSI BETA THETA ALPHA DELTA KAPPA BETA XI OMICRON SIGMA OMICRON BETA THETA ALPHA XI BETA PI

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BETA KAPPA





Convention photos courtesy of Karen Ball, State Photographer, Barbara Clark, Communications Chair and Tracey Dusch, Projects

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ALPHA XI

It's Pittsburgh's 250th birthday, and members of Alpha Xi chapter (North Pittsburgh suburbs) is celebrating. President Phyllis Jenny's program committee planned a year's worth of programs related to Pittsburgh topics. We have heard about women's role in Pittsburgh from local historian Woody Cunningham, Pittsburgh's role in the Mexican War from author Gary Link (Spectrum), had a self-guided tour of the exhibits and Pittsburgh Innovations at the Heinz History Center in December (where we were joined by Alpha Alpha State President Carolyn Sutton and Louann Shrader, second vice president). In February we heard how member Mary Lou Ellen-Wygonick and her student writing group conducted research and interviews to publish Polish Hill Remembered, about one of the city's ethnic neighborhoods, while we dined on kielbasa and sauerkraut, pierogies, etc.

Projects Chair Linda Peffer arranged for a variety of service projects to help others in the area.



We've collected kitchen supplies for the Crisis Center North, over 400 snack items for visitors to

Gilda's Club, more than 50 Christmas gifts for clients of Glade Run Lutheran Services, and food and clothes for the Evans City Food Pantry.

Our fundraiser for supplying a library in Ethiopia is to have a used book sale at several of the meetings.

Submitted with photos by Karen Ulrich

Member/poet Shirley Stevens peruses the used books sold for the state Ethiopia Reads project.



It was quite a day when Chi Chapter visited with Nu Chapter in Lebanon, PA. On February 7, 2009, State President Carolyn Sutton was honored when Chi Chapter presented her with a quilt wallhanging. The meeting included a talk on Women's Heart issues by Nursing Director Trish Gadberry of Good Samaritan Hospital in Lebanon and a Remembrance Ceremony for Esther Grander, Past State President.

Submitted with photo by Lois Brown

ALPHA IOTA



Alpha Iota Chapter initiated seven members on October 25, 2008. Pictured are (front row) L-R Pam Wiley, Carol Crockett, Fran Piazza (back row) Karen Brennan, Candyce Sandusky, Jill Nolan, Lisa Trapp



Rosaline
Piazza, a 35
year member
(seated to left
in wheelchair)
watches as
family friend,
Pam Wiley,
places her
candle in the
circle. Ro's

daughter, Fran Piazza, (pictured behind Pam) is waiting her turn.

Submitted with photos by Loretta Baran

CHI



Chi Chapter members shown with State President Carolyn Sutton (center) are L-R Kathy Kuzmiak, Pat Sullivan, Carol Hartley, (Carolyn), Joan Stemen, Sandra Brown, Eileen Little

ALPHA KAPPA

Sisters of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society
International for Women Educators, Alpha Kappa
Chapter, met in early December to participate in their
annual community service project. Ladies attending the
meeting sorted, filled, and wrapped 40 boxes of comfort
items and items of entertainment for children in the
Mifflin/Juniata County areas. These boxes were then
taken to the two counties' Salvation Army offices to
distribute as the need arises.

Submitted with photo by Tena Kauffman



Those present for the project were: (front row) L-R Tiffany Reickart, Clare Flynn, Nancy Chrismer, Jill Funk, and Dorothy Patterson; (back row) Tena Kauffman, Pat Brown, Shirley Schlegel, Shirley Covert, Pam Kennedy, and Cindy VanGavree. Absent from the photo was Joy Sheaffer.

NU



Members of Nu Chapter's book club (standing) L-R Gloria Wentling, Betsy Berger, Priscilla Swanger, Shirley Folmer, Louise Dierwechter;

(seated) L-R Carol Holt, Anita Pence, Pat Shedlock, Marion Miller, Nancy Hower

Absent from picture: Susan Reedy, Jeanne Potters, Gerda Balthaser, Kathy Wickenheiser

Pat Shedlock with David Relin, coauthor of Three Cups of Tea, One Man's Mission to Promote Peace...One School at a Time



Nu Chapter's Book Club is shown at their monthly luncheon get together with the book, Three Cups of Tea, One Man's Mission to Promote Peace...One School at a Time. Moved by the book and its author, Greg Mortenson, Nu Chapter's project this year is to contribute to the Central Asia Institute, the non profit organization that supports community-based programs in Central Asia.

Four book club members traveled to New York and joined Alpha Alpha State sisters to attend the CTAUN Conference at the United Nations where Mortenson was a speaker for the event.

Pat Shedlock, Alpha Alpha State Corresponding Secretary, Nu Chapter, attended the Junior League of Lancaster Author's Luncheon where she met and talked with David Oliver Relin, co-author of the award winning, New York Times bestselling book, Three Cups of Tea, One Man's Mission to Promote Peace...One School at a Time.

In their account, Greg Mortenson and David Relingive hope that alleviating poverty and improving education, especially for girls, can be one of the most effective ways to counter Islamic extremism in the region of Pakistan and Afghanistan. The author signed Pat's copy of the book with these words: "The real enemy is ignorance."

Submitted with photos by Pat Shedlock

Please send chapter news/member accomplishments and photos to *The Keystonian* Editor by August 1, 2009 for the fall issue. Please include clear identification of the subject of the photo and of all persons in it. Thank you!

ALPHA RHO

The Alpha Rho Chapter of The Delta Kappa Gamma Society International met recently at Kazimi's Restaurant to Kingston, PA. The theme of the meeting was World Fellowship. Several students from Wyoming Seminary in Kingston, PA, spoke to the local educators about the culture and educational system of their native countries.



Pictured L-R are: Row one - Yuxuan Yang, China; Dr. Laurie Ayers, co-president; Marta Parras Arribas, Spain Row 2 - Mary Anne Hopkins, chairperson; Jane Slaff, ESL teacher from Wyoming Seminary Row 3 - Katerina Kostic, Sweden; Junj-Yeun Kwon, South Korea, Sutchaya Lertburapa, Taiwan.

Submitted with photo by Mary Therene Pitewage

Editor's Note: Mary Pitravage teaches at Woming Seminary which has a large international population. She was instrumental in providing this apportunity for Alpha Rho's program.

KAPPA

On March 7. Kappa Chapter welcomed two women educators, Tiffany Warner and Loretta Maddos, as new members. Kay Ansley was honored as our special tester. After a boxed lunch, the members made three blankers which will be given to the needy.

At the end of the month, the members attended Project Shara's Empty Bowl program at Dickinson College. Dickinson students make usup bowls which the members will buy and then eat soup together. All the money raised will go to Project Share, the local fixed bank. Kappa Kow (bank) has been doing a great job collecting "change" from the members. Money which Kappa Kow collected went to Project Share and Ethnopia Rends.

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BETA RHO



Prudence Clark Recognized As 50 Year Member of the Beta Rho Chapter

Prudence Clark, who celebrated her 94th birthday on March 22nd, was recognized for being the oldest member of the Beta Rho Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma

Society International. Cindy Reynolds, charter president of the chapter, visited Prudence at her home and following some reminiscing, presented her with a red rose preserved in a glass dome. The red rose symbolizes friendship, loyalty and helpfulness in the Society.

Prudence was born near Muncy Valley, Pennsylvania, and was a graduate of Harford High School, Mansfield State College, and the Pennsylvania State University. She was a teacher for 41 years in what is now the Mountain View School District.

Fondly known as the "Harford Fair Historian," she authored the book Harford Fair, 125th Year, 1858 to 1982. She was a fixture in the New Log Cabin at the fair and proudly displayed memorabilia from the fair in that building. During the past few years, Prudence's niece and sister have taken over manning the display, but she continues to make her annual visit to the fair.

Submitted with photo by Cindy Raymolds



Pictured L-R - Kappa Initiates Tiffany Warner and Loretta Maddox

Below L-R Linda Wineman, Felicia. Horrell and Mary Wilhelm make blankets.

BETA THETA



Pictured L-R are President Shirley Newhart, Valerie Koontz, and Treasurer Nancy Thompson.

Beta Theta Presents Check to Grant-in-Aid

The members of Beta Theta Chapter were very pleased to be able to present their grant-in-aid, Valerie Koontz, with a grant of \$1000 this year. The grant was to be used for her educational needs. Valerie spoke to the members of Beta Theta at their May meeting. She thanked them for their support over the past two years and spoke of her future plans.

Valerie graduated this May from Shippensburg State University with a degree in secondary education and a math major. She is currently seeking a math position in a secondary school.

Submitted with photo by Rosemary Ruhl.

Lambda, Zeta, Alpha Sigma, and Alpha Omicron hold biennial meeting

Lambda, Zeta, Alpha Sigma, and Alpha Omicron
Chapters hosted their biennial four chapter meeting on
April 4, 2009 at the Villa Banquet Center in New
Castle. Guests from five other chapters - Beta, Psi,
Alpha Phi, Alpha Xi, and Alpha Upsilon - also attended,
turning the biennial meeting into a nine chapter
meeting! Monica Jacobi Suarez, a World Fellowship
scholar at the University of Pittsburgh, also attended as
a guest of Alpha Sigma.

Lucretia Page, Beta Chapter, inspired, educated, and entertained us with her presentation "From the Hyatt to the Hut," about her adventurous Alpha Alpha grant trip to Vanuatu, South Pacific. President Carolyn Sutton encouraged us about our mission and our "Tapestry of Stories," the theme of our upcoming convention. Monica Jacobi Suarez told us of her feeling of closeness to our Society through our correspondence and visits. All of our Seven Purposes were addressed at this excellent meeting.

Submitted with photos by Stephanie Fulena



L-R President Carolyn Sutton, with Monica Jacobi Suarez, World Fellowships scholar, and Haddie Weber, Alpha Alpha State World Fellowships Chairman

Lucretia Page, (L) Alpha Alpha State Enrichment Grant recipient and Stephanie Fulena, Alpha Sigma president



In Memoriam

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M. Kathleen Coleman May 15, 2009

Kathleen, a member of Alpha Theta Chapter, was a dedicated and respected teacher. She is remembered as an active chapter member, an active member of her church, and an active member of her community. Nancy Edna Horne May 22, 2009

Nancy, a member of Alpha Beta Chapter, was at one time the chapter's recruitment grant recipient. She later served the chapter as chapter treasurer as well as serving on various other committees. Professionally, Nancy was a kindergarten teacher in the Forbes Road School District, and is also remembered for spending time in bilingual schools in China, teaching 2-5 year olds.

Alpha Alpha State Purposeful Seminar THE ERIE EXPERIENCE, Environment & More

By Judith Schaffer

As a child growing up in the Pittsburgh area, my mother often talked about vacations taken at Lake Erie staying at a local family-run motel called Zerns. It has been years since I had an ERIE EXPERIENCE, so my weekend spent at the Purposeful Seminar, April 24-26, 2009, brought back memories. Zerns is long



A group of Erie Experience participants enjoy the beautiful weather.

After lunch we

gone, but the Bel-Aire Clarion Hotel where participants stayed is located at the gateway to Presque Isle State Park. Another new attraction is the Tom Ridge Environmental Center, site of this seminar. Erie has really changed!

Forty-one participants from across Pennsylvania came together to Experience Erie - Environment and More. Did you know that Erie is Pennsylvania's fourth largest city and the only Pennsylvania port on the Great Lakes?

Friday evening was spent at local restaurants sampling delicious Lake Erie perch and watching a gorgeous sunset along the waterfront. Our group enjoyed eating at the Sloppy Duck Saloon. Some of us (especially me) helped the local economy by visiting Presque Isle Downs and Casino.

We began Saturday morning at 9:00 AM with environmental classes held at nearby TREC. Thanks goes to

the chauffeurs from Alpha Iota Chapter who transported us to and from the center. Each session, three in all, lasted 45 minutes and was lead by environmental experts.

Anna McCartney discussed "Science Connections" and refreshed us about how we learn. After her session many of us were heard repeating - Neuron-Axon Dendrites! David Boughton showed a powerpoint entitled "Greatest of the Great Lakes." His passion for maritime education was apparent throughout his talk. He even took us into restricted areas like the hydroponic



Pictured with President Carolyn Sutton and First Vice President, Susan Stamm are Eric presenters (bottom row) L-R David Boughton, Anna McCartney and Jude Shingle.

research labs.

Our last presenter was Jude Shingle, who had us working with magic markers on city charts examining environmental concerns. His "Watershed Moment" lead us into identifying issues which create local problems.

gathered to view the 45 minute film entitled "The Mysteries of the Great Lakes" on the large screen.

With some free time before our bus tour, many of us climbed the glass-enclosed 75 foot tower (or cheated and rode the elevator) for a view of Lake Erie. At 3:00 PM we boarded a bus for a seven mile escorted tour of the peninsula which is designated as a National Natural Landmark. Mother Nature provided us on Saturday with a hot, sunny day which was rare for April in Erie.

After a delicious Saturday evening buffet followed by awarding raffle prizes of donated local Erie products, the evening program began. Sister Pat Lupo discussed the Earth Force Program and its impact working with local student leaders. Erie has been the model for this program for over eleven years.

The final presentation on Sunday morning was given by Charles Kennedy, singer and storyteller. His portrayal of Erie native, Harry T. Burleigh, both entertained and educated. Many in the audience got up to sing and dance to his music!

Life is great in the Pennsylvania Great Lakes Region, even if it is only a short week-end! Thanks to all the chapter ladies of Erie for their hospitality and patience in answering the numerous questions about their area, especially where to shop. Those of us who

came over the river and through the woods to reach Erie went home with pleasant memories.

To those who missed the Purposeful Seminar, plan to visit Erie and feel the Lake Effect!

Photos courtesy of Karen Ball, Trucey Dusch and Kay Stuart



STATE COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS



We've Created a BUZZ!

By Barbara Clark,

Communications Chairman

Alpha Alpha State's Communications Committee began a project during the 2008 State Convention. That project was the Chapter Newsletter Recognition Certificate to be presented at the 2009 State Convention. As the chairman, I received the chapter newsletters by email and snail mail. It has been wonderful receiving and reading all of the newsletters, especially those with notes, making sure they would be recognized. Congratulations to the chapters preparing newsletters for their members!

In the fall of 2008, the International Communications
Committee challenged each member to "Create a
BUZZ!" Each month they provided a new topic or
method to spread the word about The Delta Kappa
Gamma Society International. If you haven't looked at
them on the International web site...DO IT!!! Why not
print each issue, put it in a notebook and reference it

Beads for Education

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Therefore, the fathers will leave their villages (sometimes weeks and months at a time) to find work to earn the money for their children's education. After spending an afternoon making beaded necklaces and bracelets, one of the women inquired if there was a way they could obtain beads to make jewelry to sell at the local market to tourists who come to visit Port Vila, the capital city of Vanuatu. She knew that this would be a way for the women to also contribute to their children's education. The market is a several hour walk from their village and the women will stay overnight under the benches so they are there in the early morning hours for market. What better investment than helping women find a means to assist in the education of their sons and daughters?!!!

From the mamas in a small village on Efate, from my son who served in Vanuatu as a Peace Corps Volunteer, and from me, we thank you for this most precious of all contribution...Beads for Education.

> Sincerely, Lu Page

often? It can be a wonderful ice breaker or discussion topic for a meeting next year.

Our Newsletter Recognition "Created a BUZZ" in Alpha Alpha State! Nineteen chapters were recognized and presented with certificates at the 2009 Convention. They were Eta, Theta, Iota, Kappa, Upsilon, Chi, Psi, Alpha Zeta, Alpha Mu, Alpha Nu, Alpha Xi, Alpha Omicron, Alpha Sigma, Alpha Upsilon, Beta Beta, Beta Theta, Beta Kappa, Beta Omicron and Beta Pi. The average number of issues was 3.5. Some were very elaborate and some were simple one page newsletters. The two most important aspects of the newsletters were the contact with their members and the information dispensed.

The Alpha Alpha State Communications Committee challenges each chapter to expand their current newsletter with more content or frequency. If your chapter does not have a newsletter, start one! Start small and expand over time. Your members will appreciate being more informed and it may even encourage more participation in chapter activities! If any chapter needs help with your newsletters, please contact a Communications Committee member.

Again, congratulations to all of the chapters recognized for their newsletters!!!



It is with great appreciation I
thank the following members of the
Communications Committee for their dedicated
effort in proofreading *The Keystonian* during the
past biennium:

Barbara Clark, Chairman Tammy Miller, Webmaster Valerie Ripple Carol Ulrich

> Sincerely, Terri Steller, Editor

STATE COMMITTEE COMMUNICATIONS

SCHOLARSHIPS AND ENRICHMENT GRANTS CREATE AWESOME TAPESTRY OF STORIES

By Janet Lee Hay, Alpha Alpha State Scholarships Chairman

The Alpha Alpha State Scholarship
Committee awarded two scholarships, one
Marian Spitzer Roebling scholarship, and
seven enrichment grants at the 72nd State
Convention at the Nittany Lion Inn in
University Park, Pennsylvania, on Sunday,
June 14, 2009.

Scholarships were presented to two outstanding Alpha Alpha State women educators who are pursuing higher educational study in order to become more professionally enriched.

Lorraine C. Purcell, Beta Mu, kindergarten teacher in the Phoenixville School District received the Margaret J. Wolf Award and will be working for her Principal's Certification at Cabrini College.



Dolly B. Anderson, Sigma, 5th grade teacher in the Warriors Run School District, is studying at Bloomsburg University for a Master's in Curriculum and Instruction.



The Marian Spitzer Roebling Scholarship was awarded to Amy Slagel, Eta, a 1st grade teacher in the Northeastern School District working on a Master's Degree in Reading at York College.

Seven Enrichment Grants were awarded to educators who will have many enriching stories to tell after this year.



Gail McFadden, Nu, a retired Enrichment Gifted Facilitator in the Cornwall-Lebanon School District, is planning an art study of the Italian Renaissance and culture of Tuscany and Florence, Italy.



Thank you to my Scholarship committee -Marlene Buljat, V. Gwynne Fetsko. Patricia Crouse, Lynne Sibley, and Roberta Frye - who have worked so conscientiously this biennium. Appreciation is sent to Peggy Critchfield for making the attractive certificates. Special thanks to President Carolyn for appointing me to chair such an exciting and active committee. Also "green" thanks to Treasurer Linda O'Connor for continuing to make money for us so we can provide such monies to wonderful and capable women.



Linda C. Clapper, Alpha Beta, teaches Pre-K, K, 1st, and 2nd graders remedial reading and math in the Tussey Mountain School District. She will be purchasing lending library books for her students.



Mary C. Furlong, Omega, a retired high school social studies teacher will judge the World Schools Debating Championships in Qatar.

Carole J. Smith, Omega, is a Learning Support Teacher in Littlestown. She is taking a 52 day Cross Country Bicycle Ride from San Francisco, California to Portsmouth, New Hampshire.



Sylvia Wood, Pi, 3rd grade teacher in the Northern Tioga School District, plans a travel study to the Netherlands during tulip time next year.



Karen Stazer, Gamma, teaches 5th grade language arts and social studies in the Iroquois School District. She will be attending a Colonial Williamsburg Institute in Early American History.



Patti Rial, Gamma, teaches 5th grade Language Arts and Social Studies in the Iroquois School District. She will be attending a Colonial Williamsburg Institute in Early American History.

Pennsylvania is ecstatic to have an International Scholarship recipient this year, the first since 2002. She is Amy M. Green from Alpha Epsilon chapter who received the Catherine Nutterville Scholarship.

LOCAL EDUCATOR RECEIVES CORNETET AWARD



Donna Winch from Middletown, PA, has received a Lucile Cornetet individual award for professional development from The Delta Kappa Gamma Society Educational Foundation. This award will enable Donna to attend A World of Possibilities: Teaching Music from a Global Perspective. Dr. Judith

Raybern, Educational Foundation Board of Trustees
Chair, announced that The Foundation awarded \$18,975
to outstanding educators to enable them to attend
professional activities in their respective fields.

Donna states, "The workshop for which I received this award is called Music from a Global Perspective. Participants will perform, explore, and dialogue for a deeper understanding of musical practices from around the globe. Through multiple experiences ranging from in-depth discussion to rehearsals and music-making, attendees will begin to develop a framework for student-centered experiences in multicultural and world music. This workshop offers music educators unique opportunities in choral, general, and instrumental music."

Save These Dates

July 22-26, 2009	Northeast Regional Conference Burlington, Vermont
August 7-8, 2009	Administrative Board Meeting State College, Pennsylvania
April 23-25, 2010	Creative Arts Retreat White Haven, Pennsylvania
June 11-13, 2010	Alpha Alpha State Convention State College, Pennsylvania
July 20-24, 2010	International Convention Spokane, Washington
July 20-23, 2011	Northeast Regional Conference Hershey, Pennsylvania

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Attention Chapter Treasurers NERC 2011

NERC 2011 will be here before we know it. At the 2008 Alpha Alpha State Convention, a three-year assessment of chapter members was approved. It was felt that this was the easiest way to raise the money needed for the Northeast Regional and especially for Pennsylvania Night at the regional. Please send your \$1 per member assessment to the following address:

> Mrs. Barbara Tobias, NERC Treasurer 2165 Long Lane Lebanon, PA 17046-1850

Make checks out to Delta Kappa Gamma NERC 2011

A few chapters have not sent their first assessment.

Please send it along with your second year assessment.

To those chapters who sent their first assessment and to those who paid all three assessments at once, thank you.

Questions regarding assessments can be directed to Wanda Keller, Ways and Means Chairperson at WKeller879@atlanticcbb.net or (814) 288-6521. (Put NERC 2011 in the subject line of your e-mail.)

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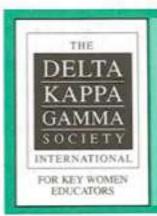
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In Memoriam

Edna R. Simon

December 3, 2008

Initiated into Alpha Beta Chapter in 1948,
Edna served the Society on both the chapter
and state levels. Edna taught in the Bedford
public schools and at Millersville
University. She was an active member of
Alpha Beta, serving the chapter as second
vice president, first vice president and
president. While with Alpha Beta she also
served on the State By-Laws Committee. In
1963 after becoming a professor of
education at Millersville University, Edna
transferred to Chi Chapter where she
continued to be an active member.

Joanne S. Eazor

March 21, 2009
Initiated in 1972, Joanne was a loyal
member of Alpha Gamma Chapter. She
served the chapter on various committees
over her years of membership.

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

John Ruskin

Arlene Ann Vigrass

May 1, 2009

Arlene, a member of Alpha Upsilon, was an active and involved chapter member. She served the chapter on most committees including Finance, Ways and Means, Communications, Personal Growth and Services, Projects, Social, Nominations, Welfare, Program and Scholarship. Professionally, Arlene was a kindergarten teacher in the Highlands School District in the Pittsburgh area.

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Reminder-

Send all Form 6/Memoriam information to: Kay Stuart Alpha Alpha State Second Vice President

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